



## IN THE BEGINNING WAS GOD...

Genesis chapters 1 and 2 declare God created the world around us and that He created man in His image. We learn more of who God is in John 1:1-3 and compare Colossians 1:16-17. No man has seen God at anytime, the only begotten Son, He has revealed Him (*John 1:18*). We read further that God is a spirit (*John 4:24*). Again, we read great is the mystery of godliness, God was manifest in flesh, a human body,

(*1 Timothy 3:16 and John 1:14*). Matthew 1:18-25 and Luke 1:26-35 give us an account of this, the Holy birth of the Lord Jesus Christ (*Luke 2:1-11*), who came into the world (*John 3:13*) to save sinners (*1 Timothy 1:15*). He (the Lord Jesus) who knew no sin, and who did not sin and of whom the scriptures declare there is not sin, came into the world to take away sin!

(*2 Corinthians 5: 21; 1 Peter 2:22; 1 John 3:5 and John 1:29*). Simply and emphatically, we are all sinners (*Romans 3:23*). There is none righteous, no not even one, there is none that seek after God! (*Romans 3:11*). Sin came into the world by one man's disobedience and death by sin (*Romans 5:12*). Compare Genesis chapter 3, where we see how sin entered into the world. We then see physical death in the generations of Adam and death marks the 5th chapter of Genesis, sin and death have been passed unto all mankind. Further, we read God's sad commentary on fallen, sinful man: the wickedness of mankind was great and the thoughts of his heart were continually evil (*Genesis 6:5*). Compare the Lord's words concerning our evil in Mark 7:21-23. Sin is knowing to do good and not doing it (*James 4:17*). All that is wrong in the eyes of God is sin! (*1 John 5:17*). The soul that sins will surely die (*Ezekiel 18:4*). The wages of sin is death... (*Romans 6:23*). We read further of a second death, The Second Death, spoken of in Revelation 20:11-15.

Luke 16:22-23 further shows eternal separation from God. This is our destiny if we are not saved, because we have all have sinned (*Ecclesiastes 7:20*).

## GOD COMMANDS ALL MEN TO REPENT!

Now, having established by the word of God that sin is the cause of death and our separation from God (*Genesis 2:16-17 & Genesis 3:23-24*) and that death and judgment are the consequences of being sinners! What does it take to put things right? Can we know our sins are forgiven? We are condemned by birth (*Romans 5:18*), lost, without God and without hope (*Ephesians 2:12*). We must be saved (*Acts 4:12*) and we must be born again! (*John 3:3*). We are sinners in thought, word and deed according to God, the Holy One who inhabits eternity (*Isaiah 57:15*). We can see that before we believe on the name of the only begotten Son of God we are judged, the verdict? GUILTY! (*John 3:18 and Romans 3:19*). As I have sought to show from the word of God, we are lost, guilty and sinful. What can we do? We need to have a change of mind, we need to agree with God's analysis concerning ourselves lost, guilty, sinful and in need of His salvation. We need to believe the record that God has given concerning His Son, concerning our sin and trust the only one who can save us from its consequences (*John 3:16; John 5:24; John 14:6; Romans 5:8*). Why? Because God has appointed a day when He will judge the world in righteousness, taking vengeance on everyone who does not know God and all that do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These individuals shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His might! God commands all men everywhere to repent!

(*2 Thessalonians 1: 8-9 and Acts 17:30-31*).  
**LET GOD BE TRUE AND EVERY MAN A LIAR...**

I would like to share with you the glorious gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Gospel begins with God and is the Good News of His grace towards mankind. Apart from giving God an open ear, life and our existence are left up to our imagination, which God says is darkened and alienated from the life of God (*Ephesians 4:17-18*). The Lord says a fool trusts his heart (*Proverbs 28:26*). Wise is he who hears and believes!

Take your time and look up the chapter and verse references as you go along. Search the Bible. The word of God settles everything (*Psalms 119:89*). The Lord Jesus spoke of heaven and earth passing away, but He continued and said my words shall not (*Luke 21:33*). The Lord further informs us that our thoughts are not His thoughts and neither are our ways His ways! (*Isaiah 55:8-9*). I hope you have a sincere desire to know His way...for there is a way that seems right to man, but in the end it leads to death... (*Proverbs 16:25*).