

# Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

## HOW TO FUNCTION IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES

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### PART 2C: UNDERSTANDING GOD AND HIS ACTIONS

#### THE MYSTERY OF THE GOSPEL

In order to understand God and His actions, Christians must come to terms with the fact that God has not given us a complete knowledge of His life throughout eternity.

- We know that God has always existed and always will exist. He is eternal, with no beginning or end. **Exodus 3:13-15; Isaiah 45:21-22, 46:9-10; Hebrews 6:13**
- The Bible does not say why God established a physical creation, when He Himself is a Spirit. **John 4:21-24**
- God has informed us about the rebellion of Lucifer which resulted in a great space war in the universe, the trial and confinement of Lucifer and his fallen angels to the earth, the creation of man, and the fall of man.
- God stood accused by Satan in front of all the angels which were created by Him, that He was neither a just or righteous God. To prove His righteousness, He sent Himself in the form of His only begotten Son (**John 14:8-11**) to pay for the sins of mankind and make it possible for sinful humans to be forgiven and redeemed from the curse of the law. In the Bible this is called THE MYSTERY OF THE GOSPEL! **Luke 8:9-10; Romans 16:25-27; I Corinthians 2:1-9; Ephesians 1:9-12**

#### GOD IS A BEING – NOT A FORCE!

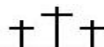
Lucifer is trying his best to deceive mankind into believing that God is just a force, and not a being with a personality, will, and intelligence, which thinks, designs, and delights in creating things. **Genesis 1:1, 26-27; Psalm 139:1-18; John 3:16**

#### GOD IS OMNIPOTENT, OMNISCIENT & OMNIPRESENT

God is not limited in time like the angels and men, rather His creation is continually going forward on a timeline, but unlike us, He is able to travel forward and backward in time.

- Before He ever began the creation, God knew in advance every choice and decision His created beings would make. Thus He created the circumstances, so that all things would work out according to His plans, regardless of any opposition from His creation. **Colossians 1:25-29**
- By choice, God selected Abraham and his seed to preserve the Word of God and bring forth the Messiah. **Deuteronomy 7:6-11**
- By choice, God selected the Virgin Mary to carry the seed of God and give birth to the Son of God. **Luke 1:26-56**

**Do you have an ear to hear with?**



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