

## The Speaking God

"God who spoke...has spoken"  
(But are we listening?)  
Hebrews 1 (see inside on left)

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"Has God really said...?" (Genesis 3:1). Satan's words to Eve were his very first attack to man against God's word which, of course, was an attack against God Himself. To this very day, God and His Word have been under unceasing attack. This brief article is intended to simply refer to some of the essential matters that God has spoken about.

God spoke about Creation, or more accurately, God spoke Creation into existence: "And God said...and it was so." Like other aspects about God, Creation cannot be "comprehended," but must remain a matter of faith with us, as Hebrews 11:3 says, "By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible." That simply means that God made everything you see, out of nothing. The only "ingredient" was His word. 2 Peter 3:1 starts an example of how people wilfully reject such truth. Really, God doesn't forbid our honest doubts, for He says "Come let us reason together, though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; and though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." THAT verse is in Isaiah 1, which graphically pictures man's dreadful condition... yet God extends hope! We must be sure, however, that with us it is not a case of dishonest sin, rather than honest doubt!

God also spoke about sex, marriage and the family. Genesis is very clear in this matter, yet Jesus' religious enemies did us the favour of forcing Him to make an updated, clarified statement, which (by the way) He has done for us on various matters, if we will read it. Genesis and Jesus make it clear that marriage is a God-ordained institution consisting of the union of one

male and one female. The allowance for divorce under Moses was a temporary satisfaction for a hard-headed and hard-hearted people, for Jesus says so and adds that "from the beginning it was not so" (Matt. 19). Malachi, the last prophet in the Old Testament, confirms God's hatred for divorce (2:16).

God spoke regarding the fall into sin of the entire human family. Man's problem isn't essentially developmental, but spiritual. The think-tanks of society, in general, try to blame all sorts of other things for man's problems, and try to invent something...ANYTHING, except acknowledgement of and submission to God, as a curative response to the debilitated and decadent condition so observable all around us. As time goes on, and "the end comes ever closer," I have been witnessing an explosion of three things: violence, sexual perversion and evolutionary propaganda. (Violence is not discussed in this article.) The latter two are certainly in direct and hostile opposition to what "God has spoken."

So important to God's long-time plan, as Heb. 1 says (see inside), "in these last days, God has spoken to us by His Son." John 1:14 says "And God's Word became flesh and lived among us." God didn't just bring philosophy, ethics and such like. He brought Himself. It's as if God was saying: "OK, you want to know what I am saying? I'll put it in writing. I'll make it audio/visual so you can see it and hear it, and I'll make it local and touchable. I'll make it responsive to your questions, and supremely caring and sufficient for your needs. And I'll write it in My blood for DNA proof of its authenticity!" We all may personally witness this in the Bible.

To be complete and faithful, I add that God spoke about the Grande Finale of this world, with the coming of the One of whom it is said, "and His name is called The Word of God" (Revelation 19:11-16). And, finally, God spoke regarding the eternal danger of changing His Word (Rev. 22:16-19).

In love and in faithful warning, the Bible says, "I will hear what God the LORD will speak, For He will speak peace To His people and to His godly ones; But let them not turn back to folly (Psalm 85:8).

**GOD SPEAKS!** "For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart" (Heb. 4:12). He is the greatest Surgeon! God's Word, God's Spirit and Jesus' Blood are God's main active agents to bring a person to Himself.

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## What Veil Are YOU Wearing?

"And He will destroy on this mountain the surface of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations." (\*Isaiah 25:6-12)

\* These verses include the foretelling of Jesus' First Coming, the Cross and the Resurrection.

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moment, then try to cover their humiliating condition with self-made props of one kind or another. Others simply parade their sin-nakedness in casual abandon.

Turning to the subject of veils, there is one person who is referred to in both Old and New Testaments of the Bible and who wore a veil. That

**REMOVE ALL VEILS!** said Cabinet minister and Commons leader, Jack Straw, last month, and many have joined in the debate since. Mr. Straw's words (above) state it very well, but I would go much further than his words intended. Far from avoiding the issue, I rather refuse to be detoured from addressing a deeper problem...but **please don't jump to conclusions!**

Satan introduced sin to the human family, and with that brought both nakedness and the tendency to hide. God's first question to Adam was "Where are you?" GOD knew where Adam was, but Adam didn't know where Adam was, as he hid with his accomplice. Sin strips people in various ways and puts its "victim" on open display, often without them even being aware. Those who may be aware for the

person, however, was not a woman! Moses was not a disguised terrorist, but he terrorised the people...with his appearance! Some people think he wore a veil in order to cover and thereby dull the glory of God that shined from his face so the people wouldn't be so frightened. Indeed, the mountain where Moses received the Ten Commandments was a fearful sight, and Moses came down to talk to the people, not realising that his face glowed from the glory of God.

Yet, because of the Bible wording, it is possible that Moses covered his face only *after* he finished talking to the people. Perhaps Moses put on a veil so that the people would not see that the shine was fading away! In a sense, **Moses needed to return to the mountain top and recharge his battery.**

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A well-known man said "VEILS SUCK," but from newspapers it appears he has gone from v-e-i-l to v-i-l-e. The "wife" shows off using the decadent "veil" of Western "culture and fashion" while he stands behind the "veil" of pride, insupport. Their attitude is brah and lamentable. He says veils are a barrier to integration yet their own example is a boost to DISintegration here in Britain.

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When we turn to 2 Corinthians 3 we read of the Law given by God to Moses contrasted with the "glory that excels," which comes by God through Christ and the Holy Spirit. We learn from 2 Cor. 3 that God's ministry through Moses was intended to be temporary, though glorious in its time. The veil of Moses kept people from seeing its fading feature, otherwise they may have thought it was not so impressive.

A great preacher and teacher I knew got up to preach, having been long afflicted with Parkinson's disease. This lovely, humble man, who had spoken so effectively, now stared in silence, unable to recall his sermon points. As he said quietly, "I don't understand, I don't understand," some of his friends at the front told him that it was alright, as they led him away. His days of powerful, rapid-fire speaking were finished.

Not long ago, a newspaper had two photos of present California governor, **Arnold Schwarzenegger**, side by side. One was of him at the height of his body-building excellence, while the other was of a man whose chest and stomach muscles and skin had terribly sagged—no longer the mighty man of muscle. His record is intact, but the reality has faded.

The preacher, above, had faded. Schwarzenegger is fading. But some things *never* fade! You cannot turn a light on if it is already on, and you cannot increase the brightness if it is already operating at peak performance. You cannot put more water in a glass that is already full and running over. This is the reality of God's ministry to us in Christ. If you read the book of **Hebrews chapter 1 verses 1-3**, you will see Jesus described as follows: "God, who at various times

and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2 has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through 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 at the right hand of the Majesty on high"

**Both God and Moses said that another was coming like Moses** (Deut. 18:15,18), and that we **MUST** listen to Him. St. Peter specifically applies this prophecy to Jesus (Acts 3:22,23). Stephen, the first Christian martyr, does likewise (Acts 7:37). See also St. John 1:45,46 and Luke 24:27, 44-47. I know that many Muslim teachers and followers try to apply the Deut. 18 verses to Mohammed. I do not have space here for much reply. All I ask for any person or group who claims pre-eminence (for example, as with Islam), is to please consider the following: The same Person referred to in Acts, John and Luke in the lines above is the same as the Person spoken of in Heb.1 given above. **So then, ask yourself**, Did the one you follow "make the worlds?" and "keep creation together by the word of His power?" Is the one you follow "the very image of God?" Did the one you follow "by himself take away all our sins?" And finally, does the one you follow "now sit at God's right hand?" **If you cannot answer "Yes" to these questions, then spiritually and religiously, you are living behind some kind of veil.**

**Let's go a bit further.** Because of this excelling glorious ministry through Jesus, St. Paul says that the spontaneous response of any lover and follower of Jesus is to have nothing to do with veils of any sort. **BUT WAIT!** The veils to which Paul refers are veils of heart and life! Jumping to chapter 4 of 2 Cor., Paul

says that since we have received this ministry which excels in glory, then we have renounced and rejected shameful and deceitful craftiness in life, and especially any such deceit in handling God's word. On the contrary, Paul says we are to be open-hearted and open-faced with everyone, because people are blinded in the darkness of sin. We are therefore to shine openly for them so they can see Christ in us and be saved.

Paul also says that **the Way of the removed veil** is the way for our own advance in personal holiness, personal knowledge of and fellowship with God and Christ.

**We live in a world jam-packed** with cover-up, corruption, lies and deceit from high officials to the people on the street, and everything in between; including in religious crowds. **For there to be hope, all veils must come off!**

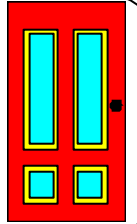
The shining light comes not from the great Moses, but from the Greater One who Moses spoke of. **Read Heb. 1 again on the left inside page, and answer the questions below it.** There is no one like Jesus; before or after! Let Christ shine to you, in you and then from you!

**For any person who confesses and turns from their sin, whatever kind it may be, God extends His mercy, forgiveness and pardon, and puts His new life into that individual. However, for those who purposely reject or "neglect so great salvation" (Heb. 2:1-3), the full weight of God's Law will fall upon them. Life sentences, etc. today are a mockery of justice. If you think capital punishment is bad, think of eternal Hell. Liars, creeps and thugs of every sort (and there are many kinds!) may escape justice here, but not later. These people had better quit training themselves to believe they can "get by" or "get off," for an unthinkable, unchangeable end is ahead.**

We do our utmost to encourage respect for all—for police, government officials, teachers, etc. Yet when daily news tells of the many incidences in which they degrade themselves and their office or position, no defence is possible. At every level, from the government to the streets, Britain needs to quit avoiding the *known* and *available* Cure: Get back to the God of the Bible!

## My Door and God's Door

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Just a look at "doors" in the Bible provides us with a tremendous study and yields great lessons. Here are just a few.

**Cain's jealousy** of God's acceptance of his brother, Abel's, sacrifice and not his own likely led to this first murder in mankind.

God had tried to reason with Cain, saying, "If you do well, you shall be accepted, and if not, then sin is crouching at your door."

Some translate it "a sin offering" that was available. To be honest, in the presence of any person's sin, God's Sin-Offering, Jesus, is readily available, if we truly confess and turn from the sin. **Jesus called Himself "The Door"** (John 10:7), for He is God's means to enter into salvation. Yet, in Revelation 3:20, **Jesus says He "stands at the door"** [of our hearts and lives] *and knocks*,

waiting for entrance, and promising to come in to us. In Ezekiel 8 we read how **God led this prophet to discover a hidden door** behind which all types of evil, idolatrous things were being done by the very religious leaders themselves! Inside and outside the religious establishments today, this is going on, and God condemns it and will expose it. (Also read 1 Peter 4:17,18). A shocking display of sin (and God's contrasted power!) is when **the men of Sodom couldn't even find the door** of the man's house when they were attempting to perversely molest him (Gen 19). Sin of every sort blinds people so badly they cannot even find the door to God. This is why God always takes the first step, and He did so when He stepped down to visit us (Luke 1:68, 76-78). Will you open the door and let Him in? That's *YOUR* part!

**Nightmare News:** The Education system uses children and youth as guinea pigs, for their "safe sex" has proven to be the failure I knew it would be. Do they care? More recently schools are teaching 7 year olds to play drug dealing and pot smoking! With daily news telling of the reality of life in Britain, how can they be allowed (or directed!) to do this?