

Two Gospels

³But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

⁴For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him. (*2 Corinthians 11:3-4*)

What do you see? A chalice or two faces!

The key is the background you chose. If you chose the white as the background you saw a chalice. If you chose the black as the background you saw two faces.



Jesus spoke in parables; you have to choose the background.

In the Old Testament, Deuteronomy 18:13, says "Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God." The meaning of the word perfect is the key.

Perfect (definition) - the word has several aspects: the important one here being

3 a : PURE, TOTAL b : lacking in no essential detail : COMPLETE c : obsolete d : SANE e : ABSOLUTE, UNEQUIVOCAL *enjoys perfect happiness* f : of an extreme kind : UNMITIGATED

The Hebrew word here is "Tamim". In our relationship with God, tamim means being wholehearted, resolute, and entirely committed to walking "with" Him in this world. The solution lies in the words "Be wholehearted (TAMIM) with Hashem, your God. (Deuteronomy 18:13)

Now with this verse the background you choose to look at it with will either take you to Heaven or send you to hell.

With the first background, in the Antioch text, Revelation 19:8 (KJV) reads "And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints." Righteousness by 1828 definition is "the cause of our justification" which is Jesus Christ. Jeremiah (*Jeremiah 23:6*) says that God will be referred to as "THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS". With regards to our relationship with God we should "Walk with Him with wholeheartedness. Look ahead to Him and do not delve into the future. But rather, whatever comes upon you accept with whole heartedness, and then you will be with Him and His portion." This then falls in line with the rest of the Bible as when David meditates daily (*Psalms 1:2*), hides Gods word in his heart (*Psalms 119:11*), and delights in the

Lord (*Psalms 37:4*). The Bible says that God does not take delight in sacrifice but in knowledge of Him (*Hosea 6:6*), mercy and obedience (*1 Samuel 15:22*). To be 'whole hearted with the Lord thy God' then is to study his word (*2 Timothy 2:15*) and be obedient as the Holy Spirit initiates changes in our lives (*Philippians 2:13*). God is to be our everything (*1 Corinthians 1:30*). With regards to our actions we are to be zealous toward good works (*Titus 2:14*). These works in God's eyes are no more than our reasonable service (*Romans 12:1, Luke 17:9*).

With the second background, in the Alexandrian text, Revelation 19:8 (ESV) reads "it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"—for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints." It also changes the word perfect in Deuteronomy 18:13 to 'blameless before' which shifts the focus from whole hearted with the Lord thy God; to right living. Paul speaks of a misplaced zeal (*Romans 10:2*). With this background 'whole hearted' with regards to relationship will create a desire for a closer and more intimate relationship with God. We will attempt to devise all sorts of methods to experience God emotionally and physically. When Saul did not hear from God he resorted to approaching a medium (*1 Samuel 28:6-7*), even so we will devise schemes such as 'listening prayer'. As people delve into these things they generally have less regard for God's word and put more emphasis on the revelation they 'have received'. As we need to feel a sense of acceptance by God, we will do just the things He abhors. With regards to actions there will be a zeal to clean up our lives on our own and with the help of the people we choose to be close to. We will develop social justice programs such as food bank, health programs, and building projects to 'do the work of God' on earth and consider them our spiritual worship (*Romans 12:1*) *ESV*.

The Bible says we are to "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth (*2 Timothy 2:15*). As the serpent beguiled Eve, even so we can be deceived as we listen to preachers and use study Bibles to form our faith. In (*1 John 2:27*) we are told "But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him." In (*Psalms 119:11-12*), David says "¹¹Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. ¹²Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes." In (*Proverbs 19:27*), Solomon says "Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge."

Amos prophesied

¹¹Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a **famine** in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of **hearing** the **words** of the **LORD**:

¹²And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to **seek** the **word** of the **LORD**, and shall not find it. (*Amos 8:11-12*)

**In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely:
and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.
(Jeremiah 23:6)**

**But his delight is in the law of the LORD;
and in his law doth he meditate day and night. (Psalms 1:2)**

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. (Psalms 119:11)

**Delight thyself also in the LORD:
and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. (Psalms 37:4)**

And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. (1 Samuel 15:22)

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For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure. (Philippians 2:13)

But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: (1 Corinthians 1:30)

Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. (Titus 2:14)

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. (Romans 12:1)

Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I trow not. (Luke 17:9)

For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. (Romans 10:2)

⁶And when Saul inquired of the LORD, the LORD answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.

⁷Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and inquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at Endor. (1 Samuel 28:6-7)

(Deuteronomy 18:13) ESV- You shall be blameless before the LORD your God,

(Romans 12:1) ESV- I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.