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## AND GOD SAID!

## Genesis 1:1-5

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> The earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup> Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup> And God saw the light that *it was* good; and God divided the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup> God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

In the beginning the earth was without form – it was void – and darkness was on the face of the deep. I can imagine that darkness was so thick and cold one could have actually touched it had a human being been there at that time.

The first recorded Words of God are "Let there be light" – and immediately there was light. God looked at that which He had just called forth, and it was good and He divided the light from the darkness and we had our first day starting with the evening and then the morning.

I notice that the 'facts' made no difference to God! I also notice not only did the facts make no difference – he completely ignored them. He didn't rebuke the darkness. He didn't tell the darkness to flee. He just called the light to come! God knew the LIGHT would dispel the darkness!

How glorious that LIGHT must have been! How it must have startled all the existing elements in that deep darkness. Suddenly, with one Word from God, everything was totally, completely changed forever. Suddenly the brightness of that LIGHT dispelled all the darkness around. Then God divided light and darkness. From then on, whenever light appears, all darkness must flee – physically and spiritually. One little lit match way out in the country in the middle of the night can be seen from quite a distance away. Darkness cannot hide the light!

One Word from God dispels any darkness around you and me! One Word from God takes us out of darkness and into the Kingdom of His dear Son, where we are no longer servants or even friends, but He makes us one of His sons and daughters! It doesn't get any better than that!

One Word from God changes our desperation into hope and joy. One Word from God changes our mourning into dancing. One Word from God changes our sickness into total health. One Word from God changes our financial circumstances. One Word from God changes our



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relationships...on and on and on! There is no end to the Word of this great and wonderful God Who holds this universe in His hand.

Have you noticed when we only 'see' and rehearse the 'facts', we continue to 'see' and experience the 'facts'?

Have you also noticed that God pays no attention whatsoever to the 'facts'?

We can see, say and rehearse, "Oh, I'm so sick", and God sees us totally healed and whole!

<u>Isaiah 53:5</u> tells us 'by His stripes we <u>ARE</u> healed', and <u>I Peter 2:24</u> tells us 'by His stripes we WERE healed'.

God has spoken His Word over us. The Word tells us His thoughts are constantly on us. His thoughts are not only many, but they are good thoughts for our future and our hope!

<u>Psalm 40:5</u> Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works Which You have done; And Your thoughts toward us Cannot be recounted to You in order; If I would declare and speak of them, They are more than can be numbered.

<u>Jeremiah 30:11</u> <sup>11</sup> For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

You see, we all do have "AND GOD SAID" before our eyes!! God gave us His Word!

It is not by our might! It is not by our power, but it is by the Spirit of God!! (Zech. 4:6)

When the Spirit of the Lord is 'hovering' over our situations (and He is!), God is getting ready to speak to us!

He speaks to us through HIS WORD. We may have read a certain scripture many times, but suddenly one day, a Word leaps off the pages right into our hearts, and once again God has spoken!!

<u>John 5:39</u> You search the Scriptures, for in them you **think** you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.

It's amazing how we can search and search the scriptures looking for a Word and one day it just explodes into our being! GOD HAS SAID!!



God's own people, the Israelites, knew the Torah. They read it continually, but they missed the Messiah – the LIGHT OF THE WORLD! The 'darkness' did not comprehend it – in other words, the darkness could not stop the LIGHT OF THE WORLD AND THE LIGHT OF THE WORD!

John 1:1-5; 10-14 <sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

<sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. <sup>11</sup> He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. <sup>12</sup> But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Praise God for sending His Son, Jesus, into our world!! Through Him, we have LIGHT and LIFE and the Word of God!!

Praise God, we are no longer 'servants', but we are called His friends! And when we receive HIM, we have the right to become the children of God – joint heirs with Jesus Christ! God loves us as much as He loves Jesus Christ!!

<u>John 15:15</u> No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.

<u>John 1:12</u> But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become **children** of God, to those who believe in His name:

Romans 8:16-17 <sup>16</sup> The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him*, that we may also be glorified together.

May 2011 become your year of hearing, "AND GOD SAID" that will be your word for whatever your situation is at that time!



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Forever, O LORD, Your word is settled in heaven.

<u>Psalm 119:89</u>