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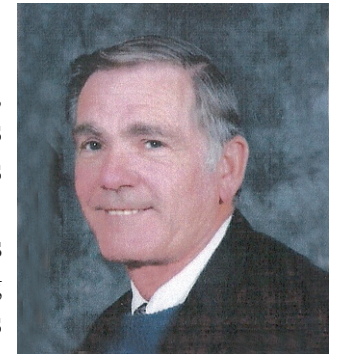
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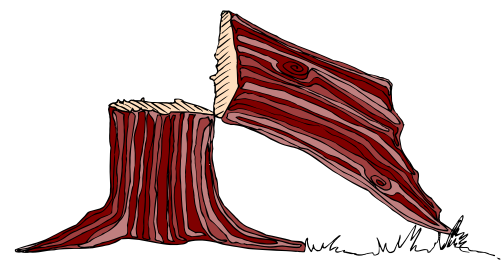
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In the life of the two wood carriers; Isaac went on to die at an old age and very prosperous (Gen. 26:13) Jesus was crucified at the age of thirty three and placed in a borrowed tomb so that you could have a new life. This new life is based on Christ's death. Salvation is free but it is not cheap, it cost Jesus everything. Salvation is a gift and cost you nothing, but it cost God His Son. By Believing on His name, you would have eternal life. The wages of sin is death (separation from God). God's gift to you is eternal union of your soul with Him.

In closing, I pray that you the reader for whom Jesus carried the wood will choose the gift of God and not the wages of sin.



TWO WOOD CARRIERS

Isaac and Jesus: A comparative analogy

Genesis 22:6 So Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together.

John 19:17 And He (JESUS) bearing His Cross went out to a place called the place of the skull.

The Old Testament is a foreshadow of the New Testament. In other words, the old points to the new. In the Bible, wood represents humanity.

It is written in Genesis 22:2 that God *said to Abraham take now your son, your only son whom you love and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains which I shall tell you.* When God is directing your path He will give you specific instructions, so that you will not be tossed to and fro by everything you hear.

Isaac was a miracle birth. Genesis 21:1 *And the Lord visited Sarah as He had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as He had spoken. Both Sarah and Abraham were beyond the age to have children.*

The birth of Jesus was a miracle birth, because of the divine

intervention of God to use a young virgin girl to bring forth the birth of His Son into the world and fulfill the prophecy given in Isaiah 9:6 *For unto us a child is born, Unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*



JESUS AND ISAAC BOTH WOOD CARRIERS

Jesus became a wood carrier. He picked up the wooden cross and carried it on His back. God is still in the divine intervention business today, and He wants to intervene in your situation, to bring a miracle in your life and an answer to your prayer.

In Genesis 22:4,7-9 *it is written on the third day Abraham lifted his eyes and saw the place afar off. V.7 Isaac asked the question to his father "Where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" V.8 Abraham said, My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, and the two of them went together. V.9 Then they came to a place which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.*

In John 1:29 *when John saw Jesus coming he said, (Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!) Jesus said in John 12:32 "And if I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all peoples to Myself."* Jesus was the fulfillment of the sacrificial lamb which Isaac was representing.

fervent prayers of the righteous man avails much.

9. Without Many Words (Matt. 6:7) Keep it short.

10. Unceasingly (I Thess. 5:17) Don't stop just because you do not see the answer right away.

In the time of Jesus when people heard that He was coming, they would line the streets, gather in crowds and call out to Him in hope of being healed. There was always the anticipation that He was near. It reminds me of what it must have been like when I drive past bus stops and see people looking down the street to see if the bus is coming. Some of the people step off the curb into the road ignoring their own safety for a better look. Today we need to have that same fervent zeal to look for and anticipate the coming of Jesus. We know not the hour as written in Matt.24:44. This scripture not only applies to the rapture or taking away of the Church, but to us as an individual; we know not the appointed time for us.



BLESSING

Isaac blessed his sons Gen.(27:26-40.)

Jesus taught on blessing as written in (Matt. 5:1-12) The Beatitudes or the sermon on the mount.

Christ means the Anointed one. Affirmed in the Old Testament (Ps. 2:7) *"I will declare the decree: The Lord has said to Me, You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.* Confirmed by Jesus in (John 8:58) Jesus said to them, *"Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was I AM.* Proclaimed by John in (Col. 1:15) He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

asked for has already been done for you.

3. According to God's will.....(I John 5:14) What is God's will for you. Not selfish reasons for your own benefit

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF PRAYER

Consist of the following:

1. **Forgiving Spirit.** (Matt. 6:14)
2. **Simplicity** (Matt. 6:5,6) You do not have to use a lot of big words that no one would understand. God knows your needs before you even ask. (KISS= Keep It Simple Saints)
3. **Humility and repentance.** (Luke (18:10-14) Don't come with a lofty spirit saying I have been a Christian or I hold this position in my church so God you have to do what I ask or I will lose my reputation.
4. **Unity of Believers** (Matt.18:19,20) Be in one accord with those you are praying with. There is strength in numbers when you are in agreement
5. **Tenacity** (Luke 18:1-8) Keep knocking at the door don't give up if your prayer is not answered when you think it should be. God has His own time table and He knows what is the best time for the request to be answered.
6. **Importunity** (Luke 11:5-8) Be persistent don't give up praying and asking.
7. **Intensity** (Matt.7:7-11) *Ask and it will be given to you. Seek and you will find.*
8. **Confident Expectation** (Mark:11:24) Have the confidence knowing that your prayers will be answered. *The effective*

Jesus was bound by nails to a wooden cross and lifted up. Jesus said *"Forgive them for they know not what they do."*

SACRIFICE

In Genesis 22:10 Abraham took out a knife to slay his son. Jesus had His side pierced by a spear as written in John 19: 34 *But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear and, and immediately blood and water came out.*

The water symbolized baptism, the washing of regeneration which Jesus was to bring. I John 1:7 The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

An Angel of the Lord called to Abraham and said do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him. One angel appeared and intervened in the sacrifice of Isaac. Jesus could have called ten thousand angels but He said in Luke 23:46 "Into Your hands I commend My Spirit."

One of the two that carried wood returned from the place of sacrifice, the other did not. One was loosed from the bonds that fastened him to the wood. The other was not. Both were returned to their father.

As written in John 2:19 Jesus said *"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up"*. After Jesus was unbound from the cross, He was placed in a tomb, and on the third day He was resurrected.

He was bound to the cross by the sins of humanity, taken down and placed in the tomb by human hands and raised from the dead by the Holy Spirit As written in Romans 8:11 *But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies, through His Spirit who dwells in you.*

JESUS IS RAISED TO GIVE LIFE

Jesus was resurrected on the third day. Sin and death were defeated. As a believer we are born again, and given a new life. As written in II Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation; old things have passed away behold all things have become new.*

Romans 6:6 *Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we would no longer be slaves to sin.*

Romans 6:23 *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

The New Life is a free gift. You can work for sin but it is a cruel master. When it pays you off, its wage is death, separation from God forever. God does not pay wages. He has a free gift to offer: Eternal life. There is nothing that one can do to earn this gift. If one could earn it, it would not be a gift; it would be wages. *Eternal life is just that (eternal) it never ceases.*

Paul writes that we are reconciled in Christ, as written in

watching needs to give them what they need to become more prayerful

THERE ARE FIVE PARTS OF PRAYER

1. **Adoration-** (Daniel.4:34,35) Before we even begin to pray, give praise to God for who He is and not what you can get from Him.
2. **Confession-** (I John 2:1-3) Come before God with a clean heart, ask His forgiveness for any sins you may have committed.
3. **Supplication-** I Tim.2:1-3) Present your needs to God.
4. **Intercession-** (James 5:14,15) Pray for the needs of others, as God lays them on your heart, others are praying for you when you don't even know them.
5. **Thanksgiving-** (Phil.4:6) Give thanks to God for the for answering your prayer before you even see the results. God is faithful and just to meet all your needs.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS OF PRAYER

There are also personal and general requirements of prayer. First will be the personal requirements what must we do and how must we present ourselves before God.

1. We must have a pure heart. (Ps. 66:18,19) Do not hold any hard feelings or hatred towards anyone.
2. Believing in Christ name (Matt.21:22) (John 14:13) *Ask and believing in Christ name without doubting that what you*

pleaded with God for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his plea, and Rebekah his wife conceived. Genesis 26:25 V.25 So he built an altar there and called on the name of the Lord, and he pitched his tent there; and there Isaac's servants dug a well.

22. Jesus teaches us how to pray as written in Matthew 6:5-8 V.5 *“And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites (pretenders}. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward V.6 “But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you shut the door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. V.7 “But when you pray do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words. V.8 “Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.*



PRAYER EXAMPLE OF JESUS

Prayer is a request to God of four kinds

1. **Secret-** (Mathew 6:6) Get alone with God, shut out all the outside interference, give God your full attention.
2. **Family-** (Acts 10:2,30) Make time for family to pray together. It will strengthen the family bonds.
3. **Group-** (Matthew 18:20) Come together with others, have home prayer meeting it will strengthen each others faith.
4. **Public-** (I Cor. 14:14-17) Don't be afraid to pray in public even if it is saying grace in a restaurant. It may be just what someone

Colossians 1:19-22 V.19 *For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell. V.20 and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross. V.21 And you who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled. V.22 in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and irreproachable in His sight.*

It is written in Ephesians chapter 1 that we are chosen, redeemed, and sealed. V.4 *Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love V.5 having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will. V.7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace. V.13 In Him you also trusted, after you heard the truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, V.14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.*

Isaac was bound by a father that loved him, but was obedient to the Lord. Jesus was bound by the hatred of man and the sins of the world. Jesus was also bound because of the love He had for you and I. When Jesus was nailed to the cross, so were all the sins of those who would receive Him and confess Him as Lord.

WOOD

Wood has many uses as referred to in the Bible: It is written in Exodus 25:5 that among the offerings that the Lord said to Moses to take up for the sanctuary was acacia wood, and in V.10 this wood was used to make the Ark of the Testimony, V.14 and the poles to carry it.

The Ark of the Testimony was also known as the ark of the covenant, the ark of the Lord, and the ark of God. *The ark served as a visible reminder of God's presence with the Hebrew people.* The mercy seat, covered with gold, symbolized God's throne and His rule in the hearts of those who acknowledge Him as their sovereign Lord. Today Jesus who wants to be your Lord, will rule in the heart of those who will accept Him as Lord and Savior



WOOD WAS USED FOR THIS PURPOSE:

1. **Furnishings-** Wood was used to make the Table for the Shew bread.
2. **Fire-** Wood had to be used to build the fire for sacrifices. (Fire is also the symbol of the Holy Spirit)
3. **Carts-** II Samuel 6:3 *So they set the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab.*
4. **Instruments-** II Samuel 6:5 *Then David and all the house of Israel played music before the Lord on all kinds of instruments made of fir wood.*
5. **Weapons-** Numbers 35:18 *Or if he strikes him with a wooden hand weapon by which one could die and he does die, he is a*

said these things, *"He was troubled in spirit, and testified and said "Most assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me." V.26 Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.*

15. Isaac was obedient as written in Genesis 22:9 *Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an alter there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the alter; upon the wood.*
16. Jesus was obedient even to the death on the cross. I Corinthians 5:7 *Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may make a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover was sacrificed for us.*
17. Isaac was peaceable Genesis 26:14-22 V.22 *And he moved from there and dug another well, and did not quarrel over it.*
18. Jesus was Gentle, Matthew 11:29 *"Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Merciful, Hebrews 2:17 Therefore He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. Humble, Philippians 2:8 Forgiving, Luke 23:34*
19. Isaac was thoughtful Genesis 24:63 *And Isaac went out to meditate in the field...*
20. Jesus was thoughtful even when He was on the cross as written in John 19:27 when He told John to care for His mother. In Luke 23:34 He also asked for forgiveness for those who were putting Him to death.
21. Isaac was prayerful as written in Genesis 25:21 V.21 *Now Isaac*

his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite.

10. Jesus was raised by His Father, as written in John 2:19 *Jesus answered and said to them. Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.* John 20:17 Jesus said to her, *“Do not cling to Me, For I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.* Acts 10:40 *“Him God raised up on the third day, and showed Him openly.”*
11. Isaac grieves over Esau, as written in Genesis 26:34,35 V.34 *When Esau was forty years old, he took as wives Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Basemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite.* V.35 and they were a grief of mind to Isaac and Rebekah.
12. Jesus weeps over Jerusalem. Matthew 23:37 *“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing.”*
13. Isaac deceived by Jacob. Genesis 27:19,24 V.19 *And Jacob said to his father, “I am Esau your first born; I have done just as you told me; please arise, sit and eat of my game, that your soul may bless me.”* V.24 *Then he said are you really my son Esau?”* And he said *“I am.”*
14. Jesus betrayed by Judas. As written in John 13:18,21,26 V.18 *I do not speak concerning all of you. I know whom I have chosen; but that the Scripture may be fulfilled, “He who eats bread with Me has lifted up his heel against Me.”* V.21 *“When Jesus had*

murderer; the murdered shall be put to death.

6. **Palanquin-** Song of Solomon 3:9 *Of the wood of Lebanon Solomon the King made himself a palanquin.* (A portable chair)
7. **Ships-** Genesis 6:14 *Make yourself an ark of gopher wood; make rooms in the ark and cover it inside and outside with pitch.*

Noah built the ark of the type of wood as God had instructed, and the size. God knew the type of wood that would be strong enough to withstand the flood waters to come, and keep his family safe from destruction.

After almost a year on the water the ark came to rest, during that time God provided all the provisions that Noah and his family needed to survive.

The Ark reveals both the judgment and mercy of God. His righteous judgment is seen in the destruction of the wicked, but His mercy and care are demonstrated in the preservation of Noah, and through him, of the human race.

In the New Testament Jesus spoke of the flood of Noah and the ark, comparing “the day of Noah” with the coming of the Son of Man. As written in Matthew 24:37-44. V.37 *But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.* V.38 *For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered*

the ark. V.39 and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. V.40 Two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. V.41 Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. V.42 Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour the Lord is coming. V.43 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. V.44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not expect Him.

We see the same thing happening in the world today that was taking place in the time of Noah. Jesus is saying, “Come to Me for I am your Ark.”



IN COMMON

What is it that the two wood carriers have in common?

1. Isaac was the son of Abraham whom God gave the Promise. Isaac’s birth was prophesied by God when He said in Genesis 17:16 *And I will bless her and also give you a son by her; then I will bless her; and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of peoples shall be from her.*
2. The birth of Jesus was predicted as written in Isaiah 7:14 *Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son and shall call His name Immanuel.* And fulfilled in Matthew 1:18 *Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of*



the Holy Spirit.

3. Isaac was heir of the covenant that God made with Abraham as written in Genesis 18:7 *And I will establish My covenant between Me and your descendants after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and your descendants after you.*
4. Jesus was the blood covenant. As written in Luke 22:20 Likewise He took the cup after supper, saying. *“This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.* The New Covenant is made sure by the blood that Jesus shed on Calvary’s cross. Jesus’ payment for sins is more than adequate to pay for the sins of all who will believe in Him.
5. Isaac was born and circumcised according to custom, as written in Genesis 21:4 *Then Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him.*
6. Jesus was born and circumcised according to custom, as written in Luke 2:21 *And when eight days were completed for the circumcision of the Child, His name was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.*
7. Isaac was offered up as a sacrifice, as written in Genesis 22:7 when Isaac asked where is the Lamb for the burnt offering.
8. Jesus was the sacrifice, as written in John 19:17,18 *V.17 And He bearing His cross went out to a place called the Place of a Skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha. V.18 where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on either side, and Jesus in the center.*
9. *Isaac buried his father, as written in Genesis 25:8,9 V.8 Then Abraham breathed his last and died in a good old age, an old man and full of years, and was gathered to his people. V.9 And*