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What's the Link between Man and God? Why do we need His Forgiveness?

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What have we all done that is so horribly wrong? What is this Curse that falls on all of us? Why is the constant call by Preachers and so called “Men of God” to Repent and call out to God for His forgiveness. As if every single thing that we have done all of our life is but filthy rags. Holding this unseen Force called God over our heads claiming retribution if we don't succumb to His Will. Aren't they also sinners, preaching to you and me about stopping something that they themselves are guilty of? Or are they in a Special Class, exempt from the condemnation so they can freely accuse others without any retribution. How did they get the apparent stench of Sin off them?

Claiming that every act from the human heart is corrupted by Sin. What Sin? Where did it come from? How are we all infected with it? What is the definition of Sin and by who's definition is it, God or Man's? I mean it is so ridiculous that everything can be call a Sin, it all depends on who you talk to or what group you associate with. According to some religions dancing is a sin, playing cards is a sin, having a glass of wine or beer is a sin, having sex is a sin; even when all of these things are called out in the Bible as righteous things to do.

I mean I don't deliberately go out of my way to do bad things or think about it. They call us Sinners and completely separated from God because of this condition. What does “God” have to do with anything? Who cares! I mean I didn't ask to be born, and then to have this mystique of being inherently evil with a sin nature born into us is too much to believe.

From birth you learn that there is Good and Bad, things that happen in this life can go in either direction. Then you learn about death and that it is an inevitable outcome that will happen without notice to every living creature on this planet, a crapshoot, rolling the dice and coming up with Snake-Eyes eventually. Then your told that Death is the outcome of Sin and God's punishment against it. Even though everything dies, we (Humans) are the only creatures that need forgiveness from God, not the animals, fish, birds, insects, only mankind. The Law seems to be for man only. The other creatures on this planet don't obey any of its statues, they do whatever come natural to then, instinctively. They hunt each other down, kill and feed off each other, there are no morals established for them like there are for humans. So, Sin seems to be an interaction between God and Us, something that has cause us to be a reprobate in His sight and made Him Pass Judgement on us, and we are born with this stigma from conception through birth. Even if you don't believe there's a God, it still exists and the apparent outcome of it is still the same.

Yes, there are acts being perpetrated out there by bad people, doing unspeakably disgusting things, but at the same time there more acts of righteousness and good being done which overshadows the evil and becomes the standard of what Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness is. It seems that Happiness and Life in that perspective is what everyone is striving for, it's the universal norm; and that Evil is just something you must contend with and fight to overcome it, it is the adversary of the norm. So, until it attacks you, it is off in the distance and safely watched on the nightly news and heard about only by Hear-Say, it's just the way life is, and you work around it and hope to avoid it. In this world you have Good and Evil. I didn't make the rules, this is what we are born into, and it's always been this way since the beginning of time. It appears that the majority of our Laws and these Rules that have been establish are from

thousands of years ago and the origin is from the Bible, in particular, the Ten Commandments given to Moses. That they are edicts (also known as the Golden Rules) that have been established for man by God and is the way He prefers that we uphold them, and if we do so, then all will go well for us; it is that established Universal Norm, it is the essence of what "Good" is.

From anyone's perspective, there are only two kinds of people, those that do "Good" and those that do "Bad". The "Good Doers" chose to obey the Rules, the Law; and live a happy prosperous life under those constraints. The "Bad Doers" chose to disobey the Rules, the Law; and find themselves constantly interacting with Law Enforcement and being incarcerated or imprisoned, not living such a prosperous life outside of those constraints.

Who chose the Rules and Laws under those constraints and what set the precedence of the conditions? The evolution of man's social dignity comes by order of "Live and let Live". That you make Rules and Laws that allow each one of us to live in a society setting where people harbor Good-Will and Peace towards each other and anything adverse to that is punished or branded out by virtue of the Law.

But there seems to be another aspect with being a "Bad Doer", a sinister side called Evil. Something that compels them to do these acts against the norms of Rules and Laws, possibly for their own personal gratification or pleasure, or is there something else leading them on?

It's by choice that we make these decisions because each one of us is born exactly the same way, as individuals free to interact in our environment. Our individual circumstances of learning, making choices and lifestyles on how we live may be under an oppressive or non-oppressive manner, but nevertheless, we all come into this world free to interact with our environment.

What is the inspiration to do something that goes against the norm? To have a negative outcome to the situation you are creating, even if it means incarceration or loss of life, maybe your own. Some of this is a result of our anatomic being which is under the influence of a disease or some kind of physical affliction which brings about a mental illness, stress or self-induced trauma. Whatever the reason for such characteristics of negative "Bad" behaviour to manifest itself it can happen to any of us at any time throughout our lifespan. But, to become Sinister or Evil, seems to imply an outside influence from a source which does not originate within our anatomic human being, yet grossly influences it. It acts as if it is a separate life-force that commands and compels premeditated acts of violence and suffering, adversely against the Rules and Laws as if it is fighting it. Evil seems to want to inflict injury, mayhem, murder, chaos, utter destruction; it's not the same as just being "BAD", it's the extension of it through a non-human source, something else, but where does it come from and why do humans interact with it so complacently.

There seems to be a distinct difference between us (Humans) and all the rest of the creatures on this planet. It is indeed awe-struck that out of all the approximately 8.3 million species on this planet (Approx. 2 million being animal types), that only Human Beings have the position among them as the Highest Order. We rule this planet completely, and in some manner, we manage or control everything within it, and act as if we have been given governance in that capacity instinctively. What is it that sets us apart from all the other species in existence?

On the Evolutionary Timetable we are known as Homo Sapiens, the last to just appear out of nowhere. Sapiens are a class of Vertebrate Mammals that stand upright and walk, endothermic (Warm Blooded) and have a highly developed brain, with a resultant capacity for articulate speech and abstract thinking (ultra-cognitive). Because we walk upright the angle and position of our brain stem going into the base of our brain, helps in giving us superior sensory and regulation of those functions. We have two Cerebral Hemispheres (Lobes) to our brain like most other mammals with one big exception, we have a 6-layered neocortex network that connects both hemispheres allowing us higher brain order functions.

Putting aside our superior mental capabilities, there are a few other characteristics that uniquely sets us apart from all the other species. One is our uncanny ability to reason and give intelligent thought and analysis to any situation, our inventive capability to industrialize and form advanced societies, grow and cultivate our own food, but most evidently another is, that most Human's identify to a Spiritual Awareness or connection to a Divine Presence, whether it is based upon a philosophy, metaphysical awareness, or a religious conviction, it is by definition called Faith. But, to define what Faith is, can only be explained as something unseen or intangible from our five senses, it's a belief. It could be described as a mental condition or philosophical reasoning which transcends our mortal being. It can be something you believe in and connect to that is higher in power or ability than yourself. It could be an extension of something greater than the physical environment or even considered Supernatural. Mostly, it is associated with a belief in a Higher Power or Guide that helps us down a pathway through life, or it can be equated to God as a Divine and All-Powerful Being, a Protector and Over-Seer. Then there's those people who choose to have Faith in themselves for self-perseverance and the personal strength to endure and overcome Trials and Tribulation. And of course, there's always others who claim that they have Faith in Nothing, which is impossible, because of how the human psyche is conditioned to learn and transfer subconscious thoughts through sensory expression, your mind ends up conditioning you to believe in something by proxy; the denial is usually their arrogance to rebel against the thought of believing that there is something above them.

If you are honest with yourself, it's impossible not to wonder about God and Him having a part in all of this as being a Creation, rather than an uncontrolled circumstance where cosmic materials and amino acids congealed over millions of years which mysteriously evolved into a perfect order. And we as the highest order of that evolutionary process supposedly came out of all of this in some pathway from a slime into a fish or bird, then into primates and without any link, all of a sudden we appear (Humans) on the earth, and masters over all the other species. It just doesn't add up, and the person that thought of it, ended up denouncing his theory, saying he just couldn't justify a premise for it any longer. No one can find that connection which adds us (Homo Sapiens) to the Evolutionary Timetable; the infamous "Missing Link", because there isn't one, it's a hoax.

There appears to be a premeditated architecture and design throughout the universe, and with us. Where the Laws of Physics and Mathematical Quantum Intercension applies across the entire universal spectrum. If there are some inconsistencies, they're being allowed and is intertwined as part of the overall design, it helps to compliment and stabilize itself. Science and the Bible agree on one thing, in the beginning all matter that we now see, the entire universe, came out of nothing. A pinpoint of matter which exploded into everything we can see in the physical creation. It is totally inconceivable for science to equate, that from Nothingness came the entire content of the physical universe.

The acceptable theory and axiom are that there was a beginning pinpoint of condensed substance and energy the size of a trillionth of an atom of hydrogen, and that in an undetermined instant, it exploded outward in 360 degrees with such extreme velocity that within the first 3 seconds, 90% of all the known mass of the universe was expelled. As if it was a little hole coming forth through a tremendous veil, bursting forth the unmeasurable force of substance and heat (in the Trillions of degrees) that what was behind it. It wasn't until 380,000 years after the initial Explosive Event, or "Big Bang", that the universe had cooled enough for atoms to begin forming and Quantum Physics was being birth.

Something was behind that Veil of Nothingness which spewed forth all that we see before us. Could that something be GOD?

You first have to have the Faith in believing that there is a God who created everything that exists, and because He is the Creator of "All Things", including Human Beings, it's His decision to

determine how it all interacts with Him and what the order is (Rules and Laws) so that Creation abides within His Will and His Purpose for it to exist. You also have to believe that the Bible is the only Written Testimony in which God is conveying His Purpose to mankind; all other sources are a counterfeit and even though they mention some truth in them, they mix in a lie through their doctrine which nullifies any Truth spoken by God. It is through His Spirit (the Holy Spirit) that He continues to reveal all Truth concerning Himself and the relationship He wishes to have with all people. He has given us a free will to accept or ignore those conditions (Statues of the Law and Rules) thus placing ourselves "In His Favour" or "Against His Favour".

Why does this matter to any extent that we offend God?

We (Humans) have been created in the likeness of Him, through His Spirit. We are Spirit Beings having a Physical Human Experience. This is how we share in His likeness. It is His Spirit which is inside of each and every one of us (the Life Force) that reflects the likeness of God, who is Spirit. This is why God said, "You are gods" (Ref: Psalm 82:5-7, John 10:34), which refers back to the beginning of what God intended when he created Humankind, "Let Us make man in Our Image, after Our Likeness." (Genesis 1:26). He was speaking to Himself as the "Trinity"

God is Three-Fold (Elohim) yet one God (ABBA-Father, Yeshua ADONAI-Son, Ruach HaKodesh-Holy Spirit). We as well are three-fold (Human) yet one person (Body-physical, Soul-mind, Spirit-Eternal Life Force-which comes from God). This is what ties us to Him in our order of Creation and our standing with His Eternal Purpose to exist as the Highest Order of His physical Creation. This was God's Purpose and Will, that in His physical creation He Himself would have a Physical Representation of His Essence as a physical being and that being would be the highest order of His Creation (Human-Man). That's why we all-of-a-sudden appeared on earth. He created the earth and all that was within it first (every creature on land, in the waters, and in the air, and every creeping thing), then Man was formed out of the earth (ground) molded and God breathed His Holy Spirit (Eternal Life-Force) into the Man, and he became a Living Being.

We Humans will always be an Eternal Being, it's what God has Purposed in His Creating us. His intent is to fellowship with us forever, but there is one loop-hole that has occurred, Sin! When the first man (Adam) was created, and the first woman (Eve), they blasphemed a Commandment that God had given to them; to not eat the fruit from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil or they would surely die. As the Bible reveals it to us, the woman Eve was deceived by a serpent (disguised as the Evil One – Satan) to partake in eating of the forbidden fruit, saying that if she did eat of it, she would not die, but instead have wisdom and be like God. Now, Eve had pondered this for some time, being tempted to reach out to the tree and its fruit which was so very beautiful and pleasing to her. So, in the cool of the evening while the Man slept, she reached out to the tree again, but this time the Tempter was waiting for her and was eagerly wanting to eat of its fruit that God had Commanded the Man not too. She did partake in eating of it and when she did, a veil was lifted from her eyes and from her mind, and instantly she had the Knowledge and Wisdom of God in knowing what Good and Evil was; and another thing occurred, she did not physically die. So, she immediately went back to the Man and gave him some of the fruit and told him what had happened, and he did eat of it, and he too had Wisdom and did not physically die.

Now God does not give Orders, like we do. When He speaks He does so through Commandments. These are Holy and come from the Throne of God and are Eternal. They will not be retracted and hold whatever consequence He assigned to them. In the Eyes of God, breaking or disobeying a Commandment is Blasphemy and His Judgment must be served as a result. This was the point at which to Man committed Sin against a Holy God because of the Blasphemy he had committed. The communion between God and Man had ended and Man became of Reprobate in the sight of God, He could no longer look upon nor fellowship with the Man (or woman) in Holiness, but in the darkness of sin He must reject them. He retracted the

Holy Spirit that he had given to the Man, and now the spirit that dwelt within him was a dead human spirit, destined for death and the grave (Sheol). This was the outcome of Man's disobedience and God's Judgement against sin.

God morphed them into physical sin and darkness fell upon them. With that the reproductive seed of Man and conception of the woman was also morphed, so that every human being born out of and conceived from that moment forward would be born into sin. When the Man sinned, the whole planet, and all the creatures started to die as well. When Man fell from Grace, it had an effect on everything.

Therefore, a barrier had been created between God and Mankind, and Man would have to repent for the sin he had become in the sight of God and everything that Man did throughout his whole life would be nothing but filthy rags in appeasing a Holy God's Wrath against their sin, generation after generation, after generation.

Adam had relinquished to Satan and the Powers of Darkness all of the inheritance he had received from God over the world and over all of the nations and governments that would come about. The power to rule was now his, and he was ready to receive it when Adam had surrendered to the woman and blasphemed against the Commandment of God.

The Bible says that God is Love, and He is Holy. So where is the Hope for Mankind in getting redemption for the sins that they perpetrated against this Loving and Holy God?

Believe it or not God had a Purpose behind Man's fall from Grace and bring it about that He could redeem all mankind and forgive them of every sin, casting it as far away from His memory as the East is from the West. And in doing so, secure a pathway for Salvation and Eternal Life for all who would receive it. The key here, is for all who would receive it. Because of our inherent "Free Will" that God has given us, it's not something that He would forcefully make us do. It's up to each individual person to make that choice, and by Faith acknowledge that forgiveness of sin has been bestowed on us along with the Gift of Salvation and Eternal Life.

So, how did God do this miraculous work of redeeming mankind and why would He do it? He did it because from the beginning He wanted fellowship and worship from His Creation, that was the Purpose in the first place for Creation.

He used the Law to bring about the Forgiveness of Sins and Himself to fulfill it, as well as the redemption of our Salvation and the promise of Eternal Life. What God did to bring us back unto Himself and allow our fellowship once more, was pure Love out of Holiness.

Three Thousand-Three Hundred years ago, God Commanded the Law to Moses for the nation Israel and eventually to all of mankind as a source of restoration. Israel would be the representation for the whole of humanity in which His Forgiveness and Salvation would come through, so the Law was the established Order that mankind was given to follow, in order to appease God's Wrath of mankind in his fallen state of sin. It would not give man reconciliation with God but would keep God from having to rebuke and cast Man out of His Presence because of our continued blasphemy towards Him.

In the Law, God gave Man a way of Atoning for their sins. This was the Law of Atonement known as "Sabbath of Sabbaths", (Ref: Leviticus 16:29-34) or in modern times Yom Kippur and was required to be performed once a year. An atonement is a covering over of, in this case, the debt of sin. God was not clearing the debt against mankind but was just allowing it to be accumulated without passing judgement against them. The debt would finally have to be paid "In Full" at a later time and by a means that God could give final Propitiation for the entire debt of all our sins and give us all final Forgiveness without any conditions. This was done by sacrificing a symbol of what God Himself considered to be a humble and pure source. He chose a lamb, that had no spot or imperfection on it (Flawless), which would carry the entire burden of the peoples sins on

it, and would be a Blood Sacrifice and Burnt Offering, thus giving Atonement for the entire year. This is what was demanded by God, a Blood Sacrifice, in order for Him to overlook the sins of the nation that were before him. If this was not allowed, then He would have to deal with it and them in Final Judgement.

Two-Thousand years ago, God put into action what He had been purposing as foretold by the Prophets Isaiah, Jeremiah, Micah, Hosea the Psalms and even Moses, concerning the Messiah (Man-God) coming to earth, to represent God as the Second Part of the Godhead, the Son of God. God is Elohim, (Three out of One). He is Triune yet still is the same One God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit). These are not separate individuals, but personages of the same Source, out of One Being or Spirit. It is very difficult for us as a physical creation, born from physical parents to not think of the Son of God as being a separate individual aside from the Almighty, but He is from the same Source (Elohim) as God, the representation of us in Physical form. All that was Created was Created by Him and from Him, not one thing that was created was Created without Him.

He was born of a Virgin, for He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, to be human like, so that we could relate to everything he said and did. It was, "God with us". He would fulfill the Law and become that Sacrificial Lamb of God appeasing His wrath against us, giving Propitiation of all sin (Debt Paid in Full), and would conquer death by being raised from the dead, thus giving all who would Believe in His Name, their Salvation and gift to Eternal Life (Being written in the Lamb's Book of the Living), having a share in His Kingdom forever.

The Messiah would become the First Born out of God, replacing Adam as the First Born out of the earth, yet created in the Image of God. So, the First Born out of God had to become a man in order to represent mankind. Yeshua bar Yosef, as He was known, or Jesus of Nazareth, was and is the Son of God. He was and is the Messiah, and He would free us from our captivity in sin and death, by means of being that Atonement Lamb of God who would die for our sins and then three days later be raised from the dead thus conquering death and the grave. For everyone that would believe in His Name and would repent acknowledging they have sinned against God, and proclaim Him as Lord and God, and follow Him, they shall be Saved from all sin and have their names written in the Book of Life and receive their Salvation and Eternal Life forever. They will end up standing before God fulfilling His purpose, just as Adam would have, had he not fallen into sin. They will be blameless and called the sons and daughters of the Most High.

Now it should be told that this is the outcome for all who believe that God's Propitiation of Sin and Salvation is through Yeshua ADONAI (Jesus the Christ), but there is still the Judgment and outcome for those who refuse the Son of God and His Salvation. Theirs is the fate of an enemy of God and the Judgment he has pronounced against sin as being death and the grave (Sheol), but on the Day of Final Judgment, when the living and the dead are raised up, he will cast all those whose names are not found in the Lamb's Book of the Living (The Book of Life) into the Lake of Fire (this is the Second Death), where the Devil-Satan and the Powers of Darkness had already been thrown, and there they will be separated from God in torment forever. This is not something He chooses to do, it will be a sad day for the Son of God, tears will be streaming from His eyes as He must pass the Judgment on them; His Creation, that which He made; but because He is Holy and cannot look upon their sin which they have chosen to be, He separates them and the punishment for blasphemy is Eternal Damnation.

If you are reading this, then you are still alive and can make that choice, but because you have read this and heard the Truth, it stands as a witness against you. Make your decision wisely, for no one knows when or for "whom the Bell Tolls, it Tolls for Thee!".