



# **A MATURE VIEW**

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# THE VISITED PLANET

John 1:11 He came to his own people, and even they rejected him.



## ● MANKIND ARE CREATED

- We are made in God's image with great capacity
- We are given dominion over the earth
- We sin, losing our godly natures, relationship with God, fruitful rest and the right to the garden

## ● A TEMPORARY SOLUTION

- A system of sacrifice and ritual to cover men's sin until Messiah comes
- A seed nation formed for the promised Savior to be born into
- A desire for a house of prayer for all nations

## ● GOD IN HUMAN LIKENESS

- Jesus birth, Life, Death and Resurrection offer a perfect eternal salvation
- Now that the temple is cleansed, Holy Spirit fills and empowers all believers
- We are delivered from slavery to sin, bought out from under the law, called to be fruitful through an abiding relationship with Jesus

## ● HE IS COMING AGAIN

- He is coming a second time to wrap up time on this earth
- This time crowned as conquering King, Ready to set things right, Eager to be with His bride
- 1 Thess 4:17-18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.



**THE OLD**

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- **Constant appeasement of wrath**
- **Endless covering of sins**
- **Very far from God's Presence**
- **Only a few special anointed ones**
- **Under tutelage of the Law**
- **Keep yourself away from impurity**
- **Servants in God's house**
- **Weak and sinful high priests**
- **Asking based on our own merit**
- **Pray and worship in Jerusalem**

- **Constant communion remembrance**
- **Once for all cleansing of sin**
- **Now you are the holy of holies**
- **Spirit poured out on all flesh**
- **Led by Holy Spirit**
- **Go into all the world**
- **Sons of God's household**
- **Perfect, eternal High Priest**
- **Asking in Jesus name**
- **Pray and worship in spirit and truth**



**THE NOW      AND      THE NOT YET**

8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies (**NOW**), they will cease (**THEN**); where there are tongues (**NOW**), they will be stilled (**THEN**); where there is knowledge (**NOW**), it will pass away (**THEN**).  
9 For (**NOW**) we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10 but when (**THEN**) completeness comes, what is in part disappears. 11 When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child.

**1 Corinthians 13:8-13 (Brackets Mine)**

When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. 12 For **now** we see only a reflection as in a mirror; **then** we shall see face to face. **Now** I know in part; **then** I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. 13 And **now** these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

**1 Corinthians 13:8-13**

# **THE NOW      AND      THE NOT YET**

- **In part prophecies like a poor reflection**
- **Unknown tongues as the Spirit enables**
- **Know just a little part**
- **Wage war against spiritual foes**
- **Gifts of healings**
- **Live in a fallen world full of temptations**
- **Encourage and comfort one another**
- **Pain and struggle**
- **Trust God for Miracle power**
- **Can get tired, discouraged, exhausted**

- **Face to face communion with Jesus**
- **All tongues and communication**
- **Know fully as we are known**
- **Jesus wins the war, destroying all enemies**
- **No more healing necessary**
- **Live with Jesus in new sinless earth**
- **He will wipe away every tear**
- **Sorrow and sighing will flee away**
- **In His Presence miracles are normal**
- **Mortal swallowed up with immortality**



4 It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have **shared in the Holy Spirit, 5 who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age 6** and who have fallen away, to be brought back to repentance. To their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace.

**Hebrews 6:4-6**

8 You have put all things in subjection under his feet." For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. **But now we do not yet see all things put under him.** 9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.

**Hebrews 2:5-9**



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7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—

**Philippians 3:7-15**

—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. 10 **I want to know Christ**—yes, to know **the power of his resurrection** and **participation in his sufferings**, becoming **like him in his death**, 11 and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. 12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but **I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.**

**Philippians 3:7-15**

13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: **Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,** 14 **I press on** toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. 15 **All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things.** And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. 16 Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

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