

Does God Care?

When God originally formed, made, and created Adam and Eve, He gave them His best. God gave them His spirit in which to communicate with Him. He made for them a garden of paradise and placed them in it to freely enjoy. There was no lack whatsoever; perfect food, perfect climate, perfect companionship. God gave them dominion over everything on the earth. Everything that He had made was very good!

Genesis 1:26-31:

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. [The image of God is spirit: John 4:24]

And God **blessed them**, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and **have dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

And God said, Behold, **I have given you** every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so.

And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* **very good**. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

After Adam sinned, God sent a redeemer on behalf of mankind, the Lord Jesus Christ. When he accomplished mankind's complete redemption, the kingdom was restored to his Father, God.

I Corinthians 15:24-28:

Then *cometh* the end, when he [Jesus] shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down [made inoperative] all rule and all authority and power.

For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed is death.

For he [God] hath put all things under his [Jesus Christ's] feet. But when he saith all things are put under *him* [put in subjection], *it is* manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.

And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

In the book of Revelation we see what the future for mankind is. Again we clearly see the greatness of God, His love, His wisdom, His power, His authority, His tenderness, His compassion, His caring, His grace.

Revelation 21:1-11; 18-19; 22-22:5:

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

Having the glory of God: and her light *was* like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

And the building of the wall of it was *of* jasper: and the city *was* pure gold, like unto clear glass.

And the foundations of the wall of the city *were* garnished with all manner of precious stones...

And the twelve gates *were* twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city *was* pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.

And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither *whatsoever* worketh abomination, or *maketh* a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, *was there* the tree of life, which bare twelve *manner* of fruits, *and* yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree *were* for the healing of the nations.

And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

And they shall see his face; and his name *shall be* in their foreheads.

And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Does this appear to be the best place imaginable? This is what our God has in store for all who love Him. But what about now? Too many think that God has forsaken them now. The original Garden of Eden was paradise. The final destination will be paradise. But God must be on vacation or He doesn't care about people today because this present world hardly resembles either of these two places. However, times were extremely dismal before.

Genesis 6:5-8:

And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually.

And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

That's the answer, God's grace, God's divine favor toward mankind. Noah was a man. He had sinned like all of mankind. However, God was willing to show him His favor at that time. Today, God continues to display His favor toward all of mankind because of the accomplished work of His dear son. God set the standard with His love for all of mankind to enjoy His benefits.

John 3:16:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Unfortunately we have to wait for our total redemption, when we will receive our new bodies, but God has not left us alone to feign for ourselves today. His grace and His peace He wants for us to utilize. He has already blessed us with all spiritual blessings. We have been given sonship into His family with all of the benefits including an inheritance. We have been forgiven of our trespasses against God. He has given us His Word in order that we can manifest all wisdom and good sense in this life. We have a real hope to look forward to, to help us do more than just exist.

Ephesians 1:2-10:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed *is* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *realm*, even as He chose us in him [*in Christ*] before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blemish before him.

In love, He determined before hand for us *to have* sonship to Himself through Jesus Christ in accordance with the good pleasure of His will unto the praise of the glory of His grace [*favor*], by which He highly favored us in the beloved *one* [*Jesus Christ*].

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of trespasses according to the riches of His grace [*favor*],

which He caused to abound unto us. With all wisdom and prudence,

He has made known to us the ministry of His will in accordance with His good pleasure, which He Himself purposed in him,

So that in the administration of the fullness of times He might bring all things together under one head in the Christ, *that is*, the *things* in heaven and the *things* upon the earth in him.

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God cares about us today. He wants us to have and to be the best.

III John 2:

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

God wants us to prosper, to live a successful life. He wants us to be healthy in order to enjoy His creation. All of this must be available or God would not declare His desire to us.

Psalms 103:1-5:

Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *ble*ss his holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good *things*; *so that* thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

God does care about His people today. He has not forsaken us. We can enjoy this life when we know what the will of God is. We learn that from His Word. We need to be thankful for what His son accomplished. No, it's not heaven on earth today; however our relationship with our heavenly Father can help make our time here much more pleurably and profitable.

I Thessalonians 5:16-18:

Rejoice evermore.

Pray without ceasing.

In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.