#### Non Biblical and Non-Canonical (Apocryphal) Witnesses to Christ's Resurrection and the Resurrection of the Righteous

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Josephus (ancient Jewish historian) from his book Antiquities CHAPTER 3. The chapter being titled : "SEDITION OF THE JEWS AGAINST PONTIUS PILATE. CONCERNING CHRIST, AND WHAT BEFELL PAULINA AND THE JEWS AT ROME,"

"3. Now there was about this time Jesus, a wise man, if it be lawful to call him a man; for he was a doer of wonderful works, a teacher of such men as receive the truth with pleasure. He drew over to him both many of the Jews and many of the Gentiles. He was [the] Christ. And when Pilate, at the suggestion of the principal men amongst us, had condemned him to the cross, (9) those that loved him at the first did not forsake him; for he appeared to them alive again the third day; (10) as the divine prophets had foretold these and ten thousand other wonderful things concerning him. And the tribe of Christians, so named from him, are not extinct at this day."

From the Dead Sea Scroll at Qumran Israel

[...The hea}vens and the earth will obey his Messiah,

[The sea and all th]at is in them. He will not turn aside from the commandment of the Holy Ones.

Take strength in His mighty work, all ye who seek the Lord.

Will you not find the Lord in this, all ye who wait (for Him) with hope in your hearts?

Surely the Lord will seek out the pious, and will call the righteous by name. His Spirit will hover over the poor, by His might will He restore the faithful He will glorify the pious on the throne of the eternal kingdom

He will release the captives, make the blind see, raise up the do[wntrodden.]

For[ev]er I will cleave [to Him aga]inst the po[werful], and [I will trust] in His lovingkindness a[nd in His] go[odness forever. His] holy [Messiah] will not be slow [in coming.]

And as for the wonders that are not the work of the Lord, when He [come]s then He will heal the sick, resurrect the dead, and to the poor announce glad tidings.

...He will lead the [Ho]ly Ones, He will shepherd [th]em. He will do ...and all of it..."

And from another source from scroll 4Q541 about 100 years before Christ :

"...and he will atone for all the children of his generation,

And he will be sent to all the children of his people.

His word is like the word of the heavens,

And his teaching, according to the will of God.

His eternal sun will shine

And it's fire will burn in all the ends of the earth;..."

( the above from "The Suffering Servant: Isaiah 53 In Jewish And Christian Sources" By Bernd Janowski, Peter Stuhlmacher as found in "Google Books" )

Swete ; "In adopting the Greek Old Testament the early Church adopted also

some at least of the uncanonical books which at Alexandria had attached themselves to the translations of the canonical. Early Christian writers quote Tobit, Judith, and the Wisdom of Sirach, without any indication that they were on a lower plane than the books of the Hebrew Bible..."

Smith's Bible Dictionary lists the following Apocryphal resurrection witnesses of ancient Hebrew writings.

2 Maccabees 7:9 And when he was at the last gasp, he said, Thou like a fury takest us out of this present life, but the King of the world shall raise us up, who have died for his laws, unto everlasting life.

2 Maccabees 7:14 So when he was ready to die he said thus, It is good, being put to death by men, to look for hope from God to be raised up again by him: as for thee, thou shalt have no resurrection to

life.

**Psalms of Solomon 3:12** This is the portion of sinners forever, but those who fear the Lord will rise up to eternal life and their life *will be* in the Lord's light and it will never cease."

This complements the scripture in the grk. O.T. (LXX) and the DSS Isaiah 53:11 ; "the Lord also is pleased to take away from the travail of his soul, to shew him light, and to form *him* with understanding; to justify the just one who serves many well; and he shall bear their sins."

Psalm of Solomon (ancient Jewish literature before Christ's incarnation); Psalm of Solomon 2:29b-31; "...it is God who is great, powerful in his great strength.

30 He is the king over the heavens, judging kings and rulers,

31 the One raising me up to glory, but putting to sleep the arrogant for eternal destruction in dishonor, because they did not know Him."

**Psalms of Solomon 17:32** "And he will be a righteous king over them, taught by God. There will be no unrighteousness among them in his days, for all

will be holy, and their king will be the Lord Messiah."

#### *Job 42:17, LXX* ; *"And Job died, an old man and full of days: (42:17A) and it is written that he will rise again with those whom the Lord raises up.* (42:17B) This man

is {1} described in the Syriac book *as* living in the land of Ausis, on the borders of Idumea and Arabia: and his name before was Jobab; (42:17C) and having taken an Arabian wife, he begot a son whose name was Ennon. And he himself was the son of his father Zare, one of the sons of Esau, and of his mother Bosorrha, so that he was the fifth from Abraam. (42:17D) And these were the kings who reigned in Edom, which country he also ruled over: first, Balac, the son of Beor, and the name of his city was Dennaba: but after Balac, Jobab, who is called Job, and after him Asom, who was governor out of the country of Thaeman: and after him Adad, the son of Barad, who destroyed Madiam in the plain of Moab; and the name of his city was Gethaim. (42:17E) And *his* friends who came to him were Eliphaz, of the children of Esau, king of the Thaemanites, Baldad son of the Sauchaeans, Sophar king of the Minaeans."

I would like to find more support for this entry as to whether it is an authentic scripture or not and would invite others to look further into it's validity or lack of.

John Gill ; "There is a fragment at the end of the Septuagint and Arabic versions of this book, said to be translated from a Syriac copy, which gives a very particular account of Job's descent...The substance of this is confirmed by Aristaeus, Philo, and Polyhistor  $\{ft\}$ 

[ft] (e) Apud Euseb. Praepar. Evangel. 1. 9. c. 25.

, ancient historians." And again

".... But he had enough of life, and was willing to die; and came to his grave, as Eliphaz said, "like a shock of corn in his season", (Job 5:26)

Albert Barnes is of the opinion that it is an added Christian forgery but he is does not come to that conclusion fully convinced.

# The Constellation HERCULES (The Mighty One) From the "Witness of the Stars" By E.W. Bullinger

# The mighty vanquisher

# 11. Hercules (the Mighty One)

Here the mighty one, who occupies a large portion of the heavens, is seen bending on one knee, with his right heel lifted up as if it had been wounded, while his left foot is set directly over the head of the great dragon. In his right hand he wields a great club, and in his left hand he grasps a tripleheaded monster (Cerberus). And he has the skin of a lion, which he has slain, thrown around him. \*

• Cerberus, or the serpent with three heads, was placed by Hevelius (1611-1687) by the side of Hercules. Bayer had previously placed the apple branch in his hand. This was symbolical of the golden apples of Hesperides, which he obtained by killing this three-headed hydra, by whom they were guarded. In our picture these are combined, and a bow and quiver added from other ancient authorities. In the Zodiac of Denderah we have a human figure, likewise with a club. His name is Bau, which means who cometh, and is evidently intended for Him who cometh to crush the serpent's head, and "destroy the works of the devil."

In Arabic he is called Al Giscale, the strong one.

There are 113 stars in this constellation. Seven are of the 3<sup>rd</sup> magnitude, seventeen of the 4<sup>th</sup>, etc.

The brightest star, a (in his head), is named Ras al Gethi, and means the head of him who bruises.

The next, b (in the right arm-pit, is named Kornephorus, and means the branch, kneeling.

The star k (in the right elbow) is called Marsic, the wounding.

The star l (in the upper part of the left arm) is named Ma'asyn, the sin-offering.

While w (in the lower part of the right arm) is Caiam, or Guiam, punishing; and in Arabic, treading under foot.

Thus does everything in the picture combine to set forth the mighty works of this stronger than the strong man armed!

We can easily see how the perversion of the truth by the Greeks came about, and how, when the true foreshadowings of this Mighty One had been lost, the many fables were invented to supply their place. The wiser sort of Greeks knew this perfectly well. ARISTOTLE (in his Metaphysics, x. 8) admits, with regard to Greek mythology, that religion and philosophy had been lost, and that much had been "added after the mythical style," while much had come down, and "may have been preserved to our times as the remains of ancient wisdom." Religion, such as it was (POLYBIUS confesses), was recognised as a "necessary means to political ends." NEANDER says that it was "the fragments of a tradition, which transmitted the knowledge of divine things possessed in the earliest times."

ARATUS shows the same uncertainty as to the meaning of this constellation of Hercules. He says:

"Near this, and like a toiling man, revolves

A form. Of it can no one clearly speak,

Nor what he labours at. They call him simply

The man upon his knees': In desperate struggle

Like one who sinks, he seems. From both his shoulders

His arms are high-uplifted and out-stretched

As far as he can reach; and his right foot

Is planted on the coiled Dragon's head."

Ancient authorities differ as to the personality of Hercules, and they disagree as to the number, nature, and order of what are sometimes called "the twelve labours of Hercules." But there is no doubt as to the mighty foretold works which the woman's Seed should perform.

From first to last Hercules is seen engaged in destroying some malignant foe: now it is the Nemean lion; then it is the slaying of the boar of Erymanthus; again, it is the conquest of the bull of Crete; then the killing of the three-headed hydra, by whose venom Hercules afterwards died. In the belly of the

sea monster he is said to have remained "three days and three nights." This was, doubtless a perversion of the type of Jonah, introduced by LYCOPHRON, who (living at the court of PTOLEMY PHILADELPHUS, under whose auspices the Hebrew Scriptures were translated into Greek) would have known of that Divine miracle, and of its application to the Coming One. Bishop Horsley believed that the fables of the Greek mythology could be traced back to the prophecies of the Messiah, of which they were a perversion from ignorance or design. This is specially true of Hercules. In his apparently impossible tasks of overthrowing gigantic enemies and delivering captives, we can see through the shadow, and discern the pure light of the truth. We can understand how the original star-picture must have been a prophetic representation of Him who shall destroy the Old Serpent and open the way again, not to fabled "apples of gold," but to the "tree of life" itself. He it is who though suffering in the mighty conflict, and brought to His knee, going down even to "the dust of death," shall yet, in resurrection and advent glory, wield His victorious club, subdue all His enemies, and plant His foot on the Dragon's head. For of Him it is written—

"Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder;

The young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under foot." Psalm 91:13

"Come, Lord and burst the captives' chains,

And set the prisoners free;

Come, cleanse this earth from all its stains,

And make it meet for Thee! Oh, come and end Creation's groans— Its sighs, its tears, its blood, And make this blighted world again The dwelling-place of God."

# CORONA (The Crown) The crown bestowed

8. Corona (the Crown)

"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow."

This is what is foreshown by this concluding section of the second chapter. Each chapter ends with glory. As in the written Word of God, we frequently have the glory of the Second Coming mentioned without any allusions to the sufferings of the First Coming, but we never have the First Coming in humiliaton mentioned without an immediate reference to the glory of the Second Coming.

So here, the CROSS is closely followed by the CROWN! True, "we see not yet all things put under Him, but we see Jesus...for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honour" (Heb 2:9).

Yes, "the crowning day is coming," and all heaven shall soon resound with the triumphant song, "Thou art worthy...for Thou wast slain and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood" (Rev 5:9).

The shameful Cross will be followed by a glorious crown, and "every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

> "Mighty Victor, reign for ever, Wear the crown so dearly won; Never shall Thy people, never Cease to sing what Thou hast done. Thou hast fought Thy people's foes; Thou wilt heal Thy people's woes!"

The Hebrew name for the constellation is *Atarah, a royal crown*, and its stars are known today in the East by the plural, *Ataroth*!

Its Arabic name is *Al Iclil, an ornament*, or *jewel*.

It has 21 stars: one of the 2nd magnitude and six of the 4th. It is easily known by the stars **J**, **b**, **a**, **g**, **d** and **e**, which form a crescent.

Its brightest star, **a**, has the Arabic name of *Al Phecca, the shining*.

Thus ends this solemn chapter of LIBRA, which describes the great work of Redemption, beginning with the Cross and ending with the Crown. The Redeemer's work of Atonement is most blessedly set forth, and He alone is seen as the

substitute for lost sinners.

"What wondrous love, what mysteries In this appointment shine! My breaches of the law are His, And His obedience mine."

"Odes of Solomon..." (lyrical poetry of the first century)

### Ode 11

This ancient lyrical poem speaks of both our spiritual and bodily resurrection;

10 And the Lord renewed me in His raiment, and possessed me by His light, and from above He gave me rest in incorruption; 11 And I became like the land which blossoms and rejoices in its fruits: 12 And the Lord was like the sun shining on the face of the land; 13 He lightened my eyes and my face received the dew; the pleasant odour of the Lord; 14 And He carried me to His Paradise; where is the abundance of the pleasure, of the Lord; 15 And I worshipped the Lord on account of His glory; and I said, Blessed, O Lord, are they who are planted in thy land and those who have a place in thy Paradise; 16 And they grow by the fruits of the trees. And they have changed from darkness to light. 17 Behold! all thy servants are fair, who do good works, and turn away from wickedness to the pleasantness that is thine: 18 And they have turned back the bitterness of the trees from them, when they were planted in thy land; 19 And everything became like a relic of thyself, and memorial for ever of thy faithful works. 20 For there is abundant room in thy Paradise, and nothing is useless therein; 21 But everything is filled with fruit; glory be to thee, O God, the delight of Paradise for ever. Hallelujah."

The following ancient Ode... speaks of our gathering to and beholding of the Lord God face to face;

"18 And the Most High shall be known in His Saints, to announce to those

that have songs of the coming of the Lord: 19 That they may go forth to meet Him, and may sing to Him with joy and with the harp of many tones: 20 The seers shall come before Him and they shall be seen before Him, 21 And they shall praise the Lord for His love: because He is near and beholdeth. 22 And hatred shall be taken from the earth, and along with jealousy it shall be drowned: 23 For ignorance hath been destroyed, because the knowledge of the Lord hath arrived. 24 They who make songs shall sing (of) the grace of the Lord Most High; 25 And they shall bring their songs, and their heart shall be like the day: and like the excellent beauty of the Lord their pleasant song; 26 And there shall neither be anything that breathes without knowledge nor any that is dumb: 27 For He hath given a mouth to His creation, to open the voice of the mouth towards Him, to praise Him: 28 Confess ye His power, and show forth His grace. Hallelujah."

# **Ode 21**

"1. I lifted up my arms on high on account of the compassion of the Lord.

2 .Because He cast off my bonds from me, and my Helper lifted me up according to His

compassion and His salvation.

3. And I put off darkness, and put on light.

4. And even I myself acquired members. In them there was no sickness or affliction or

suffering.

5. And abundantly helpful to me was the thought of the Lord, and His everlasting

fellowship.

6. And I was lifted (raised) up in the light, and I passed before Him.

7. And I was constantly near Him, while praising and confessing Him.

8. He caused my heart to overflow, and it was found in my mouth; and it sprang forth unto

my lips.

9. Then upon my face increased the exultation of the Lord and His praise.

Hallelujah."

## Ode 38:18-21

# 18 For He set the root and watered it and fixed it and

blessed it; and its fruits are for ever.

19 It struck deep and sprung up and spread out and was full and enlarged;

20And the Lord alone was glorified in His planting and in His husbandry: by His care and by the blessing of His lips,

21 By the beautiful planting of His right hand: and by the discovery of His planting, and by the thought of His mind. Hallelujah."

### Ode 41:13

"The man who was humbled, and exalted by His own righteousness, 14 The Son of

the Most High appeared in the perfection of His Father; 15 And light dawned from the Word that was beforetime in Him;.

16 The Messiah is truly one; and He was known before the foundation of the world, 17 That He might save souls forever

by the truth of His name: a new song arises from those who love Him. Hallelujah."

### Ode 39:10

"10 And the waves were lifted up on this side and on that, but the footsteps of our Lord Messiah stand firm and are not obliterated and are not defaced.

11 And a way has been appointed for those who cross after Him and for those who adhere to the course of faith in Him and worship His name. Hallelujah."

### Ode 40;

"1 As the honey distills from the comb of the bees, 2 And the milk flows from the woman that loves her children; 3 So also is my hope on Thee, my God. 4 As the fountain gushes out its water. 5 So my heart gushes out the praise of the Lord and my lips utter praise to Him, and my tongue His psalms, 6 And my face exults with His gladness and my spirit exults in His love and my soul shines in Him: 7 And reverence confides in Him; and redemption in Him stands assured: 8 And His inheritance is immortal life, and those who participate in it are incorrupt. Hallelujah."

### **Ode 41**

1 "All the Lord's children will praise Him, and will collect the truth of His faith.

2 And His children shall be known to Him.

Therefore we will sing in His love:

3 We live in the Lord by His grace: and life we receive in His Messiah:

4 For a great day has shined upon us: and marvelous is He who has given us of His glory.

5 Let us, therefore all of us unite together in the name of the Lord, and let us honour Him in His goodness,

6 And let our faces shine in His light: and let our hearts meditate in His love by night and by day.

7 Let us exult with the joy of the Lord.

8 All those will be astonished that see me, For from another race am I;

9 For the Father of truth remembered me: He who possessed me from the beginning:

10 For His bounty begat me, and the thought of His heart:

11 And His Word is with us in all our way;

12 The Saviour who makes alive and does not reject our souls;

13 The man who was humbled, and exalted by His own righteousness,

14 The Son of the Most High appeared in the perfection of His Father;

15 And light dawned from the Word that was beforetime in Him;.

16 The Messiah is truly one; and He was known before the foundation of the world,

17 That He might save souls forever by the truth of His name:

a new song arises from those who love Him. Hallelujah."

Ode 42;"1 I stretched out my hands and approached my Lord:

2 For the stretching of my hands is His sign:

2 My expansion (stretching) is the outspread tree which was set up on the way of the Righteous One.

4 And I became of no account to those who did not take hold of me and I shall be with those who love me.

5 All my persecutors are dead; and they sought after me who hoped in me, because I was alive:

6 And I rose up and am with them; and I will speak by their mouths.

7 For they have despised those who persecuted them;

8 And I lifted up over them the yoke of my love;

9 Like the arm of the bridegroom over the bride,

10 So was my yoke over those that know me:

11 And as the couch that is spread in the house of the bridegroom and bride,

12 So is my love over those that believe in me.

13 And I was not rejected though I was reckoned to be so.

14 I did not perish, though they devised it against me.

13 Sheol saw me and was made miserable:

16 Death cast me up and many along with me.

17 I had gall and bitterness, and I went down with him to the utmost of his depth:

18 And the feet and the head he let go, for they were not able to endure my face:

19 And I made a congregation of living men amongst his dead men, and I spake with them by living lips:

20 Because my word shall not be void:

21 And those who had died ran towards me: and they cried and said, Son of God, have pity on us, and do with us according to thy kindness.

22 And bring us out from the bonds of darkness: and open to us the door by which we shall come out to thee.

23 For we see that our death has not touched thee.

24 Let us also be redeemed with thee: for thou art our Redeemer.

25 And I heard their voice; and my name I sealed upon their heads:

26 For they are free men and they are mine. Hallelujah."

Psalm 96:10

I hesitate to place this in the "non-biblical category as the early "fathers" would have it as inspired and canonical scripture including Augustine.

I quote directly from C.H. Spurgeon's; "The Treasury of David" of Psalm 96:10 where the phrase; "from a tree" is spoken of; Spurgeon: "...This clause reads in the old Latin version, "Tell it out among the heathen, that the Lord reigneth ' from the tree.' Justin Martyr accuses the Jews, that they have erased the words '  $\alpha \lambda \iota \gamma \nu 0$ ,  $\alpha \pi \omega \xi \upsilon \lambda 0 \upsilon$ ,' (Latin and greek; "from the wood" or "from the tree") which are wanting (missing) in the original and the Septuagint." (the LXX does have "the Lord is King" or " the Lord reigns"... still extant. Though Keil and Delitzsch calls this " from the tree" or " from the wood" an " addition", yet they do acknowledge that ; "...however, great value is set (on it) by Justin and all the early Latin Fathers." (see Commentary on the Old Testament, footnoted in their 5<sup>th</sup> volume)

Justin Martyr "And from the ninety-fifth (ninety-sixth) Psalm they have taken away this short saying of the words of David: 'From the wood.' For when the passage said, 'Tell ye among the nations, the Lord hath reigned from the wood,' they have left, 'Tell ye among the nations, the Lord hath reigned.'

Now no one of your people has ever been said to have reigned as God and Lord among the nations, with the exception of Him only who was crucified, of whom also the Holy Spirit affirms in the same Psalm that He was raised again, and freed from [the grave], declaring that there is none like Him among the gods of the nations: for they are idols of demons...."

This phrase in Psalm 96 would then read "...the King reigns" (or as Justin has it "has reigned" coupled with the Old Latin's ;) "from a tree"; would attest prophetically of Jesus' triumphant moment on the cross where He says; "It is finished"... and also attested by both man and creation "Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God." Matthew 27:54

from the pseudo Book of Enoch (translated by R.H. Charles) :...5a For in those days the Elect One shall arise,

2 And he shall choose the righteous and holy from among them:

For the day has drawn nigh that they should be saved.

And the Elect One shall in those days sit on My throne, And his mouth shall pour forth all the secrets of wisdom and counsel:

For the Lord of Spirits hath given (them) to him and hath glorified him.

And the righteous one shall arise from sleep, [Shall arise] and walk in the paths of righteousness, And all his path and conversation shall be in eternal goodness and grace."

The following is from "A Book of Exhortation and Promised Blessing for the Righteous and of Malediction and Woe for the Sinners."

4 "He will be gracious to the righteous and give him eternal uprightness,

And He will give him power so that he shall be (endowed) with goodness and righteousness.

And he shall walk in eternal light."

Section I. [Chapter 51]

1 And in those days shall the earth also give back that which has been entrusted to it,

And Sheol also shall give back that which it has received,

And hell shall give back that which it owes.

5a For in those days the Elect One shall arise,

2 And he shall choose the righteous and holy from among them:

For the day has drawn nigh that they should be saved."

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3 "And the Elect One shall in those days sit on My throne,

And his mouth shall pour forth all the secrets of wisdom and counsel:

For the Lord of Spirits hath given (them) to him and hath glorified him.

Destroy all wrong from the face of the earth and let every evil work come to an end: and let the plant of righteousness and truth appear: and it shall prove a blessing; the works of righteousness and truth shall be planted in truth and joy for evermore.

And when I had gone forth below and seen the heaven, and the sun rising in the east, and the moon setting in the west, and a few stars, and the whole earth, and everything as He had known it in the beginning, then I blessed the Lord of judgement and extolled Him because He had made the Sun to go forth from the windows of the east, and he ascended and rose on the face of the heaven, and set out and kept traversing the path shown unto him."

from chapter 51;

"... For in those days the Elect One shall arise,

2 And he shall choose the righteous and holy from among them: For the day has drawn nigh that they should be saved.

3 And the Elect One shall in those days sit on My throne,

And his mouth shall pour forth all the secrets of wisdom and counsel: For the Lord of Spirits hath given (them) to him and hath glorified him."

from chapter 61 ; "... 8. And the Lord of Spirits placed the Elect one on the throne of glory.

And he shall judge all the works of the holy above in the heaven,

And in the balance shall their deeds be weighed

9. And when he shall lift up his countenance

To judge their secret ways according to the word of the name of the Lord of Spirits,

And their path according to the way of the righteous judgement of the Lord of Spirits,

Then shall they all with one voice speak and bless,

And glorify and extol and sanctify the name of the Lord of Spirits.

10 And He will summon all the host of the heavens, and all the holy ones above, and the host of God, the Cherubic, Seraphin and Ophannin, and all the angels of power, and all the angels of principalities, and the Elect One, and the other powers on the earth (and) over the water On that day shall raise one voice, and bless and glorify and exalt in the spirit of faith, and in the spirit of wisdom, and in the spirit of patience, and in the spirit of mercy, and in the spirit of judgement and of peace, and in the spirit of goodness, and shall all say with one voice: "Blessed is He, and may the name of the Lord of Spirits be blessed for ever and ever."..."All the holy ones who are in heaven shall bless Him, And all the elect who dwell in the garden of life:"

from chapter 62 ; " And the Lord of Spirits seated him on the throne of His glory,

And the spirit of righteousness was poured out upon him,

And the word of his mouth slays all the sinners,

And all the unrighteous are destroyed from before his face.

3 And there shall stand up in that day all the kings and the mighty,

And the exalted and those who hold the earth,

And they shall see and recognize How he sits on the throne of his glory,

And righteousness is judged before him,

And no lying word is spoken before him.

4 Then shall pain come upon them as on a woman in travail,

[And she has pain in bringing forth]

When her child enters the mouth of the womb,

And she has pain in bringing forth.

And one portion of them shall look on the other,

And they shall be terrified,

And they shall be downcast of countenance,

And pain shall seize them,

When they see that Son of Man Sitting on the throne of his glory.

6 And the kings and the mighty and all who possess the earth shall bless and glorify and extol him who rules over all, who was hidden.

7 For from the beginning the Son of Man was hidden,

And the Most High preserved him in the presence of His might,

And revealed him to the elect.

8 And the congregation of the elect and holy shall be sown,

And all the elect shall stand before him on that day.

9 And all the kings and the mighty and the exalted and those who rule the earth

Shall fall down before him on their faces,

And worship and set their hope upon that Son of Man,

And petition him and supplicate for mercy at his hands.

10 Nevertheless that Lord of Spirits will so press them

That they shall hastily go forth from His presence,

And their faces shall be filled with shame,

And the darkness grow deeper on their faces.

11 And He will deliver them to the angels for punishment,

To execute vengeance on them because they have oppressed His children and His elect

12 And they shall be a spectacle for the righteous and for His elect:

They shall rejoice over them,

Because the wrath of the Lord of Spirits resteth upon them,

And His sword is drunk with their blood.

13 And the righteous and elect shall be saved on that day,

And they shall never thenceforward see the face of the sinners and unrighteous.

14 And the Lord of Spirits will abide over them,

And with that Son of Man shall they eat

And lie down and rise up for ever and ever.

15 And the righteous and elect shall have risen from the earth,

And ceased to be of downcast countenance.

And they shall have been clothed with garments of glory,

16 And these shall be the garments of life from the Lord of Spirits:

And your garments shall not grow old,

Nor your glory pass away before the Lord of Spirits."

from chapter 69

"And he sat on the throne of his glory,

And the sum of judgement was given unto the Son of Man,

And he caused the sinners to pass away and be destroyed from off the face of the earth,

And those who have led the world astray."...

"For that Son of Man has appeared,

And has seated himself on the throne of his glory,

And all evil shall pass away before his face,

And the word of that Son of Man shall go forth

And be strong before the Lord of Spirits."

from chapter 91 (92?); "And the righteous one shall arise from sleep,

[Shall arise] and walk in the paths of righteousness,

And all his path and conversation shall be in eternal goodness and grace.

4 He will be gracious to the righteous and give him eternal uprightness,

And He will give him power so that he shall be (endowed) with goodness and righteousness.

And he shall walk in eternal light.

5 And sin shall perish in darkness for ever,

And shall no more be seen from that day for evermore."

from chapter 93 ; " ' Concerning the children of righteousness and concerning the elect of the world,

And concerning the plant of uprightness, I will speak these things, Yea, I Enoch will declare (them) unto you, my sons:"..."

And after that in the third week at its close

A man shall be elected as the plant of righteous judgement,

And his posterity shall become the plant of righteousness for evermore

Son of God in union with the children of uprightness"...

"...The elect righteous of the eternal plant of righteousness,

To receive sevenfold instruction concerning all His creation."

1Enoch 64:11 He, the holy One, will establish your name in the midst of the saints, and will preserve you from those who dwell upon the earth. He will establish your seed in righteousness, with dominion and great glory; and from your seed shall spring forth righteousness and holy men without number for ever. {(60) With dominion? glory. Literally, "for kings, and for great glory" (Laurence, p. 79).}

Enoch 105:2 "For I and My son will be united with them for ever in the paths of uprightness in their lives; and ye shall have peace: rejoice, ye children of uprightness. Amen"

Josephus, a first century Pharisee and historian is attributed by many scholars to have written "The Testimonium Flavianum", a reliable Jewish documentation of Jesus' Messiahship, His resurrection, and the early Christian tenacious belief in Him. It is found in the early church historian Eusebius' writing; "Ecclesiastical History" that originated in Josepus' work "Antiquities XVIII.

"About this time there lived Jesus, a wise man. For He was one who wrought surprising feats and was a teacher of such people as accept the truth gladly. He won over many Jews and many Greeks. He was the Messiah. When Pilate, upon hearing Him accused by men of the highest standing among us, had condemned Him to be crucified, those who had in the first place come to love did not cease. On the third day he appeared to them restored to life. For the prophets of God had prophesied these and myriads of other marvelous (things) about Him. And the tribe of Christians, so called after Him, has still up to now not disappeared." from Lactanius' "Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs" (Testament of Levi...) "And in His priesthood shall all sin come to an end, and the lawless shall rest from evil, and the just shall rest in Him. And He shall open the gates of paradise, and shall remove the threatening sword against Adam; and He shall give to His saints to eat from the tree of life, and the spirit of holiness shall be on them. And Beliar shall be bound by Him, and He shall give power to His children to tread upon the evil spirits. And the Lord shall rejoice in His children, and the Lord shall be well pleased in His beloved for ever."

Son of the Most High

Sirach 4:11 ; " And thou shalt be as the obedient Son of the Most High, and He will have mercy on thee more than a mother."