Yahweh's "Mighty Hand" and "Outstretched Arm" BBI IIC: 05

I. God's "Mighty Hand" and "Outstetched Arm" in Creation (Wisdom):

A. Isa. 48:12-13 (NKJ) "Listen to Me, O Jacob, And Israel, My called: I am He, I am the first, I am also the last. Indeed <u>My hand</u> has laid the foundation of the earth, And <u>My right hand</u> has stretched out the heavens;

B. Jer. 32:17-22 (NKJ) 17 'Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You.

II. God's "Mighty Hand" and "Outstretched Arm" in the Exodus (His "Messenger"):

- A. Exodus 6:6 (NKJ) 6 "Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the LORD; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with <u>an outstretched arm</u> and with great judgments.
- B. Deut. 5:13-15 (NKJ) 13 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 14 but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your ox, nor your donkey, nor any of your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. 15 And remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there by a mighty hand and by an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.
- C. Deut. 7:17-19 (NKJ) 17 "If you should say in your heart, 'These nations are greater than I; how can I dispossess them?' 18 "you shall not be afraid of them, but you shall remember well what the LORD your God did to Pharaoh and to all Egypt: 19 "the great trials which your eyes saw, the signs and the wonders, the mighty hand and the outstretched arm, by which the LORD your God brought you out. So shall the LORD your God do to all the peoples of whom you are afraid.
- D. Deut. 9:27-29 (NKJ) 27 'Remember Your servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; do not look on the stubbornness of this people, or on their wickedness or their sin, 28 'lest the land from which You brought us should say, "Because the LORD was not able to bring them to the land which He promised them, and because He hated them, He has brought them out to kill them in the wilderness." 29 'Yet they are Your people and Your inheritance, whom You brought out <u>by</u> Your mighty power and by Your outstretched arm.'
- E. Deut. 26:8-9 (NKJ) 8 'So the LORD brought us out of Egypt with <u>a mighty hand and with</u> <u>an outstretched arm</u>, with great terror and with signs and wonders. 9 'He has brought us to this place and has given us this land, "a land flowing with milk and honey."
- F. Psalm 44:3 (NKJ) 3 For they did not gain possession of the land by their own sword, Nor did their own arm save them; But it was <u>Your right hand, Your arm</u>, and the light of Your countenance, Because You favored them.

G. Psalm 98:1-3 (NKJ) 1 Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; <u>His right hand and His holy arm</u> have gained Him the victory. 2 The LORD has made known His salvation; His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations. 3 He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

H. Psalm 136:10-14 (NKJ) 10 To Him who struck Egypt in their firstborn, For His mercy endures forever; 11 And brought out Israel from among them, For His mercy endures forever; 12 With <u>a strong hand, and with an outstretched arm</u>, For His mercy endures forever; 13 To Him who divided the Red Sea in two, For His mercy endures forever; 14 And made Israel pass through the midst of it, For His mercy endures forever;

III. God's "Mighty Hand" and "Outstretched Arm" REVEALED: Jesus

A. Isaiah 40:10-11 (NKJ) 10 Behold, the Lord GOD shall come with a strong hand, And <u>His</u> arm shall rule for Him; Behold, His reward is with Him [Rev. 22:12], And His work before Him. 11 He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, And carry them in His bosom, And gently lead those who are with young.

B. Isa. 51:5 (LXX) 5 My righteousness speedily draws nigh, and my salvation shall go forth as light, and on mine arm shall the Gentiles trust: the isless hall wait for me, and on mine arm shall they trust.

C. Isa. 52:10 – 53:3 (NKJ) 10 The LORD has <u>made bare His holy arm</u> In the eyes of all the nations; And all the ends of the earth shall see The Salvation [Heb. Yeshua - Jesus] of our <u>God</u>. 11 Depart! Depart! Go out from there, Touch no unclean thing; Go out from the midst of her, Be clean, You who bear the vessels of the LORD. 12 For you shall not go out with haste, Nor go by flight; For the LORD will go before you, And the God of Israel will be your rear guard. 13 Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very <u>high.</u> 14 Just as many were astonished at you, So His visage was marred more than any man, And His form more than the sons of men; 15 So shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; For what had not been told them they shall see, And what they had not heard they shall consider. 53:1 Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the **LORD been revealed?** 2 For **HE** shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him. 3 He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. D. John 12:36-41 (NKJ) 36 "While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them. 37 But although He had done so many signs before them, they did not believe in Him, 38 that the word of Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spoke: "Lord, who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?" 39 Therefore they could not believe, because Isaiah said again: 40 "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, Lest they should see with their eyes, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them." 41 These things Isaiah said when he saw His glory and spoke of Him.

IV. Christ must be REVEALED BY THE SPIRIT to the Individual seeking truth:

- A. Isa. 53:1 "to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?"
- B. 1 Cor. 2:6-16 The "Hidden Wisdom" is Christ, revealed to the Apostles by the Spirit.
- C. Col. 2:2 (NASB) 2 that their hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love, and <u>attaining to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, resulting in a true knowledge of God's mystery, that is, Christ Himself</u>, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
- D. 1 John 2:27 & 5:9-10 (NASB) 27 As for you, the anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you; but as His anointing teaches you about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you abide in Him. ...
- 5:9 If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater; for the testimony of God is this, that He has testified concerning His Son. 10 <u>The one who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself</u>; the one who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has given concerning His Son.