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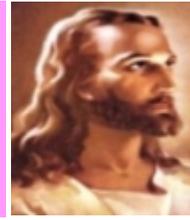
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# BLESSINGS OF GOD BE YOURS...



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**My most loving Father God! I praise You. I honor You. O Omnipotent God! Heavenly Father , You who are filled with immense Love! I Honor You and it is You I praise.**

**My LORD and my God! You who created me in your Image! I thank You from the bottom of my heart! You created me in Your Image and You have sanctified my body to be the dwelling place and the Temple of the Holy Spirit! I Thank You ! Though I have tainted my body in committing sin, yet, by Your Divine mercy , You have redeemed me! My LORD, I praise You!**

**You deigned to accept me as invaluable and precious in your sight O LORD! You washed me clean of all my sins, and gave my physical body respect!**

**LORD deliver me from the clutches of the evil one. You sent Your Only Begotten Son! ThankYou God! Save me that I may not be burdened by the evils sown by the evil one. You shed the precious Blood of Your dear Son as a ransom for my life! No one would ever stand as an assurance for my life. None can give a big sum for my life.**

**My loving father God! My God! You caused your dear Son to stand as a recompense to save my life and my body! You allowed Your Only Holy Son to hang on the Cross and shed His Blood to save me a sinner! In this world , Your Son carried all the burdens of my sins in the form of the Cross ! You have redeemed and made me whole and holy! Father God, I thank you! I shall sing thanks to You for ever more! Save me that I may stand holy in Your Presence and live a faithful life. Save me from the grip of the evil one.**

**Thank You my God! All glory, honour and praise To You alone now and forever more! AMEN!**



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# BELOVED IN CHRIST...



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## “He deserves death.” (Matthew 26:66)



Jesus was dragged to the threshold of the palace of the high priest Caiaphas. They interrogated Jesus in various ways. They accused Him of several faults.

They blamed Jesus saying that He mentioned having to destroy the holy temple and that He would raise it up within three days. Having heard what Jesus revealed of Himself that He was the Messiah, that He would be seated at the right hand of God the Father, and that one day

He would come again in the clouds of glory, yet the high priest could not and did not wish to accept. They accused Him of blaspheming against God. What is the punishment for this fault? The high priest asked the general public as to what could be done with Him. The advice that the people gave him was, “ He deserves death.”

True enough! The judgment of the people was predestined by God Himself! That humankind may never die, that we should be delivered from death and from Satan, it was expedient that Jesus had to die for us. Climbing on the tree the snake deceived mankind. That was why sin entered the world. Death clung on to the human race. ( Romans 5:12)

To save us from eternal death and from sins that cause death, Jesus suffered much and hung on the wooden Cross. His death defeated Satan and destroyed death. Death became a punishment for death. The death of Jesus is our Life eternal.

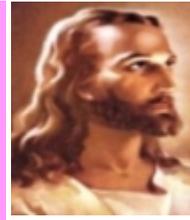
During these days, let us meditate on Jesus' passion and the Death on the Cross. Let us thus be benefitted. Let us thereby receive Life. I wish you Joy!

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# “ I FIND NO CASE AGAINST HIM” ( John 18:38)



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Jesus Christ graced this earth with His thirty three year long life on this earth. Of which the last three days are the pinnacle of our Redemption. The basic foundational faith meditated upon by the Christians:

Jesus Christ is The Son of God! He is the beginning and the end! Taking upon Himself to fulfill the will of the heavenly father, He came down to the earth as a human being, and revealed Himself to the people. He was revealed as The Lamb of God who has come to take away the sins of the world. (John 1:29)

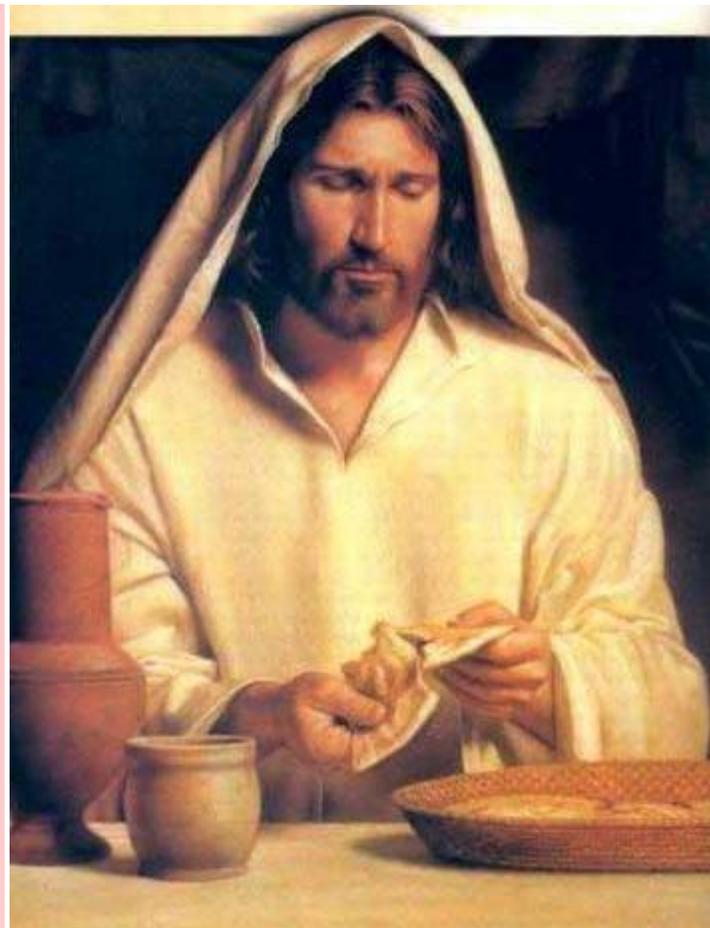
He revealed His glory by turning water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana.( John 2:11)God revealed to the Jewish leaders that Jesus Christ is the Only Son of God, and that father God deigned to send His only Begotten Son to the world and that He wished to redeem the world through Him. (John 3:16)

Jesus revealed to them that The Non-Jewish people, the Samaritans and the women were also very close to God. It was manifested that Jesus was the Messiah whom the Jews were waiting for and that It was He who would give the Life giving waters. (John 4:10) They believed that when they did what He sais, even the water would turn to wine. (John 2:9-12) and that the sick would be healed.(John 4:50-53)

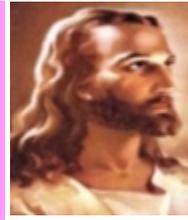
Jesus is the Living Bread come down from heaven (John 6:50).They also had the indelible faith that His Word alone could give them eternal Life. (John 6:63) If they believed in Him, search for Him with longing and thirst, they would receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.( John 7:37-39)

Jesus forgave the sinners. (John 8:1-30) Satan did not have dominion over Him.(John 8:42-51) It is He who restores Life to the dead! Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life! Those who believe in Him will live, even though they die. The dead Lazarus came back to life, just as He said. (John 11:38-44)The Jews witnessed all the wonders and signs and the miracles performed, showing admiration. But they walked behind Him as long as they needed Him. But they did not believe in Him. They spoke out aloud that they had an excellent eyesight and walked about as though they were blind.(John 9:41) At least for the last three years, He revealed Himself as the Son of God, and that “He was closest to the heart of the Father and that He was the Only Son filled with qualities of God. He showed it out in His Word and in His deed.

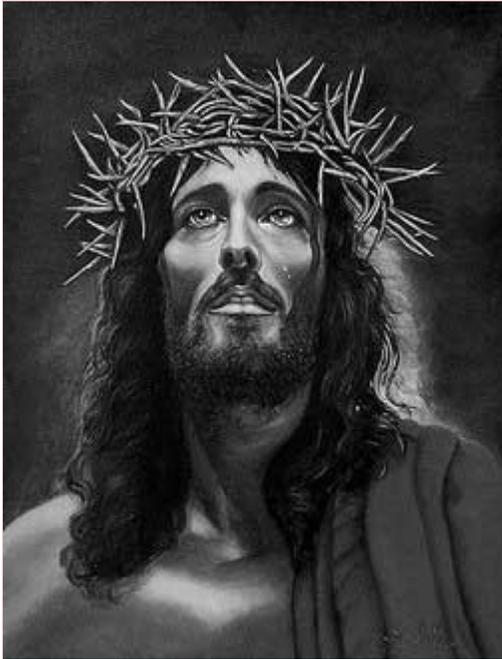
But they did not understand Him. Selfishness, anger, and the crafty vile of satan all blind-folded them.( John 13:27) Their eyes were in the dark. In spite of it all, Jesus loved mankind. He loved them to the very end. (John 13:1) He prayed fervently to the Heavenly Father, “ Preserve them from the evil one.”



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Although everything was carried out so meticulously well, yet his friend Judas betrayed Jesus for thirty pieces of silver coins. The leaders arrested Jesus and brought Him over to the court for judgment. They took Him to the government court under Pilate as though the court for the priests were insufficient.

They portrayed as if He were a political criminal. Finally Pilate questioned Him. That He was the Son of God, that He was the Messiah, that He would destroy the temple and revealed that He would rebuild it in three days, and that which was under the Jewish law they Portrayed as being against the Roman emperor, and thus accusing Him of heresy, they blamed Him unjustly. This was what Pilate had scrutinized and then came to a conclusion.

“I find no case against him.” (John 18:38) “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him.: (John 19:4) Pilate said to them, “ Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him.”

Thus Pilate a gentile publicly mentioned thrice that Jesus was blameless. Although Jesus was blameless, Pilate wanted to satisfy the general public and so had Him flogged with a whip, sentenced Him to death. Finally they killed Him by crucifying him on the Cross. It was only by the death on the Cross that Jesus gained His victory. Jesus hung on the wooden Cross and defeated satan that hung on the tree of the garden of Eden. Jesus defeated death by His own death on the Cross. By His selfless sacrifice and great love , Jesus won over man’s selfishness and craftiness of satan. He won over death by His own death.

The disobedience of Adam was judgmental against human kind. But the obedience of Jesus granted Life to the human beings. (Romans 5:18-19) In this way we see that The agonizing Passion of Jesus Christ have become our strength and our Life. During these forty days of lent, let us make mortifications and pray. Jesus is seated at the right hand of God the Father and is ceaselessly interceding for us. (Romans 8:34)

“ Who will separate us from the love of Christ?... Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine , or nakedness, or peril , or sword? As it is written, “ For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered....” (Romans 8:35-37)

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