## BARE RECORD

This is part two of our study covering (Joh 19:28-37)

Joh 19:28 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.

**Joh 19:29** Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a spunge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth.

Joh 19:30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

Joh 19:31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away.

Joh 19:32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.

Joh 19:33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs:

Joh 19:34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.

Joh 19:35 And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.

Joh 19:36 For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.

Joh 19:37 And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

Last week (Joh 19: 28-33) we learned that the first Adam looks to Christ on the cross and hears Him say "I thirst". Our hearts are revealed to be what they are by our actions, and we give the only drink we can to our brother, which is bitter and mixed with gall.

It will take the living waters of God's holy spirit to sweeten the life of the first Adam. Christ brings those living waters to us by dying to the first man Adam and going to His Father and sending the comforter.

The type and shadow of that rock being broken and smitten so waters could come forth, (this time only natural water) is found in Num 20:11. We notice that Moses strikes the rock twice bearing witness (we bare record) to the fact that the first man Adam is bitter, and disobedient (he was supposed to speak unto the rock verse 8). The only way to change that nature is to be dragged to those living waters (Christ Joh 6:44), and have our stony heart miraculously changed from stone to flesh so that we can bring forth those living waters (Eze 36:26, Act 5:32).

Num 20:11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts *also*.

Joh 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Eze 36:26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

Act 5:32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and *so is* also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

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At this point Christ was dead, and then we pierce his side (Rev 1:7).

Rev 1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Christ's <u>side</u> was pierced, not his heart, and not any other part of his body, but an inspired and directed strike on the part of His body which is connected to the thought of Eve coming forth from the side of Adam. How does God make Adam and Eve (all humanity) one again? He unites us by bringing us to come to confess that we are beasts (<u>Ecc\_3:19</u>) and that we are divided from the start.

Ecc 3:19 For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all *is* vanity.

This spiritual division of mankind is healed by the blood and water working in the earthy heart of man's mind; in other words, God's judgments in the earth are His words (waterblood) in the earth (<u>Isa 26:9</u>).

Isa 26:9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

God is in the process of closing this gaping wound of spiritual division between man and woman(<u>Gen 3:16</u>), between all nations, by doing a <u>quick work</u> which is symbolized by piercing His side as Mary's (symbol of elect church) side was pierced when she saw Christ on the cross (<u>Luk 2:35</u>, <u>Heb 4:12</u>, <u>Rev 22:12</u>).

Gen 3:16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire *shall be* **to** [H413 = 'against'] thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Luk 2:35 (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

Joh 19:34\_But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and **forthwith** came there out blood and water:

Heb 4:12 For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Rev 22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward *is* with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

**"forthwith"** (immediately-a quick work) occurs as the blood and water pour forth from Christ. This blood and water are both symbols of the word of God that will pour into the earth where the seed must die to bring forth much fruit (<u>Joh 12:24-25</u>, <u>Joh 3:5</u>).

Joh 12:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.

Joh 12:25 He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.

Joh 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, Verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

Joh 19:35 And he that saw *it* bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.

Joh 19:36 For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.

Not only those who see spiritually "bare record", as God uses all flesh (<u>Eph 1:11</u>, <u>Isa 43:16</u>) to witness of His sovereign hand over the affairs of all mankind <u>Isa 43:10</u>.

Eph 1:11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

Isa 43:16 Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;

Isa 43:10 Ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I *am* he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

Some examples in scripture of those who bore witness of Christ:

Mar 14:56 For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together.

<u>Luk 4:22</u> And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

<u>Joh</u> 1:15 John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me.

Act 15:8 And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as *he did* unto us;

<u>Act 1:8</u> But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

We bare witness to the many that bare false witness to Christ and his Christ of Mar 14:56

<u>Luk</u> 21:8 And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived: for <u>many</u> shall come in my name, saying, I am *Christ*; and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them.

As discussed earlier (<u>Psa 34:20</u>, <u>Joh 19:36</u>) we are blessed to see this book as a signified word (<u>Rev 1:1</u>, <u>Rev 1:3</u>) so that this word can be a source of encouragement from cover to cover (<u>2Ti 3:16</u>). Christ within us enables us to be a true witness in this age who can then rightly divide the word (<u>Col 1:27</u>, <u>Rev 3:14</u>).

Psa 34:20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

Joh 19:36 For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.

Rev 1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel unto his servant John:

Rev 1:3 Blessed *is* he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time *is* at hand.

2Ti 3:16 All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

Col 1:27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

Rev 3:14 And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

## Joh 19:37 And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

We are blessed to see ourselves now as the ones that pierced Christ as well as being the ones who are being pierced by the world today.

After we pierce Christ the time comes for this prophecy to be fulfilled in our lives (Zec 12:10) when God brings us to see that we are guilty of the blood of Christ. It takes "the spirit of grace and of supplications" to look upon Him whom we have pierced, and we know that when we look upon Christ we are looking upon His body as well, so this verse is not just talking about Christ but his Christ as well (Act 26:15, Joh 6:44).

Zec 12:10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his* only *son*, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

Act 26:15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

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1. <u>Joh 19:37</u>: Another witness to this "**They shall look upon him**" as Christ and his Christ:

Joseph's brothers were brought before him not knowing who Joseph was, and in like manner we initially we look upon Christ on the cross, and then we are brought to mourn for him, and be in bitterness for him.

Gen 42:8 And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

2. <u>Joh 19:37</u>: Another witness to this "**They shall look upon him**" as Christ and his Christ:

Peter wept bitter tears, after he looked upon Christ for three and half years during Christ's ministry. We all start off by looking upon Christ, and only later after the spirit of repentance is given, after the comforter comes and convicts us, do we actually mourn deeply and see ourselves as the chief of sinners, guilty of all, and then the world looks upon us as the Lord drags them to do so (<u>Joh 6:44</u>, <u>Act 26:15</u>) and we witness to the world (the church) symbolized by Jerusalem, Judaea, Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth in (<u>Act 1:8</u>).

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Rev 1:7 Behold, he cometh <u>with clouds</u>; (Heb 12:1-3) and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and **all kindreds** of the earth shall wail because of <u>him</u>. Even so, Amen.

Rev 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Heb 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Heb 12:3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

We are made a spectacle for the world, the way Christ was (1Co\_4:9), as we go without the camp bearing his reproach (Heb\_13:13).

1Co 4:9 For I think that God hath set forth us the apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.

Heb 13:13 Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.

(<u>Rev 6:10</u>) asks the question with tears (<u>Eze 9:4</u>) and with a loud voice (<u>Isa 58:1</u>) "How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?"

Rev 6:10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

Eze 9:4 And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

Isa 58:1 Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

How long must we hang naked and crucified on the cross, pierced in our side, how long must the blood and water from his wounds soak into the earth?

We know the answer is "until their <u>fellowservants also and their brethren</u>, that should be killed as they *were*, should be fulfilled." which represents all mankind, seeing every man is our brother Christ (<u>Mat 25:40</u>).

<u>Rev</u> 6:11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they <u>should</u> <u>rest</u> <u>yet</u> <u>for</u> a <u>little</u> <u>season</u>, <u>until</u> <u>their</u> <u>fellowservants</u> <u>also</u> <u>and</u> <u>their</u> <u>brethren</u>, <u>that</u> <u>should</u> <u>be</u> <u>killed</u> <u>as</u> <u>they</u> <u>were</u>, <u>should</u> <u>be</u> <u>fulfilled</u>.

Mat 25:40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto me.

God's word will not return unto Him void (<u>Isa 55:11</u>) and although our flesh may be tempted to say our Lord delays His coming (<u>Mat 24:48</u>), He grants His elect family to see that His waiting to return will be <u>just long enough</u> (<u>Hab 2:3, Ecc 8:6</u>), as we narrowly escape (<u>Job 19:20</u>, <u>1Pe 4:18</u>) through this earthly experience to one day inherit the joy of our Lord (<u>Mat 25:21</u>, <u>Rom 11:31</u>).

Isa 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it.

Mat 24:48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

Hab 2:3 For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

Ecc 8:6 Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man *is* great upon him.

Job 19:20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.

1Pe 4:18 And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

Mat 25:21 His lord said unto him, Well done, *thou* good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

Rom 11:31 Even so have these also now not believed, that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy.

Heb 4:11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that **rest**, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

We see in the above scriptures we've read and discussed that the way that we "**Bare Record**" is by being brought to give an account of our part in piercing the side of Christ, and then once we are dragged to repentance, and brought to see who we are, then Christ bares record through our life as we fill up what is behind of the afflictions of Christ for His bodies sake which is the church (<u>Col 1:24</u>). We come to see that there is only one <u>true witness</u> that bares witness to the light of our Father in heaven, and that witness is Jesus Christ (<u>Rev 1:2</u>, <u>Rev 3:14</u>, <u>Joh 14:9</u>, <u>Col 1:27</u>, <u>Rev 11:3</u>).

Col 1:24 Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:

Rev 1:2 Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.

Rev 3:14 And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

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Rev 11:3 And I will give *power* unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.