

CHRIST'S BIRTH AND LIFE

GOD NEVER TELLS YOU TO GIVE UP SOMETHING UNLESS HE HAS SOMETHING BETTER FOR YOU (EDNA PARKIN.)

VS 5 & 6. THE SATISFIED MAN AND WHEN YOU ARE SATISFIED YOU ARE SAFE.

INHERITANCE IS ALL THAT GOD GIVES BUT THE CUP IS THE ACTUAL AMOUNT YOU ENJOY (ISRAEL NEVER OCCUPIED ALL THE LAND GOD GAVE THEM. JER 2¹³.)

BUT JESUS DID. (SEE COLOSSIANS 2 V 9 SEE ALSO COL 1 V 19.)

V7. THE INSTRUCTED MAN.

NOTE THE NIGHT SEASONS HEBREWS 2 V 10. S. VS 7, 8, 9. PERFECTLY FITTED TO BE NOW OUR GREAT HIGH PRIEST TO UNDERSTAND US) SEE HEBREWS 4,¹⁴⁻¹⁶

V 8. - II. THE PERFECT MAN. 1, IN LIFE I HAVE SET THE LORD ALWAYS BEFORE ME NO DEPARTING FROM GOD'S PATH FOR HIM. (TEMPTATION.)

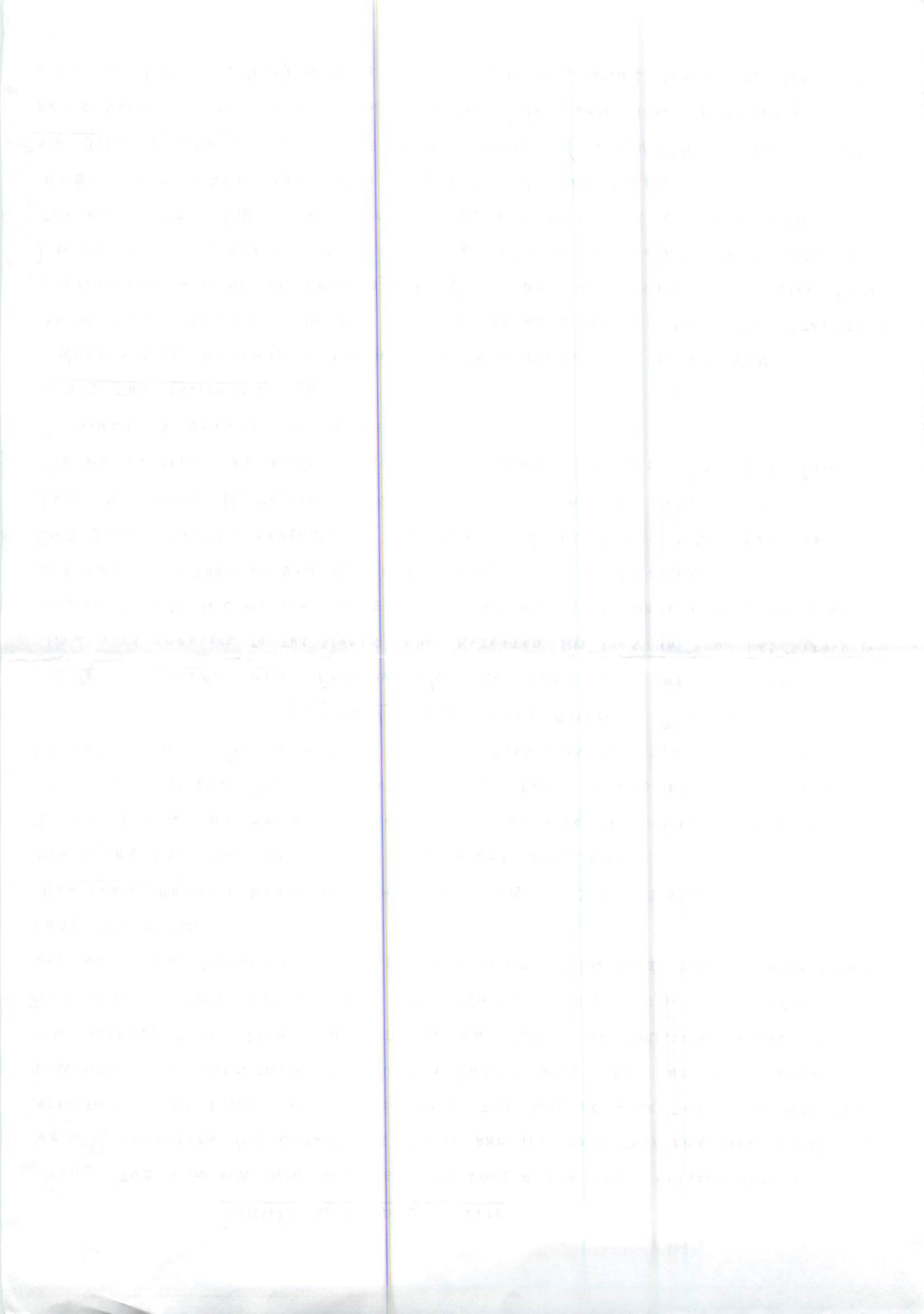
2 IN DEATH. HIS BODY SAW NO CORRUPTION FOR

HE WAS SINLESS

3 IN RESURRECTION PATH OF LIFE = FOR GOD

RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD (A SIGN OF A PERFECT WORK CHRIST ACCOMPLISHED IN PUTTING AWAY SIN. NOW IN GOD'S PRESENCE WHERE THERE IS FULLNESS OF JOY NO SUCH CONDITION HERE (WITH EVERY JOY OF EARTH THERE IS AN ATTENDANT SORROW) (ROSE-THORN)

AND AT THE RIGHT HAND THERE ARE PLEASURES FOREVERMORE (CONTRAST THESE TO THE PLEASURES OF SIN THAT ARE JUST FOR A SEASON. (HEBREWS 11 VS 24, 25))



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ALAS TODAY IN OUR MODERN SOCIETY WE HAVE A CHRISTMAS WITHOUT CHRIST. WE HAVE FORGOTTEN HIS BIRTH IN THE STABLE AND FOR MANY THEY ARE MORE INTERESTED WITH FOOD ON THE TABLE. WE HAVE FORGOTTEN THE GUIDING STAR THAT THE WISE MEN FOLLOWED WHICH LED THEM TO JESUS THE CHRIST CHILD AND THEY ARE TAKEN UP WITH FOOTBALL STARS, FILM STARS, TELEVISION STARS. SO CHRISTMAS WITHOUT A SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. THIS PERSON WAS A GIFT PROMISED IN OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES AND NO OTHER RELIGIOUS LEADERS COULD CLAIM PROPHECIES ABOUT THEIR COMING INTO THIS WORLD

HOWEVER HAVING DEALT IN SOME DETAIL ABOUT JESUS BIRTH AND WHAT TOOK PLACE AS RECORDED BY MATTHEW 2. (SHEETS AVAILABLE)

TODAY I WANT US TO MOVE FORWARD TO THE LIFE OF CHRIST. FOR AS WE HAVE HIM FIRST AS OUR SAVIOUR NOW HE IS OUR EXAMPLE AND AS PETER SAYS SEE 1 PETER 2 v 21 SO NOW A PICTURE OF JESUS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

PSALM 16. (ONE OF THE MESSIANIC PSALMS.)

VI. THE DEPENDENT MAN. PRESERVE ME O GOD, FOR IN THEE DO I PUT MY TRUST.

HOW VERY OPPOSITE TO THE SINNER WHO REJECTED HIS TRUST IN GOD (AS STATED IN ISAIAH 53 v 6. ALL WE LIKE SHEEP HAVE GONE ASTRAY WE HAVE TURNED EVERYONE TO HIS OWN WAY. (BASIS OF SIN IS INDEPENDENCE OF GOD.) PROVERBS 14 v 12

BUT JESUS CHRIST DEPENDED ON HIS FATHER JOHN 5 v 19 v 30 EVEN ON THE CROSS MEN CRIED HE TRUSTED IN GOD. ONE PROOF WAS HIS PRAYER LIFE

SO WE AS BELIEVERS NEED TO BE EVER DEPENDENT ON GOD (STORY OF GEORGE CUTTING.) A DEPENDENT BELIEVER.

VS 2, 3 THE DELIGHTED MAN

WHAT A MAN DELIGHTS IN REVEALS THE TRUE CHARACTER OF THE MAN

1STLY JESUS DELIGHTED IN GOD I HAVE NO GOOD BEYOND THEE (HE STOPPED HIS IMAGINATION AND DESIRE FROM ALL ELSE) I DELIGHT GREATLY IN THE LORD PS 40⁸ "I DELIGHT TO DO THY WILL O MY GOD." 2, ALSO IN THE SAINTS THAT ARE IN THE EARTH v 3. (NOTE MY ATTITUDE TO GOD IS REFLECTED IN MY ATTITUDE TO GOD'S CHAIN. SAUL PHILIPPIAN JAILOR 1 JOHN 3 v 14.

v 4. THE SEPARATED MAN. HEATHEN IDOLATORS (CUSTOM) NOTE FALSE GODS BRING SORROW. WHY DO YOU THINK GOD SAID 'THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME (JEALOUS GOD) BECAUSE HE KNOWS IT WILL BRING SORROW TO YOU. FOR