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Bridging the Gap!

Dear Chosen One: A Gap is a small or large space between two places. A bridge is a structure that is used for crossing over a gap or connecting objects or places together. A person can also be used as a bridge to connect the gap. These different connections help us to navigate in the natural world. However, as both human and spiritual beings, we also need access to the spiritual world.

In the Old Testament, God used individuals to bridge the gap between heaven and earth. For example, God communicated with Moses and Moses communicated what God said to the Israelites. Then Moses stood in the gap for the people on earth and communicated with God on their behalf. There was a gap between man and God, and Moses became that person to bridge the gap.

The Bible says, God first spoke with Moses from within a burning bush. God told Moses, **"I am the God of your Fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob..."** (Exodus 3:4-7.) Moses went to the Israelites and told them all the words the Lord had commanded him to speak. When the people heard the words of God, the Bible says they all responded together. **"We will do everything the Lord has said."** So, **Moses took their answer back to God.** (Exodus 19:7-8.)

After Moses died, God spoke through the Prophets and many other individuals. These were the people who God used to communicate His messages on the earth. They also stood in the gap and offered sacrifices for the people's sin.

However, the old atonement order stopped when Jesus came on the scene. God destroyed this

old system that allowed the High Priest to make atonement for the peoples' sin. God sent Jesus—His Son—who was a stronger foundation that cannot be broken. He was offered up as the sacrifice Lamb for our sins and the sins of the world. (1 John 2:2.)

The Bible tells us while Jesus was on the cross at about the sixth hour, darkness covered the whole land until the ninth hour. The sun stopped shining and the curtain in the Temple that separated the Holy Place from the Most Holy Place, was torn in two from top to bottom. (Luke 23:44-45.)

In the Old Testament, the High Priest was the only one who could go into the Most Holy Place to offer up the sacrifice for sin. But when the curtain tore, Jesus opened the way and gave each person access to go and seek forgiveness for his or herself. This was a new order: Jesus became our High Priest—old things have passed away behold all things have become new. You don't need another person to stand in the gap and ask God to forgive you for your sin. Permission was granted through Jesus' sacrificial death on the Cross.

The book of Hebrews, Chapter 4:16, says, **"Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace in time of need."** Yes! Today, you and I can stand in the gap for ourselves. We can go directly to God through His Son Jesus and receive forgiveness. Your Pastor, Priest, or Spiritual Leaders in the church don't have the power or authority to forgive you of your sin—only Jesus. He was the One who took our sin debt in full and died on the Cross for us.

These words came out of Jesus' mouth, **"I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life, no one**

Stay Connected To God!

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comes to the father (God) except through Me.” (John 14:6.) Jesus became the new Covenant. God starts communicating His messages through His Son, Jesus. John tells us, **“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made...And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the father, full of grace and truth,”** (John 1:1-3, 14.)

Jesus is the Bridge. It is only through JESUS CHRIST the Son of God that we gain direct access to God. After Jesus left the earth, He sent the Holy Spirit to help humanity bridge the gap and gain the same access to God.

If you are reading this Newsletter and you feel that there is a sin gap between you and God, and that your sins have separated you from God, don't worry. There is a solution. On the other hand, you may feel that you don't need to confess any sin or repent because you are a good person, and you are living better than many others. If so, read on.

In 1 John 1:8-10, we read that **“If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. [But] If we confess our sin, He [Jesus] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him [Jesus] a liar, and His Word is not in us.”**

I am here to tell you that you can try all the different ways, seek all the different gods, and do all kinds of prayers, that will not connect you to God. If you are serious about your Salvation and want to cross the bridge to gain access to God, you first must repent of your sin and change direction. As soon as you repent, Jesus will forgive you and cover you in His righteousness. This is the only way to bridge the gap between you and God.

This principle was put in place by God for His people. Many have suffered the consequences for violating God's law. We are living in the time

where everyone wants to make up their own rules and laws. Many people feel that they are the ones who are in control of their own destiny. However, none of these individuals have ever created something original without the help of God.

It is time we get back to obeying and following godly principles. We need to bridge this gap between us and God and now is the time to do it. Give Jesus access in your life and allow the Holy Spirit to bridge the gap and connect you to God.

Now, from a human standpoint, we still need other human beings and objects to help us navigate through this world. We also need to network with others to accomplish our daily tasks. Some of these individuals can be sent and used by God to operate as angels in disguise, so don't neglect to communicate or fellowship with others.

Your Pastor, Priest, spiritual leader, doctor, lawyer, teacher, counselor, friend, for example, or co-worker, family member, or even that person you despised could be the one God uses. Remember, God uses individuals to intercede for you in order to bridge the gap and connect you to God or the resources you need in life. God is still using earthen vessels to carry out His earthly mission. Remember, your spiritual leaders are individuals, (earthen vessels) that are being used to connect or point you in the direction of God. Yet they do not have the authority to forgive you of your sin.

The Bible says, **“How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they were sent? As it is written: ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Gospel of peace who bring glad tidings of good things!’”** (Romans 10:14-15.)

People of God, I pray that you will make yourself available and allow God to use you. **“The Harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.”** (Luke 10:2.) Stay safe and be Blessed!!

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