

Purpose for Man's Salvation – Part 4

In our last lesson, we saw that Day 2 is where division takes place and separates the waters from

DAY FOUR: *Gen 1:14* "Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; **15** "and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so. **16** Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. **17** God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, **18** and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. **19** So the evening and the morning were the fourth day"

- ❖ As we continue to make divisions between the spirit and the flesh and continue to divide between that which is of the earth and that which is of heaven. As we continue to die to self and walk in the spirit, seeking the kingdom first so God brings about for us that portrayed in day four. It is the opening of His word in relation to the kingdom through the wisdom that comes from above, from the One who is 'the light of the world'.
- ✓ ***Jam. 3:17*** "But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy."
- ✓ ***Col 2:2*** "...attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, **3** in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge"
- ✓ It is the gospel of the glory of Christ that would shine from the heavens to the earth-
2Cor. 4:3 "But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, **4** whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them."
- ❖ The further division between the light and the dark, the day and the night as a result of the 'lights' placed in heaven is unmistakable.
- ✓ ***1Thes. 5:5*** "You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. **6** Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. **7** For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. **8** But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. **9** For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ"
- ❖ To be 'sons of the light and sons of the day' and to have had the 'light of the gospel of the glory of Christ' shine upon us, so as to put on the breastplate of faith and love and the helmet of the hope of salvation, we will, from the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, have

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received the keys to unlocking the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven. Having been given from above the revelation that He is 'the Christ, the Son of the Living God, we will be setting our hearts fully on the blessed hope that is to come. We will have grasped the big picture. Understood that it is here a little and there a little. That all scripture is about the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ. We will have understood the types and seen the anti-types. We would be able to do exactly that pointed in **Matt. 13:52** "Then He said to them, *"Therefore every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old."*

And this is what we find in day 5:

DAY FIVE: Gen 1:20 "Then God said, *"Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens."* **21** So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. **22** And God blessed them, saying, *"Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."* **23** So the evening and the morning were the fifth day."

- ❖ Just as the birds we can now, through the continued revelation of the Spirit, through the word, soar to great spiritual heights. Remember the Lord said He would send us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. In a very real sense we can claim the fulfillment of Isaiah 40 – **Isa. 40:31** *"But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint"*
- ❖ As the fish and great sea creatures plumb the depths of the oceans, so we can plumb the depths of the deep things of God by the spirit through the word.
- ✓ **Job 11:7** *"Can you search out the deep things of God? Can you find out the limits of the Almighty?"*
- ✓ **1Cor 2:10** *"But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God"*
- ❖ There is freedom in the Spirit, through the Word, to search out the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. If we will ask, it will be given to us. If we seek we will find. If we knock it will be opened to us.

DAY SIX: Gen 1:24 "Then God said, *"Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so.* **25** And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. **26** Then God said, *"Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."* **27** So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. **28** Then God blessed them, and God said to them, *"Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."* **29** And God said,

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*"See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. **30** "Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food"; and it was so. **31** Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day"*

- ❖ Just as the living creatures on the earth would roam to and fro on it finding food wherever they go, so we may roam to and fro through the word of God and feast.
- ❖ Days four, five and six in our Ruth connection would take us to her decision - **Rut 3:5** **"And she said to her, "All that you say to me I will do."** And would encompass her preparation of washing, anointing and putting on her best garment in preparation for meeting Boaz on his threshing floor.
- ❖ And then at the conclusion of this six day process, just as the conclusion of Ruth, we see the one created to have dominion in a position to be recognized to do just that.
- ❖ That recognition will come at the Judgment Seat of Christ, typified by Boaz's threshing floor, which will take place at the end of the sixth day, the sixth thousand year. This leads us into that which God set apart and hallowed from the beginning, the 7th day, the day of rest, the Sabbath day, the Millennial kingdom rule of Christ.

DAY SEVEN: **Gen 2:1***"Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. **2** And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. **3** Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made. **4** This is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens."*

Heb 4:9 *"There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. **10** For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. **11** Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience."*

- ❖ The Rest remains for the people of God and we will access it through the process of the six days in Genesis 1.
- ❖ It is in this process that we will be 'working out our own salvation in fear and trembling' and at the conclusion of it we will receive the goal of our faith, 'the salvation of our souls'.
- ❖ What God set in place for the restoration of His fallen creation in the beginning never changes. It is only as we move into spiritual maturity through the process that the 6 days of Genesis represent that we will find ourselves built into His Church, His Bride, a spiritual house.
- ❖ Day One stands alone and is forever finished. Days 2-6 are continuous and progressive.
- ❖ Where are you today? The start of the week or moving to its close. Have you determined to observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy?
- ❖ **In Summary:** What we see in the six days of work in Genesis 1 is the foundational framework of the complete picture of salvation.

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- ✓ From Spirit salvation on Day 1, when light shone forth out of the darkness to soul salvation Days 2- 6.
- ✓ All of this process leads to the 7 Day.
- ✓ And it is of course the foundational picture of the faithful Christian experience. The experience of the ones who will receive the salvation of their souls. Those are the ones who will be adopted as first-born sons, hence becoming the Bride of Christ.

- ❖ What we also need to note is that after the first day (picturing the salvation of the spirit), there was a continual work of the spirit accompanied by a resultant action within creation that led to a complete restoration.
E.g. Gen 1:6"Then God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters."
- ✓ If this is seen in the type it will also be true for the faithful Christian in the antitype.
- ✓ So what do we see then? - Each of the six days begins with the phrase seen here in Gen 1:6"Then God said...
- ❖ It is the word that God speaks at the beginning of each day that brings about the resultant action on that day. It is the wisdom from above, that which is brought forth out of God by the Spirit of God that causes a 1 transformation to take place - ***Psalms 104:24 "O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all".***