## Acts 3:21 Jesus MUST Remain in Heaven UNTIL the Times of Restitution! What are the TIMES of RESTITUTION?

\*\*\*What Does Acts 3:21 TRULY mean?

Here is Acts 3:21 from the KJV. "Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began."

Notice that the heaven <u>MUST RECEIVE Jesus</u> <u>UNTIL the TIMES of restitution</u>.

So then, one of the keys to understanding the God intended mean of this verse is the true sound Biblical meaning of the phrase the times of "restitution" of all things.

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## What Does Restitution of ALL Things TRULY Mean? Does Acts 3:21 Mean that EVERYONE Will be SAVED?

Let us begin this study in God's word by reading Acts 3:21 and Matthew 17:11,12.

Acts 3:21.

"Whom the heaven must receive <u>UNTIL</u>

the times of <u>RESTITUTION</u> of all things,
which <u>God</u> has spoken by the mouth of all <u>His</u>
holy prophets since the world began."

Matthew 17:11,12.

"And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly shall first come, <u>and</u> <u>RESTORE all things</u>.

Matthew 17:12. **But I say unto you, That Elias has come already**, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise, shall also the Son of man suffer of them."

Now, some Christians who teach that EVERYONE will eventually be saved use Acts 3:21 to try and support their teaching that every human being will **eventually** be saved.

And thus, they INTERPRET the phrase "RESTITUTION of all things" to mean that God will RESTORE ALL sinners to RIGHTEOUSNESS.

And they ALSO INTERPRET the words of Jesus on the cross saying "IT IS FINISHED" to mean that Jesus has ALREADY SAVED every person.

So, between the two verses, using them in harmony with each other, then the RESTORING of sinners BACK into a right relationship with God BEGAN at the cross and will be completed when Jesus RETURNS to rule for 1000 years.

So then, by the END of the Millennium, all who are to be saved will be saved.

In other words, after the final Day of Judgment, there will be no more people needed to be saved.

For you see, according to Universalism, everyone will be saved, including Satan and the fallen angels.

But, in TRUTH, do these verses truly mean that every single human being who ever lived, is alive today, and will live in the future, will, without fail, be saved?

Let us take a closer look at Acts 3:21.

Acts 3:21.

"Whom the heaven MUST receive <u>UNTIL</u> the TIMES of restitution of all things, which **God** has spoken by the mouth of all **His** holy prophets since the world began."

The first thing that I want you to notice is that the word "TIMES" is PLURAL.

And that means that there will be a time of restitution BEFORE the 1000-year reign of Jesus and another time of restitution at the END of the 1000-year reign of Jesus.

So then, we can rule out the INTERPRETATION of some Christians that the restitution of all things means God creating the new heavens and the new earth AFTER the world to come has ended.

To say this another way, the English word "THINGS" is NOT in the original text.

And, therefore, the restitution of ALL is referring to the restitution of the ALL of whosoever BELIEVES in Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

The WHOLE message of the New Covenant written in the New Testament is about saving the ALL of whosoever BELIEVES in Jesus as their Savior.

Let us read the CONTEXT of Acts 3:21 to see if the context is speaking about the salvation of BELIEVERS <u>in</u> Jesus, the RESTORING of everything by God creating the New heavens and the new earth, or the RESTORING of the KINGDOM to Israel in the world to come.

Please read Acts 3:12-23.

"And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, You men of Israel, why marvel you at this? Or why look you so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? (So Peter is preaching the TRUE Gospel of Jesus Christ to the children of Israel, the Jews)

Acts 3:13. The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his Son Jesus; whom you delivered up,

and <u>denied him</u> in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.

Acts 3:14. But **you denied** the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

Acts 3:15. And killed the Prince of life, whom God has raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

Acts 3:16. And his name through faith in his name has made this man strong, whom you see and know: yea, the faith which is by him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

Acts 3:17. And now, brethren, (Or now my fellow Jews) I would that through ignorance you did it, as did also your rulers.

Acts 3:18. But those things, which God before has shown by the mouth of all his PROPHETS, that Christ should suffer, he has so FULFILLED.

Acts 3:19. REPENT you, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out
WHEN the times of refreshing shall come
from the presence of the Lord;

Acts 3:20. And He shall SEND Jesus

Christ, which before was preached unto you:

(So, the CONTEXT so far is the PREACHING of the TRUE

Gospel of Jesus Christ to the Jews for them to be SAVED.

Now almost all Christians agreed that we must ENDURE unto the END to be saved.

And the END means remaining faithful **in** Jesus Christ unto the end of our physical life or unto the COMING of Jesus whichever comes first.

Most Christians know that we do not actually RECEIVE eternal life UNTIL the RETURN of Jesus.

So, in truth, it is at the judgment seat of Jesus Christ at his coming as to WHEN we will be judged worthy or unworthy to receive eternal life.

That is the jest of what Peter is saying. Then Peter goes on to say that Jesus MUST REMAIN up in heaven UNTIL something happens. Let us continue)

Acts 3:21. Whom the heaven must

receive UNTIL the TIMES of RESTITUTION

of all things, which God has spoken by the

mouth of all HIS holy prophets since the

world began. (The second thing that I want you to notice is

the God has PROPHESIED in the Scripture what will be restored and what will be DESTROYED.

So again, universalism is a FALSE teaching!

Also, we know that Jesus is NOT going to REMAIN in heaven all the way to the time of God creating the new heaven and the new earth.

So then, we can completely rule out the "restitution of all things" as being God creating the new heaven and the new earth because that will take place AFTER the 1000-year reign of Jesus.

And Jesus will NOT be resigning from heaven DURING his 1000-year reign.

So let us continue to see if the restitution of all things truly means that EVERYONE will eventually be saved)

Acts 3:22. For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall you hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

# Acts 3:23. And it shall come to pass, that EVERY SOUL, which will NOT hear that prophet, shall be DESTROYED from among the people."

So then, according to the CONTEXT, the phrase "the restitution of all things" can NOT mean that EVERYONE will eventually be saved.

For you see, those who do NOT believe the words of Jesus will be DESTROYED.

And the meaning of the word "DESTROYED" does NOT mean SAVED.

Here is what E-Sword says about the word destroyed.

G1842

έξολοθρεύω

exolothreuō

ex-ol-oth-ryoo'-o

From G1537 and G3645; **to extirpate**: – destroy.

Total KJV occurrences: 1.

And here is what the English word "extirpate" means **to root out and destroy completely**.

"The use of every legal measure to extirpate this horrible evil from the land. To weed out, destroy, eradicate, stamp out, root out, eliminate, suppress, crush, put down, put an end to, put a stop to, do away with, get rid of, wipe out, abolish, extinguish, quash, squash."

Now let us look at the meaning of the Greek word that is translated as "RESTITUTION" in the King James Bible.

Here is what E-Sword says.

G605

ἀποκατάστασις

apokatastasis

ap-ok-at-as'-tas-is

From G600; reconstitution: – restitution.

#### Total KJV <u>occurrences: 1</u>.

Here is the meaning of the English word "restitution."

The restoration of something lost or stolen to its proper owner AND recompense for injury or loss.

And here is the meaning of the English word "reconstitution".

The action of building something up again; reconstruction.

Now, when you take the TRUE meanings of the Greek word "apskatastasis", then the true INTENDED meaning of Acts 3:21 can mean the restitution of the KINGDOM to Israel.

Or it can also mean the restitution, as in,
RECOMPENSING the righteous <u>in</u> Jesus Christ for the
suffering of persecution, the suffering of being tempted, and the
suffering of the oppression of Satan.

But in NO WAY do ANY of these meaning OR the CONTEXT even hint at restitution meaning that everyone will be saved. In fact, BOTH the true meanings of the word restitution AND the CONTEXT absolutely and blatantly expose

the ERROR of INTERPRETATION that Acts 3:21 is teaching that everyone will eventually be saved.

There is one more point that I would like to make and that is Acts 3:21 says that the restitution of all things was PROPHESIED in the Scriptures.

Now, the restoring of the Kingdom to Israel is prophesied because the disciples asked Jesus at his ascension if he was going to restore the kingdom **to Israel** at this time.

Keep in mind that the name "Israel" means he shall rule as God.

In other words, Almighty God the Father is in the process of restoring His Kingdom back to the way it was BEFORE Lucifer wage a war against the other side of heaven.

Thus God will eventually DESTROY Satan and the fallen angels and REPLACE them with Elohim who will rule as the Creator rules in a godly and RIGHTEOUS manner.

Acts 1:6,7.

"When they, therefore, were come together, they asked of him, saying, <u>Lord, will</u> you at this time RESTORE AGAIN the <u>kingdom to Israel</u>?

Acts 1:7. And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father has put in his own power."

Now, the Greek word "chronos" is in the **SINGULAR** here in Acts 1:6. But in Acts 3:21 the Greek word "chronos" is in the PLURAL.

So, that tells ME that the true intended meaning of Acts 3:21 is speaking of the RECOMPENSE of the VENGEANCE of God upon the wicked both BEFORE the 1000-year reign of Jesus and AFTER the 1000-year reign of Jesus.

For you see, the WRATH of God will be poured out both before and after the 1000-year reign of Jesus.

And it is ALSO true that the KINGDOM will be RESTORED to Israel.

Those left alive of the nations will REBUILD the cities that they destroy during the war of Armageddon.

But again, there is NO POSSIBLE way that Acts 3:21 is teaching us that EVERYONE will eventually be saved.

Going back to the word "ALL" as meaning the restitution of the "ALL of WHOSOEVER BELIEVES" could possibly mean the restoring ONLY whosoever BELIEVES to a RIGHT RELATIONSHIP with God for all eternity.

But even that would be a stretch because the ALL of whoever believes would ALREADY BE SAVED and in a right relationship with God.

So, to ME, the best-intended meaning would be the meaning or RECOMPENSING the RIGHTEOUS in Jesus Christ by way of God's WRATH being poured out on the wicked and destroying Satan for all the suffering that he caused God's people.

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Thanks for reading, and may God bless you richly as you continue to seek the **TRUTH of the WHOLE word of Almighty God**.

And to me, the truth concerning who Jesus TRULY is, according to the Bible ITSELF, is the Biblical Unitarian view of Jesus.

Once Christians, Jews, Muslims, and even atheists understand **the REASON** that Yahweh CREATED the Son of MAN, Jesus, **was to have DOMINION over the work of** Yahweh's hands.

And after you understand that the REASON that Yahweh did that is **to STILL His ENEMIES**, Satan and the fallen angels.

Then you can understand that God made His human Son <u>to become "a"</u> Lord, <u>"a"</u> King, and <u>"a"</u> God, under and subject to his God and Father in order <u>to JUDGE Satan and the fallen angels</u>.

For a deeper understanding of this WAR that Lucifer and one third of the angels waged against the throne of Almighty God, please read the studies under the subject category called \*\* Q-0 Why Are We Here? Is God at WAR? \*\*

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