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The state of the human race is explained in

Rom. 5:12 : “Wherefore, as by one man, sin entered the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.”

The curse put on Adam of “mortality” is shared by all his descendants - a nature bent towards pleasing self, leading to sin, followed by death.

Gen. 5:3 : “Adam begat a son in his own likeness, after his image…”

Jas. 1:14 : “But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust and enticed. Then when lust has conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.”

Psa. 14:3 : “They are all gone aside, they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.”

Rom. 3:23 : “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.”

A dreary cycle, with no way out.

Anyone who could break the cycle of sin and death would have to be provided by God

Isa. 59:16 : “And he saw that there was not man, and wondered that there was no intercessor; therefore his own arm brought salvation unto him…”

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.”

A special man was produced - born of Mary, from our condemned race, of

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the same flesh and blood nature as all men, - with the same leanings towards sin. But, because of being the Son of God, he had the potential to overcome these tendencies, and through the strengthening by his Father, was able to be victorious.

Heb. 2:14 : “...As the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same...”

Psa. 80:17 : “Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of man whom thou madest strong for thyself.”

2Cor. 5:21 : “For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin...”

Rom. 8:3 : “...God, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and (by a sacrifice - margin) for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.”

Heb. 4:15 : “...but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.”

Having gained the victory over sin, he then destroyed this body of death by having it nailed to a tree.

1Pet. 2:24 : “Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree...”

Col. 1:21,22 : “And you...hath he reconciled in the body of his flesh, through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreprovable in his sight.”

Heb. 9:26 : “...hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.”

Isa. 53:5 : “But he was wounded for our transgressions he was bruised for our iniquities;...”

God is righteous and just, and as Jesus did not earn the “wages of sin” which is “death” (Rom. 6:23), God raised him from the dead.

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Acts 2:24 : “Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death; because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.”

All those, who accept in faith, this sacrifice of Christ, in putting sin to death in his life and in his crucifixion, can hope for forgiveness of sins now, and resurrection from the dead at His return.

Titus 2:14 : “Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity...”

Gal. 1:4 : “Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world...”

Matt. 26:28 : “For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many, for the remission of sins.”

Acts 3:26 : “Unto you first, God, having raised up his Son, Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.”

1Cor. 15:22 : “For as “in Adam” all die, even so “in Christ” shall all be made alive...at his coming.”

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