

Merry Christmas!

“The Birth of the Celebrity”

**There are many greater-grace heroes in Christianity but only one Celebrity and every greater-grace hero recognizes the Celebrity-status of Jesus Christ.**

Everything we have and everything we will ever be, is directly related to the Lord Jesus Christ.

*If we've made the greatest of all decisions in life to believe in Jesus Christ, we have, once and for all, eternal salvation but this does not indicate that we love Jesus Christ or that we even have the capacity to love Him.*

No believer truly reaches maturity in the Christian life until he recognizes the Celebrity-status of Jesus Christ, for this is where we have enough truth in our souls to vindicate His Word, glorifying Him.

**Grace-thinking is the state of mind which submits to God's order and does not exalt itself; it eliminates all human viewpoint from the soul.**

Grace-thinking regards other believers higher than ourselves.

*And how can we possibly think that way of someone who behaves poorly? Not through hypocrisy or sensitivity training but only through grace-thinking in being so occupied with Jesus Christ that in our relationships with other people, we don't judge, malign, criticize, ridicule or intrude on their privacy.*

Operation Grace is designed to allow every believer to live his own life as unto the Lord.

Mental attitude divine viewpoint; the mind of Christ

(1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 2:16) is the objective and command

for every believer and the only way we can obey this command is to have biblical truth in our hearts and to do this, we must begin with Jesus Christ and the true concept of His Word.

*What happens to human so called celebrities? They deteriorate; lose their abilities and popularity; they grow old; their glamor fades and then, they die!*

A believer with any knowledge of biblical truth would never make a celebrity of a fellow human being!

**Humility in Philippians 2:3 was used for grace-thinking; so we learn something else about Jesus Christ: not only are His thoughts infinite but He thinks about us only in terms of GRACE.**

This means that there never was or ever will be one believer ever who has earned or deserved anything from God.

*His grace-thinking toward us indicates that He is the only source of blessing, so if we have anything that is wonderful, worthwhile or valuable, it's because Jesus Christ is ultimately the source, no matter what human agency may be involved.*

**When we reach this stage, the Celebrity of Jesus Christ will be a reality in our lives and although we will have tremendous capacity to enjoy all the blessings that God will pour into our cup, they will seem insignificant compared to the One who gave them to us.**

In eternity past, Jesus made His decision to make the sacrifice but the actual fact didn't occur until the virgin birth.

*When we scream for help in time; remember: Jesus Christ had the answer before time began!*

There is no limitation in the function of deity as a Christophany; a post-resurrection appearance of Jesus Christ or a Theophany; a preincarnate appearance of our Lord but when deity becomes a true member of the human race, it's an entirely different concept as deity assumed human form.

**The ultimate expression of God's plan is the God-Man-Savior.**

A perfect plan from a perfect Father glorifies a perfect Son.

*God's plan is that all creatures would come to recognize the Celebrity-status of Jesus Christ; first, by the Gospel, leading a person to salvation; then even further by reaching greater-grace in time; or by facing the alternative through a shocking event in eternity.*

But what about believers who remain ignorant of the Word of God; who don't recognize the Celebrity-status of Jesus Christ? They're sadly missing the plan of God for their lives, losing out on the greatest, most fantastic blessing life can offer!

**The imputation of Adam's original sin to the sin nature produces a facsimile of Adam at the point of his fall in the Garden.**

Although both the man and the woman in the Garden were equally guilty, the woman's sin of ignorance was the reason she became the bearer of the embryo,

1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 2:13-15.

*While both the man and the woman are carriers of sin nature, only the man can transmit the sin nature through the fertilization of the female ovum.*

Since it's only the male's 23 chromosomes that carry the sin nature and not the female's, this means that if a woman could have a virgin pregnancy or if her ovum could be fertilized apart from male copulation, the offspring could be born into the world without a sin nature!

And being born without a sin nature, Adam's original sin couldn't be imputed to that person with no connection which is required for this real imputation.

**So the virgin birth is the basis for redemption, because it provided the world with a perfect human being, the only One qualified to be judged for the sins of the world.**

So, God is One in essence but three in Persons.

*Jesus Christ became different from the Father and the Holy Spirit at the virgin birth because He now became true humanity along with His undiminished deity as the God-man.*

In the Person of the incarnate Christ are two natures, inseparably united without mixture or loss of separate identity, without loss or transfer of properties or attributes and the union is personal and eternal.

So, Jesus Christ is different from the Father and Holy Spirit in that He is true humanity and He is different from true humanity in that He is God!

**1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 3:16 Hebrews 2:14 and Philippians 2:3-11**

**The first prophecy of the virgin birth is found in Genesis 3:15-16**

**'And I will put enmity between you and the woman and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head and you will strike His heel.'**

The Jewish prophecy is found in Isaiah 7:14, 9:6 'Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and will call Him Immanuel. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.' The historical fulfillment of the virgin birth: Matthew 1:19-25.

And the result of the virgin birth: John 1:14 Romans 1:3

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'Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord nor of me His prisoner but share with me in the sufferings for the Gospel according to the power of God, Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel,' 2nd Timothy 1:8-10