

—RELIGIOUS BELIEFS—

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Ezekiel 28th Chapter

The Lord spoke to the prophet, saying: Thus saith the Lord.

Say unto the Prince of Tyrus because thine heart is lifted up and thou hast said I am a God, I sit in the seat of God in the midst of the seas; yet thou art a man and not a God though thou set thine heart as the heart of God.

Now in the first place you will note that the Lord spoke those words to condemn a man. This man who has taken a great authority upon himself and sets himself in the place of God also proclaims himself as the heart of God. There is only one man known to have usurped this place, who calls himself the Holy Father, the Vicar of Jesus Christ and sets himself in the See of Rome to fill the place of Christ. Now according to Scriptures, Christ is not dead, but is at the right hand of God, having paid the debt and purchased our pardon and is pleading our case before the throne of God. Jesus told his disciples before he left the earth that he would not leave them comfortless but the Father would send the Holy Spirit the Comforter in His name, who would teach us all things, whatsoever I have said unto you—John 14:26

Verse 3—Behold thou art wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they cannot hide from thee.

How true this is. How well planned is the confessional box by this man who says: I am a God and sit in the seat of God. Every creature who is persuaded to confess to a man pours out secrets which should only be known to God and himself, but in this way all interesting information can be carried through the confessors to this man who usurps Christ's place here on earth. Is there any reason why he should not be wiser than Daniel in material things, but not spiritual.

The word says: There is no secret that they can hide from thee.

Verse 4—With thy wisdom and with thine understanding, thou hast gotten the riches and hath gotten gold and silver into thy treasure.

Verse 5—By thy great wisdom and by thy traffic hast thou increased thy riches and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches.

On these two verses there could be a great deal said. First, wisdom comes through the well organized system and attached to this system of understanding there is a traffic; masses for the dead. Through this system there is a great deal of money involved and his riches are greatly increased.

I Peter 1 Chapter

18 verse: Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers:

19 verse: But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

Does the Scripture teach forgiveness after death. In Revelations we read 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God, and the books were opened (the Old and New Testaments,) the Jew under the law of the Old Testament and since

Christ under grace the gift of God through faith in Jesus Christ (the New Testament), and another book was opened which is the book of life and the dead were judged out of the things which were written in the books, according to their works. The sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and hell (or grave) delivered up the dead which were in them and they were judged every man according to his works, and death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death and whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. (Is your name written in the book.

John 3:5 Jesus answered, verily, verily I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he can not enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh and that which is born of the spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I say unto thee, ye must be born again.

This new birth must take place some time in your earthly life. After death comes the judgement. Now coming back to the word of God to Ezekiel 28:6, 7, 8, 9, 10. God rains out destruction upon the man who usurps the seat of God (read the verses). Some say this scripture is written against Satan. This is very true, Satan is a personal evil spirit or devil who will enter into anybody who will permit him a place; and we know how he tempted our Saviour and sought admittance so that he might destroy God's plan of salvation to the falling race. In the 12, 13, 14 and 15 verses we note that God charges the King of Tyrus with sealing up the sum full of wisdom and tells him of the wonderful place he occupied and how perfect he was in the day he was created, till iniquity was found in thee. 16-17: He became proud and defiled the sanctuaries by the multitude of thy iniquities and thy traffic. God destroys him with fire in the sight of them that behold him. 19: All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee; thou shalt be a terror and never shalt thou be any more.

(To be continued)

Leaves Beautiful Baby

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Chicago, Ill., Oct.—Over in Provident Hospital, there is a beautiful little baby, now, without a mother or father. The mother was white and the father was colored. The baby was born at the hospital. One night late, as the mother was convalescing, she slipped out of the hospital, failing to return. To some of the other patients she said before leaving: "I can't take the baby into my home, and it's the only thing I know to do."

Finds \$4,000; Receives "Thank You"

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Bonham, Texas, Oct.—Approximately \$4,000 stolen from a bank at Mooringsport, La., a few days ago was found by two Negroes near Waskom, Texas, and turned over to the authorities. The colored men received a "thank you."

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