

It is time for all of us to understand why Jesus actually came to our world.

128:4.6 One purpose which Jesus had in mind, when he sought to segregate certain features of his earthly experience, was to prevent the building up of such a versatile and spectacular career as would cause subsequent generations to venerate the teacher in place of obeying the truth which he had lived and taught. Jesus did not want to build up such a human record of achievement as would attract attention from his teaching. Very early he recognized that his followers would be tempted to formulate a religion about him which might become a competitor of the gospel of the kingdom that he intended to proclaim to the world. Accordingly, he consistently sought to suppress everything during his eventful career which he thought might be made to serve this natural human tendency to exalt the teacher in place of proclaiming his teachings.

Jesus' purpose in coming to our world was not to die for our sins on a cross as we have erroneously been taught by so many confused speakers. His reason for coming to us was not to deliver us from a place called Hell as we have also been led to believe. In truth >>> there is NO such place created by our loving Paradise Father. Jesus' primary purpose in living among our own 2000+ years ago was to teach us His foremost gospel message of His Father's kingdom that dwells within the hearts of men/women/children all over our planet. He wanted us to know that we have a loving Father and we are His sons/daughters. KNOWING GOD in this way brings forth His love that will flow like LIVING WATERS if we choose to consistently make God paramount in our lives.

Jesus is an order of being known in our universe as a Creator Son and they are called the Michael s.
129:3.5 In all your efforts to decipher the meaning of Jesus' life on Urantia [Earth], you must be mindful of the motivation of the Michael bestowal. If you would comprehend the meaning of many of his apparently strange doings, you must discern the purpose of his sojourn on your world. He was consistently careful not to build up an over-attractive and attention-consuming personal career. He wanted to make no unusual or overpowering appeals to his fellow men. He was dedicated to the work of revealing the heavenly Father to his fellow mortals and at the same time was consecrated to the sublime task of living his mortal earth life all the while subject to the will of the same Paradise Father.

All Creator Sons who come to the worlds of their universes are material/physical expressions of our Paradise Father. This is why He said, "If you have seen the Son, then you have seen the Father." ~ Jesus His express purpose was to lead and guide us to a personal relationship with God who lives within our souls and minds. God is not a vague invisible cloud floating around us. Jesus wanted us to know that a fragment of God Himself lives within us and He has the power to heal us, teach us and love us from within us.

Jesus never desired for us to live "His life" but wants for us to live OUR lives INSPIRED by His life.
129:4.7 And this was his true and supreme purpose. He did not come down to live on Urantia as the perfect and detailed example for any child or adult, any man or woman, in that age or any other. True it is, indeed, that in his full, rich, beautiful, and noble life we may all find much that is exquisitely exemplary, divinely inspiring, but this is because he lived a true and genuinely human life. Jesus did not live his life on earth in order to set an example for all other human beings to copy. He lived this life in the flesh by the same mercy ministry that you all may live your lives on earth; and as he lived his mortal life in his day and as he was, so did he thereby set the example for all of us thus to live our lives in our day and as we are. You may not aspire to live his life, but you can resolve to live your lives even as, and by the same means that, he lived his. Jesus may not be the technical and detailed example for all the mortals of all ages on all the realms of this local universe, but he is everlastingly the inspiration and guide of all Paradise pilgrims from the worlds of initial ascension up through a universe of universes and on through Havona to Paradise. Jesus is the new and living way from man to God, from the partial to the perfect, from the earthly to the heavenly, from time to eternity.

Because Jesus was human, as well as divine, we now comprehend that everything He experienced in His human life/living is also possible for us. We are not to attempt to copy Jesus' life. We are to follow His inspiration and teachings whereby He told us that we could come to KNOW our indwelling Paradise Father every bit as intimately and powerfully as He did. And this personal relationship with God will continue on as we journey to the Father in Paradise where one day we WILL see Him face to face, as it were.

In this passage we see that Jesus has other brothers of His order of being and that He was not anxious.
141:7.11 It was on this occasion that Jesus intimated to Peter, James, and John that his work on earth was in some respects to be limited by the commission of his "associate on high," referring to the pre-bestowal instructions of his Paradise brother, Immanuel. He told them that he had come to do his Father's will and only his Father's will. Being thus motivated by a wholehearted singleness of purpose, he was not anxiously bothered by the evil in the world.

When we choose to follow Jesus' inspirations, teachings and aspirations we too can find ourselves "devoid of fear and not terribly anxious by the evil we see around us. This is GOOD NEWS, indeed!

Question: How do we "follow Jesus"?

196:1.3 To "follow Jesus" means to personally share his religious faith and to enter into the spirit of the Master's life of unselfish service for man. One of the most important things in human living is to find out what Jesus believed, to discover his ideals, and to strive for the achievement of his exalted life purpose. Of all human knowledge, that which is of greatest value is to know the religious life of Jesus and how he lived it.

Jesus knows that we can become equally devoted to KNOWING GOD and doing His will in our lives.
196:2.7 You would be neither shocked nor disturbed by some of Jesus' strong pronouncements if you would only remember that he was the world's most wholehearted and devoted religionist. He was a wholly consecrated mortal, unreservedly dedicated to doing his Father's will. Many of his apparently hard sayings were more of a personal confession of faith and a pledge of devotion than commands to his followers. And it was this very singleness of purpose and unselfish devotion that enabled him to effect such extraordinary progress in the conquest of the human mind in one short life. Many of his declarations should be considered as a confession of what he demanded of himself rather than what he required of all his followers. In his devotion to the cause of the kingdom, Jesus burned all bridges behind him; he sacrificed all hindrances to the doing of his Father's will.

We can become like Jesus as He was/is human. He showed us how we can KNOW God as He knows Him.
120:4.3 "Christ Michael [Jesus] did not progressively become God. God did not, at some vital moment in the earth life of Jesus, become man. Jesus was God and man — always and even forevermore. And this God and this man were, and now are, one, even as the Paradise Trinity of three beings is in reality one Deity."

Our opportunity of free will choice is to experience the enhanced revelation of God personally as He did.
120:4.4 "Never lose sight of the fact that the supreme spiritual purpose of the Michael [Jesus] bestowal was to enhance the revelation of God."

If we follow the leading of the spirit, as seen in what Jesus did, we will enter His kingdom and find eternal life.

146:3.7 "Every earth child who follows the leading of this spirit shall eventually know the will of God, and he who surrenders to the will of my Father shall abide forever. The way from the earth life to the eternal estate has not been made plain to you, but there is a way, there always has been, and I have come to make that way new and living. He who enters the kingdom has eternal life already — he shall never perish." ~ Jesus

Jesus came to give us truth. We must recognize that even Peter or Paul did not teach what Jesus said.
159:4.4 "The Scriptures contain much that is true, very much, but in the light of your present teaching, you know that these writings also contain much that is unrepresentative of the Father in heaven, the loving God I have come to reveal to all the worlds." ~ Jesus

The time is ripe for us to comprehend the spiritual Power and relationship our indwelling Father offers to us!

Some questions to discuss:

Should Jesus' purpose for His life on our world be similar to ours? If not, why not? If so, how?

What do you think God wants for your life? Why do you think this? [All answers are okay as they are our own thoughts/feelings.]

To aligning with Jesus in revealing the Paradise Father to all mankind ~ Marin DeJohn

Now is a good time to say as a loving group **The Lord's Prayer** all together. Please turn these sheets back in. Write down any questions you may have and give them to your leader. Feel free to write down a prayer request and give it to your leader.

Next week we will discuss: Love: Wedlock