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Sharing Devotionals – SOAP: Scripture, Observation, Application, and Prayer

Scripture: ¹²When Moses' hands grew tired, they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held his hands up-one on one side, one on the other-so that his hands remained steady till sunset. Exodus 17:12 (NIV)

Observation: The people of Israel defeat the Amalekite army. While the people of Israel were fighting the Amalekites, Moses was atop a mountain holding his staff to the sky as instructed by God. Every time his arms grew tired and dropped, the Amalekite army advanced. If not for the assistance of his brothers, he would not have been able to succeed. God gives us a support system, our brothers and sisters in Christ.

"Do not presume that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill." Matthew 5:17 NASB

He spoke about EVIDENCE that showed that belief in such a miraculous story was not only possible, it was REASONABLE.

God did this so that his WORD would be a WITNESS across time

It was ALWAYS his plan for Jesus to COME, to SACRIFICE himself and to SAVE us all.

<u>1 Jn 2:7-8 Beloved, I am not writing a new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word which you have heard. 8On the other hand, I am writing a new commandment to you, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true Light is already shining.</u>

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The body of SCRIPTURE points to the body of JESUS.

Acts 8:26-38

26 But an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Get ready and go south to the road that descends from Jerusalem to Gaza." 27 So he got ready and went; and there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure; and he had come to Jerusalem to worship, 28 and he was returning and sitting in his chariot, and was reading Isaiah the prophet. 29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go up and join this chariot." 30 Philip ran up and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 And he said, "Well, how could I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 Now the passage of Scripture which he was reading was this:

"He was led like a sheep to slaughter;

And like a lamb that is silent before its shearer,

So He does not open His mouth.

33 In humiliation His justice was taken away;

Who will describe His generation?

For His life is taken away from the earth."

34 The eunuch answered Philip and said, "Please tell me, of whom does the prophet say this? Of himself, or of someone else?" 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning from this Scripture he preached Jesus to him. 36 As they went along the road they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?" 38 And he ordered that the chariot stop; and they both went down into the water, Philip as well as the eunuch, and he baptized him.

MESSIANIC PROPHECY

6 For a Child will be born to us, a Son will be given to us;

And the government will rest on His shoulders;

And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6 NASB

<u>14 Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and she will name Him</u> Immanuel. Isaiah 7:14 NASB

<u>Isaiah 53</u> ...

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Bottom Line: God's **PROMISES** of Jesus' salvation are **EMBEDDED** throughout His Word.

<u>1 John 2:5 This is the promise which *He Himself made to us:* eternal life.</u>