

Perfection Part 1

God's Plan A

Overview: Our Heavenly Father is the God of Faith, so He has no Plan B. He declares the end from the beginning and all His plans eventually come into being because Heaven and Earth may pass away but His words shall never pass away.

A. God's Plan A is His Perfect Will for Man

1. God has a good, an acceptable and a perfect will for man. Rom 12:2
2. In the Beginning
 - a) God's good will for Adam was to enjoy his life and fellowship with God. Gen 2:9
Gen 3:8
 - b) His acceptable will for Adam was to care for and protect the garden. Gen 2:15
 - c) His perfect will for Adam was to multiply and replenish the earth and subdue it and have dominion over all on the earth Gen 1:28
3. Today
 - a) God's good will for man is to enjoy his life and fellowship with God. John 10:10
Ex 25:8
 - b) His acceptable will for man is to care for and protect his garden (sphere of influence).
 - 1) Abraham shall keep himself and his household in the way of the Lord. Gen 18:19
 - 2) As for me and my household, we shall serve the Lord. Josh 24:15
 - 3) If any man does not provide for his own house, he is worse than an infidel. 1 Tim 5:8
 - 4) Keep your body under and bring it into subjection. 1 Co 9:27
 - c) His perfect will for man is to multiply and replenish the earth and subdue it.
 - 1) God told Abraham that he would be extremely fruitful and nations would come out of him. Gen 17:6
 - 2) God told Noah to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth. Gen 9:1
 - 3) We are told to make disciples of all nations. Matt 28:19
 - 4) We have authority in heaven and on earth. Matt 28:18
 - 5) The meek shall inherit the earth. Matt 5:5
 - 6) We shall reign on earth as kings and priests. Rev 5:10

B. God's Provision for His Plan A

1. The Garden of Eden
 - a) Adam had authority to keep outsiders out of the garden. Gen 2:15
 - b) God's glory covered Adam so that he did not even know that he was naked. Gen 3:7
 - c) God gave them every tree which was pleasant to the sight and good for food. Gen 2:9
 - d) They had dominion over everything so nothing could hurt them. Gen 1:26
2. Today
 - a) In the Name of Jesus, we have authority in three worlds. Phil 2:10
 - b) We have authority over all the power of the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt us. Luke 10:19
 - c) God supplies our need according to His riches in glory through Christ Jesus. Phil 4:19
 - d) We are super-conquerors (Rom 8:37) and ambassadors of heaven. 2 Cor 5:20
3. Sin cancels the Provision
 - a) When Adam sinned, he was separated from God and lost everything. Gen 2:17
 - b) We have a better covenant than Adam, by which we are dead to sin. and set free from the Law of Sin and Death, so we do not have to die. Rom 6:11
Rom 8:2
 - c) Most importantly, we don't have to sin Rom 5:8 - 7:6 Rom 6:2-7

C. Living Plan A in the Ending Days

1. Protect your Garden
 - a) Protecting your household (i.e., sphere of influence) depends on your protecting your body, which is the temple of God, from all sin and evil. 1 Cor 3:16-17
Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwells in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which *temple* ye are.
 - b) Flee sexual sin 1 Cor 6:17-20
But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.
Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that commits fornication sins against his own body.
What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?
For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.
 - c) Sexual immorality abounds more and more. As it was in the days of Noah, Luk 17:26
so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man ... married & given in marriage.
2. Dwell in Christ
 - a) If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Joh 15:7
 - b) The Holy Spirit dwells in your spirit, which is perfect without sin. 1 John 3:9
 - c) Whosoever abides in Him does not sin. 1 John 3:6
 - d) Whosoever is born of God does not commit sin; for his seed remains in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. 1 John 3:9
 - e) But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwells in you. Rom 8:11
3. Target Perfection
 - a) Desire to be perfect in Christ.
 - 1) God told Abraham to be perfect. Gen 17:1
 - 2) Enoch and Elijah were taken by God (i.e., raptured). Luke 4:19
 - 3) Jesus told us to be perfect **even as our Heavenly Father is perfect.** Matt 5:48
 - b) Let the Holy Spirit change you.
 - 1) Are you so foolish and so senseless and so silly? Having begun [your new life spiritually] with the [Holy] Spirit, are you now reaching perfection [by dependence] on the flesh? Gal 3:3 Amp
 - 2) For by one offering **he has perfected for ever** them that are sanctified. Heb 10:14
 - 3) We shall not all die but we shall all be changed. 1 Cor 15:51
 - c) Earnestly desire to be alive and remain when Jesus returns. 1 Thes 4:15,17
 - 1) Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. 1 John 3:2
 - 2) Every man that hath this hope in him **purifies himself, even as he is pure.** 1 John 3:3-5
Whosoever commits sin transgresses also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.
Ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.
 - 3) Whosoever abides in him sins not: whosoever sins hath not seen him, neither known him. 1 John 3:6
 - 4) Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. Rev 3:20