

The Way 6: The End Is Known from the Beginning

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The prophet Isaiah spoke, “I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, ‘My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.’ From the east I summon a bird of prey; from a far-off land, a man to fulfill my purpose. What I have said, that I will bring about; what I have planned, that I will do.”

Isaiah thus says that the fulfillment of God’s perfect plan by our response is predestined. Once we fulfill it and proclaim it, God will claim it, build on it, and give blessings through it.

God will work with humankind until His predestination is accomplished. The universal human predestination is to be fruitful, multiply, have dominion. But God has a specific plan for each person. When we fulfill it, we feel oneness with God; we feel “this was meant to happen.”

When we don’t fulfill it, we feel out of place, that “The time is out of joint.”

God predestines the position and responsibilities of the Lord and Bride and calls those He prepared to fulfill it. As the parable of the virgins illustrates, the one who fulfills all the responsibilities comes into the position. From that point onward, his or her position is absolute, secured by love.

Let’s apply all of this to the Lordship of Jesus and his Bride.

The Apostle John reveals what God predestined: Jesus is the Word of God, with God from the beginning, not born “by a husband’s will,” begotten, not made, the one “who comes down from heaven.” That’s the vertical dimension.

Horizontally, Jesus’ appearance was grounded in the three conditions, which the people of Israel set on Earth, including in the lineage of Jesus and his would-be Bride. The biblical account of this lineage culminates its revelation of the preparation for the Messiah.

The lineage account illuminates God’s three-conditions plan to save humankind. Adam and Eve failed to fulfill the plan. Jesus and the Holy Spirit fulfilled the plan spiritually. The plan doesn’t change: “what I have planned, that I will do.” By understanding Jesus’ life in light of the three-conditions plan, we can comprehend the Second Advent. We can connect the dots to True Father and True Mother.

(Citations: Isaiah 46:10-11; Hamlet Act 1, scene 5, 188; John 1 passim, 14:9, 6:33.)