

THE FIT MAN

The Translation Generation ~Part Three

Thesis: The “Translation Generation” will be a people of spiritual fitness, who illuminate the whole world with the glory of God’s true character. With the assurance that our salvation is wholly by grace, through faith in Christ alone, we are freed up from all self-centric considerations and motives and empowered to live for the glory and vindication of God’s character, under no anxiety regarding our personal salvation. The higher is our consciousness of God’s love, the less concerned we are for ourselves and the more concerned we are for God’s honor and innocence in the eyes of the on looking world. His exoneration becomes our number one motive and goal rather than our own salvation. We are eager to become all that God made us for.

Leviticus 16:21, KJV—Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send *him* away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness.

Hebrews 2:10, NLT—10It was only right that God—who made everything and for whom everything was made—should bring his many children into glory. Through the suffering of Jesus, God made him a perfect leader, one fit to bring them into their salvation. 11So now Jesus and the ones he makes holy have the same Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them his brothers and sisters. 12For he said to God, “I will declare the wonder of your name to my brothers and sisters. I will praise you among all your people.” 13He also said, “I will put my trust in him.” And in the same context he said, “Here I am—together with the children God has given me.” 14Because God’s children are human beings--made of flesh and blood—Jesus also became flesh and blood by being born in human form. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the Devil, who had the power of death.

Luke 11:21-23—21When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace. 22But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils. 23He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters.

Colossians 2:15, NIV—Having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

Genesis 3:15, NIV—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.

Romans 16:19-20, NIV—19I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. 20The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

Satan Chained

Revelation 20:1-3—1I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is *the* Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; 3and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more.

Satan Cast Out

John 12:23-32, KJV—23Jesus answered them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. 24Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. 25He that loveth his life shall lose it: and he that hateth his life in this world

fruit. ²⁵He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal... ²⁷Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify thy name... ³¹Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. ³²And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all *men* unto me.

Revelation 12:11—They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

The Mystery of God Accomplished

Revelation 10:7, NIV—In the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets.

1 Timothy 3:16—Without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up in glory.

Colossians 1:27, NIV—...the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Isaiah 14:12-20—¹²How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *How* you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! ¹³For you have said in your heart: ‘I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; ¹⁴I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.’ ¹⁵Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit. ¹⁶Those who see you will gaze at you, *And* consider you, *saying*: ‘Is this the man who made the earth tremble, Who shook kingdoms, ¹⁷who made the world as a wilderness And destroyed its cities, *who* did not open the house of his prisoners?’ ... ²⁰You have destroyed your land *and* slain your people.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-7—³Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; ⁴Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God... ⁷For the mystery of iniquity doth already work.

Philippians 2:5-11—⁵Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross. ⁹Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Masterpiece

Ephesians 2:8-10—⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, ⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Ezekiel 36:23—And I will sanctify My great name, which has been profaned among the nations, which you have profaned in their midst; and the nations shall know that I *am* the LORD,” says the Lord GOD, “when I am hallowed in you before their eyes.

NOTE: *Justified in the Spirit* is translated in other versions, “shown to be right” (TEV); “proved right in spirit” (NCV); “vindicated in the Spirit” (NASB); “was proved spotless and pure in His Spirit” (LB). The idea is that God’s character was exonerated in Christ. His coming down in self-sacrificing love resulted in Him being lifted up in glorious vindication.

“Behold Your God”—Isaiah 40:9

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