

## The Cup of Death For the Cup of Life

Let's begin with the prophesied birth of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

### **Isaiah 9:6-7**

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called **Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace**.

7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

We will continue our reading with the prophecy of the “Cup of Death” that Jesus must partake of so that we may partake of the “Cup of Life”.

### **Isaiah 53:1-12**

1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

2 For he {Jesus} shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and **we hid as it were our faces from him**; he was despised, and **we esteemed him not**.

4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet **we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted**.

5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and **the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all**.

7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, **yet he opened not his mouth**: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, **so he openeth not his mouth**.

8 He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because **he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.**

10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

12 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

We were bought, bought with a price! The price?, was the “Cup of Death”! Bought with the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Luke 22:14-20**

14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

15 And he said unto them, **With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:**

16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, **until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.**

17 And **he took the cup,** and **gave thanks,** and said, **Take this, and divide it among yourselves:**

18 For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, **until the kingdom of God shall come.**

19 And **he took bread,** and **gave thanks,** and **brake it,** and gave unto them, saying, **This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.**

20 Likewise also **the cup after supper,** saying, **This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.**

O the Precious “Cup of Death!” The Cup of the New Testament Paid in Full by the Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the Worthy Lamb of God.

Hear the Price!! Hear the Price!!, of the Cup of Death.

### **Matthew 26:38-44**

38 Then saith he unto them, **My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.**

39 And he went a little farther, and **fell on his face**, and **prayed**, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, **let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.**

40 And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, **What, could ye not watch with me one hour?**

41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the **spirit** indeed is willing, but the **flesh** is weak.

42 He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, **O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.**

43 And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy.

44 And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.

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### **Luke 22:43-45**

43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, **strengthening** him.

44 And **being in an agony** he prayed more earnestly: and **his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.**

45 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow,

Hear the Price?? Hear the Price??, of the Cup of Death!! The Cup of Death for the Cup of Life!! Everlasting Life!! **If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.** (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

Let's continue and read about “The Collection of the Payment.”

### **Matthew 26:63-68**

63 But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.

64 Jesus saith unto him, **Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.**

65 Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.

66 What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

67 Then did they **spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote him with the palms of their hands,**

68 Saying, Prophecy unto us, thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee?

This was only the beginning of the Suffering that Christ would come to know, so that you and I could partake of the “Cup of Life.” And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

Due to Jewish Law, Caiaphas the high priest did not have the authority to sentence Jesus Christ to death. So they delivered Jesus to Pontius Pilate the governor of Judea, in hopes that Pilate would crucify Him for claiming to be a King, when there was only one King of Rome, that being Caesar.

### **Matthew 27:22-31**

22 Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.

23 And the governor said, **Why, what evil hath he done?** But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.

24 When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.

25 Then answered all the people, and said, **His blood be on us, and on our children.**

26 Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had **scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified**.

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers.

28 And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe.

29 And when **they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head**, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and **mocked him**, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!

30 And **they spit upon him**, and **took the reed, and smote him on the head**.

31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

Listen to the Prophet Isaiah as he speaks of Jesus.....

### **Isaiah 50:6**

**6 I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.**

Hear the Price!! Hear the Price!!, of the “Cup of Death for the Cup of Life”??

The Time has come!! The Hour is at Hand!! The Lord Jesus Christ was nailed to a Tree! Their to Drink the Cup of Sin!! Why, Why, you may ask, would He die on a Tree for Me?? Why, Why, would my savior die on that Cross for me?? He Drank the Cup of Death, the Cup of Death He Drank it for me, for in the Cup of Death, the curse of the Law we were redeemed.

### **Psalms 109:25**

25 I became also **a reproach unto them**: when **they looked upon me they shook their heads**.

### **Deliver Me my Darling!!**

### **Psalms 22:1-31**

1 My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?

2 O my God, **I cry in the daytime**, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent.

3 But **thou art holy**, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.

4 Our fathers **trusted in thee: they trusted**, and thou didst deliver them.

5 They cried unto thee, and were delivered: **they trusted** in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But **I am a worm**, and no man; a **reproach of men**, and **despised of the people**.

7 All they that see me **laugh me to scorn**: they **shoot out the lip**, they **shake the head**, saying,

8 He **trusted** on the LORD that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted in him.

9 But thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope when I was upon my mother's breasts.

10 I was cast upon thee from the womb: **thou art my God** from my mother's belly.

11 Be not far from me; for trouble is near; for there is none to help.

12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round.

13 They **gaped upon me with their mouths**, as a ravening and a roaring lion.

14 **I am poured out like water**, and **all my bones are out of joint**: **my heart is like wax**; **it is melted in the midst of my bowels**.

15 **My strength is dried up like a potsherd**; and **my tongue cleaveth to my jaws**; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have enclosed me: they **pierced my hands and my feet**.

17 I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me.

18 **They part my garments among them**, and **cast lots upon my vesture**.

19 But be not thou far from me, O LORD: **O my strength**, haste thee to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword; **my darling** from the power of the dog.

21 Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns.

22 **I will declare thy name unto my brethren**: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

23 Ye that fear the LORD, **praise him**; all ye the seed of Jacob, **glorify him**; and **fear him**, all ye the seed of Israel.

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; **neither** hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, **he heard**.

25 **My praise** shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.

26 The **meek** shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.

27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

28 For **the kingdom is the LORD'S: and he is the governor among the nations.**

29 All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.

30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

31 They shall come, and shall **declare his righteousness** unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this.

### **Matthew 27:46-54**

46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, **Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?** that is to say, **My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?**

47 Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias.

48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and **filled it with vinegar,** and put it on a reed, and **gave him to drink.**

49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

50 Jesus, when **he had cried again with a loud voice,** yielded up the ghost.

51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

53 And came out of the graves **after his resurrection,** and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

54 Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, **Truly this was the Son of God.**

The Price?? Now “Paid in Full”. And the Judgment of the Jewish people for what they have done?? Then answered all the people, and said, **His blood be on us, and on our children.**

### **Psalms 69:19-28**

19 **Thou hast known my reproach,** and **my shame,** and **my dishonour:** mine adversaries are all before thee.

20 **Reproach hath broken my heart;** and **I am full of heaviness:** and **I looked for some to take pity,** but **there was none;** and **for comforters,** but **I found none.**

- 21 They gave me also gall for my meat; and **in my thirst** they gave me vinegar to drink.
- 22 Let their table **become a snare before them**: and that which should have been for their welfare, **let it become a trap**.
- 23 **Let their eyes be darkened**, that they see not; and **make their loins continually to shake**.
- 24 **Pour out thine indignation upon them**, and **let thy wrathful anger take hold of them**.
- 25 **Let their habitation be desolate**; and **let none dwell in their tents**.
- 26 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; and **they talk to the grief of those whom thou hast wounded**.
- 27 **Add iniquity unto their iniquity**: and **let them not come into thy righteousness**.
- 28 **Let them be blotted out of the book of the living**, and **not be written with the righteous**.

Now we can understand why the Jewish people as a whole are blinded to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For as concerning the gospel, they are enemies for the sake of the Gentiles: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes.

However, there are some Jewish people whose hearts and eyes have been opened to the Glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ. In the Book of Romans chapter 11 we are told that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. This will take place at the Battle of Armageddon.

Now we will turn our focus to Jesus Christ being in the bowels of the Earth for three days preaching unto the spirits in prison; Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us.

### **Matthew 12:40**

40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

### **I Peter 3:18-19**



18 For Christ also hath **once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust**, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

19 By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;

### **Psalms 16:5-11**

5 The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance **and of my cup**: thou maintainest my lot.

6 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

7 **I will bless the LORD**, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.

8 **I have set the LORD always before me**: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: **my flesh also shall rest in hope.**

10 **For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell**; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

11 **Thou wilt show me the path of life**: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

The Risen Christ, who has drank of the Cup of Death!! There be none like Him!! For He drank the Cup of Sin, the Cup of Death, for the Cup of Life He poured out His love for you and for me.

### **Luke 24:33-49**

33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them,

34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.

35 And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

36 And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, **Peace be unto you.**

37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.

38 And he said unto them, **Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?**

39 **Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.**

40 And when he had thus spoken, he showed them his hands and his feet.

41 And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, **Have ye here any meat?**

42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.

43 And he took it, and did eat before them.

44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.

45 **Then opened he their understanding,** that they might understand the scriptures,

46 And said unto them, **Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:**

47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

48 And **ye are witnesses of these things.**

49 And, **behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.**

O Give me of this Cup of Life to Drink!! Pour out your Spirit upon me!  
This Cup of Life that sets me free from the bondage of Death that satan had over me. The Cup of Life where grace is free, to all of them that have an ear and obey. For I am athirst and the Water of Life is free, to every man whosoever he be, that calls upon the name of the Lord and will serve Him not only in word but in deed.

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