

Isaiah
Chapter 42

v. 5-9 con't-- On Resurrection Morning, Jesus said to Mary, "Don't touch me for I have not yet ascended to the Father". (John 20:17), but yet that same afternoon, He told His disciples to "handle" Him... (John 20:27, Luke 24:39). These two verses tell us three things: 1. That He ascended to Heaven sometime on Resurrection Day, 2. That He didn't have "flesh and blood", but "flesh and bone", and 3. That when Mary saw Him on the morning, He was in the middle of something very sacred and couldn't touch anything impure. The temple, Mercy Seat, Holy of Holies, etc. which Moses told the Israelites to make, according to God's instruction, (Exodus 25:1, 31:18) was a smaller, exact replica of the same in heaven. So the Jewish sacrifices made yearly for atonement for sin were small replicas of the ultimate sacrifice made by Jesus. (Hebrews Chp. 9) On the cross Jesus was the sacrificial lamb, in Hell He was the Victor, back into His body, to have the blood, to sprinkle the blood on the Mercy Seat in Heaven, to purify everything, as the Jewish priests sprinkled the Mercy Seat in the Holy of Holies here on earth every year. He was on His way to heaven, to deliver the blood of the Lamb to the Holy of Holies when He saw Mary. When in the middle of a sacred thing like that, He couldn't be touched by anything or anyone impure until the action was over. This is why He said "flesh and bone" instead of "flesh and blood", because after He came back down that afternoon, His blood was still on the Mercy Seat in Heaven!! That also explains why an angel opened the stone across the entrance to the tomb, instead of Himself opening it, or going through it as He did later on when He walked through the wall. As yet, He still had His blood, and a regular, re-living body, with blood, so He couldn't walk through the stone, nor could He touch it and desecrate Himself, being in the middle of the priestly duties, so the Angel rolled it away for Him. (See Isaiah 52:15 [notes]).

v. 10-12-- Everyone is called to rejoice in His New Covenant!!

v. 13-- The word "man" here refers to man as opposed to God, and "jealousy" means ardent zeal. He is speaking of Jesus coming as a man, in the fulfillment of the Covenant, not as God. He is giving us that same ardent zeal that He has. He was a man just like us, and we also should roar against our enemies spiritually.

v. 14-15-- From Adam's fall until Jesus' coming, God more or less kept quiet, except to a few chosen people, but now He is roaring against Satan, because he has been defeated and is still roaming around in his lies! - Satan is dried up!

v. 16-- This is a beautiful and well-quoted verse showing God's eternal promises!