

12-24-2017 Weekly Message

The Meditation of the Week: Psalm 98:1-9

Text: Isaiah 9:1-7

Word Title: **Why God had to be a man?**

The bible says, "The mystery of godliness" of God manifested in flesh. This is a mystery that cannot be understood by the man's thoughts. It does not make sense by the knowledge learned in school. However, the Bible says this mystery is great without controversy. It means to be unquestionably great.

No matter how famous scholars gather to say that this mystery is unscientific or ridiculous, even if they argue (1 Tim. 3:16), the Bible says that God laughs in heaven and mocks (Psalm 2: 4). As to why people cannot realize this mystery, the Bible says that a natural man with no Spirit of God, that is, man born once biologically, cannot accept the works of God's Spirit. For the things of God are said to be foolishness to the man, and that they cannot know, and that things are only spiritually discerned (1 Cor. 2: 14-15)

Man who does not have the Spirit of God cannot see or know the Spirit God. So how can he know the mystery that God has become a man? A natural man without the Spirit of God cannot imagine what the Almighty God does. What the natural man knows is that it is only truth that a man marries and gives birth unto his children, but he does not know that God is the Almighty who can make man from the dust of ground and make a woman from the body of man. Because God is the Word, it is done immediately if the Word comes out from His mouth. When God said, "Let there be light!" The light instantly created when he said: and even the sun and the moon that we see every day were created when God said. (Genesis 1: 3,14-19).

The natural man that cannot believe in the first verse in the book of Genesis, the first book saying, "**In the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth**" cannot believe not only the mystery of godliness, but any other word in the

bible at all. The only way to believe is to receive the Spirit of the eternal God, who is beyond the things of past and present and future.

Through the mouth of the prophet Isaiah, God spoke of the great thing about 2,700 years ago, that natural men that are so busy with Christmas parties. "**For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. ⁷Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.**" (Isa. 9: 6-7)

The word of God so proclaimed came to pass to be fulfilled after seven hundred years, and will soon be fulfilled in the near future. When Jesus grew up and became a two-year-old child, wise men from the East met the child Jesus, worshiped him, offering gold, incense, and myrrh (Matthew 2:11). By faith, they had waited for the rest of their life, and followed the signs God showed them, and finally they met Jesus, as the prophet Isaiah prophesied. They knew beforehand who the child Jesus is and offered three kinds of gifts. By giving gold, the confession of faith that the child is God, and by offering frankincense and myrrh, the child is suffering as a prophet in the future, and die in pain for the sins of men, and goes to heaven with his blood to be the High Priest to intercede for them that believe in him..

Jesus showed that He is the wonder and eternal God through doing many wonder signs that cannot be done by man in order to let natural men know the fact that he is the man spoken by the prophet Isaiah. He also said of himself as a gentle and humble ruler of Israel, When Pilate asked him, "Are you the king? He said himself the king.

Jesus was physically born as a descendant of David, the King of Israel, and showed that his

throne will be erected righteous. The Apostle Paul testified through the Holy Spirit:

" (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures.)

3Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;

4And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead: "(Romans 1: 2-4)

The Counselor means that Jesus is the only person who can counsel the problems of men. When people get into trouble, they go to the counselor, and pay the money to him. But only Jesus Christ, the God and Counselor, is the one who counsel and show the way to solve the most serious problem of men.. Everyone born in this world is born with one of the most serious and fatal problem that is a matter of curse and death because of sin.

Satan has forced his worshipers to present their children as the sacrifices to him burning them. In the old days, the burning of children to Satan was done from Babylon even to Israel. But in order to solve the problem of man's sin, death and curse, an innocent man must die instead, because every man is a sinner, no matter how young he is, he is still a sinner. Therefore, if God does not appear to be innocent man, men cannot solve their problem of sin and curse and death.

A man named Job, who lived about four thousand years ago, lost all his possessions and ten children in one day with the permission of God, and a severe boil, such as a leprosy, in his body. Finally, he came to realize that he had to die sooner or later. Also, when he met with God who appeared before him, he realized for the first time how miserable sinner he was, and a great word came out of his mouth:

" For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

26And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: "(Job

19: 25-26)

If he had had a healthy and affluent life with his beloved wife and ten children until he died, he would have believed that he would be considered a righteous, perfect, and honest person before God. But not only was he lost everything and became naked, but when death came right before him, he realized that he was a miserable sinner before God. He eventually realized that he couldn't rise again after death unless God appears to be a man and dies for his sins. He believed that after his death one day his Redeemer would appear as a man on earth. God used the most perfect, righteous, and honest Job before man as an example to make men aware that through the confessions of Job all men are miserable sinners like Job before God.

As promised through the prophet Isaiah, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of all men in the future, will make all those who believe in him, like Job, to be resurrected and fill them in the heavens and the earth. The Apostle Paul testified about this dispensation in the time of God:

" Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

10That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: "(Ephesians 1: 9-10)

the word "Christ" means that the Lord Jesus, the one who is the God, has taken away all the sins of the world, and has gone to heaven to be a Great High Priest. But when the time comes soon, the he will come again as the Lord of Lords and the King of Kings to judge all the nations that not believe in him, and establish his kingdom in Jerusalem as the eternal King. Israel/ To fulfill his will, He became the Redeemer, and He became the Lamb of God who took away the sin of the world (John 1:29).Amen! Hallelujah