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## Preamble

To understand God's power and how He handles various issues, Scriptures describe in many places different incidents, which are either miraculous or blessings. Before we proceed to discuss in detail under this topic, let us take a case study where we read about both God's mighty miracles and wonderful blessings. Kindly refer to Scriptures: *Exodus chapters 6 to 12*. Here if we read carefully, a question may arise in our mind: why God after giving His people all the valuables (substances) of Egypt took them through wilderness? In fact when there was a shortest land route available from Egypt to Canaan. To realize the God's purpose, let us see how the children of Israel came to Egypt.

Joseph was a slave when he came to Egypt; then he went on to become the prime minister of that country due to the blessing of God. Joseph had received his brothers later as hungry ones, who had no food (no blessing of God), who indeed sold Joseph as slave to Egyptian. Even though, the blessed father was with them, the brothers of Joseph could not see that blessing in their life in Canaan. Why? God's purpose in their life was centered on Joseph; and he was their blessing. Jacob did not receive righteously the blessing from his father Isaac; he also had deceived his brother Esau (*Genesis 25:31-32*). In this way, no believer can expect God's blessing to take place in his life or into his children's life. A careful examination of Jacob's life would reveal that it was full of miseries, trials, betrayals and famine etc. Bible says in *Genesis 32:22-29*, Jacob had an encounter with God, where God first changed his name as Israel and then blessed his generation in that new name. Remember at that time, Jacob had nothing left with him other than God; because he had sent them (materials, animals and family members) across the stream already.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, the children of Jesus Christ are the blessing of this world; but we must be upright and righteous in the eyes of God like Abraham to be a blessing to others. We therefore should not curse anybody in the name of Jesus except the cursed ones (Satan and his demons; diseases and sufferings, false gods; sinful desires and sins).

This article aims to bring the required faith in us on God's undisputed miraculous power and graceful blessing. We encourage you to read this message and be a blessing to others.

## **Israel is a blessing**

God blessed the Children of Israel through Joseph, later to execute His spiritual mission. In order to show His mighty hands, God purposefully made King Pharaoh's heart, blind and stone; this is what we mean by blind thinking; which does not have any solution. Accordingly King Pharaoh had put the children of Israel into life time punishment to the core of human sufferings.

*Why did God make King's heart to do such acts?*

- ✓ Israelites were chosen people to live in the promised land; if they enjoy comfort in Egypt, they might not like to accept God's invitation (**What is our life style today; are we serious about God's invitation to the promised land: Heavens**)
- ✓ God knew that Satan would bring obstacles to His Holy Mission i.e. taking Israelites back to Canaan; therefore to reveal His power to the world and the Israelites, He permitted sufferings for a short period
- ✓ God wanted to prepare Israelites as a witness to the upcoming new covenant with His Son Jesus Christ; without testing, there is no salvation and victory over the devil's works

God always acts in His time; but helps His children according to their needs and time. That's why He does not sleep and need not also. At the end, by God's mercy, the Children of Israel had got almost all the valuables (substances) of Egyptian; but God did not allow the Israelites to take them through the shortest land route. God will never perform anything without reasons; He will always plan, not with a single reason for His action but more and integrated, also not for any fragmented judgment.

*What could be reasons that God took the children of Israel through a long route all along the wilderness?*

- The first purpose was to save them from the hands of their enemy; while saving them, He also wanted to judge their enemy through His mighty hands (miracle

power); indeed the Israelites had seen no fight just their enemies were buried inside the sea water through spiritual power.

- Remember God reads our mind because He puts His word there (**Job 38:36**); so He had read the minds of children of Israelites completely; He therefore thought that in case if they had been taken through a land route passing side by Philistines, just by seeing the army of King Pharaoh, they might become unfaithful. God will not perform miracles or blessings, if there is no faith in the recipient's heart.
- God is the respecter of His principles; He therefore wanted His children to be physically cleansed i.e. baptized by water; by passing through the dry land of red sea, including all the living and non-living things, they were characteristic-ally baptized in order to be blessed. This was also a symbolic representation of the new covenant what God has made later with our Savior Jesus Christ. The living creatures such as animals, birds and others were actually representing the gentiles, who lived long time without God (even today the non-believers). So God had rescued every life in the entire world through His Son. Israelites were the blessing of the world, through whom our Lord Jesus came in the flesh. Water baptism separates the Children of Christ from the sinful world. If anybody takes baptism without faith in God for any other purpose then the end result would be explicit (like Judas Iscariot). Because the word of God will deliver us from bondages and as well as will judge.
- The third purpose was to train the Israelites, how to live with God when you have got everything? When Israelites left Egypt they had valuable substances; but God wanted them to learn about the safe life under His protection (blessing).

## **Life theory**

The basic principle what God believes for every life (His creation) either on earth or in heavens is that they are safe under His protection. It is true also; only creator knows the real purpose of a creation. God created everything first on the earth; then gave the authority (dominion) on those material substances, other creatures to Adam and Eve for ruling. But took them not through a short route; put them under the spiritual testing. It

was absolutely a correct way of testing the proto type before multiplication (**Genesis 1:28**). Even the Son of God, as a new creation on the earth was tested. Adam and Eve were created as a matured man and a woman in God's image (Spirit and Soul) and Adam had undergone the spiritual training; they did not feel their nudity though they were nude; *nudity is an explicit symbol of sin in mankind*. When Adam and Eve had possessed everything, God wanted them to obey His principles (commands). What were His principles? While designing the human system He had made it such way that the physical body would either *regenerate (self-healing)* or *degenerate (perish)*. Since He had put the life inside the physical body, if the body does not regenerate (self healing of body cells) by some means then obviously it deteriorates; even if we input to such a system with food (energy from the substances of earth), it would no longer be able to take that energy in any form.

Let us understand here that the food what we eat is not to supply energy to the spiritual system (Spirit and Soul); it is only for the physical system (flesh). That's why our Lord Jesus Christ said that a man does not only survive with this food but from every word of God. Here He mentions about the spiritual personality (God's image) that has been fused in every human being. A man can live without food as many days (40 plus) as possible in spiritual life according to God's blessing. Such man needs the Spirit of God to dwell inside him, talking to God; for example, Enoch walked with God so many years and continuously how many days without food we do not know; Moses spent 40 days with God on mountain Sinai; our Lord spent 40 days and nights with God in the desert.

**Spiritual emotions need spiritual power to perform spiritual service. Physical emotions need physical substances (food) to perform physical actions.**

Adam and Eve exactly had undergone such a spiritual training and then were put to spiritual testing (like our Lord Jesus Christ) to examine their attitude towards the principles of God. God expected from them to show the required faith on His principle of **eternal life (living with God)** and **eternal death (living without God)**. Now Satan appeared before Eve and told her a new theory of life just opposite to God's theory; 'you shall not die if you eat that fruit'. Also he told further that her image would go to the level

of angels, living in heavens if she disobeys God's law. In fact, Satan preached Eve that in heavens the angels did not always obey God's law, which was untruthful (**Genesis 3:5**). His aim was to make the humans disobedient to God's word on the earth, so that he could operate their mind. Even today, the same strategy he applies on humans, and it works in his favor. We are the stupid.

We all should ask one basic question to ourselves:

*Why should God only be worshiped?*

We can read from Scriptures at many places that even angels had warned the believers on the earth not worship them. *Why?* The reason is that God is the Omni potent personality (Holy Spirit), who will make His presence everywhere simultaneously and He has the potential to create and regenerate (resurrect) living creatures and reconstruct non-living material systems in different forms. Worship means thanks giving to the one who is the source of every thing for the other. Since God is the source for all living and non-living things, He must be thanked (worshiped). Later comes service what we are doing to Him; that is participating in His mission (Worship Ministry: **Kingdom of God**).

Unfortunately Eve believed Satan's life theory to have double advantage; firstly she wanted to be like God (her off-springs need not depend upon God), so that her off-springs would worship her; secondly they would not die. Her mind created an independent thought to act with a free will; the moment she had believed some information, it took a shape of an image; image once created it is an executable form of command; only God can stop that command or erase it. And we know God does not come in our ways so He let her to go on her way. Therefore she had decided to violate the God's law and selected the spiritual liar (Satan) as guide. Today we can see through physical eyes that this lady in different forms is being worshiped as ancient mother of humankind by many. Unfortunately Eve was proved wrong in her choice in the course of time as the death has taken a strong root in removing human life from the physical body.

## Blessing and Miracle

God gave the entire world to them but they did not believe the principles on which they were created. Today Jesus, the Son of God similarly has given every thing to us what he had received from God through His sacrifice (death); but still we do not have much interest to believe on His theory of '*eternal spiritual life*' and '*eternal spiritual death*'. After all we are no different from our earthly father and mother in not believing the truth because it is based on love (inner beauty) that is implicit. We want some thing fascinating no matter how long that is going to stay in us or with us, the lust (external desire) that is explicit. When we have every thing (material substances of the world) God may put us into spiritual testing to examine our worthiness to receive the spiritual gifts (spiritual blessing) from Him; so if any body who does not have material substances of this world then he/or she must seek after the true God because He has kept such blessing abundantly; that's why Jesus told us to ask father God in His name for our physical needs; He had also demonstrated by faith in serving 5000 people with five pieces of bread and two pieces of fish. He did that just merely with God's help (miracle by the hands of God).

Therefore it is very clear that to receive God's blessing or miracles, there is need to go through wilderness because in both, the power of God is involved. That's why Jesus was put into testing before His participation in the mission of God. Many Children of God, who we see as performers of God's miracles today have undergone such a testing. **In God's diary, His power cannot be transferred to any cup which is not worthy of it.** This is what He believes and it is the truth and He protects it. There are three major reasons why God did not take Israelites through the shortest path.

- Similar to the first family, God did not want the family of Israel to spoil His mission by doing some evil thing.
- Another possibility God would have expected was that if the Israelites would pass through a land of Philistine or Canaanites they might use the precious substances and get into their culture and forget the very purpose of their journey to the Promised Land.

- Also some of them might even decide to settle in between places before reaching the land of honey and milk flowing (Later we read that Ruben exactly committed this mistake). Then how to collect all and take them to Canaan.

The important purpose of God giving those valuable substances to Israelites was to pay Him back a part of it as offering to build a dwelling place for Him. Whenever God blesses His children, it is for the following purposes [Dr. Creflo Dollars, “Addiction to Kingdom of God”, 2004]:

- To help the needy
- Contribute to God’s mission (Kingdom of God)
- To meet the needs of the world (living)

The vital point is that God wants us to learn His words to understand Him first for receiving His blessing; however miracles are not like that. Let us examine closely, why is it so? Miracle is to protect and blessing is to nourish. Miracle is timely and needy.

- Miracle is performed to protect (save) the life and deliver it from the bondages (physical /spiritual sufferings) of Satan
- Blessing is promised to defend the life to live peacefully

The mighty hands of God do both; but the purpose is different; when the Israelites were in front of red sea it was God’s miracle that had protected them; all along their way, God had performed so many miracles to protect their lives. To list a few

- 11 miracles in Egypt
- Crossing the red sea
- Protected by sky in day time and with fire in night
- Changing the taste of water from bitter to sweet
- Manna (nearly for 40 years) and flesh
- Water from rock (twice)
- Division of river Jordon for crossing

Really very powerful and mighty miracles God performed to protect and deliver the Israelites from the hands of their enemies (Satan and demons). When we are living in this world according to our own principles and not listening to God’s word then we are leading a sinful life. Our principles are certainly not God’s principles. Therefore, we must realize our sins (wickedness: life style based on manmade theories) and submit to God

(accepting to God's theory). As the sins are the bondages in which Satan has bound us; we need to be delivered in order to protect the precious life (Spirit and Soul). We will never become good by our actions (deeds) so as to receive the miracle from God and to save our life. Therefore we need God's grace and mercy for this purpose, which comes through Jesus Christ; this is what exactly the Children of Jesus have been preaching to others (who believe that they are sinners). Let us not forget that no one in the world is born as good except our Lord Jesus Christ; because every child is born due to both good and bad (Learning nudity). However, Jesus is the word of God, who has been formed by the Spirit of God, directly in the womb of Virgin Mary; this was a spiritual process. Even then His flesh was made to die (physical death), which belongs to the sinful world; later to rise in it as God's glory.

The sickness in the physical body is the symptom of sin i.e. bondage; no one is to be blamed for this; because with our limited observatory knowledge we cannot predict in which generation who did what. That's why Jesus has clearly said that this bondage (sickness) is due to Satan's theory of life and it is present in the physical body so that we learn about the truth of God (theory of healthy life). Through the mighty hands of God (Spirit of God and Word of God), the Children of Jesus Christ had performed these heavenly actions yesterday; are being performing today and will perform forever till the second visit of Jesus Christ.

*Is miracle really needed in a believer's life?*

Of course yes; but blessing brings the needed completion in a believer's life; that is completion in every thing; prosperity in every thing;

- Knowledge and wisdom of God
- Spiritual security (eternal life)
- Physical security (health and wealth, education, social security etc)

When we make efforts to learn about God, for example His nature (love, grace, and mercy), characters (righteous), justice (principles) and power (mighty), He really helps us.

*What does it mean to the believers of true God?*

God has created a wonderful communication system for us. Actually we and He (God) are at very distant places; as a human being we cannot imagine the distance; but as the believer of Jesus Christ, we believe that He dwells in our heart; *how?* God has kept His words with us, which cannot be changed by any one and warped for wrong motivation. In the world, if someone speaks something, people may twist it; the person himself may change it or give proper explanation. But God lives in heaven and He is eternal; that's why once He speaks, it is unchangeable. Our faith on His word will make it happen every time; unfaithfulness does nothing.

Any substances either living or non-living can be perished but not His words. *Why?* The word of God is the seed of potential, which perform the spiritual creation and physical creation. It does the job of protection and regeneration (either for eternal life or eternal death).

*What is our role in this entire process?*

We start paying our faith on His words that are capable of performing.

*How does God communicate with our life?*

The link provider is the Holy Spirit (Light), who connects a believer to the divine family. Besides that God has appointed His Spiritual Sons (God's angels) to deliver His words; remember angels will listen to their master (God); if we are the Children of Jesus then immediately our need will be met because we ask in His name, speaking His language (truth) and Jehovah (Father God) has given Jesus all the glory and mighty power on the earth and in the heavens. Therefore, we must be righteous in asking for our needs. Prayer is the communication link between God and His earthly Children to know each other at every moment. Really it is not very clear what about us, but God is very eager to know about us at every moment. He always think about us; what a wonderful father we have got in heavens. **Prayer will make us as the blessing to the world.** More the blessing is required more the time to be spent in prayer; let us speak through our heart and let the mouth watches. The steps are given below.

- The beginning point to receive the blessing is to read the word of God; conceive them through the mind into heart, where the spiritual pregnancy takes place.
- Since the God's word is from the Spirit of God and He is the wisdom of God, it is the potential seed to create the image of God in our mind and a spiritual Zygote in heart.

- Now start meditating on His promises and appreciating Him (praising Him) and glorifying His righteous (Jesus had acknowledged except God no one is righteous). By keep practicing (meditating) His words in our heart and mind, we permit the word of God to recreate God's image (thought life) as our creator and protector in our mind; which has been degenerated because of sin.
- We use His image to develop the habits in a day today life and behave in His nature (mercy, love, righteousness, justice) by following His principles. This is a stage (delivering) where God completely turns His face upon us, being from such an immeasurable distance; at that time He anoints the believer of His word with His Holy Spirit and also subsequently sends His angels, who are appointed to help us in all regards whenever necessary.
- The Holy Spirit helps a believer in every respect to get trained to the system of God. As the intellectuals of this world, we would agree that to work in any operating system (OS), first of all one must get trained in that system.

*How can we expect God to change His principle, when we cannot?*

*How to check whether the thinking and decision of a believer is in line with the word of God?*

If Holy Spirit does not put a right thinking (wisdom of God) into the mind, after all, the believer is a human with fleshy thinking and feeling then he would act according to his knowledge certainly not in line with the word of God. Free will operation is ours and God's will operation is heavenly. Therefore if the believer refers to the acquired knowledge of God (from Scriptures) then he is expected to act righteously by God Almighty. Thus, God has created an excellent communication system that is not corrupted, distorted; God through His Holy Spirit puts the right thinking into our mind and the rest is executed accordingly with reference to the word of God; it is totally a coupled, responsive system. This is how God prepares His Children through His words to receive His blessing (*'Speak unto Him to receive His blessing'*).

On the other hand, miracle is performed on anybody even today by the Children of God, who truly seek God's glory. But the blessing has been kept as the promised fruits for those, who continue in true worshiping and service to God.

- God through miracles reveals Himself as a powerful almighty (*'Revealing'*) and ruler of the universe
- God through His blessing wants to dwell in our small house that is our heart (*'Living place'*)

If one tastes the miracle in his life by offering this small house to God; then God prepares him to receive the blessing forever and forever.

*What do we say now either miracle is great or blessing?*

Both are performed by same God for different purposes.

The humans have gone far away from the living God; that is the reason why they have become so much wicked; they no longer respect either God or His righteousness (principles of justice). Rather than submitting themselves, they start questioning generation after generation why should they worry about God? Some may believe that God cannot do anything in their life? Also they blame God for the natural calamities and also for their failures. Further the humans may question on God's wisdom about nature when the nature dose not fulfill their lustful desires. It is very important to know that God had expected all these from the wicked humans; so He has set two types of blessings in the world after the first man and woman had decided to depart or disconnect the relationship with Him to meet their life requirements.

## **Types of blessing**

- **Nature** : controlled by substances (living and non-living)  
*Search and find it through observatory knowledge.*
- **Prayer** : that connects a man with God to meet his requirements  
*Receive it by faith from God through God's wisdom and knowledge.*

Nature contains substances both living and non-living; God had created them and put them inside/outside the earth, namely on the earth, inside and above earth and in the water. Man is to go round in search of his needs and develop his own observatory knowledge base. In general when a man finds some thing interesting then he calls it as his

invention. The very substance and the theory he has formed is actually God's glory. In the beginning God created all the sources based on His principles and He spoke to the respective source and created all the substances then the living creatures. For man to utilize all these substances/creatures for meeting his requirements, the original plan was to use God's wisdom. In fact the nature was given to man by God as a gift, when the man was in God's nature; that is why it is called nature. Today the people of this world are proud of their findings which God has gifted to them. The world and its belongings are God's glory. Satan has no role to play in it since the beginning. Satan has received only freedom to bind people with his lustful desires (thoughts) to corrupt their minds, if possible to turn them against God. Certainly our freewill supports Satan but not God.

There are three types of people who are being benefited from nature.

**(1) Use the nature, worship the nature**

Those who worship the nature are the admirers of wonders of this world (fire, air, rain, earth, water); they want to feel the wonderful things (substances); but they possess no knowledge of God. Therefore do not realize God; so they are satisfied with what they see through their naked eyes. When Eve's eyes were opened, she developed a lustful thought inside her mind and her soul had developed a feeling for it. Human mind is well trained today to develop that kind of lustful thoughts in multiple dimensions by looking at nature. This group is also worshipping scary things both living (animals) and non-living.

**(2) Use the nature, worship their parents**

Those who worship mother and father are obviously the admirers of capabilities of ancestors and their potentials. When we were children, naturally our parents being physically stronger might have done some amazing physical things; we used to appreciate those and keep it in our observatory knowledge base. Such grandma stories, which are colored with some core essence taken from the bible in warped format, are now being practiced in populous countries as popular religions. This is exactly the hand work of Satan to promote his interests. Obviously he is doing his business in the world to promote his ideology; kill humans; defame God; spoil God's wonderful purposes for humans. That's why he has created so many gods and goddesses to promote his lustful desires and his demons. Father and mother must be respected and certainly not to be worshiped.

### **(3) Use the nature, worship themselves**

The third category is very peculiar; they are very proud of themselves; therefore they worship themselves and expect others also to worship them. They use God given talent (potential) and keep searching and researching on a particular issue (field); so they gain more observatory knowledge in that field; the world appreciates such people by calling them genius. They were and are in different fields (Science, arts, music etc). But remember that they have researched only the God's glory in human being; that is the potential of a God's creature. Our savior Jesus Christ has talked about such people that there is no use if someone loses his/or her soul, after gaining the world. Today in many countries we can see this category; some of them also have developed life theory based on Darwinism and are living as genetically modified species, strongly opposing the presence of God. Every one will have to meet Jesus Christ on God's day (Judgment day). Those who meet him today are fortunate because their lives will be saved; but those who are adamant with their lustful lives will meet the Lord as a righteous judge on the judgment day to receive their deserving gift.

**We know now why God has made His word as a new creation in the form of Jesus; Jesus is the potential seed for the new life on the new earth. Today if we submit our life to Christ Jesus, He will recreate this life as eternal life.**

Let us pray for all to be fortunate to receive His blessing to be a blessing in this world.

Amen

Praise the Lord