GOD SAYS THAT I AM "SOMEBODY"

1. WHAT IS MAN?

- 1. "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, themoon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; what is man, that thou art mindful of him?...For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet" (Ps. 8:3-6).
- GOD SAYS I AM NOT A PRODUCT OF CHANCE, BUT A PRODUCT OF CREATION. I AM A "CREATED" BEING.
 - 1. "Remember now thy Creator" (Ec. 12:1).
- 3. GOD SAYS HE IS THE ONE WHO HAS GRANTED ME MY EXISTENCE HERE ON EARTH.
 - 1. "Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about...thou hast granted me life" (Job 10:8,12).
 - 2. "The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life" (Job 33:4).
- GOD SAYS HE IS THE ONE WHO SUSTAINS ME FOR I AM HIS OFFSPRING.
 - "He giveth to all life, and <u>breath</u>, and all things; and hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth" (Acts 17:25,26).
 - 2. "For in him we live, and move, and have our being...For we are also his offspring" (Acts 17:28).
 - 3. "We are the offspring of God" (Acts 17:29).

- 5. GOD SAYS I AM NOT AN ACCIDENTAL ARRANGEMENT OF ATOMS, BUT A PURPOSEFULLY PLANNED HUMAN BEING CREATED FOR HIS GLORY AND PLEASURE.
 - 1. "For I have <u>created him for my glory</u>, I have formed him; yea, I have made him" (ls. 43:7).
 - 2. "For thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they6 are and were created" (Rev. 4:11).
 - 3. "I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Ps. 139:14).
- 6. GOD SAYS I AM NOT MERELY AN ANIMAL OF FLESH AND BONES; I AM A "SPIRITUAL" BEING.
 - 1. "Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it" (Ec. 12:7).
 - 2. "The Lord formeth the spirit of man within him" (Zech. 12:1).
- 7. BECAUSE I HAVE A SPIRITUAL NATURE, I AM CAPABLE OF KNOWING AND WORSHIPPING GOD. "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and truth" (Jn. 4:24).
- 8. GOD SAYS I HAVE A HIGH AND NOBLE POTENTIAL WITHIN ME,
 BECAUSE I AM MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD!
 - 1. "And God said, Let us make man <u>in our image</u>, after our likeness: and let them have dominion...over all the earth" F(Gen. 1:26).
 - 2. "God created man in his own image" f(Gen. 1:27).
- GOD KNEW ME WHEN I WAS BORN! EVEN BEFORE I WAS BORN!
 - "For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret...thine eyes did see my substance, yet being

- unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written,w hich in continuance were fashioned, when as yet thee was none of them" (Ps. 139:13, 15, 16).
- 2. "Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations." (Jer. 1:4-5).
- 3. The same Lord who stretched forth the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, formed my spirit within me. And because He created me, he is concerned about me. Though I live in a fathomless universe designed by Him, yet God knows me! He even knows my name! The very hairs of my head are numbered!