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Sacred Scriptures' cosmic message of birth, life, death and re-birth...is the same seamless refrain moving from the beginning to the end of time

But this melody must be played to the tempo of one's own life; and is not an icon or museum piece easily recreated like good wine

We are not mere spectators: So for the sake of our life... we must decide which part to play within times treasure chest

But the earliest scene from the Garden of Eden, with the tale of the fall of humankind, reveals a challenging and continuous communication quest

Yet God always seeks a partnership with all of creation; that is both passionate and intimate in love and forgiveness, just as Jesus loves us with great affection

Always present; providing bread from heaven in the desert, or the miraculous feeding by The Sea of Galilee, reveal the One's constant attention

But tests of faith are quite common, as with Abraham to sacrifice his only son Isaac who drags wood up the hill to his own funeral pyre

Or Moses wondering through the desert for 40 years, leading the Israelites to the Promised Land, yet he never sets foot in the land so deeply desired

And the suffering of the innocents raise a question of our capacity to love, when some are put to a test... while all seek to find solace and warmth within

Job overcome by a sea of troubles appeals to God because of his innocence; yet his friends and wife advise Job to curse God and die and suffer for his sins

And many pursued Jesus with mockery and hate throughout his mission, as if their condemnation came directly from the Lord's powerful arm

The answer is beyond common sense, but Jesus in a long line of prophets and martyrs to our present day, is the only one who is completely innocent of any charge

And Mother Mary watching at Bethlehem and waiting at Calvary for the fulfillment that The Father marked out for Jesus' timely and prophetic end

A subtle message of faith beyond reason and love beyond any doubt: So deserving are these ideas for us that from God's right hand success will be on the mend

And so it will be success as Christmas Joy moves swiftly to Easter re-birth, and the Holy Spirit descending on one and all as our advocate and guide throughout the ages

Spirit among us - Spirit within us - moving about this Holiday Season in new ways not yet seen and not yet heard... but deserving for our success in all of life's stages