

## Part 8 – A Seed Shall Serve Him

In part seven we learned that those who are meek (humble) will eat and be satisfied. And this promise from God is twofold. Not only does He promise to feed us physical food (when we remain humbly subservient to Him) but He also promises us He'll feed us spiritually too. And it is far better to have enough spiritual food to eat than physical food, because spiritual food is what we need to live *forever*. Thus, it's also better to feed people spiritual food (the Word of God) than physical food, because sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ teaches them how to make changes in their lives (heart and mind also) so they can obtain blessings from God that will give them physical food too. As the old saying goes: 'Feed a man a fish, feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish, feed him for a lifetime'. We also learned that those who seek and praise the Lord (YHVH) will live forever. This is because we can only truly praise the true Lord (YHVH) when we know and accept His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. As Jesus said in John 14:6, no one can come to the Father, except through Him. This means there is no other means of salvation but through Jesus Christ. We also learned that, when Jesus Christ returns, all people of all nations will bow a knee to Him and confess He is the King of kings because they will know of a certainty, at that time, that He has more power than all their worthless 'gods' (like Satan) and they will not be able to fight (rebel) against Him anymore, for the Kingdom WILL be the Lord's at that time. Jesus Christ *will* govern all the nations when He returns and *forevermore* after that. And, at that time, the world will finally see just how well God's righteous laws really work; for Jesus will enforce them *with perfection* as He reigns with His faithful servants for the Millennium; and as the people are also taught the truth without *any* satanic interference. This will cause many more (not all but many) of God's children to return to the Lord (YHVH) in humility and love, which is truly what God really wants. After all, Jesus Christ came to save His children and He's only returning to pour out God's 'cup of wrath' with a 'vengeance' because the wicked people (who refuse to repent after hearing the Gospel during the 'great tribulation') *must* be punished and all the world *must* see it to know that Satan is a liar and a fraud. He disguises himself as the 'Savior' and claims he has enough power to rule the world on his own, but this 'disguise' will be totally ripped away when the *true* Jesus Christ returns. We'll now move on in this Psalms 22 to see what else David proclaims about the Messiahs' glory...

### *Psalm 22*

*29 All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.*

David now declares that they that are 'fat' upon the earth will eat and worship the Lord when the Messiah (Jesus Christ) returns to the earth in great glory. Back in verse 26 we saw David point out that God promises us those who are meek (humble) will eat and be satisfied and this is who David is referencing. This is an important distinction because the 'fat' (of body and/or of heart) are also spoken of in the Scriptures, and not in a good light because being 'fat' in our flesh body often refers to being so well fed that people rebel against God (Deut 31:20, 32:15; Jer 5:28, 50:11); and being 'fat' of heart refers to being hard hearted (Ps 17:10, 119:70, Isa 6:10). Psalms 37:20 also warns us that the wicked, who don't repent by the end of the Millennium, will be

‘blotted’ out of existence through the ‘lake of fire’ (Rev 20) *as the ‘fat of lambs’ which dissipates into nothing* when the fire consumes it. So, the being ‘fat’ here is speaking of the ‘good’ kind of being ‘fat’. The Hebrew word for ‘fat’ here is *dashen* (#1879) and, while it does mean literally being ‘fat’ it can also figuratively mean: **rich** and/or **fertile**. And it comes from the prim root *dashen* (#1878) that means: **to be fat**; transitively, **to fatten** (or regard as fat) but also, specifically, means **to anoint** and, figuratively it means **to satisfy**. It can also mean **to remove** the fat of ashes from a sacrifices, which is why it’s translated as: accept, anoint, take away the (receive) ashes (from), make (wax) fat. The *Companion Bible* says it might even be better rendered as ‘all the great ones’ – meaning those who love and revere the true God Almighty and His Son, Jesus Christ will be ‘enriched’. So, David is pointing out that those who are ‘fat’ (well fed and nourished) will continue to be fed (eat) and worship the one and only true (living) God. And many Scriptures also speak of being ‘fat’ in a good sense...

*13 Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.*

*14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing;*

*15 To shew that the LORD is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.*

Ps 92:13-15

*The liberal [#1293,1288 meaning those who love and adore YHVH] **soul shall be made fat**: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.*

Prov 11:25

*The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.*

Prov 13:4

*He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.*

Prov 28:25

And Rev 19:9 also gives us insight into what this means, in the futuristic sense, when it says: *Blessed are they which are called unto the **marriage supper of the Lamb***. And Jesus also explained it in Matt 8:11-12: *And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. **But the children of the [earthly] kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth***. And again, in Luke 12:37, Jesus said...*Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that **he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them***.

So again, David is pointing out that those who are ‘fat’ on the earth will continue to be fed (eat) as they worship the one and only true (living) God, YHVH. So, this essentially means those who ‘eat’ the Word of God will be enriched and prosperous – and this is in contrast to those who ‘go down to the dust’, when they are forced to bow before our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ when He returns (instead of being given a ‘feast’ when Jesus Christ returns). Now the term ‘go down to

the dust' (also in Ps 22:29) is another figure of speech that means, the wicked people (rebels against the true God and Jesus Christ) will be *greatly* humbled and degraded. God used this analogy when condemning the 'serpent' (which is another name for Satan as Rev 12:9 and 20:2 tells us) in Gen 3:14, after he seduced Eve in the Garden. God told Satan that: *Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and **dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life***. This analogy shouldn't be hard for us to understand, for we still use it today when we speak of 'eating dust' to mean that someone has been humiliated greatly. This is why Ps 44:25 says, *our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth*. And Ps 72:9 also says, *they that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the dust*. And, in the Bible, throwing dust at someone was used to show great contempt for them, as was done to David in 2 Sam 16:13 and in Acts 22:24. And putting dust on one's head was also a sign of great grief (John 7:6; Job 2:12; Ps 119:25; Isa 2:10, 25:12, 26:5, 29:4 and Rev 18:19). The 'dust' is even referred to people who are poor (1 Kings 16:2, Ps 113:7), which the wicked will be after 'Babylon' is destroyed (Rev 18). Further, Jesus told His disciples to 'shake the dust of' their feet as a 'testimony against' those who refuse to hear, and receive, the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Matt 10:14, Mark 6:11) - which they *did* do (Acts 13:51). So, this figure of speech is used a lot, and here it simply means those who are not faithful to Jesus Christ (the wicked ones and 'workers of iniquity') will be so humiliated when the true Jesus Christ returns that they will 'go down to the dust' when they bow before Him. They'll be laying flat on the ground in fear and humiliation that they have so foolishly, and stubbornly, rebelled against God Almighty and the King of kings, Jesus Christ.

Notice also, in this verse 29 of Psalms 22, that David also points out a very important point: *none can keep alive his own soul*. This is a solid truth! While mothers sometimes joke with their kids when they are being bratty that, 'I've brought you into the world and I can take you out of it!'... this is a *reality* with our Heavenly Father! For indeed, He is the life giver of everything for He made everything. As Gen 1:1 tells us: *In the beginning God created the Heaven and the earth*. And in Isa 42:5 we're told that LORD (YHWH) *created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein*. Rev 4:11 also declares this: *Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created*. And, the book of John also tells us...

- 1 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*
  - 2 *The same was in the beginning with God.*
  - 3 ***All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.***
  - 4 ***In him was life; and the life was the light of men.***
  - 5 *And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.*
- John 1:1-5

We're later told (in vs 14) that the Word (God) was made flesh, which is, of course, Jesus Christ. And of Jesus Christ, we're told in the book of Colossians...

*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:***

Col 1:15-16

So, *through Jesus Christ*, God made everything, both that which is seen (on the earth) and unseen (in heaven). Now, we know that Jesus Christ is God incarnate, so you could say that Jesus Christ is God's 'creative' side for all things (visible and invisible) were created by Jesus Christ. And because God Himself is eternal and self-existing (which is what His name Yehovah means, #3068) ***we can only exist if He allows us to*** – and this is why no one can keep alive his or her own soul. If He removes His light totally from us, then our 'light of life' will simply be 'snuffed out' (John 1:4) just as the fat of lambs goes up into smoke, as Psalms 37 vividly portrays it in verse 20. So, in essence, this verse is saying that all people will eat eternally of the 'good fruit', which is the 'tree of life' (Rev 2:7, 22:2,14), because of Jesus Christ's sacrifice, IF they accept Him. And it doesn't matter how rich or poor you are (or whatever your 'status' in life is), you can't 'buy' God off to obtain eternal life. He *only* offers eternal life to those who accept the one and only means of salvation, which is through His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. As the Holy Spirit said through Peter in Acts 4:12, *there is no salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved*. Jesus Himself backs this point up in John 14:6 when He said: *I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me*.

*Psalms 22*

*30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.*

*31 They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this.*

David now ends this second part of Psalms 22 with some very important verses. And let's remember that, while the first part of the Psalm was David pouring his heart out to God and asking for help, this latter part has been speaking of the Messiah's glory that was to come. As such, David has spoken much about those who love the Lord (YHVH) and praise Him, eating good spiritual food to their full, and how God won't hide His face from them as well as how the Kingdom of God truly is the Lords (Jesus Christ's). It also spoke of how those who love and worship the true Living God (YHVH) will eat and worship *before Him* and it even pointed that none of us can keep alive our own soul because life comes from God, and we can only be saved (have eternal life) through His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. And now David says *a seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation...* but what does this mean? The word '**seed**' is the Hebrew word zera' (#2233) and it means: '**seed**' in the literal sense, but figuratively it means: ***fruit, plant, sowing-time, posterity***. With very few exceptions, this is the word always used as 'seed' in the Old Testament and it does have both a literal and figurative meaning so we've always got to 'rightly divide' God's Word (2 Tim 2:15) to understand the

meaning. This word comes from the prim root *zara*' (#2232), which means literally: **to sow** and figuratively: **to disseminate, plant, fructify**.

Let's also remember the previous verse (29) spoke of those who would be 'fat' (enriched and nourished) upon the earth eating and worshiping *with the Lord*, while those who are wicked being forced (in humiliation) to bow to Him. And now we're told that 'a seed' shall serve Him and that (seed) shall be 'accounted' to the Lord for a 'generation'. So, what 'seed' shall serve the Lord? And what 'generation' is he speaking of? Obviously, only those who believe in, and remain faithful to, Jesus Christ are His 'seed', as Gal 3:29 explains when it says: *if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise*. James also explains how we are 'Christ's' seed when we are 'begotten' (changed into the 'new man') by the Holy Spirit when he states: *Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures* (James 1:18). And the first chapter of John explains this too...

*12 But as many as received him [Jesus Christ], to them gave **he power to become the sons of God**, even to them that believe on his name:*

*13 Which **were born**, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but **of God**.*  
John 1:12-13

So, those who are 'born' (begotten) of the Holy Spirit are the 'seed' that's being spoken of here. Though Jesus Christ never had any literal children, He does have plenty of *spiritual* children because, through His Holy Spirit (that He shed His blood to give us) we are spiritually born into a 'new man', which *after God is created in righteousness and true holiness* (Eph 4:24) and this new man is *renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him* (Col 3:10). [Learn more about this here: **The Spirit Quickeneth** - <https://t.me/BibleStudyTruth/1192>]. Romans 8 also explains this very thoroughly [[https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks\\_Romans/39](https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks_Romans/39)]. Now, the word 'generation' is also important to understand. It's *dowr* (#1755), which means: **a revolution of time**, i.e. **an age or generation**; also **a dwelling**. So, this 'generation' spoken of in Psalms 22:30 refers to those who are living in the 'generation' of the fig tree. What is that? You can learn about it, in detail, with this study [<https://t.me/BibleStudyTruth/950>], but Jesus refers to it in Mth 24, Mk 13 and Luke 21 after He gets done explaining to the disciples what the signs of His Second Advent (i.e. the end of this fleshly earth age) will be - which is what the disciples asked Him about in the beginning of these three chapters. Jesus then proceeded to tell them the events that would happen (which perfectly correlate with the seven seals in Rev 6) shortly before He would return. And after that, He told them to learn the 'parable of the fig' tree. Since all three of these accounts are very close, let's look at how Mark relates it so we can understand what 'generation' this Psalm is referring to...

*28 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is near:*

*29 So ye in like manner; when ye shall see these things come to pass, **know that it is nigh, even at the doors**.*

*30 Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done.*

31 *Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.*  
32 *But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.*  
33 *Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.*  
34 *For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.*  
35 *Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:*  
36 *Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.*  
37 *And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.*  
Mark 13:28-37

So, while we cannot know the ‘exact’ time Jesus will return, Jesus clearly explained the ‘parable’ of the ‘fig tree’ to mean that, **we need to know what will be happening *shortly before He returns so we don’t get caught off guard worshipping the wrong ‘Christ’***. Never forget that the antichrist (Satan) [<https://t.me/BibleStudyDownload/345>] is coming to earth *before* the true Jesus Christ to try and deceive all the world (even God’s ‘elect’) into worshipping him as though he were the ‘Savior’ of the world (Rev 12-13, 2 Thess 2, etc.). So, learning the parable of the ‘fig tree’ is simply knowing the chronological order of events that lead up to the true Jesus Christ’s return. And the main point to that is the fact that the antichrist (who is Satan) comes *first* – before the *true* Jesus Christ. Which is why Jesus warns us so strongly against getting caught up in the worldly way of thinking and lusting (as Col 3 explains really well) because He doesn’t want us to get spiritually seduced into worshipping Satan as the Christ. As He warned in Luke 21...

34 *And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.*  
35 *For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.*  
36 *Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.*  
Luke 21:29-36

Jesus Christ’s Second Advent will come upon the world as a ‘snare’ (also described as a ‘thief in the night in Mth 24:43; 1 Thess 5:12; 2 Pt 3:10; Rev 3:3, 16:15) and ‘catch’ those on the earth by surprise. *Why* will most be surprised at Jesus Christ’s return? Because *they’ll think He is already here* because they fell for Satan’s lies telling them that he is the ‘Savior’ and has come to ‘save them’. This will catch even *many* Christians off guard, which is why Jesus said...

21 *Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.*  
22 *Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?*  
23 *And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.*  
Matt 7:21-23

So, it is vitally important to learn the chronological order of events that lead up to the *true* Jesus Christ's return (i.e. the 'parable of the fig tree') because, that way, we *know what's coming and how to prepare ourselves for it*, so we are not deceived into worshiping Satan, and his wicked government. So, we now know what the 'seed' is and what the 'generation' is, when verse 30 of this Psalms 22 says: *A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.* But what does it mean 'accounted' for a generation? This word '**accounted**' is a prim root that means properly, *to score with a mark as a tally or record*, i.e. (by implication) *to inscribe*, and also to *enumerate*; intensively, *to recount*, i.e. *celebrate* (*caphar* #5608). As we are told in Rev 13:18: *Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.* The word '**count**' is *psephizo* (#5585) in the Hebrew and it means: *to use pebbles in enumeration*, i.e. (generally) *to compute*. So, we're supposed to be able to 'add up' the 'number of the beast', for it is the 'number of a man' – this means *the man – the antichrist* – who is Satan. Six in Biblical numerics means: *weakness of man, evils of Satan, manifestation of Sin*. And Satan will use all three of these things to deceive God's children into worshiping him (and his 'beast' governmental system) when he's on earth pretending to be the Christ (Messiah) who has come to 'save' the world. So, in other words, those who are 'accounted' for the Lord for a 'generation' will (as Jesus advised us in Mth 24, Mk 13 and Luke 21) learn (compute) the parable of the fig tree – which is the chronological order of events that will happen shortly before the true Jesus Christ returns. And the book of Revelations gives us a 'step by step' and 'play by play' of these events. So, it's definitely a book we should study. After all, the word '**revelation**' in the Greek means '*disclosure*' [i.e. revealing] (#602), even to '*to take off the cover*' or '*disclose*' [i.e. reveal] (#601). Which is why Rev 1:1 say: *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.* So, the book of Revelations is not 'sealed' to those who are God's servants. After all, Rev 5 tells us that Jesus opened the seals for us, which is *exactly* what is written in Mth 24, Mk 13 and Lk 21 and the Revelations. But to those who are not truly God's servants, this book will be sealed, as will *all* of God's Word be, to those who harden their hearts to the Holy Spirit (Isa 29:11-13).

So, we now know what the 'seed' is (those begotten by the Holy Spirit), what the 'generation' is (the time frame shortly before, and during, the time when Satan's kicked out of heaven and comes to earth pretending to be the Savior of mankind) and we now know that those who are 'accounted' to the Lord for a generation are those who know the truth about the chronological order of events that happen before the true Jesus Christ returns. But why does verse 31 then say: *They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done this?* It simply means that the 'seed of the Lord' (those begotten by the Holy Spirit) are sent to those who do **not** know the chronological order of events Jesus warned us of in Mth 24, Mk 13 and Luke 21 – in other words, to those who don't know Satan is coming before the *true* Jesus Christ disguised as the 'savior' of the world. Importantly, this word 'declare' is the exact same word as 'accounted' vs 30: caphar #5608, a prim root that means properly, *to score with a mark as a tally or record*, i.e. (by implication) *to inscribe*, and also to *enumerate*;

intensively, *to recount*, i.e. *celebrate*. So, those who do know the truth about Jesus Christ's return – specifically, that He will not come before Satan – will 'recount' this truth to those who 'shall be born' – meaning those who will repent when they hear the truth so they too can be 'born of God' via the Holy Spirit. And how will they do this? It's written (in both the Old and New Testaments) that it *shall* come to pass in the last days that *God will pour out His Spirit* upon all His children – both His 'sons] and 'daughters' - *who are 'born of the Holy Spirit'*, **so** they can "see" (understand) the "visions" of the prophets so they can then "prophesy" (i.e. teach the prophet's visions) to all of God's children. As Amos 3:7 says: *Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets*. And those who are His 'seed' (who serve Him) will understand what the prophets say and share those truths with others. As He said through the prophet Joel...

*28 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:*

*29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.*

*30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.*

*31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.*

*32 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.*

Joel 2:28-32 [<https://t.me/TheMinorProphets/77>]

Now, this did happen on Pentecost day when the 'cloven tongue' from the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples and enabled them to 'declare' the righteousness of the Lord by clearly teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Acts 2:14-21). But that was not the only time it would happen. In fact, even right *now* there are 'sons and daughters' who declare (teach) the 'parable of the fig tree' in an attempt to warn people that Satan is coming *before* Jesus Christ returns. But, the 'cloven tongue' (from the Holy Spirit) will come again to those 'sons and daughters' during that 'great tribulation' (when Satan is on earth) to testify to the world that Satan is not the Christ, nor the Savior, of the world. A Mark 13:10 says: *the gospel must first be published among all nations*. And Matt 24:14 also declares: *this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come*. So, while the truth is being taught right now, it's not done at a world-wide level. That will only come when Satan comes to earth and people who do *not* follow him are delivered up to councils and synagogues, as it is written...

*16 Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.*

*17 But beware of men: **for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;***

*18 And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.*

19 But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.

20 For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.

21 And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death.

22 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but **he that endureth to the end shall be saved.**

Matt 10:16-22

9 But take heed to yourselves: for **they shall deliver you up to councils; and in the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before rulers and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them.**

10 And the gospel must first be published among all nations.

11 But when they shall lead you, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.

12 Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall cause them to be put to death.

13 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but **he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.**

Mk 13:9-13

12 But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, **delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.**

13 **And it shall turn to you for a testimony.**

14 Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:

15 For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.

16 And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.

17 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake.

18 But there shall not an hair of your head perish.

19 **In your patience possess ye your souls.**

Luke 21:12-19

In John 17:15, Jesus prayed to God that: *I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.* Therefore, we should understand that no one is going to be ‘raptured’ out of the earth. Instead, Jesus wants us right here on earth so we can take a stand for Him against Satan’s worldwide deception. And as we read in Mth 24, Mk 13 and Lk 21, Jesus wants us to allow His Holy Spirit to speak through us so He can testify to the world what is *really* going on, so the Gospel of Jesus Christ is indeed perfectly ‘published’ to all the nations in the world - warning them to repent for their apostasy (2 Thess 2) so they do not

have to face God's wrath when Jesus Christ returns to pour it out. So, the truth *shall* be manifested to the world, because the 'seed' that serve Jesus Christ *will* teach people the chronological order of events that lead up to the true Jesus Christ's returns, and the fact that Satan is coming *first*, to deceive the world into worshipping him *instead of* the *true* Christ, Jesus. And when Satan actually comes to earth, their warning will change from 'Satan is *coming* first' to 'this is Satan, NOT Jesus Christ! – so do not worship him! – or 'repent' for this is not Jesus Christ but Satan'. This is 'paraphrasing' what they'll likely say, of course, but the point should be clear. Those who truly serve our Heavenly Father – who are 'born of the Holy Spirit' – know that Satan is coming first (before Jesus Christ) and work to warn others of this, as the opportunities arise (Eph 5:15-16, Col 4:5-6). But, when Satan is *actually here*, the Holy Spirit will guide them how to warn people against worshipping Satan and partaking in his wicked system, so they do not receive God's wrath when Jesus Christ returns.

And all this is done to ultimately declare '*That He hath done this*'. This very last phrase in Psalms 22 was also quoted by Jesus Christ when He was on the cross. John was the only one out of the four Gospel writers who recorded what Jesus said: *When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished**: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost* (John 19:30). [Learn more in: [https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks\\_John\\_and\\_epistle/317](https://t.me/BibleStudyBooks_John_and_epistle/317)]. Now, at first glance, it's hard to see how the phrase 'He hath done this' is equivalent to 'it is finished' but that's because the English translation doesn't bring it out. But, check out what the word 'done' in the Hebrew means verses the word 'finished' in John...

“**Done**” is #6213 *`asah* (aw-saw'); a primitive root that means: **to do or make**. It's translated many ways but 'accomplish' and 'finish' are two of the ways. Now, let's look at what the Greek word 'finished' in John 19:30 is...

“**Finished**” is #5055 *teleo* (tel-eh'-o) and means: **to end**, ie. complete, execute, conclude, discharge (a debt). It's been translated in the KJV as - accomplish, make an end, expire, fill up, finish, go over, pay, perform.

The Hebrew and Greek words are nearly identical and this verifies that, when Jesus said 'it is finished' He was quoting the last verse of this great Psalms 22. Remember, Jesus quoted the first part of the first verse, and then the last verse - all while on the cross, *because He was teaching*. And what this teaches us is that **Jesus knew He had indeed finished the work that God had sent Him to do – it was 'done'**. So again, the 'seed' spoken of in Psalms 22 is referring to those who would accept the Gospel of Jesus Christ and are 'begotten' of the Holy Spirit (the Word of God), which makes them into a new person who brings forth *good* fruit (Gal 5:22-26). And this is important because, when Jesus said 'it is finished' He was telling us that all things (pertaining to His First Advent) had been accomplished (John 19:30 - *It is finished*) because '**he hath done this**' (Ps 22:27-31). In other words, because Jesus lived a sinless life and died for our sins, He finished the work God gave Him to do – the 'work' that was required to save His children. As He said in John 17:4: *I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do*.

So, Psalms 22 is a Psalm that prophesied of the Messiah as the Good Shepherd in death. But it also looks past that to what His death would accomplish: saving God's children from Satan's deception (rebellion). The *Companion Bible* points out that it's likely Jesus repeated the whole of Psalms 22, which not only sets Him forth as the Sufferer, but also foretells of the glory that is to follow. That's why verse 30 also explains that 'a seed shall serve Him' - because this 'seed' is what will be accounted to Jesus Christ for a 'generation' - and not only those in the 'generation of the fig tree', but also those who will serve Jesus in God's Kingdom (those who are 'begotten' of the Holy Spirit. Thus, they are accounted as His spiritual children (generation) because they are 'begotten' through His Holy Spirit. And is they who will warn the world about the chronological order of events that happen before Jesus' truly returns. And they are thus the people who will therefore *rule* with Him forever, for *inheritance is given to one's own children...*

*8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.*

*9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.*

*10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.*

*11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.*

*12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.*

*13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: **but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.***

*14 **For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.***

*15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.*

*16 **The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:***

*17 **And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.***

*18 **For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.***

Rom 8:8-18

AMEN.