

## Portland Area Bible Students Topical Study 1

### **Restitution** and Resurrection

Acts 3:19-21

Early in our 2026 topical studies we considered the Ransom and the Sin Offering. Topical studies 1 & 2 will complement that theme by looking at restitution.

Restitution - The restoration of something that is lost

1. What did Adam **lose** from the Garden of Eden? Discuss the following:
  - a. Life - Gen 2:17: 2 Peter 3:8 A127:3 (Resurrection will be in a later study)
  - b. Dominion over the Earth - Gen 1:26,28 Psalms 8 A245:2-246:1
  - c. Sonship - Gen 1:27 Psalms 8 R5417 "Naught That I Have I Call"
  - d. Perfection - Gen 1:31 E405:2-406:1
  - e. Paradise - Gen 2:9;3:17 Rev 22:2 E400:2
  - f. See also The Curse Gen 3:16-19
  
2. a. In the Garden of Eden, Adam was ignorant of Evil. Why is the Permission of Evil an important factor in mankind attaining **life everlasting** and not making the same mistake as Adam did? Gen 3:22  
See Volume 1 The Permission of Evil and It's relationship to God's Plan Especially note A119:2-120:2
  
- b. So, why did not God make man like a robot to prevent his fall?  
Gen 1:27 A124:1-126 John 4:23,24
  
3. What are the Kingdom promises corresponding to what was lost in #1 showing **restoration**? Consider the following scriptures & suggest additional.
  - a. Romans 5:18,19 I Cor. 15:21,22 John 5:28,29
  - b. Eph 1:14 A247:2 I Cor 15:24; Matt 25:34 A305:2
  - c. (Was:Luke 3:38) (Now:"children of wrath" Eph 2:3) (To Be:Acts 3:19-21 E456:2)
  - d. Isa 35:8 Jer 31:34 Highway of Holiness, opening everlasting life A215
  - e. Luke 19:10 A177:1 Matt 13:44 D647:1-648:2
  - f. Anything else related to the original Curse Gen 3:16-19

In our next study we will discuss the conditions in the Kingdom that facilitate the atonement of mankind.