## Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

The ONE who was anointed the GREAT HIGH PRIEST over the house of GOD was indeed quite mindful and desirous of this office since HE is the ONE who ordained HIMSELF in this position before the foundation of the world. Isaiah speaks of HIS view and satisfaction at the fulfillment of the purpose for which HE came into the earth. "He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities." The passage of time is of no consequence to HIM who is eternal. HE declares the end from the beginning and sees all things as though they are already done. Does not the Psalmist allude to this very fact when he says, "we spend our years as a tale that is told." It is also confirmed by Peter who said "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

HE is the "high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy." HE is "before all things, and by him all things consist." How foolish is it for men to think that GOD must twiddle HIS thumbs and wait to see what men will do. HE knows what is in the heart of man because HE made man and directeth his steps. All things in the earth shall praise HIM because HE is the ONE who has determined to get glory in the creation of a world to manifest the wonder of HIS grace in the redemption of sinners. For this purpose, JESUS CHRIST the RIGHTEOUS, come into the world and has indeed accomplished the complete and utter deliverance of HIS elect from all condemnation. The very fact that it pleased HIM to come down to where we are and to make HIMSELF of no reputation, taking upon HIMSELF the likeness of sinful flesh, is a most mysterious and yet glorious occurrence.

GOD does nothing out of need because HE needs nothing, being perfect and complete in all of HIS resplendent and eternal glory. HE does "according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?" HIS predetermined purpose to save those which were chosen in CHRIST before the foundation of the world is manifest as JESUS CHRIST was born of a virgin who came to fulfill the prophecy told to Joseph, "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." Thus HIS joy was fulfilled when HE was anointed as our GREAT HIGH PRIEST before the first molecule of creation was made. HE was as a "bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race." The joy was set before HIM to deliver HIS elect, "For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren." Those for whom HE came to redeem were HIS brethren both before and after HE accomplished their redemption. In fact, it is because they belonged to HIM that HE redeemed them.

In this is demonstrated the "unity" of the brethren wherein HE has laid down HIS life for HIS brethren and left us an example to follow in HIS steps. This is the very heart of what HE told HIS disciples saying, "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Paul goes on to describe this in his exhortation to the Philippians, "Fulfill ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves." What greater joy can be had by those who are the sons of GOD than to dwell together in unity with their brethren. We read in John's epistle, "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." The HOLY GHOST causes the sons of GOD to love their brethren for the same reason that JESUS CHRIST loved HIS brethren. This is in the prayer of our LORD as HE agonized in the Garden of Gethsemane, "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me." Do you love the brethren of CHRIST?

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