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A MOTHER'S JOY

This lesson is a spin-off from our Bible study on the [Five Divine Judgments upon the World](#) in addition to the Sin-Death of the Old Sin Nature (AOS) (Gen.3:14-19; 2:17; Rom.5:12-21).

- The **Bitter** comes from "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbirth." (Gen.3:16)
- The **Sweet** comes from the woman giving birth to Christ the SEED (Gen.3:15; Gal.3:16).

This Christmas lesson comes from a bible study Jesus taught on the reality of Gen.3:15-16 in **John 16:16-22**.

This lesson will study <u>four aspects</u> of A Mother's Joy that comes out of the pain of childbirth.

1. Jesus Christ came into the world responsible for fulfilling the Shadow Christology of the Law and the Messianic Prophecy of Old Covenant (Isa.7:14; Matt.1:20-23; Heb.10:1).

(Matt.5:17) "Do not think that I (Jesus Christ) came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish **but to fulfill.**"

(Rom.10:4) "For Christ is the **end of the Law** for righteousness to everyone who believes."

(Gal.3:24) "Therefore the Law has become our tutor to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith."

Jesus was fulfilling Shadow Christology when Mary and Joseph took Him through the purification and firstborn rites in the temple (Luke 2:21-24, 39; Lev.12; Ex.13).

2. Our lesson text comes from the Last Passover Meal of Jesus with His disciples (John 13-17).

Once again, Jesus was teaching on His departure and the coming of the Holy Spirit (John **13:1**, 33, 36-38; **14:1-6**, 26-29; 15:26-27; **16:5-28**; **17:1, 11, 13**, 18).

In (John 16:16-22), the disciples are confused about a concept of His departure referred to as "little while (mikros) (Jn.16:16-19) (7 times)."

His departure will be the cause of great grief (lupe) to His disciples (John 14:1-4; 16:20-22) (4x).

3. Jesus' message of leaving brought grief because it didn't fit their present doctrinal belief or their agenda / expectations of His life or that of The Christ. (John 16:16-19/ John 11:24-26, 44; 14:1-6)

They lacked a doctrinal frame of reference based on the word of God regarding His use of a "Little while" (John 16:16-19) (7 times).

(John 16:17) "A **little while**, and you will not see Me; and again a **little while**, and you will see Me; because I go to the Father.

In using “**little while**,” Jesus was talking about a lapse of time between His death, burial, and resurrection and another lapse of time between His resurrection and ascension.

Because they did not have a proper doctrinal frame of reference for what He is teaching, they were not able to understand the **lapse of time** in the Plan of God. As a result, they will not be able to deal with the coming grief (1 Thess.4:13; Phil.4:4-7) [**3 Christmas gifts**]: (peace, joy, and sweet reasonableness).

(John 16:20) “**Truly, truly, I say unto you**, that **you will** weep and lament, but the **world will** rejoice; **you will** grieve, **but your grief will be turned into joy**.”

4 So Jesus gave a life illustration to help them cycle proper doctrinal truth so that they could develop a proper doctrinal frame of reference of faith (John 16:20-22; Rom.10:17; Heb.4:2).

Life illustration:

(John 16:21) “Whenever a woman is in labor she has pain, because her hour has come; but when she gives birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish **because of the joy that a child has been born into the world**.” (Joy or rejoicing is used 4 times)

This life illustration brings us back to Gen.3:15-16 and to the divine judgment upon motherhood. Jesus compared the pain of childbirth with the grief that the disciples would feel by Him fulfilling the Protoevangelism prophecy of Gen.3:15.

(John 16:22) “**Therefore** (conclusion) **you TOO (mothers in travail)** have **grief now**; but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and no one will take **your joy** away from you.” (grief now and joy later)

Unfortunately these disciples attended bible study and listen because of **primary positive volition** (Heb.10:25) but refused to believe because of **secondary negative volition** (Heb.4:2; Col.2:6-7).

- **Danger:** They chose to keep their Old Man Cosmic Diabolicus (OMCD) beliefs that were in conflict with revealed truth (Eph.4:22-24).
- **Point:** This shows how difficult it is sometimes for believers to get rid of their OMCD thinking.
- **Point:** Sometimes it is easier **but, not better**, to believe the lie of satan than the truth of God’s word

(Matt.16:23) “Get behind Me satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are **not setting your mind** on God’s interests, but man’s.” (Peter)