

# A WORLD WHERE LOVE REIGNS

*Following Jesus Till It's The Only World The Remains*

Acts 2.14-16— But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel.

Acts 2.22-24—You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, given to you according to the definite plan and purpose of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. **But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.**

Acts 2.32-33—This Jesus **God raised up**, and of that all of us are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear.

Acts 2.36—Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that **God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.**”

Acts 3.12-16—When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, but God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

Acts 4.10-11—Let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, **but whom God raised from the dead.** This Jesus is ‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.’

That the world might be healed . . . – John 3.17

\*All texts quoted from the TNIV unless otherwise noted.

<sup>a</sup>**Metanoia**—Rethink Everything

“metanoesein kai pistos emoi.” - The Life Of Flavius Josephus, (Thackery 110)

**Forgiveness of Sins—**

“Forgiveness of sins is another way of saying ‘return from exile.’”

(N. T. Wright, *Jesus and the Victory of God*, vol. 2, *Christian Origins and the Question of God* (Minneapolis: Fortress, 1996), 268.)

Exile was punishment for sins

Return from Exile meant Israel’s sins were Forgiven.

(See Lam 4:22; Jer 31:31-34; 33:4-11; Ezek 36:24-26, 33; 37:21-23; Isa 40:1-2; 43:25-44:3; 52-55; Dan 9:16-19; Ezra 9:6-15; Neh 9:6-37; Isa 52-55; Jer 31-33; Ezek 36-37.)

Adam - Abraham

Jesus

Israel - Humanity - New World Has Begun

<sup>b</sup>**Psalms 67.4**—Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah

**Psalms 45.6**—Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;

**Amos 5.21-22**—I can’t stand your religious meetings. I’m fed up with your conferences and conventions. I want nothing to do with your religion projects, your pretentious slogans and goals. I’m sick of your fund-raising schemes, your public relations and image making. I’ve had all I can take of your noisy ego-music. When was the last time you sang to me? Do you know what I want? I want justice—oceans of it. I want fairness—rivers of it. That’s what I want. That’s all I want. (*The Message*)

**Acts 5.30-32**—The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Founder and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who follow him.”<sup>a</sup>

**Acts 10.36-43**—You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. **They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day** and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as **judge**<sup>b</sup> of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that **everyone** who believes in him receives **forgiveness of sins through his name.**”

**Acts 13.23-38**—Of this man’s [David’s] posterity God has brought to Israel a Savior, Jesus, as he promised...My brothers, you descendants of Abraham’s family, and others who fear God, to us the message of this salvation has been sent. Because the residents of Jerusalem and their leaders did not recognize him or understand the words of the prophets that are read every sabbath, they fulfilled those words by condemning him. Even though they found no cause for a sentence of death, they asked Pilate to have him killed. When they had carried out everything that was written about him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb. **But God raised him from the dead;** and for many days he appeared to those who came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, and they are now his witnesses to the people. And we bring you the good news **that what God promised to our ancestors he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising Jesus...**Let it be known to you therefore, my brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. [New Order of Things]

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