

## Garments of Salvation!

### Isa 61:1-3, 10

61:1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

### 1 Peter 4:8

8 And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

In the garden of Eden, Satan stripped man of his robe of innocence and left him naked and unfit to stand in the presence of God.

I hid because I was naked...

The man traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho was stripped of his raiment, beaten and left to die.

The demonic wore no clothes, dwelt among the tombs.

Adam and Eve tried to substitute leaves for a garment, they might remain glossy and beautiful for a while, but would soon be withered and dead.

Even after they sewed these aprons of leaves together and God spoke they hid because they felt naked.

The fig leaves God had nothing to do with it...but the coat of skin man had nothing to do with.

**Isa 59:6**

6Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands.

**Isa 64:6**

6But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

**When the prodigal returned home, the father said bring forth the best robe and put it on him.**

**Joseph** stood at the edge of Egypt waiting for 75 men, women, and children to appear on the horizon. Joseph clutched his linen tunic, rubbing the inlaid jewels and twisting the gold threads woven throughout his garment. He remembered another cloth long ago...

He was given a coat of many colors, a coat of favor from his father Israel. To wear your father's love to feel his covering upon your skin ... Joseph would trade the finest robe in Egypt for that coat, if only he could wear it again.

His brothers had also felt his coat-as they ripped it from his shoulders. Naked and screaming, Joseph was carted off to slavery, his garments in sodden strips on the ground. His brethren covered the stain of their sin with the blood of a goat, clothing themselves in deception.

Joseph would wear other coats, but he would never lose the Love of his father, nor the favor of his God. A Hebrew slave become the overseer of Potiphar's house, only to have another garment torn from his shoulders. Again his covering was removed and used against him as a cloak of falsehood, his honor taken to shield the dishonorable.

Chained in a prison uniform, the blessing of Jacob's God was still unfettered in the life of his son. Through the dreams of a baker and cupbearer, the dreams of Joseph would prove to be true.

Robed in the finest of Egypt and with the authority of Pharaoh, Joseph searched the horizon before him once again, looking for his final desire to be fulfilled. Soon he would look on the face of his father. Joseph, in a short time, would place his arms around the man who gave him everything.

### **Ex 29:29-30**

29And the holy garments of Aaron shall be his sons' after him, to be anointed therein, and to be consecrated in them.

30And that son that is priest in his stead shall put them on seven days, when he cometh into the tabernacle of the congregation to minister in the holy place.

### **Ex 29:7-8**

7Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him.

8And thou shalt bring his sons, and put coats upon them.

Aaron was the only one anointed, his sons were not anointed but were given coats.

The anointing was contained in the garments of Aaron's and when they were clothed with his garments they would receive the anointing to minister.

When that young priest would put those garments on he would smell the oil that had come off of Aaron's head and the scent would bring responsibly to his mind concerning the ministry.

### **1 Kings 19:13**

13And it was so, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entering in of the cave. And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What doest thou here, Elijah?

### **1 Kings 19:15-16**

15And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria:

16And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room.

### **1 Kings 19:19**

19So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him.

### **2 Kings 2:12-15**

12And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces.

13He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan;

14And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where is the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over.

15And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.

Elisha was not anointed with oil, it was the mantle of the prophet that turned him into a prophet.

The mantel was his birthright.

**Blind Bartimaeus**, when Jesus called for him, cast away his garments and arose to come to Jesus...

His beggar's cloak would have hindered him from answering the call.

### **Zech 3:1-4**

3:1 And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.

2 And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.

4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

### **Released captives don't continue to wear the prison garments.**

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### **Rev 3:5**

5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

### **Rev 7:13-14**

13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?

14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.