

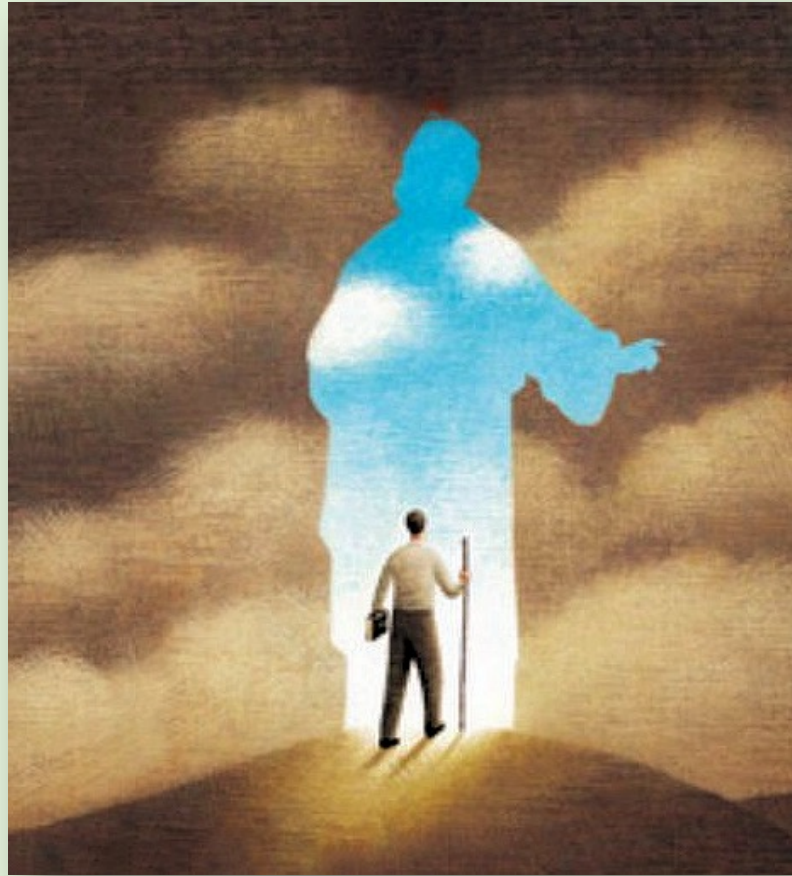


Welcome
to
Rehoboth New Life Center

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The Perfect Man

Part 4 “The Perfect Mediator”



Ephesians 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

The Law Made Nothing Perfect

Hebrews 7:19 For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by the which we draw nigh unto God.



Why the Law could not perfect!




- Genesis 8:13 ¶And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.
- 20 ¶And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

Why The Law Could Make Nothing Perfect



Genesis 8:21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; **for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth;** neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

The Law's Weakness



the willing is
present in me,
but the doing
of good is not

Romans 7:18

- Romans 7:14 ¶For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin.
- 15 For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.
- 16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.
- 17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
- 18 **For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing:** for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.
- 19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

Romans 7:18

The Shadow, Not The Image !



Hebrews 10:1 ¶For the law having a shadow of good things to come, **and not the very image** of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.

The Commandments Brought Death Not Perfection!



- Numbers 15:32 And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.
- 33 And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation.
- 34 And they put him in ward, because it was not declared what should be done to him.
- 35 And the LORD said unto Moses, The man shall be surely put to death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp.

Problem 1: The Law Mediated (Carried out) by Angels



- Exodus 23:20 ¶Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.
- 21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for my **NAME (Jehovah)** is in him.
- 22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.
- 23 For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut them off.

The “Imperfect Mediators”

Galatians 3:19 (NIRV) Then what was the purpose of the law? It was added because of human sin. And it was supposed to control us until the promised Seed had come. The law was put into effect through angels by a go-between.

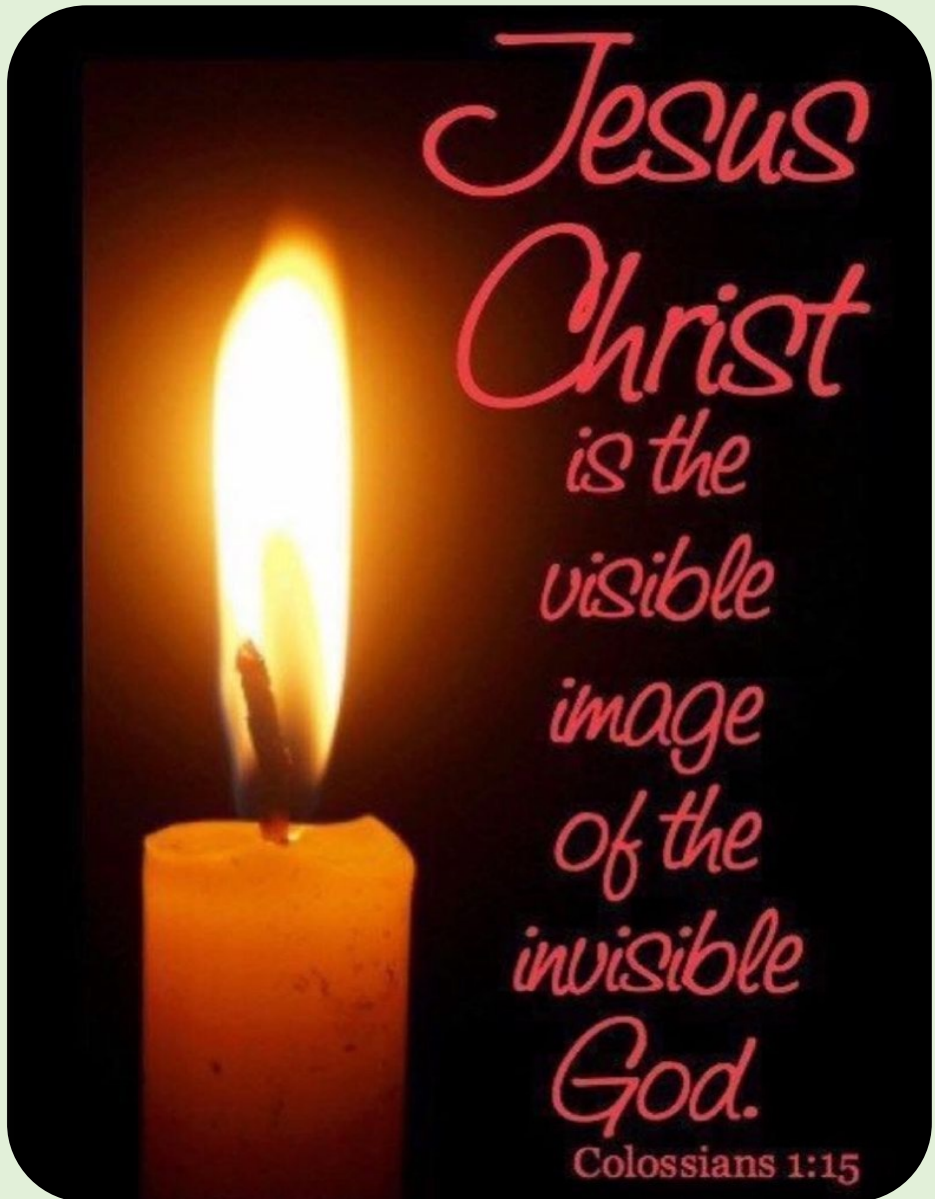
ANGELS

Galatians 3:19 (BBE) What then is the law? It was an addition made because of sin, till the coming of the seed to whom the undertaking had been given; and it was ordered through angels by the hand of a go-between.

- Hebrews 2:2 For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward;
- Job 4:18 Behold, he put no trust in his servants; and **his angels he charged with folly:**
- Galatians 3:19 ¶Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, **till the seed should come to whom the promise was made;** and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.

Because they were not created in His Image!

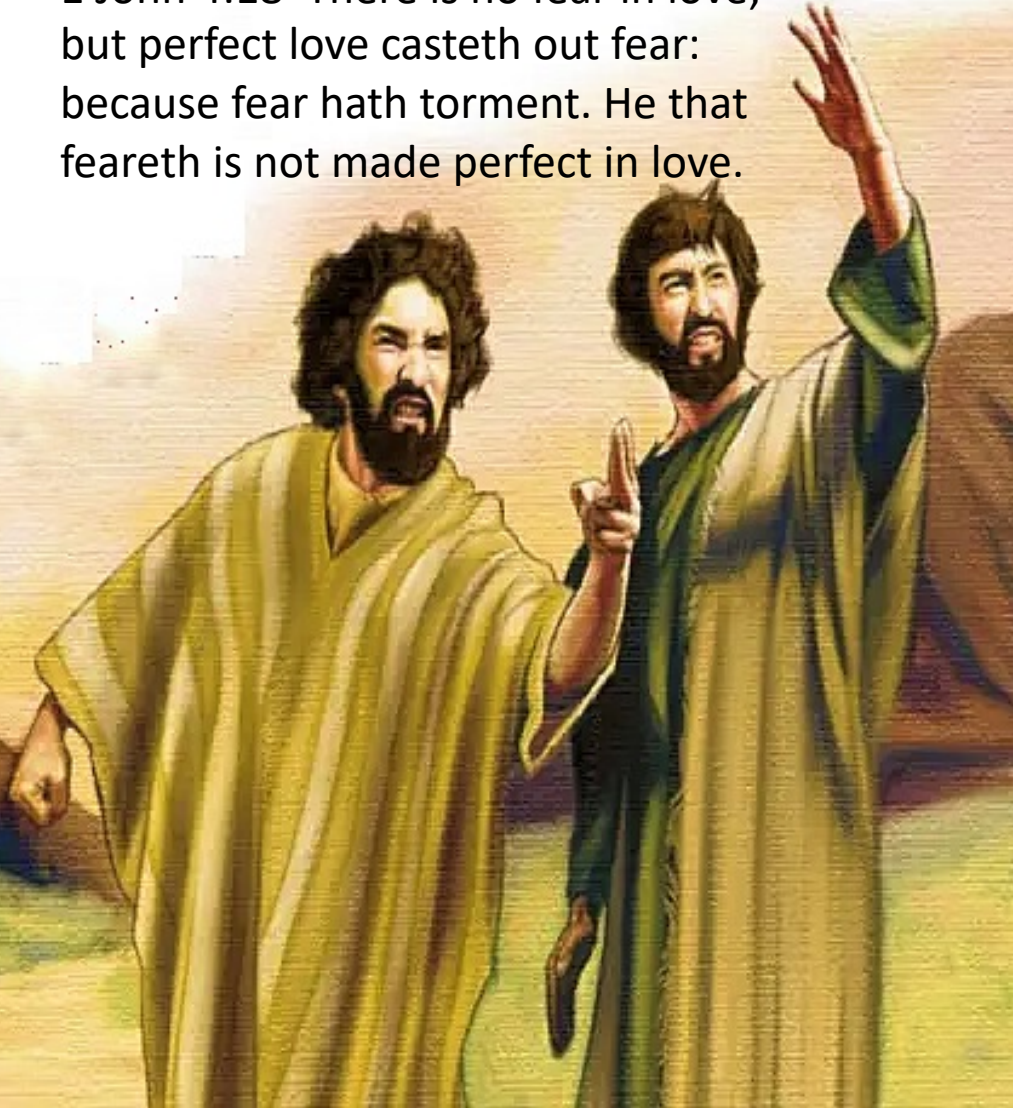
The Perfect Image & Likeness



- 2 Corinthians 4:4lest the light of the glorious gospel of **Christ, who is the image of God**, should shine unto them.
- Colossians 1:12 ¶ Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:
- 13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:
- 14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:
- 15 **Who is the image of the invisible God**, the firstborn of every creature:

The Perfect Image of God is Love

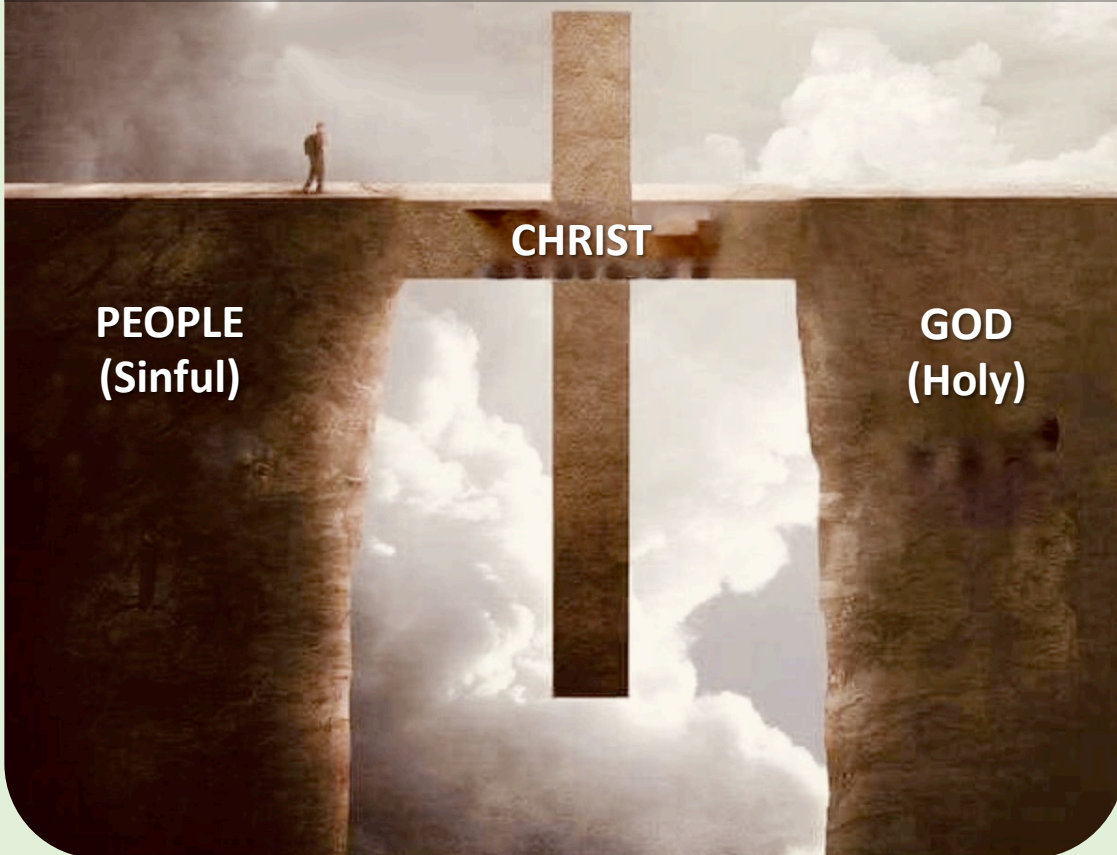
1 John 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.



- Luke 9:51 ¶And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem,
- 52 And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.
- 53 And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.
- 54 And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did?
- 55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.
- 56 **For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.**


The Only Perfect Mediator

For There is one God and one Mediator
between God and men, the Man Christ
Jesus



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- Colossians 1:15 **Who is the image of the invisible God**, the firstborn of every creature:
- 1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;
- 6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

The Perfect Man



Luke 2:14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

- Hebrews 1:1 ¶God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,
- 2 **Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son**, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;
- 3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and **the express image of his person**, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

The Perfect Man



- Hebrews 1:4 **Being made so much better than the angels**, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.
- 5 For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?
- 6 And again, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.



- Hebrews 8:6 ¶But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.
- Hebrews 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?
- 15 ¶And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

The Perfect Man: The “Better” Thing


HEROES OF FAITH



Hebrews 11:35 Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: 36 And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:

Hebrews 11:37 They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; 38 (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. 39 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: 40 **God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.**

The Perfected for ever!



For by that
one offering
he forever **made perfect**
those who are being
made holy.

Hebrews 10:14

- Hebrews 10:14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.
- Hebrews 12:23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,
- Hebrews 13:21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- James 1:4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.