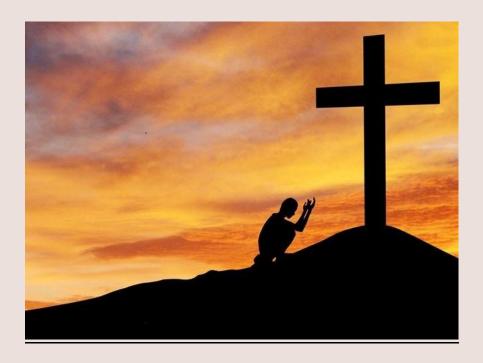
<u>Understanding Jesus and the Cross of Calvary /理解耶稣和加略山的十字架</u> (Chinese Simplified)

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The Love of God Expressed Through the Cross of Calvary if Seen in the Right Way! Read on to Understand!

神的爱藉着加略山的十字架彰显出来,如果我们以正确的方式看待它!继续阅读,了解祂的爱!

A brief explanation of the Cross of Calvary and how it relates to each person today. But first, some necessary background leading up to the Cross of Calvary Event.

简要解释髑髅地的十字架,以及它与今日每个人的关联。但首先,让我们先 了解一些与髑髅地十字架事件相关的必要背景。

造物主上帝,无论在道德层面,还是在思想、行为上,甚至在本质上,都是圣洁的。上帝是一位位格的存在,与他的创造物截然不同。上帝永远不会做错事,也不会引诱人做错事(雅各书1章13-15节)。祂在各方面都是无可指责的。出埃及记20章1-17节中的十诫,以及加拉太书5章19-21节等其他经文,都揭示了祂的圣洁或公义的标准。

上帝选择创造"自由意志"的生物,即使祂知道祂的创造物会选择悖逆,走自己的路。这种悖逆发生在大约6000年前伊甸园的亚当和夏娃身上。结果,他们与上帝的关系破裂了。上帝不得不将祂的灵从亚当和夏娃的心中收回。亚当和夏娃的后代如今生来就处于堕落的罪孽之中,即与造物主的关系破裂。听听大卫王在诗篇 51 篇 1-5 节中哀叹他的堕落、罪恶状况和任性。

<u>诗篇 51 v 1-5</u>

- 1 神啊, 求你按你的慈爱怜恤我, 按你丰盛的慈悲涂抹我的过犯。
- 2 求你将我的罪孽洗除净尽,并洁除我的罪。
- 3 因为我知道我的过犯,我的罪常在我面前。
- 4 我向你犯罪,惟独得罪了你,在你眼前行了这恶,以致你责备我的时候,显为公义。判断我的时候,显为清正。
- 5 我是在罪孽里生的。在我母亲怀胎的时候,就有了罪。

上帝垂听了大卫的祷告,赦免了他,洁净了他!大卫蒙了赦免,因为他遵照圣经的教导悔改,并盼望未来的弥赛亚在加略山十字架上为他的罪付上代价!所以,你我都有盼望!

撰写了大部分新约圣经的使徒保罗也曾哀叹自己堕落的肉体和任性,"他说,在我里面没有良善!"

罗马书 7 v 18, 19

- 18 我也知道,在我里头,就是我肉体之中,没有良善。因为立志为善由得我,只是行出来由不得我。
- 19 故此,我所愿意的善,我反不作。我所不愿意的恶,我倒去作。

使徒保罗后来也很高兴,因为通过内在的圣灵,他可以抑制肉体的欲望,所以一切都没有失去!

God the Creator is holy both morally in His actions and thoughts and in His essence. God is a personal being and separate from His Creation. God can never do wrong or tempt someone to do wrong, James 1 v 13-15. He is unblameable in every way. The 10 commandments, in the book of Exodus 20 v 1-17, as well as other scriptures such as Galatians 5 v 19-21 reveal his standard of holiness or righteousness.

God chose to create "free willed" beings even though He knew his creation would choose to disobey and go their own way. That disobedience happened in the Garden of Eden with Adam and Eve around 6,000 years ago. The result was a broken relationship with God. God had to withdraw His Spirit from the hearts of Adam and Eve. Adam and Eve's offspring were now born in a fallen sinful state i.e. a broken relationship with their Creator. Listen to King David as he lamented his fallen sinful condition and waywardness in Psalm 51 v 1-5.

Psalm 51 v 1-5

- 1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2 Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.
- 5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

For the record God heard David's prayer and did forgive and cleanse him! David was forgiven as he Biblically repented and looked forward to the future Messiah's payment for his sin on the Cross of Calvary! So there is hope for you and me!

The Apostle Paul who wrote most of the New Testament also lamented his fallen flesh and waywardness, "he said that no good thing dwelleth in me!".

Romans 7 v 18, 19

18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

The Apostle Paul also later rejoiced that through the indwelling Holy Spirit he could mortify the fleshly desires, so all was not lost!

伊甸园中,一位名叫路西法(撒旦)的堕落天使促成了这种悖逆。上帝创造天使时,也曾有过一次叛逆。路西法(这位天赋异禀的天使,在天上带领敬拜)和三分之一的天使选择悖逆上帝,对抗上帝(以西结书28章12-17节和以赛亚书14章12-16节)。

在伊甸园里,上帝只给了亚当和夏娃一条禁令:不可吃分别善恶树上的果子。路西法对夏娃说,上帝关于"不可吃分别善恶树上的果子"的禁令是在骗她。撒旦说,夏娃吃了树上的果子就会得到祝福,就能像神一样,获得特殊的智慧和知识。夏娃被欺骗,相信了路西法,并因此而堕落。(创世记第三章)

整个场景看起来很糟糕,不是吗?路西法战胜了人类,取得了重大胜利。每个人的堕落状态及其带来的任性,自此便成为罪恶和不良行为的噩梦。

但上帝在这种绝望的境地中,传达了一个解决方案,可以消除伊甸园中发生的一切。上帝为亚当、夏娃以及他们的每个后代带来了一线希望! (创世记3章15节和49章10节)。一位弥赛亚将被差遣来消除伊甸园中发生的一切。

你看,上帝既圣洁又慈爱。在永恒的过去,上帝已经想出了一个方法,当他的创造物悖逆时,他既能"公义"又能"慈爱"。哦,上帝无限的智慧!

如果我们诚实地面对自身,就会发现我们每个人都违背了上帝的圣洁和道德界限。我们每个人都因自己的不顺服,在上帝的法庭上承担了所谓的"罪债"。这种错误的行为触动了上帝的公义要求。

罪恶的行为首先是直接违背上帝的,因为它违背了上帝启示的道德旨意。上帝说过,罪债要求一个人在肉体和灵魂上死亡,并永远与他分离!这项公义的判决是不可更改的。 必须有人在上帝的法庭上偿还这笔罪债!

Contributing to that disobedience in the Garden of Eden was a fallen angel named Lucifer (Satan). In God's creation of angels there was also a rebellion. Lucifer (the gifted angelic cherub who led worship in heaven) and a third of the angels chose to disobey and oppose God (Ezekiel 28 v 12-17 and Isaiah 14 v 12-16).

In the Garden of Eden God had given Adam and Eve only one prohibition; not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Lucifer spoke with Eve saying that God was lying to her about the prohibition to "not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil". Satan said Eve would receive a blessing if she ate of the fruit of the tree. Satan said Eve could be like a god if she ate the fruit; gaining special wisdom and knowledge. Eve was deceived and believed Lucifer and fell with that transgression. (Genesis chapter 3)

The whole scene looks pretty bad doesn't it? Lucifer had won a major victory over the human race. The fallen condition of each person and the waywardness it brings has been a nightmare of sin and bad behaviour ever since.

But God in this hopeless situation conveyed that there was a solution to undo what had happened in the Garden of Eden. A glimmer of hope was provided by God to Adam and Eve and to each of their descendants! (Genesis 3 v 15 and Genesis 49 v 10). A Messiah would be sent to undo what happened in the Garden of Eden.

You see God is both Holy and Loving. God in eternity past had already come up with a way that he could be both "just" and "loving" when his creation disobeyed. Oh the infinite wisdom of God!

Each one of us, if we are honest with ourselves have violated God's holiness and moral boundaries. Each one of us have incurred what is called a "debt of sin" in God's courtroom with our disobedience. This wrong behaviour triggers God's justice requirement. Sinful actions are firstly directly against God as disobedience to God's revealed moral will. God has said that a debt of sin requires the person's death both physical and spiritually and separation from Him forever! This justice decree is unchangeable. Someone must pay that debt of sin incurred in God's courtroom!

让我们稍微岔开话题,看看哪些过犯会招致"罪债"。记住,上帝必须向我们显明我们堕落的罪性,好叫我们弃绝自己的道路,仰望加略山的十字架。

出埃及记20章1-17节的十诫(上帝与以色列人的立约,但其原则适用于所有人)和加拉 太书5章19-21节中我们堕落本性的恶果揭示了这个问题。这些经文表明我们如何在思想 、言语和行为上承担"罪债"。另一个原则是,当我们犯下某种特定的罪,例如醉酒或吸 毒时,上帝说我们会成为"罪的奴仆",最终会毁灭我们!

约翰福音 8 v 33-36

- 33 他们回答说,我们是亚伯拉罕的后裔,从来没有作过谁的奴仆。你怎么说,你们必得自由呢?
- 34 耶稣回答说,我实实在在地告诉你们。所有犯罪的,就是罪的奴仆。
- 35 奴仆不能永远住在家里,儿子是永远住在家里。
- 36 所以天父的儿子若叫你们自由,你们就真自由了。

加拉太书 3 章 22-25 节写道:

- 22 但圣经把众人都圈在罪里,使所应许的福因信耶稣基督,归给那信的人。
- 23 但这因信得救的理,还未来以先,我们被看守在律法之下,直圈到那将来的真道显明出来。
- 24 这样律法是我们训蒙的师傅,引我们到基督那里,使我们因信称义。(上帝的道德律向我们展示了我们的罪性)
- 25 但这因信得救的理,既然来到,我们从此就不在师傅的手下了。(我们不再受旧约律法之约的约束,而是受新恩典之约的约束)

出埃及记 20 章 1-7 节和 12-17 节写道,

- 1 神吩咐这一切的话说,
- 2 我是耶和华你的神,曾将你从埃及地为奴之家领出来。
- 3 除了我以外,你不可有别的神。
- 4 不可为自己雕刻偶像,也不可作什么形像仿佛上天,下地,和地底下,水中的百物。
- 5 不可跪拜那些像,也不可事奉它,因为我耶和华你的神是忌邪的神。恨我的,我必追讨他的罪,自父及子,直到三四代,
- 6 爱我,守我诫命的,我必向他们发慈爱,直到千代。
- 7 不可妄称耶和华你神的名,因为妄称耶和华名的,耶和华必不以他为无罪。

(基本上是咒骂和脏话)

- 12 当孝敬父母,使你的日子在耶和华你神所赐你的地上得以长久。
- 13 不可杀人。(对无辜者的有预谋谋杀)
- 14 不可奸淫。(婚姻期间的性不忠)
- 15 不可偷盗。
- 16 不可作假见证陷害人。
- 17 不可贪恋人的房屋,也不可贪恋人的妻子,仆婢,牛驴,并他一切所有的。

加拉太书 5 章 19-21 节写道:

- 19 情欲的事,都是显而易见的。就如奸淫,污秽,邪荡,(淫乱是指婚姻之外的性行为)(在别人面前公开炫耀你的罪孽)
- 20 拜偶像,邪术,仇恨,争竞,忌恨,恼怒,结党,纷争,异端,(持有并教授关于真神的错误观念)
- 21 嫉妒,(有古卷在此有凶杀二字)醉酒,荒宴等类,我从前告诉你们,现在又告诉你们,行这样事的人,必不能承受神的国。(将各种罪恶作为一种模式或生活方式)

认清自己的灵性状况,是来到加略山十字架前的先决条件。我一直很喜欢以赛亚看见主 后,自我省察的见证!

以赛亚书 6 章 1-5 节写道:

- 1 当乌西雅王崩的那年,我见主坐在高高的宝座上。他的衣裳垂下,遮满圣殿。
- 2 其上有撒拉弗侍立。各有六个翅膀。用两个翅膀遮脸,两个翅膀遮脚,两个翅膀飞翔。
- 3 彼此呼喊说,圣哉,圣哉,圣哉,万军之耶和华。他的荣光充满全地。
- 4 因呼喊者的声音,门槛的根基震动,殿充满了烟云。
- 5 那时我说,祸哉,我灭亡了。因为我是嘴唇不洁的人,又住在嘴唇不洁的民中。又因我眼见大君王万军之耶和华。

以赛亚已经看透了自己的内心,以及自己灵性的彻底破产。他已经准备好来到弥赛亚面前,那位将来会为他赎罪的弥赛亚。现在,好消息来了!

Let's digress a bit and look at what transgressions incur a "debt of sin". Remember that God has to show us our fallen sinful condition so we will forsake our own ways and look to the Cross of Calvary. The 10 Commandments in Exodus 20 v 1-17 (God's covenant with Israel but the principles apply to all people) and the fruit of our fallen nature in Galatians 5 v 19-21 reveal the problem. These verses show how in thought, word and deed we incur a "debt of sin". One other principle is that when we practice a particular sin such as drunkenness or drug abuse as two examples, God says we become a "slave of that sin" which eventually destroys us!

John 8 v 33-36

- 33 They answered him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?
- 34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant (slave) of sin.
- 35 And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever.
- 36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

Galatians 3 v 22-25 reads,

- 22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.
- 23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.
- 24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. (God's moral law shows us our sin nature)
- 25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster. (we are no longer under the Old Testament law covenant but now under the new Grace covenant)

Exodus 20 v 1-7 and 12-17 read,

- 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

- 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;
- 6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
- 7 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. (basically cursing and swearing)
- 12 Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 13 Thou shalt not kill. (the premeditated murder of an innocent person)
- 14 Thou shalt not commit adultery. (sexual unfaithfulness when in a marriage)
- 15 Thou shalt not steal.
- 16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour (basically lying).
- 17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

Galatians 5 v 19-21 reads,

- 19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication (sex outside of a married man and women), uncleanness, lasciviousness (publicly parading your sin before others),
- 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies (holding and teaching wrong ideas about the true God),
- 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. (practice various sins as a pattern or way of life)

Recognizing your spiritual condition is a prerequisite to coming to the Cross of Calvary. I always like the testimony of Isaiah when He saw the Lord and then reflected on himself!

Isaiah 6 v 1-5 reads,

- 1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.
- 2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
- 3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.
- 4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.
- 5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

Isaiah had seen his inner self and his utter spiritual bankruptcy. He was ready to come to the Messiah who would pay for his sin in the future. And now comes the good news!

你看,有一种方式可以让一个人在神的审判台上得到赦免,赦免他的过犯或"罪债"。神的爱就在这里彰显!如果有一个无罪、完美的人进入神的审判台,为我偿还罪债,我就可以被赦免。我可以得到宽恕,并与造物主恢复关系。这种偿还的另一个说法是"替代性赎罪"。另一个人出于爱,代替我承担了我应得的惩罚(作为最后的逾越节羔羊,流出祂的赎罪之血)。因为神在希伯来书9章22节说过······若不流血,罪就不得赦免!

如果我们深入思考,就会发现一个问题:加略山十字架上的那个人是谁?圣经说,三位一体中的第二位进入了创造界,成为肉身。圣子进入创造界,使盲人重见光明,使死人复活,使瘸子得医治,赶出邪灵,洞悉人心和动机,使天气停止变化,抵挡撒旦在旷野四十天的试探,纠正法利赛人对律法的误解,肯定亚当和夏娃的信仰,并确认诺亚方舟的洪水。圣子赐予所有愿意接受的人真正的属灵亮光!

施洗约翰预备了弥赛亚的道路。他呼召以色列人接受悔改的水洗礼。

尽管路西法和法利赛人试图引诱耶稣犯罪或违背律法,耶稣仍然过着无罪的 生活。你能想象他身上不断承受的压力吗?

圣子作为一个无辜的人,不得不忍受虚假的审判和钉十字架。路西法和当时的宗教和政治领袖们合谋杀害了他。但他们并不知道,他的死实际上注定了他们的灭亡!你看,耶稣来到神的法庭上,为要偿还那"罪债"。这打开了一扇门,使每一位悔改的罪人都能得到赦免,并恢复与神的关系!有史以来最伟大的胜利发生在髑髅地的十字架上。父神接受了这笔赎价,完全偿还了人类的罪债,也偿还了我的罪债!因着耶稣是无限的,坟墓无法容纳池,池在第三天复活了!有超过五百人目睹了池的复活!(哥林多前书15章3-8节)

You see, there is one way that a person can be pardoned in God's courtroom for their transgressions or "debt of sin". God's character of love is displayed here! If there was a sinless perfect human who would enter his courtroom and could pay the debt of my sin, I could be pardoned. I could receive forgiveness and have a restored relationship with the Creator. Another term for this payment is "substitutionary atonement". Another in love, stood in my place and took the punishment that I deserved (shed His atoning blood as the final Passover Lamb). For God has said in Hebrew 9 v 22 ...without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sin!

If we think a bit deeper the question is; who was that person on the Cross of Calvary? The Bible says that the second person of the Holy Trinity entered creation and took on a human body. God the Son entered creation, giving sight to the blind, raising the dead, healing the lame, casting out demons, reading people's minds and motives, stopping the weather, resisting Satan's 40 days of temptation in the wilderness, correcting the Pharisees about the Law, affirming Adam and Eve, and affirming Noah's flood. God the Son gave true spiritual light to all who would receive it!

John the Baptist prepared the way of the Messiah. He called Israel to the water baptism of repentance.

Jesus lived a sinless life even though Lucifer and the Pharisees sought to entice Him to sin or disobey the law. Can you imagine the pressure continually put on Him?

God the Son as an innocent man had to endure a sham trial and crucifixion. Lucifer and the spiritual and political leaders of that time colluded in his death. But they had no idea that His death would actually seal their demise! You see Jesus came to pay that "debt of sin" in God's courtroom. This opened the door so that forgiveness and a restored relationship to God could be offered to every repentant sinner that would receive it! The greatest victory ever won had occurred on the Cross of Calvary. God the Father accepted that payment as fully satisfactory for the sin debt of the human race, for my sin debt! Because of who Jesus is, an infinite being, the grave could not hold Him and the third day He resurrected! There were over 500 eyewitnesses to His resurrection! (1 Corinthians 15 v 3-8)

耶稣如今赐予我们宽恕、赦免、新的灵性生命、精神和情感的自由、复活的身体以及与他同在的永生!但你必须亲自领受,并按圣经的教导悔改。你必须认同他对你个人罪债的看法。这是按圣经教导的悔改,承认你的罪是得罪神的,并且你的生活和行为使他人误入歧途。按圣经教导的悔改会让你愿意离弃你的罪路,同意成为他的门徒(并计算代价),并愿意将你意志的宝座交给他。学习跟随他的道路,而不是你以往的道路!

计算来到基督面前并跟随他的代价!

<u>路加福音 14 章</u> 26、27、33 节耶稣说话,

26 人到我这里来,若不爱我胜过爱(爱我胜过爱原文作恨)自己的父母,妻子,儿女, 弟兄,姐妹,和自己的性命,就不能作我的门徒。

- 27 凡不背着自己十字架跟从我的,也不能作我的门徒。
- 33 这样,你们无论什么人,若不撇下一切所有的,就不能作我的门徒。

在这种心态和态度下,你百分之百地相信加略山十字架上那爱的赎价,就是为你付出的 赎价!信靠这爱的赎价,你将领受基督的义,存入你的属灵银行账户,并藉着圣灵"重 生"。祂的赦免带来:过去、现在和将来罪的赦免,脱离罪和撒但的权势,并在复活时 获得一个崭新、纯洁、永生的身体!即使我们仍然身处一个充满试炼和磨难的世界,救 恩也带来内心的平安和稳定。

你或许需要祈求他帮助你克服个人的恐惧和保留。我们都饱受恐惧、固执和骄傲的折磨,这些都极大地阻碍了我们诚实、谦卑、悔改地来到上帝面前。我不得不祈求他帮助我悔改和信靠,他做到了。

许多人会想绕过加略山的十字架,走自己的路走向上帝。这样,他们仍然可以主宰自己的生活。再加上撒旦为了欺骗世人,提供了许多通往神的不同道路,这世界就变得混乱不堪了。但真神不接受这些不同的道路,也不接受"改过自新"或"试图改造自己"或"尝试进行自我完善计划",因为这些道路与"罪债"无关。赦免和改变源于髑髅地的十字架和灵性的重生。唯有圣灵的帮助才能结出良善、蒙悦纳的属灵果子。

你能想象,当神的儿子创造世界和一切有形有形的生物时,他心里在想什么吗?他知道有一天,他必须以人的样式进入这个世界! (歌罗西书 1:16)

圣经式悔改和对神儿子信心的建议祷告

天父,我奉祢儿子宝贵的名来到祢面前。我知道我的思想、言语和行为都是 罪人。我一生为自己而活,不为祢而活。我弃绝我罪恶和自私的人生。我唯 独信靠祢儿子在髑髅地十字架上流出的宝血,为我的罪债赎罪。

我接受祢儿子为我的救主和主宰。求祢赦免并洁净我的罪。我将我的意志降服于圣灵。求祢使我成为祢所喜悦的人!阿门。

也建议作成圣祷告。

天父,奉你儿子的名,我祈求你赐给我一颗谦卑可教的心,使我能正确理解你的话语。

帮助我以上帝的话语更新我的思想并走在通往生命的狭窄道路上!

求你赐我分辨的能力,使我能够辨别并避开那些假弟兄、假教师、假使徒、假先知,以 及那些假神迹奇事,这些假神迹奇事都是假冒你名的!

求袮帮助我,按照袮在以弗所书6章10-18节的吩咐,每日穿戴属灵的军装。求袮帮助我 常在圣灵里,不让罪和任性消灭圣灵的感动!

当撒旦提醒我过去的罪时,求祢帮助我,不要停留在它的定罪之下。求祢帮助我迅速认罪。求祢帮助我向撒旦指出耶稣流出的宝血,为我的罪付上了赎价!因为耶稣的宝血洗净一切的罪!阿们!

Jesus now offers forgiveness, pardon, a new spiritual life, mental and emotional freedom, a resurrection body and eternity with himself! But you must personally receive it in a state of Biblical repentance. You must agree with Him about your own personal debt of sin. This is Biblical repentance where you acknowledge that your sin is against God and by your life and behaviour you have led other people astray. Biblical repentance produces a willingness to turn from your sinful ways, agreeing to become his disciple (counting the cost), and being willing to abdicate the throne of your will to Him. To learn to follow His ways not your old ways!

Counting the Cost to come to Christ and follow Him!

Luke 14 v 26, 27, 33 Jesus speaking,

26 If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.

27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

In this state of mind and attitude you trust 100 percent in that love payment on the Cross of Calvary as the payment for you! Upon trusting in this love payment you will receive Christ's righteousness deposited to your spiritual bank account and are "born again" by the Holy Spirit. His pardon provides; forgiveness of sin (past, present and future), freedom from the power of sin and Satan, and a new pure immortal body at the resurrection! Salvation also brings inner peace of mind and inner stability even though we are still in a world full of trials and tribulations.

You might have to ask Him to help you to get over personal fears and reservations. We are all afflicted with fears, stubbornness and pride that greatly hinder us in coming honestly, humbly and contritely before God. I had to ask him to help me repent and trust which He did.

Many will want to bypass the Cross of Calvary and try their own path to God. In this way they can still be boss of their own lives. Combine that with Satan offering many different paths to God to deceive people and you have a world of confusion. But the true God doesn't accept these other paths nor "turning over a new leaf" nor "trying to reform yourself" nor trying to embark on a "program of self-improvement" for these paths do not deal with the "debt of sin". Forgiveness and change comes from the Cross of Calvary and a spiritual rebirth. Only the help of the Holy Spirit qualifies to produce good and acceptable spiritual fruit.

Can you imagine what was going through God the Son's mind when he was creating the world and all living things visible and not visible. He knew he would have to enter that creation as a man one day!! (Colossians 1 v 16)

A suggested prayer of Biblical Repentance and Biblical Faith in the Son of God

"Heavenly Father I come to you in the precious name of your Son. I know that I am a sinner by thought, word, and deed. I have lived my life for myself and not for you. I renounce my life of sin and selfishness. I trust in your Son's shed blood payment alone on the Cross of Calvary for my sin debt.

I receive your Son as my Saviour and Master. Forgive and cleanse me of my sins. I yield my will to the Holy Spirit. Make me the person that you want me to be! Amen"

A suggested Sanctification Prayer also.

"Heavenly Father in the name of your Son I ask that you would give me a teachable and humble spirit so I may understand your Word correctly.

Help me to renew my mind in the Word of God and to stay on the narrow path that leads to life!

Give me discernment to see and avoid the many false brethren, false teachers, false Apostles, false Prophets, false signs and wonders movements speaking in your name!

Help me to put on my spiritual armour daily per your command in Ephesians 6 v 10-18. Help me to abide in the Spirit and not quench the Spirit with sin and self-will!

When Satan reminds me of my past sins help me to not stay under his condemnation. Help me to quickly acknowledge my sin. Help me to point Satan to the shed blood of Jesus in payment for my sin! For the blood of Jesus cleanses from all sin! Amen!

耶稣说他是通往天堂的唯一大门!其他声称通往天堂的道路都是通往属灵黑暗的伪路!

敬畏的含义是"认真对待上帝的话语"。上帝非常非常重视未悔改之罪的后果,但也非常非常重视赦免!不要让撒旦恐吓、欺骗你,或吓得你不敢面对加略山的十字架!

不要只为"七十年短暂而无法满足的罪中之乐"而活,要寻求永恒!

圣经说:"敬畏耶和华是智慧的开端"。

圣经说亚伯拉罕"等候那座城,就是上帝所经营所建造的",并宣称自己不过是"路过这旷野世界的客旅"! (希伯来书11章)

摩西凭着信心,避开了"法老宫廷里的罪中之乐",选择"和上帝的百姓同受苦楚",因为他看到了真神那看不见的手!(希伯来书11章)

马太福音 10 章 28 节说:

28 那杀身体不能杀灵魂的,不要怕他们。惟有能把身体和灵魂都灭在地狱里的,正要怕他。

如果你忽视或拒绝加略山的十字架,你就是在对上帝说:"请你根据我的行为或生活来审判我"。我会为自己的罪付出代价!这件令人悲伤的事记载在启示录20章10-15节。请不要选择这条路!呼求耶稣将你的名字记在"生命册"上!

启示录 20 章 10-15 节写道:

- 10 那迷惑他们的魔鬼,被扔在硫磺的火湖里,就是兽和假先知所在的地方。他们必昼夜受痛苦,直到永永远远。
- 11 我又看见一个白色的大宝座,与坐在上面的。从他面前天地都逃避,再无可见之处了。
- 12 我又看见死了的人,无论大小,都站在宝座前。案卷展开了。并且另有一卷展开,就是生命册。死了的人都凭着这些案卷所记载的,照他们所行的受审判。
- 13 于是海交出其中的死人。死亡和阴间也交出其中的死人。他们都照各人所行的受审判。
- 14 死亡和阴间也被扔在火湖里。这火湖就是第二次的死。
- 15 若有人名字没记在生命册上,他就被扔在火湖里。

Jesus said he was the only door into Heaven! Other paths that claim to go to Heaven are counterfeit paths of spiritual darkness! The Bible says the "fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom".

Fear has the meaning of "taking seriously what God has said". God is very very serious about the consequences of unrepented sin but is also very very serious about the provision of forgiveness! Don't let Satan intimidate or deceive you or scare you away from the Cross of Calvary!

Don't just live for the "brief and unsatisfying pleasures of sin for 70 years" but seek eternity!

It was said of Abraham that "he looked for a city whose builder and maker was God" declaring that he was but a "pilgrim passing through this world of wilderness"! (Hebrews chapter 11)

By faith Moses eschewed the "pleasures of sin in Pharaoh's court" and chose "to suffer affliction with the people of God", seeing the invisible hand of the true God! (Hebrews chapter 11)

Matthew 10 v 28 reads.

28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

If you ignore or reject the Cross of Calvary you are saying to God "judge me by my works or life". I will pay for my own sins! That sad event is recorded in Revelation 20 v 10-15. Please do not chose this path! Call upon Jesus to keep your name in the "book of life"!

Revelation 20 v 10-15 reads,

- 10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.
- 11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.
- 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.
- 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.
- 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
- 15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Supporting Bible Scriptures /支持圣经经文

使徒行传 20 v 21

21 又对犹太人,和希利尼人,证明当向神悔改,信靠我主耶稣基督。

Acts 20 v 21

21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

使徒行传 2 v 38

38 彼得说,你们各人要悔改,奉耶稣基督的名受洗,叫你们的罪得赦,就必领受**所**赐的圣灵。

Acts 2 v 38

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

彼得后书 3 v 5-9

- 5 他们故意忘记,从太古凭神的命有了天,并从水而出借水而成的地。
- 6 故此, 当时的世界被水淹没就消灭了。
- 7但现在的天地,还是凭着那命存留,直留到不敬虔之人受审判遭沉沦的日子,用火焚烧。
- 8亲爱的弟兄啊,有一件事你们不可忘记,就是主看一日如千年,千年如一日。
- **9 主所**应许的尚未**成就,有人以**为他是耽延,其实不是耽延,乃是宽容你们,不愿有一人沉沦,乃愿人人都悔改。

2 Peter 3 v 5-9

- 5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:
- 6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:
- 7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.
- 8 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.
- 9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

加拉太书 2 v 16

16 既知道人称义,不是因行律法,乃是因信耶稣基督,连我们也信了基督耶稣,使我们 因信基督称义,不因行律法称义,因为凡有血气的,没有一人因行律法称义。

Galatians 2 v 16

16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

以赛亚书 26 v 3

3 坚心倚赖你的,你必保守他十分平安,因为他倚靠你。

Isaiah 26 v 3

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

罗马书 5 v 1-21

- 1 我们既因信称义,就借着我们的主耶稣基督,得与神相和。
- 2 我们又借着他,因信得进入现在所站的这恩典中,并且欢欢喜喜盼望神的荣耀。
- 3 不但如此,就是在患难中,也是欢欢喜喜的。因为知道患难生忍耐。
- 4 忍耐生老练。老练生盼望。
- 5 盼望不至于羞耻,因为所赐给我们的圣灵将神的爱浇灌在我们心里。
- 6 因我们还软弱的时候,基督就按所定的日期为罪人死。
- 7 为义人死,是少有的,为仁人死,或者有敢作的。
- 8 惟有基督在我们还作罪人的时候为我们死,神的爱就在此向我们显明了。
- 9 现在我们既靠着他的血称义,就更要借着他免去神的忿怒。
- 10 因为我们作仇敌的时候,且借着神儿子的死,得与神和好,既已和好,就更要因他的生得救了。

- 11 不但如此,我们既借着我主耶稣基督,得与神和好,也就借着他,以神为乐。
- 12 这就如罪是从一人入了世界,死又是从罪来的,于是死就临到众人,因为众人都犯了罪。
- 13 没有律法之先,罪已经在世上。但没有律法,罪也不算罪。
- 14 然而从亚当到摩西,死就作了王,连那些不与亚当犯一样罪过的,也在他的权下。亚 当乃是那以后要来之人的预像。
- 15 只是过犯不如恩赐。若因一人的过犯,众人都死了,何况神的恩典,与那因耶稣基督 一人恩典中的赏赐,岂不更加倍地临到众人吗?
- 16 因一人犯罪就定罪,也不如恩赐。原来审判是由一人而定罪,恩赐乃是由许多过犯而 称义。
- 17 若因一人的过犯,死就因这一人作了王,何况那些受洪恩又蒙所赐之义的,岂不更要 因耶稣基督一人在生命中作王吗?
- 18 如此说来,因一次的过犯,众人都被定罪,照样,因一次的义行,众人也就被称义得生命了。
- 19 因一人的悖逆,众人成为罪人,照样,因一人的顺从,众人也成为义了。
- 20 律法本是外添的,叫过犯显多。只是罪在哪里显多,恩典就更显多了。
- 21 就如罪作王叫人死,照样恩典也借着义作王,叫人因我们的主耶稣基督得永生。

Romans 5 v 1-21

- 1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:
- 2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
- 3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;
- 4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:
- 5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.
- 6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

- 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.
- 8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
- 9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.
- 10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.
- 11 And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.
- 12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:
- 13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.
- 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.
- 15 But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.
- 16 And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.
- 17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)
- 18 Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.
- 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.
- 20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:
- 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

歌罗西书 1 v 13-22

- 13 他救了我们脱离黑暗的权势,把我们迁到他爱子的国里。
- 14 我们在爱子里得蒙救赎,罪过得以赦免。
- 15 爱子是那不能看见之神的像,是首生的,在一切被造的以先。
- 16 因为万有都是靠他造的,无论是天上的,地上的,能看见的,不能看见的,或是有位的,主治的,执政的,掌权的,一概都是借着他造的,又是为他造的。
- 17 他在万有之先,万有也靠他而立。
- 18 他也是教会全体之首。他是元始,是从死里首先复生的,使他可以在凡事上居首位。
- 19 因为父喜欢叫一切的丰盛,在他里面居住。
- 20 既然借着他在十字架上所流的血,成就了和平,便借着他叫万有,无论是地上的,天上的,都与自己和好了。
- 21 你们从前与神隔绝,因着恶行,心里与他为敌。
- 22 但如今他借着基督的肉身受死,叫你们与自己和好,都成了圣洁,没有瑕疵,无可责备,把你们引到自己面前。

Colossians 1 v 13-22

- 13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:
- 14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:
- 15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:
- 16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:
- 17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.
- 18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.
- 19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;

- 20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.
- 21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled
- 22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight: