

Redemption, Deliverance (salvation), Eternal Life

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YHWH our Sovereign Almighty Creator Power Life-Force, was and is the only SAVIOR and REDEEMER of Israel, and this is absolute as He states: *"But now thus saith YHWH that created thee, O Jacob, and He that formed thee, O Israel, fear not: for I have redeemed thee. I have called thee by thy name: thou art mine."* (Isaiah. 43:1). *"For I am YHWH, Creator, the Holy One of Israel, thy SAVIOR: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee."* (Isa. 43:3). Our Creator plainly states, *"I am YHWH and besides Me there is NO SAVIOR!"* (Isaiah 43:11). The Sovereign Almighty Creator Power Life-Force of Israel calls Himself the only SAVIOR and REDEEMER of Israel (Isaiah 45:15, 45:21, and 49:26).

The titles of SAVIOR and REDEEMER that YHWH uses, tells us something about our future as Israelites. What are we saved from? What are we redeemed from? The answer is clear. We are saved from death; Ezekiel 18:4 says, *"The soul that sinneth, it shall die."* And also again in verse 20, *"The soul that sinneth, it shall die."* We are redeemed, meaning YHWH Himself has bought us: *"I gave Egypt for thy ransom...."* It was our Sovereign Almighty Creator Power Life-Force that gave us His Commandments by our covenant/contract with Him, and it included penalties - if we violated the conditions. Yet, just as in any situation in which someone wrongs us, or violates the conditions of a Covenant or Contract there is also a right to completely forgive any violations should the offended party choose to do so. Likewise, the Holy One of Israel has the right to forgive sins committed against Him "if" He sees fit to do so. He alone can abrogate the penalty of an offence committed against Him for a violation of the Covenant/Contract Israelites made. By grace as a gift alone YHWH chooses to forgive His people upon their genuine and sincere repentance, (Ps 51 and 32).

YHWH has done just as He has promised us through His prophets: *"Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil. ...Come now, and let us reason together, saith YHWH: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool"* (Isaiah 1:16, 18). Ezekiel also states this clearly: *"For I will take you from among the nations, and gather you out of all the countries, and will bring you into your own land. And I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new life-force will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. I will put my life-force within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep mine ordinances, and do them"* (Eze 26:24).

If YHWH gave the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob a book of instruction, would He allow them to become so corrupted that we could not see the truth of His plan for Adamic man - which includes His plan for our salvation? He would not! The Set-apart Scriptures to Israel is complete. In the Torah (law), Nevi'im (prophets), and Kethuvim (writings), (except for the fictional work of Esther and Job) are contained all the vital knowledge for our daily lives; for righteous living - and for our eternal salvation. In Genesis 3, we can see clearly that YHWH, the ETERNAL the POWER, the CREATOR, and LIFE-FORCE intended for us to have eternal life one day. When Adam and Eve rebelled and took of the forbidden knowledge, notice what He says: *"Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil (bad); and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever."*

King David knew he would be resurrected with a spiritual body, one example is: *"As for me, I will see Your face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness."* (Ps. 17:15).

From the very beginning, YHWH intended that we could have eternal life - that we could live forever! At the time of Creation, there was a plan for this in place, and it included living forever if one obeyed the CREATOR. However, the result of disobedience was death, pure and simple.

Ezekiel 18:4, says, *"The soul that sinneth, it shall die"* (physical death). However, *"But if the wicked turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all My statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. None of his transgressions that he hath committed shall be remembered against him; for his righteousness that he hath done he shall live."* *"Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith YHWH, and not rather that he should return from his ways, and live?"* *"Cast away from you all your transgressions, wherein ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit; for why will ye die O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith YHWH; wherefore turn yourselves, and live."* (Ezekiel 18:21-32).

Since the Commandments are physical and not spiritual a sinner can repent and turn from his wickedness. Some in 'Christianity' have argued that Malachi 3 shows that the penalty of the sinner will be eternal death. This is true, but read the scripture in light of the above. It is eternal death only if the sinner refuses to put away his wicked ways.

"Then shall ye again discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth (YHWH) and him that serveth Him not. For, behold, the day cometh, that it burneth as a furnace; and all the proud, and all that work wickedness, shall be stubble; and the day that cometh shall set them ablaze, saith the YHWH of Hosts. ...But unto you that fear My name shall the sun of righteousness arise with healing in its wings;...and ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I do make, saith YHWH of Hosts" (Mal. 3:18-21).-

Following the implied promise of eternal life in Genesis 3, we can begin to understand what it was that King David was speaking of when he writes: *"For Thou wilt not abandon my soul (nephesh) to the nether-world; Neither wilt Thou suffer Thy righteous one to see the pit. Thou makest me to know the path of life; in Thy presence is fullness of joy, in Thy right hand bliss for evermore"* (Ps 16:10-11).

The Hebrew word "sheol" which is also translated "nether-world," is also understood to mean the grave, the place or state of the dead. (See Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon p. 798, #H7585) So King David is talking specifically about a resurrection from the dead here! In other words, life after death! He again expresses this understanding: *"O YHWH, Thou broughtest up my soul (life) from the neither-world (Hebrew sheol); Thou didst keep me alive, that I should not go down to the pit."* (Ps 30:4).

King David further clarifies this promise:

"Of them that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches? No man can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to the CREATOR a ransom for him - for too costly

is the redemption of their soul, and must be let alone forever - that he should still live always, that he should not see the pit. For he seeth that wise men die, the fool and the brutish together perish, and leave their wealth to others...but man abideth not in honor; he is like the beasts that perish. This is the way of them that are foolish, and of those who after them approve their sayings. Selah. Like sheep they are appointed for the nether-world; death shall be their shepherd; and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their form shall be for the nether-world to wear away, that there be no habitation for it. But the CREATOR will redeem any soul from the power of the neither world; for He shall receive me. Selah." (Ps 49:7-16).

"Return, O my soul, unto thy rest; for YHWH hath dealt bountifully with thee. For Thou YHWH hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. I shall [again] walk before YHWH in the lands of the living." (Ps 116:7-9).

It is clear, from the account of the Tree of Life in Genesis, that there was always the promise in the lives of the people of the Tanakh (Hebrew Scriptures) for the forgiveness of sins and, therefore, for salvation. *"The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life"* (Proverbs 11:30). Is this not a reference to the Tree of Life that was once was available to Adam? It appears to be, because, Isaiah 45:17 makes it clear, Israel is to have an everlasting salvation. *"O Israel, that art saved by YHWH with an everlasting salvation; ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded, world without end."*

"Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in the dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead." (Isaiah 26:19).

The prophecy of eternal life is spelled out also in Isaiah:

"And in this mountain (nation) shall YHWH of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees (sediment), of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined. And He will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations." (Isa. 25:6-9). What is this covering or veil? The next verse answers: *"He (YHWH) will swallow up death in victory; and He will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of His people shall He take away from off all the earth: for YHWH hath spoken it. And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our Creator; we have waited for Him, and He will save us: this is YHWH; we have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His Salvation."*

The Holy One of Israel has given us His promise of everlasting life, and His Word cannot be broken. In order to redeem this promise, we need only to understand the simple formula of asking our Creator for forgiveness and then walk in His statutes and keep His Commandments!

Let us close with this final thought - *"Seek ye YHWH while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near; Let the wicked forsake his way, and the man of iniquity his thoughts; and let him return unto YHWH, and He will have compassion upon him, and to our Power, for He will abundantly pardon. For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith YHWH." (Isaiah 55:6-9).*

Additional supporting passages:

Eze 18:21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Eze 18:22 All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.

Eze 18:27 Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

Eze 18:28 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Eze 33:14 Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right;

Eze 33:15 If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Eze 33:16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: past sin he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.

Deut 6:25 And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before Yahweh as he hath commanded us.

Pro 12:28 In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

Pro 19:16 He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; but he that despiseth his ways shall die.

Pro 21:21 He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honor.

Eccl.12: 13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear Yahweh, and keep His Commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

What does it mean to “Keep” the Commandments?

Yahshua (Jesus) also echoes the Tanakh, that eternal life depends upon the keeping the Commandments (Matt. 19:16-17). The Greek word “keep” used in this passage is from the root “tay-reh’-o” which means, a watch over; to guard (as in keep from loss or injury), by keeping the “eye upon.” We are not to regard the Commandments lightly, or to tread upon what YHWH has given to us “under foot.” Is it possible to “keep” the Commandments? Yes is certainly is, and Yahshua taught us how to!

Keeping the 10 Commandments is what changes us from being wicked into becoming righteous! The agreement that YHWH made with the sons of Israel, was the blessing for keeping the 10 Commandments, which is life for evermore (Ps.133: 3), and a curse of not keeping them, which was eternal death (Deut.11: 26-28). Nothing has changed concerning this! YHWH does not

change! We either have to believe the testimony of our Father's prophets, that our whole duty is the keeping of the 10 Commandments to receive salvation, which is the blessing. Or we can go against the Testimony of the prophets, and put blind faith in Paul/Saul's pagan doctrines found in the New Testament..

a. Yes, all have sinned. *"They are all gone aside, they are together become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one."* (Ps 14:3).

b. Yes, apart from YHWH, and when we are continuing in sin, we are void of peace. *"but the wicked are like the troubled sea when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. "There is no peace," saith YHWH, to the wicked."* (Isaiah 57:20-21).

c. Only in YHWH can we have peace. *"YHWH bless thee and keep thee; YHWH make His face shine upon thee, and be favorable unto thee; YHWH lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace."* (Numbers 6:24-26). *"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee."* (Isaiah 26:3).

d. We must repent of our sins. *"Say unto them, As I live, saith YHWH, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways, for why will ye die?"* (Ezekiel 33:11).

e. In YHWH, our hearts are cleansed, and we become a new creature. *"Create in me a clean heart, O YHWH, and renew a right spirit within me" ...* (Psalm 51:10). *"YHWH says, a new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh."* (Ezekiel 36:26).

f. Now we walk in obedience to YHWH's Word. YHWH says, *"If the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all My statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die."* (Ezekiel 18:21). *"Thou hast commanded us to keep Thy precepts diligently..."* (Ps 119:4).

g. On this renewed heart that YHWH gives us, He writes His Law. *"After those days," saith YHWH, "I will put My Law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts, and will be their Almighty One, and they shall be My people."* (Jeremiah 31:33).

h. As a new creature, we do not live to please ourselves. Rather, we live to please YHWH. *"And it shall be our righteousness if we observe to do all these commandments before YHWH our Almighty One, as He hath commanded us."* (Deut 6:25).

i. As servants of YHWH, we have a mission to help others see the truth as well. *"Then will I teach transgressors Thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto Thee."* (Ps 51:13).

j. This also means we must bring our children up in the way. *"And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up."* (Deut 6:7). *"Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it."* (Proverbs 22:6).

k. We must not be ashamed of our faith in YHWH. *“And Micaiah said, “As YHWH liveth, what YHWH saith unto me, that will I speak.” (1 Kings 22:14). “O YHWH, open Thou my lips, and my mouth shall shew forth Thy praise.” (Ps 51:15).*

l. We must always look to YHWH in prayer. *“Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud, and He shall hear my voice” (Ps 55:17). “Trust in YHWH with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.” (Proverbs 3:5-6).*

If we remain forever steadfast unto YHWH, loving Him with all our hearts, and diligently obeying His voice, we shall receive the reward of eternal Life with Him. *“I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore, choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live, that thou mayest love YHWH thy Almighty One, that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto Him; for He is thy Life, and the length of thy days.” (Deut. 30: 19-20).*

What about those who are not related to blood Israelites, or those who are not of the white Semitic/Caucasian racial group? What about those who have never heard of the “Revealed Word” as written in the Hebrew Scriptures? This is found in YHWH’s “General Revelation” (Ps. 19:1-7). The physical/natural scientific record is an example to us of order, of design, of planning, and of the purpose for the entire Universe and for all that exists or will ever exist. This is undeniable physical evidence of YHWH’s eternal existence and His Sovereignty over all of it.

YHWH accepts in His Household "Covenant keeping strangers" (Israelites from unknown Tribes), Isa. 56:1. *“Thus saith YHWH, keep ye justice, and do righteousness; for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed, Isa. 56:2. Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that holdeth it fast; that keepeth the Sabbath from profaning it, and keepeth his hand from doing any wickedness, Isa 56:3. Neither let the son of the stranger that hath joined himself to Yahweh, speak, saying, YHWH will surely separate me from his people; neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree, Isa. 56:4. For thus saith YHWH of the eunuchs that keep my Sabbaths, and choose the things that please me, and hold fast my covenant, Isa.56:5. Unto them will I give in my house and within my walls a memorial and a name better than of sons and of daughters; I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off, Isa 56:6. Also the sons of the stranger that join themselves to YHWH; to minister unto him, and to love the name of YHWH, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from profaning it, and holdeth fast my covenant, Isa 56:7, even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer...” Isa 56:8.* The simple answer for all of Creation and for man-kind in general is found in Ecc. 12: 13-14.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear Alueim, (YHWH) and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of adamic-man. (Ecc. 12:13). For Alueim (YHWH) shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be wicked. (Ecc. 12:14).

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