

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

THE ORIGIN STORY OF JESUS

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PART 32: A GOOD START

THE SIN NATURE

The last image of the virtual time run showed the elders of Israel facing Samuel in Ramah. The Godhead knew that Lucifer had used his minions to plant thoughts about a king in the minds of the Israelites. Satan did not like judges and prophets ruling Israel as a theocracy because this meant competing with the Holy Spirit. The Devil knew that he could never match the power of the Holy Spirit. A king could be corrupted by evil spirits accommodating his sin nature.

The Godhead knew from the time prior to Adam that Lucifer had used kings to create war and constant instability. **Isaiah 14:16-20**

The Godhead's plan was to have the nation of Israel functioning in the Promised Land under a theocracy and welcome the Redeemer/Messiah at the appropriate time. The free will of the Israelites put that plan in jeopardy even though the people had been warned. **Deuteronomy 28:15-68**

THE ROMAN EMPIRE

The arrival of the Redeemer/Messiah had been set to a time period in eternity past when a stable empire would encompass the nations around the Mediterranean Sea. The Godhead was working on an empire that would be run by a group of people that voted to select a leader (Emperor). They also wanted a common language which was grammatically superior for the story of the Redeemer/Messiah so that future generations could benefit from it.

People would be allowed to travel freely within the empire and this would be used to spread the redemption story. The Redeemer/Messiah would offer salvation to everyone on earth and Israel was the caretaker of the message until that time. **Genesis 12:1-3**

The Godhead knew that Lucifer would actively resist them until he was arrested and thrown into the Lake of Fire. **Revelation 20:10**

They recognized it would be a brutal war of attrition for the Hebrew people, and once the Redeemer/Messiah came to set up His kingdom, His followers would be dealt with harshly since they stood in Lucifer's way. **Revelation 6:9-11**

A FINAL WARNING

The Godhead wanted to make sure that the Hebrew people knew the consequences of a monarchy. Jesus told Samuel that a king would not necessarily make life better for them. **1 Samuel 8:7-18**

Lucifer's minions influenced the people to reject Jesus' message. Their free will was exercised and Jesus granted their wish for a king. **verses 19-22**



THE KING

The Godhead was not going to let Lucifer pick the first king and Samuel was instructed to anoint the man Jesus was sending to him. **1 Samuel 9:15-20**

A cynic might claim that the Godhead was setting Saul up for failure. But this was not the case. He would have a real chance to serve the Lord and for his family to be in the bloodline of the future Messiah.

Saul was picked because he was humble with a pure heart and belonged to a small family from the tribe of Benjamin. **verse 21**

SAUL'S CORONATION

Samuel took his calling seriously and started the process of making Saul the king. **verses 22-27**

Samuel anointed Saul privately with oil and prophesied what he would do next. **1 Samuel 10:1-13**

Prior to Saul's coronation, Jesus rebuked the people for rejecting His theocracy. **verses 17-21**

Saul panicked and hid himself. **verse 22**

He was eventually located and presented to the people as their king. **verses 23-26**

Lucifer was not happy with the situation and used demon possessed men to mock Saul. **verse 27**

SAUL CONFIRMED AS KING

Lucifer wasted no time attacking Israel. This was a worst-case scenario since Saul did not have an army. **1 Samuel 11:1-3**

Saul became angry and the Spirit of the Lord came upon him so that he rallied Israel and went out to meet the enemy. **verses 4-10**

Saul had no experience as a military commander, nevertheless, he led his troops in a fierce attack and defeated the enemy. Jesus ordered his angels to ensure the rookie king had a decisive victory. **verse 11**

HUMILITY & MEEKNESS

The people demanded that the men who mocked Saul be put to death. Saul rejected their claim since he saw no need to execute these men. It became clear to the people that God had chosen Saul to be their king. **verses 12-15**

SUMMARY

Saul's life did not end well even though he had a solid start. The blame cannot be laid at God's feet; rather, it was the result of poor decisions and a failure to obey the Lord that almost saw his bloodline wiped out.

It was never the Godhead's intention for Saul to miss the mark. Jesus did everything to ensure that Saul's reign was a success. So what went wrong? Free will.

It was the free will that tripped up Saul. Lucifer was determined to destroy the new king and he enticed Saul to sin. This granted him the right to place an evil spirit inside Saul. **1 Samuel 16:14-16; 23**

God wants to see all people be saved. **2 Peter 3:9**

God has not set up you for failure. Lucifer is your enemy. It is important that you understand this fact. **1 Timothy 2:1-5**

It is possible to repent and be saved from your sins while on earth. The moment you die, this choice is removed. Exercise your free will and be blessed by God. **1 John 1:4-10**

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?