

Divine Covering

"And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them" (Genesis 3:21).

When the purity and innocence of the human race were shattered, Adam and Eve quickly noticed something for the first time... They were naked on the outside and this brought shame and humiliation on the inside. They needed some clothes... And so, the Biblical account tells us that Adam and Eve immediately "sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths" (Genesis 3:7).

As we continue to read, we find out that God Himself wanted to clothe Adam and Eve with "garments of skins." The loincloths that Adam and Eve made for themselves were surely good enough... It wasn't as if God was trying to make a fashion statement by clothing them with His own style. Rather we see in this act of God clothing the first humans the very picture of grace that we all need to cover our sinfulness.

The Lord's divine covering that He provided for Adam and Eve points us to the truth that sin must be covered. We find out that this covering for sin can't be human manufactured, hence the "garments of skins" that God made instead of sticking with the "fig leaves" made by the hands of Adam and Eve. We also see the spiritual truth that sin leads to death... And that for sin to be covered there must be bloodshed through sacrifice (Leviticus 17:11; Hebrews 9:22).

You see, just like Adam and Eve, we need a divine covering for our sinfulness. We need God to cleanse us from our guilt. We need Him to remove our shame. We need God and God alone to cover up our wicked mistakes. And that is where the blood of Jesus comes in and should be greatly celebrated by us as His people! Because without Jesus we would still be walking around in the nakedness of our sinfulness... But with Jesus the spotless Lamb of God sacrificed in our place, we find a divine covering!

And so dear Christian "put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provisions for the flesh, to gratify its desires" (Romans 13:14). Rejoice in the godly garments of Christ crucified! Put on the Lord's forgiveness, grace, and mercy! Wear compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience wherever you go (Colossians 3:12). Walk in the Father's fashion and the Almighty's apparel! Let God in His Grace clothe you from head to toe in His Gospel grace... For we all need these clothes... We all need the Divine Covering of Christ!

"Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered."
(Psalm 32:1)

Respect the Blood,
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