

GLEANINGS

GOD'S DIVINE BLUEPRINT

Often we base our understanding of God's word upon a key scripture that was clouded or corrupted when it was translated into our native language. Sometimes we erroneously base our understanding on comments that a writer has added next to a scripture in our Bible even though they did not examine all the scriptures that deal with that particular subject. The autographed manuscripts by the original writers were the perfect words of God. God inspired the men who penned them. God did not inspire either the translators or those who write commentaries. The translators and the commentators may have worked under aspiration but they did not do their work under inspiration. That is why it is so important that we read all the scripture dealing with a particular subject before we come to a conclusion about what God is telling us.

The original autographed manuscripts that made up the Bible were a divine blueprint. They explained how God will one day live and fellowship with perfect people who will inherit a new, perfect earth (Revelation or Apocalypse 21:1-4). These residents will have chosen to return love to God of their own free will as they obey His call to (1) come to Him in prayer, (2) repent of their sins and while looking in faith to Calvary, (3) ask that the payment Jesus Christ gave on the cross pay for the sin debt they owe.

"12. Neither is there salvation in any other. For there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." (Acts 4:12 Confraternity–Douay Version (Saint Joseph New Catholic Edition).

"For whoever calls upon the name of the Lord (the authority of the Lord) shall be saved." (Romans 10:13 C–DV)

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