

SOME THOUGHTS ON GOD, ON MAN AND ON SATISFACTION

Scripture: Psalm 17:15

Introduction:

A. God is Spirit.

- 1. Jesus said, “God is Spirit and he that worships Him, must worship Him in spirit and in truth.**
- 2. The three Persons of the divine God Head are all Spirit; God the Father is Spirit; God the Son is Spirit; God the Spirit is Spirit.**

B. God created man in His own image.

- 1. Not the fleshly body, but the spirit man which is housed in the body of flesh.**
- 2. Created in God’s image was the inner spirit man.**
- 3. The spirit that can think and can reason just as God does.**
- 4. The spirit that can feel good and also feel badly just as God does**
- 5. The spirit that can love and can also hate just as God does.**
- 6. The spirit that can be happy and also be angry just as God does.**
- 7. The spirit that can be satisfied and dissatisfied just as God does.**

C. The Old Testament is an inspired record of the relationship of God and the man He created in His own image.

- 1. First there was a time of peace and tranquility as they met in the Garden – each enjoying the company of the other – satisfied with their relationships.**
- 2. Then, man’s disobedience shattered their peaceful relationship.**
- 3. Since sin entered in, neither God nor man has been totally satisfied with each other.**
- 4. The Old Testament contains the record of man’s dissatisfaction with God and his turning to idols followed with God’s dissatisfaction with man and His punishment.**

D. God has devised a means whereby this broken fellowship can be restored to its Endemic glory.

- 1. God's holiness had to be honored and His justice satisfied.**
- 2. This was accomplished on the cross of Calvary when Jesus, the sinless, holy Son of God, sacrificed Himself to pay the sin debt of the world.**
- 3. According to Isaiah *"He shall see the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities."***
- 4. God's justice was satisfied; and would be satisfied with each person who accepted this sacrifice for himself by repenting of his sin and trusting the crucified, buried and risen Jesus Christ for salvation.**
- 5. Every person who does this is born again – born from above—and is created a new spirit person and is a partaker of God's divine nature.**
- 6. Now, God has satisfied the longing soul, and has filled the hungry soul with goodness (Psalm 107:9)**
- 7. God and the new spirit man are at peace with each other and are satisfied with each other.**
- 8. But, the old outer man is not at peace with God, nor is he at peace with the new spirit man who lives within his body. And thus no saved person is truly satisfied in this life.**

E. But there is coming a time that he will be.

I. LEARN THAT ALL HAVE AN APPOINTMENT WITH DEATH.

**"when I awake" from death. "It is appointed unto man once to die"
"All have sinned" -- "the wages of sin is death."**

II. LEARN THAT THERE IS COMING A RESURRECTION.

"when I awake" "for as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive -- "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth;"

III. LEARN THAT WE SHALL SEE JESUS.

“I shall behold his face in righteousness.” Job 19:25-27 For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.

IV. LEARN THAT HIS PEOPLE SHALL BE RESURRECTED IN HIS LIKENESS.

“with thy likeness” – The Lord Jesus Christ “ shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

V. LEARN THAT THEN WE WILL BE SATISFIED WITH GOD AND GOD WILL BE SATISFIED WITH US.

**“I shall be satisfied when I awake with thy likeness”
And this will be for eternity –**

Conclusions:

- A.If you do not know Jesus as your Savior, you will never be satisfied.**
- B.Know Him as your savior and be satisfied for eternity.**