



# THE EXHORTER'S CALL

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## LET GOD BE TRUE

One thing that bears remembering is that God is a “man of His Word,” to use a colloquial American expression. The integrity of God is a wonderful comfort for those in fellowship with Him, but conversely, it will soon become a fearful realization to those that have chosen to disregard him.

*Numbers 23:19 “God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?”* It is vital to remember that if God said it, He will do it, regardless of what you think about it! His Word carried enough power to generate all of creation...it also contains enough power to impact the course of human affairs.

*Isaiah 55:11 “So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.”* God’s purpose will be accomplished upon the earth. We tend to look at history through the filter of human life-spans, but God is eternal. Many refuse to accept the existence of God because of the evil that exists on the earth. If there was a God, why would He allow such things? The answer is: He won’t.

*2 Peter 3:9 “The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.”* God is not slack, just patient. Judgment of sin and evil is coming, but He would prefer that man repent of his evil ways and turn to Him. He is providing a “grace-period” for as many to do so that will. But just ask your creditors...all grace-periods come to an end.

Many of the same people who argue against the existence of God, because of the existence of evil, are appalled at biblical passages that predict the end of evil upon the earth. What violent passages they exclaim, surely a loving God would not act in such a fashion. Well, the bottom line is you can’t have it both ways. God is certainly a God of love...and because He is so, He also hates evil. He will not allow evil to triumph. *2 Peter 3:10 “But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.”*

*2 Peter 3:13 “Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.”* God has promised salvation from this final judgment to those that will place their trust in Him. Imagine, eternal life dwelling securely in peace and righteousness.

*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.”*

Are you a “whosoever?” Have you placed your trust in Jesus? The clock is ticking...



שְׁאֵלוּ שְׁלוֹם יְרוּשָׁלַיִם

Yē-rū-sha-lī'im ←--- Shalom' ←--- Sha-alū



### JEHOVAH HAS BECOME YESHUA

The “Song of Moses” recorded in Exodus 15 extols the victory won over the armies of Pharaoh by the hand of God. Interestingly, it prophecies another victory...

*Exodus 15:2 “The **LORD** is my strength and song, and **he is become my salvation**: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father’s God, and I will exalt him.”*

This sentiment is echoed by King David in *Psalms 118:14 and 21* “The **LORD** is my strength and song, and is **become my salvation**.” And in verse 21: “I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art **become my salvation**.” Still yet, the prophet Isaiah proclaims in *Isaiah 12:2-3* “Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the **LORD JEHOVAH** is my strength and my song; he **also is become my salvation**. Therefore with joy shall ye draw **water out of the wells of salvation**.”

As most readers of the King James Bible recognize, an all capitalized rendering of LORD indicates the proper personal Name of God identified as Jehovah, the One True God of Israel; notice that each of these prophetic passages predict that He, Jehovah, is to “become Salvation.” How might this be?

*Isaiah 9:6 “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.”* No less than the Prophet Isaiah predicts that a child will be born who, as the bolded emphasis indicates, is also the Mighty God, JEHOVAH!

In *Matthew 1:21* we find that a virgin shall conceive: “And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his **name JESUS**: for he shall save his people from their sins.” “Jesus” is the English pronunciation of the Greek “Iesous” which rendered in Hebrew is the name “Yeshua.” Regardless of linguistic spelling and pronunciation, they all mean the same thing: Salvation! In fact, “Iesous” as originally recorded in the Greek specifically means “Jehovah is Salvation!” Bless God, the fulfillment of these prophecies is found in Christ: **JESUS IS GOD IN THE FLESH AND THE SALVATION OF MAN!!**

Jesus answered *Isaiah 12:3* above when he told the woman at the well in *John 4:14* “**But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.**”

The question is: Have YOU answered the Song of Moses? Have YOU prepared for Him a habitation in your heart? *Revelation 3:20 “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.”*

Give you heart to Jesus, **THE MESSIAH HAS COME!!**



## Romans 15:4

“For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.”

**THE CONSISTENT THEME**

From beginning to end, the Holy Bible develops one consistent theme: God’s great love toward man and the promise of restoration to a broken relationship. The Tanakh, or Old Testament as it is known to many Christians, records the covenant God made with Abraham to bless his seed AND all the nations of the earth. Jew and Gentile alike can become reconciled to our Great and Mighty Creator, through the promise of a Savior.

The New Testament records the fulfillment of this promise in Jesus Christ!

All things written within the Bible from Old Testament to New, point toward the Captain of our Salvation: Jesus Christ. In scripture we find that grand design of God and obtain comfort in the hope that His Blood purchased for us all.

Does your life have hope?

God loves you. He loves you so much that He divested Himself of the riches and glory of heaven to become a man and walk among us. Ultimately, He sacrificed Himself in our stead and then arose to life again. With this power, he gives new life to all who will believe. What great love He has for us.

Jesus loves you. Won’t you love Him? Ask Him into your heart and accept eternal life today.

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