

50th – Bible Seeds Podcast

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● **Intro Music** - “My Father Is So Good To Me”

Hi, my name is Carl Vasta and I would like to welcome you to the Bible Seeds section here, at Understanding God’s Word. This is where I get to comment on biblical readings and stories that brings the bible into what’s happening to us in our daily lives.

I’ll touch on such topics as Family Prayer or Why I Believe There Is A God. I’ll talk about what was predicted that makes these the Terrible Times In The Last Days or how to Have A Daily Meaningful Relationship With God.

Today's topic is: **See It Coming**

In the late 1870s, an Italian botanist, Odoardo Beccari collected seeds from a plant called the **‘Corpse Flower’** while traveling through Sumatra.

He shipped them to the Kew Botanic Gardens in the United Kingdom, where it first bloomed outside of its native land in 1889. After a while the plant made its way to different botanical gardens in the United States. It first bloomed in

the New York Botanical Garden in the Bronx in 1937.

It is also called the **'Death Flower'** and it stands six to eight feet tall with green exterior and deep red interior and ***emits a smell like rotting flesh.***

The plant blooms very rarely, about every seven to 10 years.

If **SIN** was a plant, it could be compared to this plant in some respects. It could also be called the **'Death Flower'** because the bible tells us that ***the payment for your sin or what you will receive is death.***

The actual quote from the bible is in: *the book of Romans, Chapter 6, verse 23, it says, "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord."*

Another way **SIN** is like this plant is that it smells like **'rotting flesh'**. Leprosy in the bible is ***compared to sin that rots the flesh and eventually causes death.***

The way that **SIN** **is not like this plant** is the **'Corpse Plant'** blooms every seven to ten years,

➤ ***but SIN blooms every single day, 24 hours a day, where ever there are human beings; anywhere on this world and even in the skies***

*and outer space. Everywhere we go, we take **SIN** with us.*

For human beings, sin started in the garden, with a tree and the fruit it produced. God told them they could eat from any of the fruit trees in the garden but they must not eat the fruit from the tree of *“the knowledge of good and evil”*, which was in the middle of the garden.

God said to them, “You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it or you will surely die.”

The devil told them they would not die, but become like God. They believed the devil !

Before they ate the fruit, they had no idea what evil was. Their disobeying God was the start of their finding out what evil, sickness, suffering and death was about! They also lost the Holy covering God put around them and they were embarrassed by their own nakedness.

They tried to cover themselves with huge leaves but God covered them with clothes made from animal skins. So started the animal sacrifice to cover mankind’s sins.

Satan is still lying to people who are trying to find God in their lives. And now those demons who were thrown to Earth because they followed Satan in his attack against the **LORD GOD in**

heaven, have made their homes among people in various government offices around the world, within state legislatures and in the houses of Congress and even at the thrones of kings and presidential residences.

They exist in school boards and courts trying to subvert our young children with sexual diversions by claiming God made more genders than men and women. Something they cannot prove scientifically.

They are trying to take away the rights of parents to raise their own children and those things they want them to learn.

Judges and attorneys are making it easy to promote criminal behavior with zero bail and light sentencing for those who want to continue to do evil things.

Legislators are promoting SIN by mocking God's laws and by telling people to "go ahead and participate in adultery and if your birth control doesn't work or you forgot, we'll relieve your guilt by assuring your right to just have an abortion." **So millions of unborn babies die!**

So do you think that the Creator who gave you eyes, ears, and a mouth cannot see you, hear you, or speak to you?

When I was growing up, nations used a strategy for avoiding war and confrontation. Nuclear weapons had been invented and were used. The result was devastating but all nations realized that if they used them in a moment of passion they would soon be annihilated. They had to practice self-control.

A few people may have some control of their temperament, but most people do not! There are enough weapons out there for every man, woman and child.

I'm not just talking about guns, but knives, bats, bow and arrows, cars, trucks, planes, swords, poison, and anything that can be used to kill another person. And when you hear or read the latest news about work related shootings, school shootings, road rage, etc..... you realize that some people would just as soon kill you as look at you. So the nation's weapon strategy doesn't really apply here.

Do you see it coming?

Because the kings and the people living in the Northern state of Israel ignored God's commands, God told the prophet Jerimiah to warn the people that He was bringing the Babylonians to destroy their cities and to take

their people away as hostages to another country.

The false prophets claimed Jerimiah was lying and that **'no nation could ever overpower the strong nation of Israel.'** The king of Israel believed the false prophets and treated Jerimiah very badly.

God said to Jerimiah "Do not pray for this people, and do not lift up cry or prayer for them, and do not intercede with Me; for I do not hear you" (Jer. 7:16)

It is a sad day when your Creator will not hear or act upon your cries for help. He will not strive with you anymore but will turn you over to the world and the devil and demons that exist here.

When Jesus' disciples asked about his return, the first thing he told them was to

- ***'be on guard and don't let anyone fool or deceive you.'***

If you have been paying attention to the news lately you'll see that we are constantly being deceived. ***By our world leaders; by the news media; by businesses that operate in our community, by those leaders who are in charge of protecting the public from fatal contagious or infectious diseases; by our educators; and even***

by many of the church leaders that are supposed to bring us the truth about God and His son Jesus.

Then Jesus said,

➤ ***“You will be arrested and handed over to be punished and be put to death. All mankind will hate you because of me.”***

If you have been paying any attention to some of the news broadcasts, you may have heard that in the area of New Jersey or New York, the state legislature is going to have a vote on January 6th 2022 for acquiring three empty prisons and use them to house people with Covid, and those who live with them up to sixty days and may be able to hold them longer for vague reasons.

And how about the possible targeting of the unvaccinated and trying to separate them by not allowing them to shop or buy fast food or they invent other sorts of punishment for them?

How about the people left in Afghanistan who are being targeted for death because they are Christians? ***Was Jesus right!***

The bad news is that regardless of the New Year, **SIN** is coming to full bloom and into the Tribulation. ***It will get worse before it gets better,*** according to the bible.

Read the book Revelation and see that true Christians will be removed from the Earth before the tribulation starts. After **Chapter 3**, God's people are not mentioned as being on the Earth till they return at the end with Jesus! This doesn't mean there won't be churches still on the Earth, but the people who truly love the Father, His Son Jesus and the Holy Spirit will be in Heaven.

Then God will punish those who are stubborn in their evil. In **Revelation Chapter 9: verse 20** it says, But the rest of mankind who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship "demons and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; and they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.

THE GOOD NEWS *is that Jesus loves you and wants you to be raptured before the tribulation. He doesn't want to leave you here for God's punishment of those who won't turn away from their sins and turn back to Him. Jesus took your punishment on the cross and all you have to do is be sorry for your sins and believe that Jesus did that for you! And you can have a*

HAPPY NEW YEAR NOW AND FOREVER!

- **Back Ground Music Starts and**

I would like you to know how much GOD loves you. He is ready and waiting to help you. You just need to believe that He exists and has created all things and has given His Son Jesus, the good shepherd to bring you back to him.

This is why I put together these pod casts, starting with **The Storyline Of The Bible**, 19 easy understandable pod casts that take you from Genesis, the first book of the bible- to Revelation, the last book of the bible.

And beyond that, there are **The Stories And Quotes From Jesus**, which will help you to strengthen your faith in God. And now I have just added these Bible Seeds: my commentary on some of these readings.

You can find all of this and print out the **PDFs** for **Storyline Of The Bible** and **Quotes and Stories from Jesus**. You can download the MP3s, Videos, and my original music from my website: www.carlvasta.com Everything is free and there are no sign ups. Enjoy!

Ending The Program

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