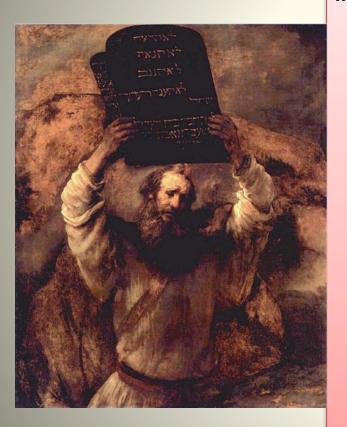


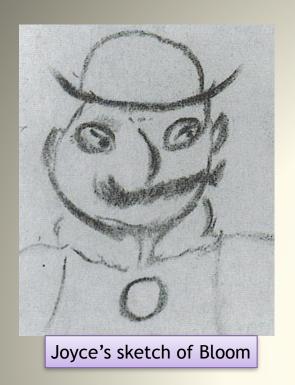
DUBLIN, 1904

"Why will you jews not accept our culture, our religion and our language? You are a tribe of nomad herdsmen: we are a mighty people. You have no cities nor no wealth: our cities are hives of humanity and our galleys, trireme and quadrireme, laden with all manner merchandise furrow the waters of the known globe. You have but emerged from primitive contitions: we have a literature, a priesthood, an agelong history and polity. You pray to a local and obscure idol: our temples, majestic and mysterious, are the abodes of Isis and Osiris, of Horus and Ammon Ra. Israel is weak and few are her children. Egypt is an host and terrible are her arms. Vagrants and daylabourers are you called: the world trembles at our name."

"The Language of the Outlaw"



"But, ladies and gentlemen, had the youthful Moses listened to and accepted that view of life, had he bowed his head and bowed his will and bowed his spirit before that arrogant admonition he would never have brought the chosen people out of their house of bondage, nor followed the pillar of the cloud by day. He would never have spoken with the Eternal amid lightnings on Sinai's mountaintop nor ever have come down with the light of inspiration shining in his countenance and bearing in his arms the tables of the law, graven in the language of the outlaw."



"Mendelssohn was a jew and Karl Marx and Spinoza. And the Saviour was a jew and his father was a jew. Your God.... Your God was a jew. Christ was a jew like me."

Leopold Bloom

"Well, they're still waiting for their redeemer. For that matter, so are we."

Martin Cunningham

"By Jesus, says he, I'll brain that bloody jewman for using the holy name. By Jesus, I'll crucify him so I will."

The Citizen

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TaNaKh (תנייך)

The Hebrew Bible

Torah (תּוֹרָה) "Teaching"

Genesis (בְּרֵאשִׁית)
Exodus (שָׁמוֹת)
Leviticus (וַיְּקְרָא)
Numbers (בְּמִדְבָּר)
Deuteronomy

Nevi'im (נְבִיאִים) *Prophets*

The Former Prophets
Joshua (יְהַוּשָׁעְיָהוּ)
Judges (שֹׁפְּטִים)
Samuel (שְׁמִוּאֵל)
Kings (מִלְכִים)

The Latter Prophets
Isaiah (יְהַשְׁעָיָהוּ)
Jeremiah (שְׁמוּאֵל)
Ezekiel (יְחֶזְקֵאל)

The 12 Minor Prophets

Hosea (נַחוּם) ' Nahum (נַחוּם) ' Joel (יוֹאֵל) ' Habakkuk (מְבַקּוּקּ) ' Zephaniah (עְבֵּקְיָה) ' Obadiah (עֹבַדְיָה) ' Haggai (יוֹנָה) ' Zechariah (מְלַבְרָיָה) ' Micah (מְלָאָרָי) ' Malachi (מְלָאָרָי) '

Ketuvim (כְּתוּבִים) "Writings"

Psalms (תְהָלִים) Ecclesiastes (קֹהֶלֶת)
Proverbs (מְשְׁלֵים) Esther (אֶסְתָר)
Job (אִיּוֹב) Daniel (שִׁירִם)
Song of Songs (שִׁירִם)
Ruth (רוּת) Ezra & Nehemiah
Lamentations (עֶזְרָא)

(דברי הימים) Chronicles

Since that time
no prophet has risen in Israel
like Moses,
whom the Lord knew
face to face.

Deuteronomy 34:10

Remember the Torah of Moses My servant, even the statutes and ordinances which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel. Behold, I am going to send you Flijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD.

Malachi 4:4-5

"Thus says Cyrus king of Persia, 'The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has charged me to build him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever is among you of all his people, may the Lord his God be with him. Let him go up."

Chronicles 36:23

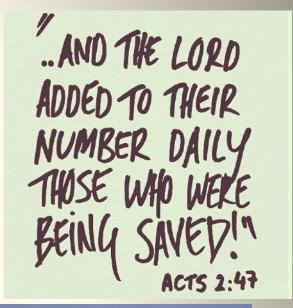
ARE YOU SAVED? NOT YET!

For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.

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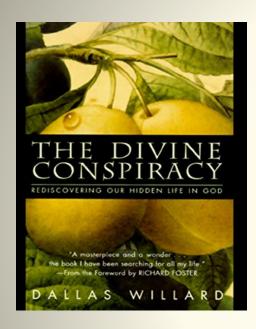
Romans 13:11







The Gospel of Sin Management



"Christians have been led to believe that God, for some unfathomable reason, just thinks it appropriate to transfer credit from Christ's merit to ours, and to wipe out our sin debt, upon inspecting our mind and finding we believe a particular theory of the atonement—even if we trust everything but God in all other matters that concern us. It is left unexplained how it is possible that one can rely on Christ for the next life without doing so for this one."

Acts 17:6-7

These people who have been turning the world upside down have come here also...

They are all acting contrary to the decrees of the emperor, saying that there is another king named Jesus.

The gospel of sin management and earth-abandonment produces institutional believers (Baptists, Methodists, Pentecostals, Catholics, etc.) who adhere to a system of belief and a structure of religion - but ultimately support the status quo.

The gospel of the kingdom must produce disciples who learn a radical new way of life and participate in the transformation of the world.

Who is the Real Person Jesus?

- "There is a difference between trusting Christ, the real person Jesus, with all that that naturally involves, versus trusting some arrangement for sin-remission set up through him—trusting only his role as guilt remover.
- To trust the real person Jesus is to have confidence in him in every dimension of our real life, to believe that he is right about and adequate to everything.
- The gospel is the good news of the presence and availability of life in the kingdom, now and forever, through reliance on Jesus the Anointed."

Dallas Willard

THE LORD GOD MADE GARMENTS OF SKIN FOR ADAM AND HIS WIFE AND CLOTHED THEM. GENESIS 3:21

Mercy

Gen 4:15

Then the LORD put a mark on Cain so that no one who found him would kill him.

BEFORE AND AFTER

"And God saw that human evil was great in the earth and that every inclination of the thoughts of their heart was only evil continually."

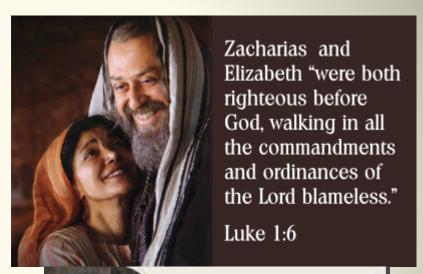
(Gen. 6:5)

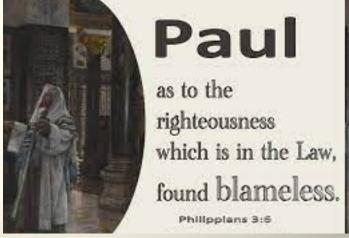
"And the Lord said, 'Never again will I curse the ground/land on account of humans, because the inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood." (Gen. 8:21)

She will give birth to a son, and you will name him Yeshua [He Saves], because he will save his people from their sins."

THE NEXT DAY JOHN SAW
JESUS COMING TOWARD
HIM AND SAID, "LOOK, THE
LAMB OF GOD, WHO TAKES
AWAY THE SIN OF THE
WORLD!"
JOHN 1:29

SALVATION FROM SIN?





The Two Paths

יצר המוב

- "Yetzer HaTov"
- The Good Inclination
- Takes us on the good path

יצר הרע

- · "Yetzer HaRa"
- The Evil inclination
- That takes us on the bad path.

"Torah asks us to embrace complexity and to reject one-dimensional understandings of human potential. The Jewish view is that human beings are neither inherently good nor inherently bad. We are inherently complicated, pulled in many directions at once, capable of breathtaking kindness and self-sacrifice as well as horrific cruelty and staggering indifference."

Rabbi Shai Held

so that the righteous [or ethical]
verdict [or appraisal] of the Torah
can be satisfied [or fulfilled] in
us who walk not in a manner
conforming to "yetzer ha'rah"
[Heb: "בָּר הְרַבּי - yetzer ha'rah • a
resolve to do evil], but conforming to
"yetzer ha'tov" [Heb: "בְּרַ הַמִּוֹר - yetzer ha'tov" [Heb: "בַּרְרַ הַמִּוֹר - yetzer ha'tov, i.e., a resolve to do good].

Messianic Jewish translation of Romans 8:4

"The question of original sin is not of primary importance for the Jew. The problem is not how shall I be saved. The problem is how shall I serve God at this very moment."

Rabbi Heschel

Heart Surgery

Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked.

Deuteronomy 10:16

"For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off.
But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it."

Deuteronomy 30:11, 14

"And the Lord your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, that you may live."

Deuteronomy 30:6 NKJV

Partners with God

God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.

Proverbs 3:34

"The one who attempts to purify himself is assisted [by God] in the process."

(Shabbat 104a)



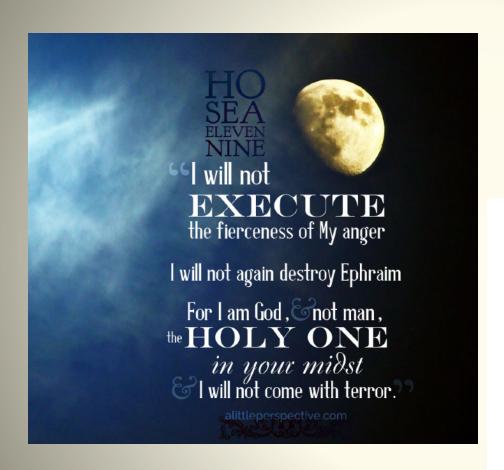
Philippians 2:12-13

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

"Some modern Jewish thinkers write as if humanity has the capacity for limitless self-transformation. But Deuteronomy is skeptical. It takes both strenuous human effort and profound divine blessing to transform the human heart. We are not our own redeemers. In order for the human heart to open and soften, both will and grace are necessary.

"Many modern Jews find it difficult to acknowledge the limits we face in trying to reshape who we are. We live in a culture that values autonomy and we see it as weakness to acknowledge we can't do it ourselves. We also reflexively fear sounding 'too Christian' so that we cannot allow ourselves to admit 'I cannot do this alone.' Deuteronomy teaches that we are called to open our hearts and return to God even as we acknowledge that for that very turning we need God's help." (Rabbi Shai Held)

Does God's Holiness Demand Punishment?



Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1

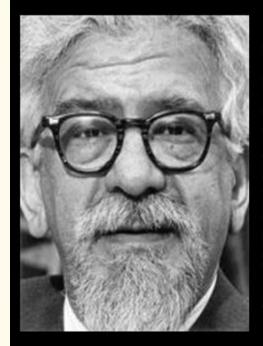
18My joy has flown away; grief has settled on me. My heart is sick. 19Listen—the cry of my dear people from a far away land: Is the Lord no longer in Zion, her King not in her midst? Why have they provoked Me to anger with their graven images, with their worthless foreign idols?

20Harvest has passed, summer has ended, but we have not been saved. 21 am broken by the brokenness of my dear people. I mourn; horror has taken hold of me. 22 is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? So why has the healing of my dear people not come about? 9:1 if my head were water, my eyes a fountain of tears, I would weep day and night over the slain of my dear people.

COMMUNITY GUILT

"Did it enter our minds that the Elders of a court of justice are shedders of blood? Rather, (it means) that the victim did not come to us and we dismissed him without supplying him with food; we did not see him and then leave him to depart alone without escort."

(Commentary on Deuteronomy 21:1-9 in *Sotah* 45b)



"We must believe that, morally speaking, there is no limit to the concern one must feel for the suffering of human beings, that indifference to evil is worse than evil itself, that in a free society, some are guilty, but all are responsible."

-- Abraham Joshua Heschel