

“ I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder” ~
2 Peter 1:13

“I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder” 2 Peter 3:1



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We saw that satan first brought about evil into God's creation through his rebellion against God.

We saw that sin entered mankind through the disobedience of Adam in the garden of Eden.

THUS, these transgressions of God's Word (John 3:14) lead us to the need of a savior, Jesus Christ our Messiah.

Do you think God knew that His creation, who He desired to have a loving relationship with, would sin against Him BEFORE He created all things?

**God's Word tells us; let's read:
Isaiah 46:10-13 & Psalm 139 (especially vs 1-5)**

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The background of the entire image is a piece of aged, yellowish-brown parchment with irregular, torn edges. In the center, there is a bright, glowing light source, possibly a sun or a fire, which creates a strong backlighting effect. A dark silhouette of a person stands with their back to the viewer, arms outstretched towards the light. The overall mood is spiritual and hopeful.

It has always been about
JESUS

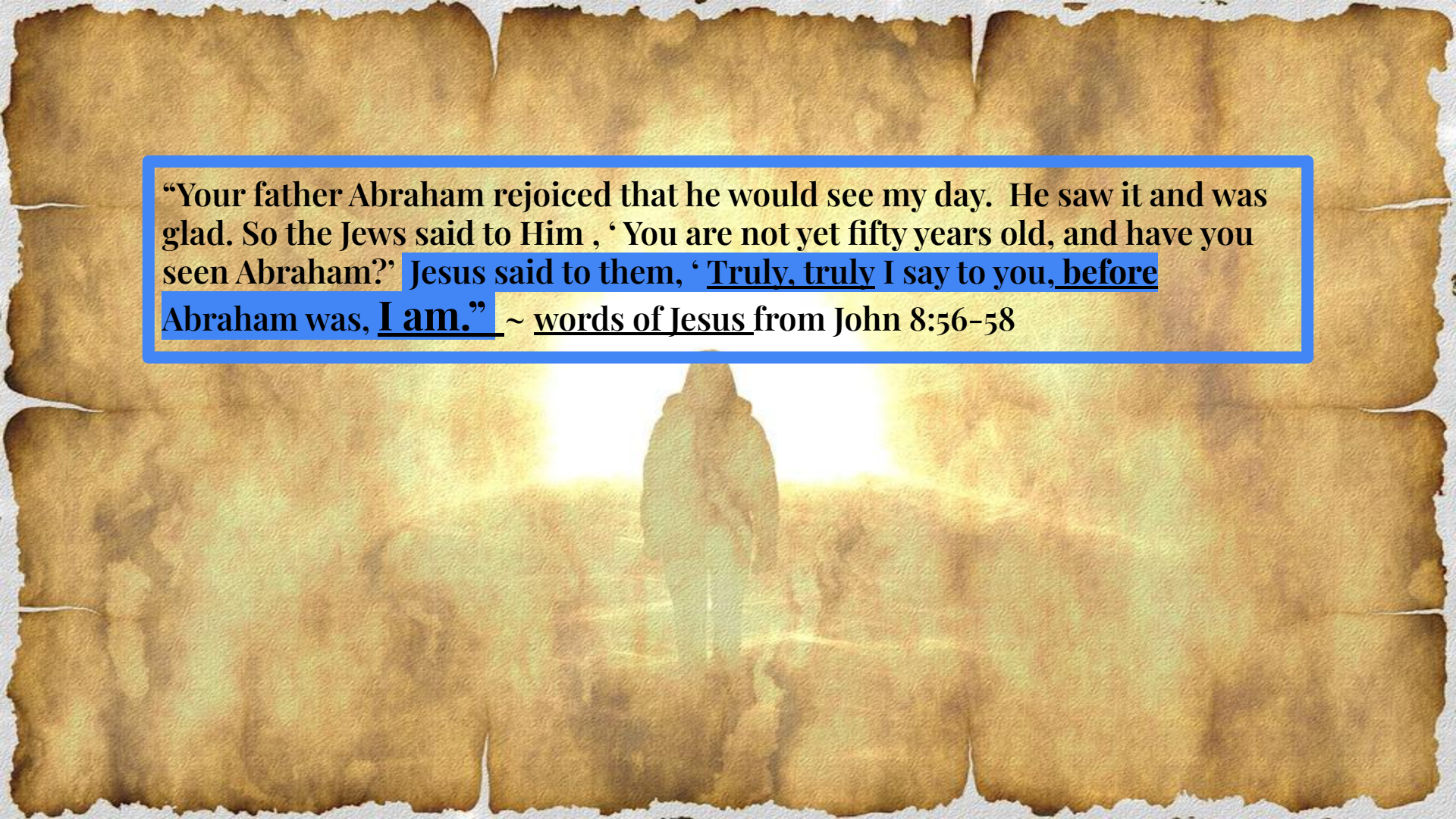
From the BEGINNING:

“Then God said, Let Us make man in Our image,
according to Our likeness.....” ~ Genesis 1:26

“ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being by Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.” ~ **John 1:1-4**

“And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; so that He Himself might come to have first place in everything.” ~ **Colossians 1:17-18**

“..yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things, and we exist for Him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we exist through Him.” ~ **1 Corinthians 8:6**

The background is a textured, aged parchment scroll with a blue rectangular box in the upper center. Inside the box is a quote from the Bible. The text is in a black serif font. The quote is: "Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad. So the Jews said to Him , ' You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?' Jesus said to them, ' Truly, truly I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ~ words of Jesus from John 8:56-58. The words "Truly, truly I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." are underlined. The words "words of Jesus" are also underlined. The rest of the text is in a standard serif font.

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➤ NOTE: “I am”= Greek for “ego eimi”

Ego means I; *eimi* means am, have been, it is I, was

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⌞ **Compare these two verses** ⌞

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★ **Note:** Based on Hebrew and Greek translations, "I am" is not literally a name but a claim of existence. God is saying He exists and that He is with the Jewish nation who at the time is struggling in existence.

******(see "The real meaning of God's name in Exodus" at hebraicthought.org AND 'The Oneness of God in Christ' at theonenessofgod.org ; ALSO, read all of John chapter 8 where Jesus gives a great description of Himself (He says 'I am' 13 times in the chapter)!; see study on YHWH at godstruthrevealed.org

Moses and the Prophets wrote about Jesus!

“Now He (Jesus) said to them, ‘These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms (Tanakh or OT) must be fulfilled.’ ~ Luke 24:44

“Philip found Nathanael and told him, ‘ We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote- Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph” ~ John 1:45

“For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me.” John 5:46

So, it is pretty clear that we have established that Jesus has existed from the beginning of all time. ALSO, remember that He and the Father are one.

NOW, let's look at where in The Bible we see Jesus starting in the OT, "in the beginning"

Some Interesting Trivia

- Scholars state there are over 300 fulfilled prophecies in the OT about Jesus (some direct, some foreshadow, and some are types of Jesus)
- Odds of a person fulfilling JUST 8 of the prophecies= 1 in 100 QUADRILLION
(Peter W. Stoner was Chairman of the Departments of Mathematics and Astronomy at Pasadena City College)
- Odds of fulfilling all 300 prophecies (finding ONE silver dollar painted black if you took silver dollars and filled the entire state of Texas with them 2 feet deep!)

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- ❖ Another major blood covenant from God~ The Passover represents the blood covenant of Jesus too. { sacrifice a spotless lamb and mark the doorposts and lintels with the blood so that God would passover those houses and thus they were saved}
- ❖ NOTE: The first blood covenants 'COVERED' the people's sin as they turned back to God. The blood covenant of Jesus "*takes away the sin of the world*" (John 1:29)

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❖ Isaac is a clear foreshadowing and type of Jesus:

- Isaac and Jesus were only begotten sons {Gen 22:12&16/ John 3:16}
- Isaac and Jesus were named by God {Gen 17:19 / Matthew 1:21}
- Isaac and Jesus were 'burnt' offerings for sin {Gen 22:2 / Lev1:9&13&17/ Ephesians 5:2~aroma}
- Isaac and Jesus were offered up {Gen22:2 & John 3:14 & John 12:32 ~ hebrew word for 'offered'= 'alah' (lifted or raised up; 676 times in OT refers to 'up')}
- Isaac and Jesus were accompanied by 2 men on way to sacrifice {Gen 22:3-5 & Matt 27:38~ two men with Isaac and two robbers with Jesus}
- Isaac and Jesus carried the wood for their own sacrifice {Gen 22:6a & John 19:17}
- Isaac and Jesus went willingly according to their Father's will {Gen 22:6b & Matt 26:39}

** See article by Scott Lapierre entitled "Isaac Is a Type and Shadow of Jesus Christ at scottlapierre.org

Prophecies of Jesus foretold in the Old Testament (cont'd):

- ❖ The last supper foreshadowed {Gen 14:18 & Matt 26:26-29}
(Melchizedek is a type of Jesus and brings bread and wine to covenant)
- ❖ *The seed of Judah and time of His coming { Gen 49:10 & Luke 2:1-7/ Gal 4:4}
- ❖ Lamb without blemish {Exodus 12:5 & Heb 9:14 / 1 Pet 1:19}
- ❖ *Blood of lamb saves from wrath {Exodus 12:13 & Rom 5:8}
- ❖ Not a bone of lamb to be broken { Exodus 12:46 & John 19:31-36}
- ❖ Suffering outside the camp (and walls) {Lev 16:27 & Matt 27:33 / Heb 13:11-12}
(Jesus crucified outside walls of Jerusalem)
- ❖ Not a bone in Him broken {Num 9:12 & John 19:31-36}
- ❖ Christ lifted up ('alah') { Num 21:9 & John 3:14-18 12:32}

- **The book of Isaiah foreshadows our sinful rebellion against God and the need for repentance for God to return to our favor. It also foreshadows Jesus throughout the book! God encourages us to do good and not evil (FREE WILL)! (Isaiah 5:22-24)**

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CH10~ speaks about God's anger towards Israel and Judah and then the destruction of the enemies of Judah with "the light of Israel will become a fire and his Holy one a flame". Then when God's anger is no longer against Israel. **God says in verse 26-27"...His staff will be over the sea, and He will lift it up the way He did in Egypt. So it will be in that day that his burden will be removed from your shoulders and his yoke from your neck, and the yoke will be broken because of fatness."** **SOUND FAMILIAR?** (see John 3:14 and Matthew 11:29-30)

Isaiah prophecies cont'd:

CH11: Tells us that though the 'tree of Jesse' is cut down, a shoot will arise ([see vs 1-5](#))~
reference house of David [Luke 1:31-33](#) & [Matthew 3:16](#)

CH12: Praises God for his gift of salvation (vs 2) through Jesus in Ch 11. ([Read 12:1-6](#))

Ch42: [verses 1-4](#) speak of Jesus' calling to ministry and how God put His spirit on Him
[Matthew 12:18-21](#) & [John 3:14](#) & [Luke 3:22/9:35](#)

CH53~ a must read!!!!!!!!!!

We have seen that God gave us free will and that evil was brought into the world through sin. Sin is disobedience to God's Word.

We saw that Jesus is in the beginning with God, that He is one with God in the trinity. We saw that from the first Chapter of the Bible to the last chapter, it all refers to Jesus!

Why do you think that Jesus was God's plan all along?