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'Kairos Times' (Sun. 02:10:05 : Vol.6, Issue 34) contains Pierre's summary of the School,

Andrew's Poem, Evaluation and Feedback from some of the students at the School.

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Scripture quotations taken from the NEW KING JAMES VERSION (NKJV)

Basic framework for the ASOM: A post resurrected framework for teaching is modelled by Jesus on the road to Emmaus in Luke 24. Jesus did three things to manifest himself. Our central focus is on Jesus Christ. If you see Christ, you will see everything.

Post resurrection methodology of exegeting Jesus : Lk 24: 31, 44-45. Jesus did three things; He

1. Opened the Scriptures : no extra biblical truth
2. Opened their Eyes : they could see Him
3. Opened their Understanding : their organ of mental perception – the mind – to put things together ‘sunimaio’ – piece the pieces together to see the whole ; we are moving away from reformation to transformation.

Understanding the anatomy of God’s Word = **dabar** . Apostolic culture and lifestyle brings us to become subservient to the word. Word Concepts – **PRECEPTS, STATUTES, COMMANDMENTS, ORDINANCES, JUDGEMENTS, TESTIMONY** .

Psalms 119 and Psalm 19 has references to these. Refers to different aspects or categories of the Logos or **dabar**. The key to understanding Apostolic doctrine is obedience to the word.

Not charisma, but the word must impress you. Stay within the framework of obeying the WORD – you become like Abraham – a friend of God. Some teachings come in the form of principles – access the principles, you reap the reward. You are guaranteed success . Also understand and know intimately the Prince of the principles

PROPHETIC SIGHT

Ability to perceive is the greatest factor to move to the next level; Move to the next level – passed the realm of angels.

Development of sight is crucial . Sight determines and influences your behaviour in the earth. The word ‘Curse’ in essence, = to be reduced to a place of redundancy – no record in the genealogy of the heavens. Add to that which God is doing.

Learn to transact beyond the realm of the heavens. More than one heaven – one earth, but God rules from the heavens. Heavens are spread out like a tent.

When you touch that level of glory that level clothes you. Hence the requirement to see prophetically. The word must open – unveil. With each new realm, words are released at that realm. (See Isaiah 6; page 66 of this manual)

Our forefathers fell into sin – their eyes fell into two realms. Before the fall they were only given the privilege of sight to one realm. We were only called to look into the realm of light. Spiritual warfare books go beyond the limits prescribed by the Bible – this is sorcery. Do not attempt to see into the realm of darkness.

If you See (see through faith) it right you will SAY it right (faith comes by hearing), and you will DO it right.

To see into the eternal realm, which is full of light, - there is only light – there is no darkness – no devil – only revelations of the glory of Christ. You cannot see into the prophetic realm of eternal without **becoming blind to the temporal and the natural**. When the patriarchs were too old to see naturally, that is when they prophesied most accurately- eg. Jacob blessing his sons. A maturing spirit becomes blind to the natural and open to the spiritual. Jacob skilfully lays his hands on his two sons. Presently we are seeing with a double eye – we are producing double vision. The devil introduced the power of reasoning to Adam and Eve. Become blind, remove the negative out of your life. Magnify the light you see in your brothers. Eg of Jesus with the woman caught in the act of adultery. This is not living in denial of significant responsibility.

Reflected in the beatitudes – blessed those that curse you – pray for those that despitefully use you. Imagine such innocence where you would not expose anyone’s nakedness or be ashamed of your own nakedness.

Do not be wearied by competing with humans – so that you can run with horses.

If we claim to be apostolic – a people sent. You must know who sends you – what your time frames are. There are twelve gates or tribes, but there one that gives lead to the others. An apostolic people must give lead to the Body of Christ. Apostolic people are First in time rank and place. But how can the blind lead the blind. Or if in the world of the blind, the one eyed man is king.

Matthew 15:14

“Let them alone. They are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind leads the blind, both will fall into a ditch.”

Matthew 23:16-26

Woe to you, **blind guides**, who say, ‘Whoever swears by the temple, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gold of the temple, he is obliged *to perform it.*’¹⁷“**Fools and blind!** For which is greater, the gold or the temple that sanctifies the gold?¹⁸“And, ‘Whoever swears by the altar, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gift that is on it, he is obliged *to perform it.*’¹⁹“**Fools and blind!** For which is greater, the gift or the altar that sanctifies the gift?²⁰“Therefore he who swears by the altar, swears by it and by all things on it.²¹“He who swears by the temple, swears by it and by Him who dwells in it.²²“And he who swears by heaven, swears by the throne of God and by Him who sits on it.²³“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, **hypocrites!** For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier *matters* of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.²⁴“**Blind guides**, who strain out a gnat and swallow a camel!²⁵“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, **hypocrites!** For you cleanse the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of extortion and self-indulgence.²⁶“Blind Pharisee, first cleanse the inside of the cup and dish, that the outside of them may be clean also.

V19 ‘fools and blind’ (BLIND = FOOLS = HYPOCRITES = PHARISAIC)

Fool = a brain the size of a peanut – no spiritual comprehension or spiritual IQ. Judas sat under Jesus’ apostolic ministry and still sold Him because he could not perceive. (cf. Annanias and Sapphira)

Jesus’ forensic audit of the church in his day → Hypocrites = acting out a part

Strain a gnat (mosquito) – but you swallow a camel (filthy in Judaism)

V.26 BLIND Pharisees....

John 9:39

And Jesus said, “**For judgment** I have come into this world, that those **who do not see may see, and that Those who see may be made blind.**”

Luke 4:18-19

And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:¹⁸“The **Spirit of the LORD is upon Me**, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to *the* poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to *the* captives **And recovery of sight to the blind**, To set at liberty those who are oppressed;¹⁹To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD.”

.... Recovery of sight to the blind

Signs and wonders exist on two levels : natural miracles and spiritual miracles – healing blindness

Deut 27:18 Those that lead the blind astray are cursed.

¹⁸“**Cursed** *is* the one who makes the **blind to wander off the road.**”

Leviticus 19:14

‘You shall not curse the deaf, **nor put a stumbling block before the blind**, but shall fear your God: I *am* the LORD.

Do not put a stumbling block in way of the blind. Do not make a mistake in this season. One mistake can take you around the mountain another 30 years. Do not be partying in the spirit, when the whole earth is presently in eruptions groaning in birth pangs (tsunamis, hurricanes, etc.) To lead a congregation astray is sorcery

Ephesians 1:17-19 Eyes of your understanding being enlightened.

¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you **the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him**, **the eyes of your understanding being enlightened**; that you may **know** what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what *is* the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power

Isaiah 29:18

In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book, And the **eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity** and out of darkness.

The eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity and out of darkness

Isaiah 42:1-25

‘Behold! My Servant whom I uphold, My Elect One *in whom* My soul delights! I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles.²He will not cry out, nor raise *His voice*, Nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. ³A bruised reed He will not break, And smoking flax He will not quench; He will bring forth justice for truth.⁴He will not fail nor be discouraged, Till He has established justice in the earth; And the coastlands shall wait for His law.’⁵Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, And spirit to those who walk on it:⁶‘I, the LORD, have called You in righteousness, And will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, As a light to the Gentiles,⁷To open blind eyes, To bring out prisoners from the prison, Those who sit in darkness from the prison house. ⁸I *am* the LORD, that *is* My name; And My glory I will not give to another, Nor My praise to carved images.⁹Behold, the former things have come to pass, And new things I declare; Before they spring forth I tell you of them.’¹⁰Sing to the LORD a new song, *And His praise* from the ends of the earth, You who go down to the sea, and all that is in it, You coastlands and you inhabitants of them!¹¹Let the wilderness and its cities lift up *their voice*, The villages *that* Kedar inhabits. the inhabitants of Sela sing, Let them shout from the top of the mountains.¹²Let them give glory to the LORD, And declare His praise in the coastlands.¹³The LORD shall go forth like a mighty man; He shall stir up *His zeal* like a man of war. He shall cry out, yes, shout aloud; He shall prevail against His enemies.¹⁴‘I have held My peace a long time, I have been still and restrained Myself. *Now* I will cry like a woman in labor, I will pant and gasp at once.¹⁵I will lay waste the mountains and hills, And dry up all their vegetation; I will make the rivers coastlands, And I will dry up the pools.¹⁶**I will bring the blind by a way they did not know; I will lead them in paths they have not known. I will make darkness light before them, And crooked places straight. These things I will do for them, And not forsake them.**¹⁷They shall be turned back, They shall be greatly ashamed, Who trust in carved images, Who say to the molded images, ‘You *are* our gods.’¹⁸‘Hear, you deaf; **And look, you blind, that you may see.**¹⁹**Who is blind but My servant, Or deaf as My messenger whom I send? Who is blind as he who is perfect, And blind as the LORD’s servant?**²⁰**Seeing many things, but you do not observe**; Opening the ears, but he does not hear.’²¹The LORD is well pleased for His righteousness’ sake; He will exalt the law and make *it* honorable.²²But *this is* a people robbed and plundered; All of them are snared in holes, And they are hidden in prison houses; They are for prey, and no one delivers; They plunder, and no one says, ‘Restore!’²³Who among you will give ear to this? *Who* will listen and hear for the time to come? ²⁴Who gave Jacob for plunder, and Israel to the robbers? Was it not the LORD, He against whom we have sinned? For they would not walk in His ways, Nor were they obedient to His law.²⁵Therefore He has poured on him the fury of His anger And the strength of battle; It has set him on fire all around, Yet he did not know; And it burned him, Yet he did not take *it* to heart.

V7. To open the blind eyes

V. 16 bring the blind by a way they knew not

v.19 Who is blind but my servant – my messenger is deaf – who is blind – he that is perfect

We all need greater sight – **but we have to become blind to the natural to see further.** Do not use your reason for seeing into the realm of the eternal. There are hidden places in the spirit still to be discovered.

We have to bring the LIGHT to the world. God bounces the light through us. There is pattern and process in God to shine out the light. We are not simply the light of the world – generally the church is in darkness. **Pray for open sight.**

SESSION 2 : PROPHETIC SIGHT (Part 2)

Thamo Naidoo

Only appoint people who have your seed. Do not go with reasoning or giftedness, Any two seeds in one church produces division.

Breakthrough the mentality that keeps you in blindness. Do not say 'amen' to the wrong things. Breakthrough the cataracs over your eyes. Perceive what you are hearing. See what you hear. (Habb. 2:1): 'I will watch to see what he will say to me'.

See the approach of Jesus in dealing with the Church. The state of your eyes determines the stance and strength of your feet. Your positional stance in God is determined by your ability to see./ If you have weak sight, your walk will be weak.

Walking in exactness is dependant on your sight.

Revelations 2:18

“And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write, ‘These things says the Son of God, who has **eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass**”

His eyes are like a flame of fire. See beyond the natural – increased levels of discernment – beyond the natural. Jesus said to Nathaniel 'I saw you under the tree' – I saw you before I met you. Sharpen your sight and make less mistakes in the ministry. Be so full of light that darkness will have to be exposed. Bank tellers are never taught to recognise a counterfeit note, they are trained in recognising and feeling the pure.

Matthew 6:22

“The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good, your **whole body will be full of light**.

Lamp of the body is the eye. If your eye is good your body is full of light. If eye is bad your body is full of darkness

Luke 11:33-36

³³“No one, when he has lit a lamp, puts *it* in a secret place or under a basket, but on a lampstand, that those who come in may see the light. ³⁴“**The lamp of the body is the eye.** Therefore, when your eye is good, your whole body also is full of light. But when *your eye* is bad, your body also *is* full of darkness. ³⁵“**Therefore take heed that the light which is in you is not darkness.** ³⁶“If then **your whole body is full of light, having no part dark, the whole body will be full of light,** as when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light.”

Way to receive illumination is through the medium of the eye. Keep your eye good. What is the lamp – the eye. The rest of the body is the lampstand. How much time to spend thinking about negative issues or needs ?– your eye is in darkness in these times. Train yourself to only see the light. Pick light and see the light – Col.3:2 Set your affections on things above. Think of things that are pure and lovely, honest and good report. This the only dimension or realm we are supposed to see into.

Matthew 7:1-6

“Judge not, that you be not judged. ²“For with what **judgment you judge**, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. ³“And why do you look **at the speck in your brother’s eye**, but do not **consider the plank in your own eye**? ⁴“Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me remove the speck from your eye’; and look, a plank *is* in your own eye? ⁵“**Hypocrite! First remove the plank from your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.** ⁶“Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces.

Hypocrite has always got to do with blindness. Pray for eyes without prejudice. Prejudice blocks what you can see into the eternal realm. Do not become culturally biased. Blindness can be in the house even though zeal is in the heart. Do not have eyes that are prejudiced. Preservation of culture is premised on the belief that it is a superior culture. Do let the plank in your eye measure and judge everyone else’s speck in their eyes. See the plank of prejudice in your eye, before you see the speck in others. Break all prejudice. Greatest form of prejudice is division – where there is division, there is some form of prejudice.

What is blindness?

Intellectual and moral darkness ; the dulling of the intellect and spiritual perception; the hardness of the skin that becomes like a stone; a covering, like a callous, a wart ; comes over the eye of the spirit;

Blindness is directly associated with the heart.

1 John 2:11

But he who **hates his brother is in darkness** and **walks in darkness**, and **does not know where he is going**, because the **darkness has blinded his eyes**.

If you hate your brother you walk in darkness and do not know where you’re going.

Have no enemies but the devil. Love everyone, even your enemies

Genesis 3:1-11

¹Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, “Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?’” ²And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; ³“but of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’” ⁴Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. ⁵“For God knows that in the day you eat of it **your eyes will be opened**, and you will be like God, **knowing good and evil.**” ⁶So when the woman **saw** that the tree *was* good for food, that it *was* **pleasant to the eyes**, and a tree desirable to make *one* wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the **eyes of both of them were opened**, and **they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.** ⁸And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife **hid themselves** from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

⁹Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, “Where *are* you?” ¹⁰So he said, “I heard Your voice in the garden, and **I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.**” ¹¹And He said, “**Who told you** that you *were* naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?”

Man was not permitted to see into a certain dimension. Satan said that when they eat, their eyes will be opened. This implies their eyes were shut to a certain realm. How do we shut our eyes to the realm to which it opened up at the fall.

Power of reasoning ---- word for 'good' (**towb**) has reference to practical and material goodness. But the word for evil = 'ra' = inability to come up to good standards, negative attitudes towards God and people. The moment Adam/Eve's eyes were opened they operated in a realm mixed with practical goodness vs. practical evil – you will have to judge – but it will be the plank vs. the speck. Hence you must be blind to a certain realm to see into the eternal realm. Jesus in the beatitudes called the Pharisees 'blind guides' – cursed . As a leader ,you own eyes must not become prejudiced – else you will lead others in the same prejudice – blind leading the blind.

Jesus healed a man from blindness to use him as a model or case study of blindness.

John 9:1-5

¹Now as *Jesus* passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. ²And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. ⁴"**I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.** ⁵"**As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.**"

7 miracles recorded in the gospel of John. John was writing to Gnostics who acquire knowledge through reasoning – intellectual perception. 1+1= 2 in the natural but not necessarily in the spirit.

John is challenging natural enlightenment. Peter knew that Jesus is the Son of God by revelation, not intellect

Water into wine = water in your pot must become wine – revelation

Word for sin here = missing the mark – missing the point of exactness – in essence, not seeing.

Why talk about works when a man is blind? I must work the works of him who sent me. If you are sent then you work in the day. Day speaks of the illumination of light/day. Apostolic work is associated with day and night. As long as we are in the world we are the light of the world. **If my eye can see, then my body is in light, then I will be living in the day, and only in the day I will be able to do apostolic work.**

Then Jesus puts mud (clay and saliva) on his eye. Live in the day of your life. Learn how to shut your eyes of clay before you see in the spiritual. Clay and saliva speak of the works of man.

Cf. Saul of Tarsus. If you blind, you will persecute the things you are supposed to be protecting. Saul has to be blinded by the light to see into the light. Darkness cannot blind you, but only light.

Acts 9:1-18

¹Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³As he journeyed he came near Damascus, **and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven.** ⁴**Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice** saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It *is* hard for you to kick against the goads." ⁶So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord *said* to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." ⁷And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no one. ⁸**Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one.** But they led him by the hand and brought *him* into Damascus. ⁹And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹So the Lord *said* to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for *one* called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. ¹²"And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting *his* hand on him, so that he might receive his sight." ¹³Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. ¹⁴"And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. ¹⁶"For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake." ¹⁷And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying

his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.”¹⁸ Immediately there fell from his eyes *something* like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized.¹⁹ So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

Saul has an encounter with light on a spiritual mission. He falls to the ground = total surrender – breaking pride.

The only way you will prophesy right is when you cannot see your sons in the natural (cf. Jacob). **Saul could not see any one around him. As long as you can see someone else in your life, you are still blind.** What or who is your biggest thought. Who is making you blind? Have singleness of sight. You will sleep easier. As you mature, you actually stop seeing certain things around you. Even the biggest devil becomes a little ant in front of you. Someone can curse, you may not even notice it.

Adam and Eve never knew the devil existed – or the realm of darkness – or the rebellion in heaven. – they only knew the light realm. The realm of darkness is miniscule in relation to the magnitude of the eternal light realm. Light is always greater than darkness. A small candle dispels even the greatest darkness. To see Jesus, you have to blind to the natural. Two men on the Emmaus road did not see Jesus in the natural – their spiritual eyes were opened. Apostolic ways is to get back to a heavenly dimension. You cannot know Jesus in the flesh. When their eyes were opened, Jesus vanished from their midst and they only knew Him in His post-resurrected form. Flesh and blood cannot reveal heavenly dimensions to you.

The corporate Church should be the light of the world. Put clay over your eyes. Your apostolic mandate is locked up to your sight. Enoch, 7 generations from Adam, sees into the future. Enoch walked in compliance to a heavenly order. Allow an eternal dimension to inform your prophetic dimension. Noah completed the boat then the flood came. No concept of rain, water (mist covered the earth) . Noah lived in another world – his concept – **he was building the future NOW.** For you to see into the eternal and prophetic destiny of Heb.11, you have to die to the natural. Abraham looked for a city whose builder and maker is God. ‘Count’ the stars = count the narration of the stars - stars were given for times and seasons (like the wise men followed the star) Ps 19 – the heavens tells of the glory of God. Night and day they utter. He could have only counted about 3000 stars. Now Abraham’s sons, i.e. you and I, are now telling of the glory of the Lord.

BACK TO JOHN 9

¹Now as *Jesus* passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. ²And His disciples asked Him, saying, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” ³Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. ⁴“**I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.** ⁵“**As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.**” ⁶When He had said these things, **He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay.** ⁷And He said to him, “**Go, wash in the pool of Siloam**” (which is translated, **Sent**). So he went and washed, **and came back seeing.** ⁸Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, “Is not this he **who sat and begged?**” ⁹Some said, “This is he.” Others *said*, “He is like him.” He said, “I am *he*.” ¹⁰Therefore they said to him, “**How were your eyes opened?**” ¹¹He answered and said, “A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.’ **So I went and washed, and I received sight.**” ¹²Then they said to him, “Where is He?” He said, “I do not know.”

¹³They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. ¹⁴Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.” ¹⁶Therefore some of the Pharisees said, “This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath.” Others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” And there was a division among them. ¹⁷They said to the blind man again, “**What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?**” He said, “**He is a prophet.**” ¹⁸But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. ¹⁹And they asked them, saying, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” ²⁰His parents answered them and said, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; ²¹“but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself.” ²²His parents said these *things* because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed *that He was Christ*, he would be put out of the synagogue. ²³Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.” ²⁴So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, “Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner.” ²⁵He answered and said, “Whether He is a sinner *or not* I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see.” ²⁶Then they said to him again, “What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?” ²⁷He answered them, “I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear *it* again? Do you also want to become His disciples?” ²⁸Then they reviled him and said, “You are His disciple, but we are Moses’ disciples. ²⁹“We know that God spoke to Moses; *as for this fellow*, we do not know where He is from.” ³⁰The man answered and said to them, “Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! ³¹“Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. ³²“Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. ³³“If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing.” ³⁴They answered and said to him, “You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?” And they cast him out.

³⁵Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, “Do you believe in the Son of God?” ³⁶He answered and said, “Who is He, **Lord, that I may believe in Him?**” ³⁷And Jesus said to him, “You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you.” ³⁸Then he said, “Lord, I believe!” And he worshiped Him. ³⁹And Jesus said, “For judgment I have come into this world, that those who do not see may see, and that those who see may be made blind.” ⁴⁰Then *some* of the Pharisees who were with Him heard these words, and said to Him, “Are we blind also?” ⁴¹Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you say, ‘We see.’ Therefore your sin remains.

Go wash in the pool of **Siloam which means ‘sent’**. How **is your blindness to the spiritual realm healed?** Go to the pool of Siloam. Background to Siloam : Hezekiah – Assyrian army laid siege to Jerusalem . Jerusalem is built on Mount Zion, the habitation of God. **Salem ‘ = the place of peace** – in all dimensions of life. ‘**JERU**’ a prefix for God’s name. Jerusalem = God ruling in peace over Zion.

Hezekiah tunnels a hole into the Mountain to strike water. Zion is a position in the spirit – the epicentre from which God governs all things. The water flows into a pool from which people drink. Water is symbolic of the word. Water becomes wine logos becomes rhema. Water is flowing from the epicentre of God’s governance.

Washed = pipto = implies a continuous washing from the revelation flowing from the throne of God.

Therefore continuously wash yourself in apostolic doctrine continuously. – then you become a sent one. The city can be laid in siege, but you personally will never be besieged.

Some are stagnating in the truth but others are fermenting in the truth – become mature in the truth by washing continuously.

v.8 he used to beg; v.12 he did not know Jesus completely. He had sight – he needed progressive sight.

Note his confession – it progressively unfolds - from a prophet to the Son of God.

Those who say I SEE are living in sin. When you start to compare yourself of seeing good and evil – you are in sin. When you are only seeing in the light dimension – you are free from sin.

The interplay between the natural and the spiritual.

2 Corinthians 4

¹Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart. ²But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience **in the sight of God**. ³But even if our gospel is veiled, it is **veiled** to those who are perishing, ⁴whose minds the god of this age **has blinded**, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. ⁵For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who **commanded light to shine out of darkness**, who has **shone in our hearts to give** the light of the knowledge of the **glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ**.

⁷But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. ⁸*We are* hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; *we are* perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed— ¹⁰always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. ¹¹For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, **that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh**. ¹²So then death is working in us, but life in you. ¹³And since we have the **same spirit of faith**, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak, ¹⁴knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present *us* with you. ¹⁵For all things *are* for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

¹⁶Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward *man* is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory, ¹⁸**while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal**.

Light = phos = luminary that cannot be quenched or killed off. Light shines in our hearts. Then the world comes into an illuminated position. Lights transmit the light of the glory of God through the face of Jesus Christ. Our face should reflect Christ – then people see the glory of God.

Heart = the mind; thoughts, reckonings, judgement, designs, affections, that which you hate or love, fears, joys, sorrows or anger, conscience, etc.

Satan blinds the mind of people not to see the light. From the heart, light will shine revealing the glory of God

Verse 6 – light = photimos = enlightenment = revelation = illumination going forth from something.

(Eph 1: eyes being enlightenend) = light proceeding from something – light proceeds from the heart – affections, conscience, etc. We have this treasure in earthen vessels. In OT to get light you have to break the jar. Create the conditions for God to break through into your existence .

As an earthen vessel I have inherent power and life (zoe) in me - this power must shine forth in your hearts – The clay has to be constantly broken (clay jar) to reveal the light. Different dualisms are used : light communicated through the darkness of our lives – perplexity, affliction, etc. **Confront and deal with the things that are designed to reveal the light.** Sickness produces light. Financial problems must produce the life and light of God in you. Immortality confronts our mortality. Affliction, persecution is a wonderful opportunity to declare that you do not live in the natural but in the eternal. Immortality is already resident within us. Mortality will not block out the light anymore. In trials, look at the temporal but operate in eternal. Move into the eternal zone where nothing in you can be crushed anymore – because you have been crushed so

much and everything within you is only light. Face your temporal problems – live by the greater eternal realm. Judging angels is one part of it. When angels worship, they cover their faces, but we will see him face to face.

Greatest form of spiritual warfare is to ignore your enemy. At the Cross, He forgot himself and thought of everyone else around him – do the same as Jesus did.

v.18 temporal = proskairos = a seasonal experience ; present trials are seasonal – approx. 70-80 years – in comparison to eternity. In the eternal zone, there are no boundaries. Bless when you are cursed, love when you are hated, etc.

The erosion of our mortal beings is only giving an opportunity to express our eternity. No man is your obstacle but your opportunity to manifest the glory of God.

2 Cor 5

For we know that if our earthly house, *this* tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, ³if indeed, **having been clothed, we shall not be found naked.** ⁴For we who are in *this* tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, **but further clothed**, that mortality may be swallowed up by life. ⁵Now He who has prepared us for this very thing *is* God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶So *we are* always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. ⁷**For we walk by faith, not by sight.** ⁸We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

⁹Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him.

2 Cor 5 moves to the heavens

We shall not be found naked; naked = naked of spiritual covering – the level of spiritual glory is that which covers you. You cannot appear naked.

Heavenly places (plural) – various places. Present sufferings are a opportunity to be clothed by glory – or the next realm of glory.

v.5. Arabon = guarantee = a payment now for a bargain (us) bought

Walk by faith and not by sight

Leah = weary = troubled, perplexed Gen 28:17-18

Leah had tender eyes, weak eyes no children, eyes full of water ; her troubles produced tears. When she saw the future she named her sons, Leah was laid to rest next to her husband, Rachel was buried on the side of the road near Bethel. Rachel named Benoni – he was renamed Benjamin – son of my right hand – she could not accurately name that which God was about to reveal in the future. Leah called into being Judah – we are still walking in the Judah technology today.

Prophetic Picture by Thamo

Enveloped with LIGHT ;clothed with light; angels with drawn swords protecting us just like the angels protected the tree of life in the garden.

Heat comes in to touch our ears to receive the word, Eyes are opened; the mute speak; Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings –

Spirit of Paul and Silas comes upon us and causes us to break out from confined places

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(In this note , Mel = Melchisideck and AB =Abraham)

A focus on Melchisedeck

Zech. 3:1-8

¹Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him. ²And the LORD said to Satan, “The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! *Is this not a brand plucked from the fire?*” ³Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and was standing before the Angel. ⁴Then He answered and spoke to those who stood before Him, saying, “Take away the filthy garments from him.” And to him He said, “See, I have removed your iniquity from you, and I will clothe you with rich robes.” ⁵And I said, “Let them put a clean turban on his head.” So they put a clean turban on his head, and they put the clothes on him. And the Angel of the LORD stood by.

⁶Then the Angel of the LORD admonished Joshua, saying, ⁷“Thus says the LORD of hosts: ‘If you will walk in My ways, And if you will keep My command, Then you shall also judge My house, And likewise have charge of My courts; I will give you places to walk Among these who stand here.’” ⁸“Hear, O Joshua, the high priest, You and your companions who sit before you, **For they are a wondrous sign (symbolic of things to come)**; For behold, I am bringing forth My Servant the BRANCH

Evil does not need to exist for satan to present himself. Satan appears in God’s presence. Joshua is a representation of God’s order. A change in the garments = a change of the order. The office is the same but the order is changed. A changing of robes and the coming forth of the branch is inseparable.

V.6. you will govern my house – a prophetic picture of what is to happen. V.8 you are symbolic of things too come – a prophetic dimension – a wondrous sign. Then the branch – the Servant is mentioned coming forth. The branch is a Messianic

Isaiah 11:1

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a **Branch shall grow out of his roots.**

Melchi = king ; chisideck = righteousness ; the realm over which he governs is righteousness

2 Pet. 3 new heaven earth = righteousness

The world understands greatness only in terms of ability or performance.

A shoot will come from the stump of Jesse. Also a branch. **Branch refers to the governmental order and power of God in the earth.** On HIM will rest the spirit of wisdom.

‘him’ = a corporate understanding. Greatness is connected with **‘fullness’**.

Zechariah 6:9

Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying: ¹⁰“Receive *the gift* from the captives—from Heldai, Tobijah, and Jedaiah, who have come from Babylon—and go the same day and enter the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah. ¹¹“Take the silver and gold, make an elaborate crown, and set *it* on the head of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest. ¹²“Then speak to him, saying, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, saying:

“Behold, the Man whose name *is* **the BRANCH!** **From His place He shall branch out,** And He shall **build the temple of the LORD;** ¹³**Yes, He shall build the temple of the LORD. He shall bear the glory, And shall sit and rule on His throne; So He shall be a priest on His throne, And the counsel of peace shall be between them both.**

There is a divine representation: the head is in the heavens; his body (we) are in the earth; He rep us in heaven before God; we rep him on earth before men. We are that branch coming forth in the earth.

When the branch is revealed, what are the benefits come into play ?

1. Activation of the coming forth of the branch company
2. Strong emphasis of the building of the house
3. Bearing the glory of the Lord
4. A new level of priesthood

Genesis 14:18-24

¹⁸Then Melchizedek king of Salem **brought out bread and wine**; he *was* the priest of God Most High. ¹⁹And he blessed him and said: “**Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth;** ²⁰And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.” And he gave him a tithe of all. ¹Now the king of Sodom said to Abram, “Give me the persons, and take the goods for yourself.” ²²But Abram said to the king of Sodom, “**I have raised my hand to the LORD, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth,** ²³“that I *will take* nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that *is* yours, lest you should say, ‘I have made Abram rich’— ²⁴“except only what the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men who went with me: Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion.”

What are the conditions surrounding Mel's appearance on the earth. Throughout the scripture, he appears and reappears about three times : here, in the Psalms and in Hebrews.

Some say Mel was a Christophany, some the son of Shem, son of a Canaan priest ...

Isaiah 51:1-2

“Listen to Me, you **who follow after righteousness,** You who seek the LORD: Look to **the rock from which you were hewn,** And to the hole of the pit *from which* you were dug. ²**Look to Abraham** your father, **And to Sarah** who bore you; For **I called him alone,** And **blessed him and increased him.**”

Looking to the rock from which you were hewn = looking to Abraham . Contexts was Babylonian captivity. Greatness was lost; Now the command is to look at Abraham's life in order to step back into the life of greatness that was Abraham believed God = accredited to him as righteousness. To the Jews, Abraham was the icon of their faith. Mel was greater than AB. Mel blessed Abraham. Heb 7 – the lesser was blessed by the greater. When Mel blessed Abraham, he brought him into a position of bended knee. We were all in the loins of Abraham when he bended the knee. We need to come into greatness of Abraham and Mel. True biblical faith is not primarily to get things, but to see things to step into another. Faith is to reconnect to something beyond the natural.

Hebrews 7 Jesus = a priest after the order of Melchisdeck. Levitical order was established in the natural. A priest had to prove that he was of line of Levi to function as a priest. Mel – no record of geneology – no birth yet he functions as a priest.

Genesis 14:1-12

¹And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations, ²that they made war with Bera king of Sodom, Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (that is, Zoar). ³All these joined together in the Valley of Siddim (that is, the Salt Sea). **Twelve years they served** Chedorlaomer, and in the **thirteenth year they rebelled**.

⁵In the fourteenth year Chedorlaomer and the kings that *were* with him came and attacked the Rephaim in Ashteroth Karnaim, the Zuzim in Ham, the Emim in Shaveh Kiriathaim, ⁶and the Horites in their mountain of Seir, as far as El Paran, which *is* by the wilderness. ⁷Then they turned back and came to En Mishpat (that is, Kadesh), and attacked all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites who dwelt in Hazezon Tamar.

⁸And the king of Sodom, the king of Gomorrah, the king of Admah, the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (that is, Zoar) went out and joined together in battle in the Valley of Siddim ⁹against Chedorlaomer king of Elam, Tidal king of nations, Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar—**four kings against five**.

¹⁰Now the Valley of Siddim *was full of* asphalt pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled; *some* fell there, and the remainder fled to the mountains. ¹¹Then **they took all the goods of** Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their provisions, and went their way. ¹²**They also took Lot**, Abram's brother's son who dwelt in Sodom, and **his goods**, and departed.

Context: a war between kings (4 kings vs. 5 kings). Lot (representative of the church) positioned inaccurately in the season of change. Finds himself in the plains of Sodom where this great battle is taking place. Abraham goes to fight to rescue Lot.

What are conditions under which Mel appears on the scene ?

1. A heightened degree of demonic warfare

You must be positioned correctly within the context warfare. Kings represent demonic forces.

2. The great struggle of nations breaking away from those subjecting them

A break away from servitude

3. A struggle for liberation from Babylonian

'Shinar' (Gen.14;1) ancient word for Babylonian (Genesis 11:2). When the people stop journeying, babylonianian structure are built. Do not settle at your previous accomplishments. Demonic realm seeks a gate in the world through which it penetrates. Our lives are gates through which God can find access.

4. Men have lost their prophetic sight and hence positioned wrong in the spirit.

Lot represents that which is related to the authentic and genuine but chooses the position himself wrongly. Wants to be connected to apostolic people but stuck in an old order.

5. Brothers with insight (Abraham) must rescue those who are in trouble – even at the risk of losing their own lives.

These are true fathers. Fathering, mentoring and succession

6. Confederation and alliance for corporate purpose. Some kings come together to support Abraham.

7. The pursuit of enemies on behalf of brothers when the season changes

Genesis 14:13 : Then one who had escaped came and told **Abram the Hebrew**,

Hebrew = abar = to cross over; to transcend ;to go beyond; to go through; this ability was inherent within Abraham

Gen. 32:22 And he arose that night and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven sons, and **crossed over the ford of Jabbok**.

'Go beyond' earthly positions. 'Hebrew – Abar' also means **'to go through' – to reposition.** He knew how to **translocate** himself in the spirit.

Abraham was a chaldean. To be a Hebrew is to be just like Abraham.

Galatians 3:16

Now to Abraham and **his Seed** were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to **your Seed,**" **who is Christ.**

Galatians 3:29

²⁹And if **you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed,** and heirs according to the promise.

We are the seed of Abraham

The blessing of Mel on AB was a transfer of everything that is in Mel is now given to AB and therefore to us.

Hebrews 7: Everytime you read AB here see yourself.

Mel was **'without descent' = agenealogetos** 'a' = 'alpha' = **the negative. There cannot be the negation of a thing, unless the thing exists in the positive.**

Mel did however have descent, yet not from an earthly source. Priestly order of Mel was not prescribed by a law. God makes an oath. His descent is not traced backed to an earthly source, but a heavenly source – an oath by which God swore in Himself. Our descent therefore must be traced in the flesh, but in the oath by God. **God negates our earthly dimension and establishes the order from which we must operate from – a heavenly realm.**

Jesus is the alpha and omega . He rescinds and cancels our old and natural order of existence. Operate from the power of an endless life, according to the Mel order. You are connected to a life source that is beyond the natural.

Psalm 110:4

The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."²The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies! ³Your people *shall be* volunteers In the day of Your power; In the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning, You have the dew of Your youth. The LORD has sworn And will not relent, "**You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.**"

Sit at my right hand = coming into rest.

Rev.1,2,3 Jesus standing in the midst of the golden candlestick. In Moses tabernacle candlesticks exist in the Holy Place –n second dimension. Rev. 4 a door = a veil opened = a realm opened to you. **The throne room dimension. Know and see Jesus in his heavenly dimension, not primarily in his church dimension.** Earth must not primarily be you dimension. Ab paid tithes to Mel – he locked into the dimension from which finances and blesses him, and afterwards refused to be 'blessed' by earthly kings. **Become a possessor of heaven and earth – touch two realms – heaven and earth.** Mel represented AB's storehouse

Logos = hidden intelligence of God; have a look into the inner substance of the Son – you find word erupting from the heart of the father. We are that priesthood that project the Word.

Mel – **one of the words connected with him is LIFE. Mel is a priesthood unto LIFE.** In this study, a theory will be presented – think and study this for yourself.

John 6:33 Jesus said, ‘Unless you eat the flesh of the Son and drink his blood you have no life within you’. You must participate of the life of Jesus. An aspect of this life is His word. Know the truth and be set free. Only truth you know and apply will set you free.

Life = zoe = the very life of God. You must assimilate His body and his blood. Mel presented AB with bread and wine. Jesus did the same to his disciples on the night he was betrayed. He was declaring the fulfilment of the MEL order within him. Then his disciples and hence also we now access this dimension through partaking of his body and blood. Whatever MEL was to AB, Jesus is to us.

Hebrews 7:

¹For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, ²to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all, first being translated “king of righteousness,” and then also king of Salem, meaning “king of peace,” ³without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually. ⁴Now consider how great this man *was*, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils. ⁵And indeed those who are of the sons of Levi, who receive the priesthood, have a commandment to receive tithes from the people according to the law, that is, from their brethren, though they have come from the loins of Abraham; ⁶but he whose genealogy is not derived from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises. ⁷Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better. ⁸Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he *receives them*, of whom it is witnessed that he lives. ⁹Even Levi, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, so to speak, ¹⁰**for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him.**

¹¹Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need *was there* that another priest should rise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron? ¹²**For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law.** ¹³For He of whom these things are spoken belongs to another tribe, from which no man has officiated at the altar.

¹⁴For *it is* evident that our Lord arose from Judah, of which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood. ¹⁵And it is yet far more evident if, in the likeness of Melchizedek, there arises another priest ¹⁶who has come, **not according to the law of a fleshly commandment, but according to the power of an endless life.** ¹⁷For He testifies: “You *are* a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.”

¹⁸For on the one hand there is an annulling of the former commandment because of its weakness and unprofitableness, ¹⁹for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand, *there is the* bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.

²⁰And inasmuch as *He was* not *made priest* without an oath ²¹**(for they have become priests without an oath, but He with an oath by Him who said to Him: “The LORD has sworn And will not relent, ‘You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek’ ”)**,

²²by so much more Jesus has become a surety of a better covenant. ²³Also there were many priests, because they were prevented by death from continuing. ²⁴But He, because He continues forever, **has an unchangeable priesthood.** ²⁵Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always **lives to make intercession for them.** ²⁶For such a High Priest was fitting for us, *who is* holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and **has become higher than the heavens;** ²⁷who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people’s, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, **appoints the Son who has been perfected forever.**

Verse 10 :Principle of divine representation : God works through one as representing all : eg. in Christ we all die. The objective facts of whatever Jesus did must be subjectively and actively appropriated by us. The Son is nor more, but the Spirit. The heavenly dimension is in rest. Everything to be done in the earth must be done in and through His Body, the Church. **Everything has been done, but we now have to appropriate everything that has been done through our yieldedness to God.**

Verse12: The law governed divine interaction in the Levitical (Aaronic) priesthood. The law revealed sin. Christ nailed all these laws to the cross. In NT the laws is written in the heart and the mind as apposed to the OT written on two tablets of stone.

Verse 13 : the law was a school master pointing us to Christ. Christ fulfilled the law. AB lived outside of the law. Before anything was written AB kept the 'law' in his heart.

Verse16: MEL order is not based on prohibitions and laws, but according to eternal principles of 'an endless life'

Verse 20 'forever' = eistaion
 = eis = having relevance to
 = ain = a specific period of time , culmination of time
 = you are involved in a specific order of priesthood that lives in the zone of 'forever' – able to operate in both earth and heavenly dimensions

Ascending and descending between these two realms. We are this priesthood that must model this. God wants this for us NOW. We are living into a NOW dispensation. Watch your company. Be friendly with everybody, but be friends with a few – have a few friends.

Hebrews 5:8

Though He was a Son, *yet* He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. ⁹And having been perfected, He became the **author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him**, ¹⁰called by God as High Priest “according to the **order of Melchizedek,**” ¹¹**of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.**

¹²For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need *someone* to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. ¹³For everyone who partakes *only* of milk is **unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.** ¹⁴But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, *that is*, those who by reason of use have their **senses exercised to discern both good and evil.**

At his baptism there was a verbal blessing confirming his sonship. The Son was given, the child was born. You can only be given as a son. You can only be set apart into service as a son – and also into this dimension of existence. Only a mature group can access the mystery of the Mel order.

Babe = nepeos = an infant = unskilful in the word of righteousness = inexperienced. The MEL order is a WORD order. There must be a man in the earth that is a WORD man – walks and exemplifies everything that Jesus represents. **'senses'= faculty of the mind for judging.** Get your soul in line with your spirit, which is already seated in the heavens.

BACK to 'forever' = eistaion

Hebrews 9:1-8

¹Then indeed, even the first *covenant* had ordinances of divine service and the earthly sanctuary. ²For a tabernacle was prepared: the first *part*, in which *was* the lampstand, the table, and the showbread, which is called the sanctuary; ³and behind the second veil, the part of the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of All, ⁴which had the golden censer and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which *were* the golden pot that had the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; ⁵and above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. ⁶Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing *the services*. ⁷But into the second part the high priest *went* alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and *for* the people's sins *committed* in ignorance; ⁸**the Holy Spirit indicating this, that the way into the Holiest of All was not yet made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing.**

As long as the first tabernacle stands, all that is in the new tabernacle cannot be released. Church at present – so long as it persists, we will never release the MEL order.

The **TREE OF LIFE** in the garden is a representation of the MEL order.

Gene 2:8,9,15

⁸The LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed. ⁹And out of the ground the LORD God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life *was* also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. ⁵Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; ¹⁷"but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Gen.3:22

²Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like **one of Us, to know good and evil**. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of **the tree of life, and eat, and live forever**"

Tree of Life – some believe this is Jesus. They partook from the tree of Knowledge of good and evil. The tree of life would have transmitted the divine life of God to man to be able to dominate, subdue and replenish – fulfilling his divine assignment.

God found in AB , a man that will fulfill everything in God's heart. Based on AB's interaction with MEL – emblems of bread and wine were present. Everything was hinging on the obedience of Abraham. God worked with AB outside of Law. (430 years before the law). The church, now connected to AB can through Christ, enact and demonstrate the MEL order.

Malachi 2:14-15

Yet you say, "For what reason?" Because the LORD has been witness Between you and the wife of your youth, With whom you have dealt treacherously; Yet she is your companion And your wife by covenant. ¹⁵But did He not make *them* one, Having a remnant of the Spirit? And why one? **He seeks godly offspring.**

God always sought for 'godly offspring' – to catch and represent all that he has planned. AB was tested to the core – After his obedience in willing to offer up Isaac, Gods said, 'NOW I know' See Gen 22/23.

Jesus in instituting the 'table of the Lord' brought all that God has designed for man in that act – we participate in covenant promises of rulership and being blessed and of being a blessing to the nations – of bringing the nations to a position of 'bended knee'. – Adam was to dominate the EARTH – nations. Jesus said to go into all nations to preach, teach, baptize, - go and bring the nations to a place of bended knee – baptize their mentalities

Jesus said, 'All authority in heaven and earth is given to me', therefore go. – MEL said this to AB concerning God that He is the 'possessor of heaven and earth' – Gen 14:19

Scriptures says of Jesus : 'In **Him was life and this life was the light of men**'

SESSION 6 : HEBRON (Part 1)

Thamo Naidoo

The journey of the Church in the apostolic season. We are on a journey; we are on a pilgrimage. We called 'people of the way'. We are a timeless people. We are of the 'Ancient of days'. Ancient = outside of time .

Gen.12 Abraham commences his journey. His journey was prepared for him in stages – in segments. The OT has all the codes that unlock the next stage of our journey, eg. names are metaphors revealing principles; eg. places – have a gene pool of tremendous spiritual information.

Hebron is a transcendental place in the spirit. Have to pass through Hebron if you are to get to Zion. We all want to touch this end point – the caterpillar wants to become and butterfly. You cannot live in transition for forever. Things must finalise.

Everything spiritual must manifest in the natural. Truth must translate into a structure. Eternal truths must invade into the chronos of man. The process of evolution – God offloading from the eternal realms into our existence. You **will never touch your Zion, unless you understand the significance of Hebron**. The people that God loves are the people that love other people. God died for people. None of us has the right to place a lesser value on any human even if they are the scum of the earth.

Hebron means the following : ,

The place of joining; To unite, associate to be allied; a place of alliance; coming together into synergistic relationship, coming together into unity ; seat of alliance, etc.

At Hebron families join together under the grace of David to unite and become ' like the army of God'

At Pentecost, the period of waiting had to produce a state of one accord. There must be concord and accord

Other name for Herbon - Kira arba . relationships is the key factor testing power of the apostolic church.

AB starts his journeying if Genesis 12

Genesis 13

¹Then Abram went up from Egypt, he and his wife and all that he had, and Lot with him, to the South. ²Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver, and in gold. ³And he went on his journey from the South as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, ⁴to the place of the altar which he had made there at first. And there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

⁵Lot also, who went with Abram, had flocks and herds and tents. ⁶Now the land was not able to support them, that they might dwell together, for their possessions were so great that they could not dwell together.

⁷And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. The Canaanites and the Perizzites then dwelt in the land. ⁸So Abram said to Lot, "Please let there be no strife between you and me, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we *are* brethren. ⁹"Is not the whole land before you? Please separate from me. If *you take* the left, then I will go to the right; or, if *you go* to the right, then I will go to the left." ¹⁰And Lot lifted his eyes and saw all the plain of Jordan, that it *was* well watered everywhere (before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah) like the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt as you go toward Zoar. ¹¹Then Lot chose for himself all the plain of Jordan, and Lot journeyed east. And they separated from each other. ¹²Abram dwelt in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelt in the cities of the plain and pitched *his* tent even as far as Sodom. ¹³But the men of Sodom *were* exceedingly wicked and sinful against the LORD.

¹⁴And the LORD **said** to Abram, **after Lot had separated from him**: "Lift your eyes now and look from the place where you are—northward, southward, eastward, and westward; ¹⁵"for all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever. ¹⁶"And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if a man could number the dust of the earth, *then* your descendants also could be numbered. ¹⁷"**Arise, walk in the land through its length and its width, for I give it to you.**" ¹⁸Then Abram moved *his* tent, and went and dwelt by the **terebinth trees of Mamre**, which *are* **in Hebron**, and built an altar there to the LORD.

In your journeying towards the your destiny according to the patriarchal spirit , you must come to a place to understand relationship and breaking soul ties before you come to Hebron. Lot can rob you of your Hebron. You cannot take with you certain kinds of people which are LOT –type people. Do not just be sentimentally attached to someone. Do not drag him with you. **Mamre = tree of strength and fatness** – will not be attained with LOT in your life. Lot's heart is reflected in his decisions – he loves the **east = illuminated revelations that comes through demonic forces**.

Hebron defines relationships and soul ties are destroyed.

Jacob could not move from the household of his..... without receiving a apostolic instruction from his father forbidding him to marry a Canaanite women.(see the study).See Rebecca's weariness at the thought that her son will forfeit all the patriarchal blessing through a wrong covenant of marriage. **When you migrate, there must be new relationships; some are broken off.**

So important is Hebron, that Abraham purchased a grave/cave **called Macphela = double cave**. This would become the grave of patriarchs and matriarchs. In the highest place of relationship you bury your covenant partners – this places value of life in death – the dead laid the path that we now tread upon. A cave of **double honour = reflective of partnership** – that covenants are established even in death. Sarah was buried here, so was Abraham, Isaac, Rebecca, Jacob, and Leah (Rachel was not buried here because she was not spiritually connected to destiny). We must be faithfully connected even unto death. Be prepared to die for each other. Always remember the dead who brought you to a particular place – their contributions in developing you. Without us they are incomplete (see Hebrews).

The most important thing in this season is **people – be prepared to lay down your life for your brother or sister**.

The inheritance of Hebron was given to Caleb, from the tribe of Judah (apostolic). This place of alliance is greatest in an apostolic culture.

Hebron was one of 48 levitical cities; not only owned by the tribe of Judah. Levites had no inheritance; one of the cities given to them was Hebron, One families lived here ; Kohath = he imposed the grave of Hebron upon the physical place.

Principle of tolerance, without compromise, is crucial. Refugee cities in Israel housed murderers who committed unintentionally. Here they received immunity and protection. Hebron was such a city. You cannot just eliminate a person unless you gave them protection, a fair trial, etc... Holiness is a fundamental standard. The realm of anointings we are now accessing causes us not to have specks of sin in our lives – or else this the very means through demons take us out.

Tolerance must be restored. **Do not be indifferent to people's needs and wounds. Let LOVE predominate.** LOVE is the greatest expression of God. Absence of love nullifies the gifts and revelations. Love your neighbour as you love yourself.

Hebron must be a place of refuge.

A third son of Levi = Kohath = congregation. Kohath had a son who was named Hebron.

Levi, a third son, means attached, one flesh. Levi's grace is **to join – to unify, to join.** Levitical priests join two realms – heaven and earth.

Leah's aim was that Levi would join her to her husband's spirit.

Kohath, a third son, is to corporately bring a crowd and make them a congregation. His function was to carry the ark of the covenant. In essence, as a congregation he is to carry the ark. If there is not spirit of congregation, there is not ability to bring the ark, the presence of God into Jerusalem.

An ox-driven cart was not the design of God. **The congregation creates a spirit of corporateness.**

The day of the one man show is over. **Build community and congregation.** Form partnerships in the spirit. A three fold is not cannot be broken. Daniel was in alliance with his friends – this was the secret to much of his success. Be prepared to inconvenience yourself to bless others. Lay down your life

Genesis 49:10

The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes;
And to Him *shall be* the obedience (gathering in Hebrew) of the people

Obedience = the gathering of the people = Kohath

True gathering starts in the mind. God said to Rebecca : There is a people in your womb – a class of people with a specific pedigree – they will be a united unit with all the diversity.

This anointing of unity is resident in Judah, in Levi, Kohath, Hebron

Levi -----Kohath -----Hebron

Treat everyone equally, but not be in alliance with everyone. Even in alliance there are levels of covenant.

1 Chron 11

¹Then all Israel came **together to David at Hebron, saying, "Indeed we *are* your bone and your flesh.**
²"Also, in time past, even **when Saul was king, you *were* the one who led Israel out and brought them in;**
and the **LORD your God said to you, 'You shall shepherd My people Israel, and be ruler over My people Israel.'** ³Therefore all the elders of Israel **came to the king at Hebron, and David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD.** Then they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD by Samuel.

The context of the above gathering unto David is found in 2 Sam 2:1-7

Trees of Mamre: one meaning	=	fatness and strength
second meaning	=	a place of rebellion

Two positions justtaopped . Sometimes you can only get to Hebron when you separate certain positions. AB separated from LOT . AB felt the rebellion of LOT. Also he resolved this fact : your worst enemies must be loved.

2 Sam.2:1-7

¹It happened after this that David inquired of the LORD, saying, **“Shall I go up to any of the cities of Judah?”** And the LORD said to him, “Go up.” David said, “Where shall I go up?” **And He said, “To Hebron.”** ²So David went up there, and **his two wives also**, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the widow of Nabal the Carmelite. **³And David brought up the men who were with him, every man with his household. So they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.**

⁴Then the men of Judah came, and **there they anointed David** king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, “The men of Jabesh Gilead *were the ones* who buried Saul.” ⁵So David sent messengers to the men of Jabesh Gilead, and said to them, **“You are blessed of the LORD, for you have shown this kindness to your lord, to Saul, and have buried him.** ⁶“And now may the LORD show kindness and truth to you. I also will **repay you this kindness, because you have done this thing.** ⁷“Now therefore, let your hands be strengthened, and be valiant; for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah has anointed me king over them.”

Not once did David speak negatively Saul, his pursuer. Always leave in a time peace, not in a time of war. An anointing flows from the leader down. Let LOVE flow from the leadership down to the people. Your heart is tested when your enemies dies or falls. If you laugh and rejoice, you will never get to Hebron. Ishmael laughed at Isaac.

2 Sam 1:1-27

²And they mourned and wept and fasted until evening for Saul and for Jonathan his son, for the people of the LORD and for the house of Israel, because they had fallen by the sword. ¹³Then David said to the young man who told him, “Where *are* you from?” And he answered, “I *am* the son of an alien, an Amalekite.” ¹⁴So David said to him, “How was it you were not afraid to put forth your hand to destroy the LORD’s anointed?” ¹⁵Then David called one of the young men and said, “Go near, *and* execute him!” And he struck him so that he died. ¹⁶So David said to him, “Your blood *is* on your own head, for your own mouth has testified against you, saying, ‘I have killed the LORD’s anointed.’ ”

¹⁷Then David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son, ¹⁸**and he told them to teach the children of Judah the Song of the Bow**; indeed *it is* written in the Book of Jasher:

¹⁹“**The beauty of Israel is slain on your high places! How the mighty have fallen!** ²⁰Tell *it* not in Gath, Proclaim *it* not in the streets of Ashkelon—Lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, Lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph. ²¹“O mountains of Gilboa, *Let there be* no dew nor rain upon you, Nor fields of offerings. For the shield of the mighty is cast away there! shield of Saul, not anointed with oil. ²²From the blood of the slain, From the fat of the mighty, The bow of Jonathan did not turn back, **And the sword of Saul did not return empty.** ²³“**Saul and Jonathan were beloved and pleasant in their lives, And in their death they were not divided; They were swifter than eagles, They were stronger than lions.** ²⁴“O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, **Who clothed you in scarlet, with luxury; Who put ornaments of gold on your apparel.** ²⁵“**How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle!** Jonathan *was* slain in your high places. ²⁶I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; You have been very pleasant to me; Your love to me was wonderful, Surpassing the love of women. ²⁷“How the mighty have fallen, And the weapons of war perished!”

Notice how David celebrates Saul’s contributions to Israel. Celebrate the success of those who persecute you.

You cannot go to Hebron without God sending you there. Only happens after you have sung your own Song of the Bow, and have ‘taught it to others’ that you have influence over.

Zechariah 12: House of David shall be like the house of God.

Read again 2 Sam 1:1ff

2 Sam. 2: 2

So David **went up there, and his two wives also**, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the widow of Nabal the Carmelite

After the death of Saul and Jonathan, David prayed .Certain things had to be resolved in his own life, before he journeys.

When you go up to Hebron, you cannot go alone. Only when he went up with his families, then Judah's men came to him. David ruled at Hebron for 7 and a half years. 7 = perfection; hence 7 and a half = he went beyond perfection in this area. **Take your family with you there.**

1 Sam 3: 1

¹Now there was **a long war between the house of Saul and the house of David.** But **David grew stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul grew weaker and weaker.**

The more David consolidated on relationships, the more Saul's house grew weaker and weaker. Unity flows from the head to the edge of the garments. (see Psalm 133). The kids of most people will tell you of how their parents feel about the leader. Let your kids reflect love to all, showing no partiality to anyone irrespective of tension in some relationships. Do not speak of problematic relationship in the presence of your kids. **Go out of your way to love beyond your present measure.** Factor unity within your mind.

At Hebron, sons are born

2 Sam 3:2-ff

Sons were born to David in Hebron: His firstborn was Amnon by Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; ³his second, Chileab, by Abigail the widow of Nabal the Carmelite; the third, Absalom the son of Maacah, the daughter of Talmi, king of Geshur; ⁴the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital; ⁵and the sixth, Ithream, by David's wife Eglah. **These were born to David in Hebron.**

A new fashion exists today → calling people your sons simply to validate your so-called 'apostolic call'.

Go to Hebron first and start producing your own sons. Trust God for the ability and capacity to father sons. If cannot take care of your natural sons, how can you father a network. Fathering is a completely different dimension. Paul said that the Corinthians have a few fathers. When you move to Hebron you produce sons. **Only when you have completely embraced Hebronic principles in your heart – when you have truly journeyed there, does your productive capacity come to the fore and you produce sons.**

One son tried to usurp authority : **Absalom = father of peace.** This is ironical – contradicts his nature embedded within his name. Absalom had three sons

2 Sam 14:27 : To Absalom **were born three sons**, and one daughter whose name *was* Tamar. She was a woman of beautiful appearance.

He undermined David in the gates of the city – he was strategic in his rebellion. This a narcissistic spirit. He was a boaster, a lover of self. If you feed this spirit it will be your best friend. Oppose it, and it will attempt to kill you. This spirit is

built on the premise that you are better than all. It is sometimes so good to you, it impresses you and lures you into support, but ultimately it will undermine you. It is a selfish spirit. It claims fatherhood but does not support you in the time of your trouble. He has three sons, but never had sons in essence. He builds a pillar in remembrance for himself in the King's valley (the place where Mel met AB)

2 Sam 18:18

Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken **and set up a pillar for himself**, which *is* in the King's Valley. For he said, "**I have no son to keep my name in remembrance.**" He called the pillar after his own name. And to this day it is called Absalom's Monument.

You cannot build false alliances and hope to father a generation. Absalom became a monument, not a movement. Sons should ultimately be better than the father. **The spirit of Absalom will protect and keep for himself, robbing his sons of destiny.**

2 Sam 15:7

⁷Now it came to pass after forty years that Absalom said to the king, "**Please, let me go to Hebron** and pay the vow which I made to the LORD. ⁸"For your servant took a vow while I dwelt at Geshur in Syria, saying, 'If the LORD indeed brings me back to Jerusalem, then I will serve the LORD.' "⁹And the king said to him, "Go in peace." **So he arose and went to Hebron.**

¹⁰Then Absalom **sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel**, saying, "As soon as you hear the sound of the trumpet, then you shall say, 'Absalom reigns in Hebron!'" ¹¹And with Absalom went two hundred men invited from Jerusalem, and **they went along innocently and did not know anything.** ¹²Then Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counselor, from his city—from Giloh—while he offered sacrifices. And the conspiracy grew strong, **for the people with Absalom continually increased in number.**

¹³Now a messenger came to David, saying, "The hearts of the men of Israel are with Absalom." ¹⁴So David said to all his servants who *were* with him at Jerusalem, "Arise, and let us flee; or we shall not escape from Absalom. Make haste to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly and bring disaster upon us, and strike the city with the edge of the sword." ¹⁵And the king's servants said to the king, "We *are* your servants, *ready to do* whatever my lord the king commands." ¹⁶Then the king went out with all his household after him. But the king left ten women, concubines, to keep the house. ¹⁷And the king went out with all the people after him, and stopped at the outskirts. ¹⁸Then all his servants passed before him; and all the Cherethites, all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men who had followed him from Gath, passed before the king.

¹⁹Then the king said to Ittai the Gittite, "Why are you also going with us? Return and remain with the king. For you *are* a foreigner and also an exile from your own place. ²⁰"In fact, you came *only* yesterday. Should I make you wander up and down with us today, since I go I know not where? Return, and take your brethren back. Mercy and truth *be* with you." ²¹And Ittai answered the king and said, "*As* the LORD lives, and *as* my lord the king lives, surely in whatever place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there also your servant will be." ²²So David said to Ittai, "Go, and cross over." Then Ittai the Gittite and all his men and all the little ones who *were* with him crossed over. ²³And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people crossed over. The king himself also crossed over the Brook Kidron, and all the people crossed over toward the way of the wilderness.

There are certain relationships that cannot be forged anywhere. Live in accountability.

Absalom wants to build alliances in Hebron, and organises a conspiracy to effect it. This spirit always connects with influential people who can carry and persuade others. Only 200 men went with Absalom innocently – highlights the deceptive nature of this spirit - they then increased in number – highlights the power of this spirit.

David realised that Absalom is more powerful than him because of the confederacy formed inaccurately at Hebron – speaks to the power of unity. A false alliance can be more powerful than a true alliance. It caused David to move out as an exile.

Relational Model :

Do not ask people to join you. Rather let them be naturally attracted to your grace.

1 Chron 11: 1-9

¹Then all Israel **came together** to David at Hebron, saying, “Indeed we *are* your bone and your flesh. ²“Also, in time past, even when Saul was king, you *were* the one who led Israel out and brought them in; and the LORD your God said to you, ‘You shall shepherd My people Israel, and be ruler over My people Israel.’ ” ³Therefore all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD. Then they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD by Samuel.

⁴And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem, which is Jebus, where the Jebusites *were*, the inhabitants of the land. ⁵Then the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, “You shall not come in here!” Nevertheless David took the stronghold of Zion (that is, the City of David). ⁶Now David said, “**Whoever attacks the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain.**” And Joab the son of Zeruiah went up first, and became chief. ⁷Then David dwelt in the stronghold; therefore they called it the City of David. ⁸And he built the city around it, from the Millo to the surrounding area. Joab repaired the rest of the city. ⁹**Then David went on and became great, and the LORD of hosts was with him.**

‘Came together or gathered’ = Qabats

You cannot build a Church on clever preaching or good singing, but **on covenant relationship**. People must be led to you – do not dangle carrots in front of people. Be among the sheep. The shepherd must have the smell of your sheep. Even if you preach a boring word, the church will grow if relationships are nurtured and protected.

Qabats = describes the movement of people to single location (southern part of Judah on the road to Jerusalem)

The people were not summoned or enticed to joined; God drew them to David. They were attracted to David.

Factor into your spirit all the things that will bring people to your grace. Do not do it superficially – be genuine. A kind of fatal attraction will result. They feel compelled internally to align themselves with you.

They were not attracted to David, but to the grace that David carried. Produce a system where everyone feels loved and valued.

Hebron is a place of covenant : verse 1: ‘Indeed we *are* your bone and your flesh’. An awareness that you are of kindred spirit. To break this kind of relationship is to violate a holy joining. You can only work with someone if there is agreement in the spirit. Do not sell your birthright for just anything that comes your way. Be careful of who you join yourself with or for what you compromise in a particular joining.

They studied David historically before they joined him.

Verse 2“Also, in time past, **even when Saul was king, you were the one who led Israel out and brought them in**; and the LORD your God said to you, ‘**You shall shepherd My people Israel, and be ruler over My people Israel.**’

Build structures on in your spirit and life that will attract people toward you.

1 Chron 12:38-40

³⁸All these men of war, who **could keep ranks, came to Hebron with a loyal heart, to make David king over all Israel; and all the rest of Israel were of one mind to make David king.** ³⁹And they were there with David three days, eating and drinking, for their brethren had prepared for them. ⁴⁰Moreover those who were near to them, from as far away as Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, were **bringing food on donkeys and camels, on mules and oxen—provisions of flour and cakes of figs and cakes of raisins, wine and oil and oxen and sheep abundantly, for there was joy in Israel.**

A celebration happened to seal this event. Learn to eat together, to fellowship together, etc.

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SESSION 8 : THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

Frans Du Plesis

Prophetic Word from Thamo: New spring from a spring ; a new wind blowing from a wind. , a discovery of new places beyond the veil ; a shifting and bursting forth ; a coming out of wells out of the fiery furnace ; a new tongue of the learned to articulate the new things of God; even the language of your known spiritual tongue will begin to change.; an angel sitting on a wheel – when the wheel is turned it brings forth water, momentum and speed.

The first 12 apostles were foundational – eyewitness of everything Jesus did – including the resurrection.

Paul on the other hand knew Jesus by revelation – we do not know HIM after the flesh – nor any man after the flesh.

If you are apostolic, you must have a revelation of Jesus, the Christ.

The spirit of the apostolic is to bring the church back to a Christ-centred focus. Christ and His father are one, hence He speaks the things HE hears his Father say. Unity with God is necessary to speak the same things that God is saying. Unity also among the saints is critical to access all that God is saying so that as a corporate company, we can all speak the same thing that God is speaking.

A true apostle is over nothing, but under everything.

Matthew 16

Who do people say I am? Who do you say I am? Peter answers by revelation: 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God'. Jesus commends him as a Rock. **His revelation changed his substance.** Jesus is the rock. Peter by the proclamation attained the same substance as Jesus himself – Rock. When you have revelation of Christ, you have a revelation of who you are. The change from Simon (a reed) to rock.

So all the generations from Abraham to David *are* fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon *are* fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ *are* fourteen generations.

From Babylonian to the Christ is thirteen generations. Christ is the thirteenth generation. The church is the fourteenth generation – the body of Christ.

The people who had no sight had the greatest revelation of the Christ – eg. blind man said Jesus of Nazareth, Son of David. What does Nazareth have to do with David ?

Matthew 2:15-23

and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I called My Son."¹⁶Then Herod, when he saw that he was deceived by the wise men, was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth

and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the wise men. ¹⁷Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying: ¹⁸“A voice was heard in Ramah, Lamentation, weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping *for* her children, Refusing to be comforted, Because they are no more.” ¹⁹But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, ²⁰saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the young Child’s life are dead.” ²¹Then he arose, took the young Child and His mother, and came into the land of Israel. ²²But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea instead of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And being warned by God in a dream, he turned aside into the region of Galilee. ²³And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, “He shall be called a Nazarene.”

When God challenged Pharaoh: Let Israel (my first born) go. Jesus as a babe goes to Egypt also, like Joseph of old because of a dream, so that prophesy could be fulfilled.

Two men on the road to Emmaus were saddened because they could not interpret the events of their day with spiritual discernment. They disturbed by a new revelation: HE IS alive. Also probably disturbed by the fact that women carried the message of the resurrection. Jesus proceeds to explain all the scriptures concerning himself.

Luke 24:27

And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He would have gone farther. ²⁹But they constrained Him, saying, “**Abide with us, for it is toward evening**, and the day is far spent.” And He went in to stay with them. ³⁰Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke *it*, and gave it to them. ³¹**Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight.** ³²And they said to one another, “Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?” ³³So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those *who were* with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, “The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵And they told about the things *that had happened* on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.

Now as they said these things, Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them, and said to them, “Peace to you.” ³⁷But they were terrified and frightened, and supposed they had seen a spirit. ³⁸And He said to them, “Why are you troubled? And why do doubts arise in your hearts?” ³⁹“Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see I have.” ⁴⁰When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. ⁴¹But while they still did not believe for joy, and marveled, He said to them, “Have you any food here?” ⁴²So they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish and some honeycomb. ⁴³And He took *it* and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then He said to them, “These *are* the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the **Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me.**” ⁴⁵And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. ⁴⁶Then He said to them, “Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary **for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day,**” ⁴⁷“and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸“And you are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹“Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.”

Abide with us, for it is toward evening, = they placed a demand upon HIS presence. Revelation has got everything to do with the desire of your heart.

Jesus vanished from their sight once they knew it was HIM. They did not need to see him externally, but now HE is made alive internally.

Jesus – the Nazarene – how is the connection with David?

Nazareth = little twig, a shoot from the stem of Jesse

Isaiah 11:1-ff

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots. ²The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. ³His delight *is* in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears; ⁴But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked

The poor and the blind, the needy had this revelation of connecting Nazareth with son of David because inherent with the name Nazareth was the purpose associated with it.

Isaiah 4:2

²In that day the Branch of the LORD shall be beautiful and glorious; And the fruit of the earth *shall be* excellent and appealing For those of Israel who have escaped.

The revelation that Jesus would be a son of David and sit on the throne of david was released by Nathan

2 Sam. 7:11

since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over My people Israel, and have caused you to rest from all your enemies. Also the LORD tells you that He will make you a house. **When your days are fulfilled and you rest** with your fathers, I will set up **your seed** after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³“He shall build a house for My name, and **I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.** ¹⁴“I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the blows of the sons of men. ¹⁵“But My mercy shall not depart from him, as I took *it* from Saul, whom I removed from before you. ¹⁶“**And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever.**” ’ ’ ’ ¹⁷According to all these words and according to all this vision, so Nathan spoke to David.

Your seed = a reference to Christ, not Solomon, since Solomon was established king before David died

David responds as follows

“For You, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, have revealed *this* to Your servant, saying, ‘I will build you a house.’ Therefore Your servant has found it in his heart to pray this prayer to You. ²⁸“And now, O Lord GOD, You are God, and Your words are true, and You have promised this goodness to Your servant. ²⁹“Now therefore, let it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue forever before You; for You, O Lord GOD, have spoken *it*, and with Your blessing let the house of Your servant be blessed forever.” “For You, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, have revealed *this* to Your servant, saying, ‘I will build you a house.’ Therefore Your servant has found it in his heart to pray this prayer to You.

Three things were promised to David

1. A son, who will David’s LORD
2. An everlasting throne
3.

How does David interpret this promise?

Psalm 110

The LORD said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.” ²The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies! ³Your people *shall be* volunteers In the day of Your power; In the beauties of holiness, from the womb of the morning, You have the dew of Your youth. ⁴The LORD has sworn And will not relent, “You *are* a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek.” ⁵The Lord *is* at Your right hand; He shall execute kings in the day of His . ⁶He shall judge among the nations, He shall fill *the places* with dead bodies, He shall execute the heads of many countries. ⁷He shall drink of the brook by the wayside; Therefore He shall lift up the head.

Luke 1:32ff.

He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. ³³“And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”

Matthew 22:42

While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ⁴²saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?” They said to Him, “*The Son* of David.” ⁴³He said to them, “How then does David in the Spirit call Him ‘Lord,’ saying: ⁴⁴“The LORD said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool” ’ ? ⁴⁵“If David then calls Him ‘Lord,’ how is He his Son?” ⁴⁶And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore

Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷Of the increase of *His* government and peace *There will be* no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Jesus already seated at the right hand side of the Throne of David – do not look for something in the natural.

The throne of David has got to do with the right hand of the father.

Acts 2:24 ff

whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. ²⁵“For **David says concerning Him**: ‘I foresaw the LORD always before my face, For He is at my right hand, that I may not be shaken.’ ²⁶Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my tongue was glad; Moreover my flesh also will rest in hope. ²⁷For You will not leave my soul in Hades, Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life; You will make me full of joy in Your presence. ²⁹“Men *and* brethren, let *me* speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰“Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, **He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne**, ³¹“he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption. ³²“This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. ³³“Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. ³⁴“For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he says himself: ‘The LORD said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, ³⁵Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.” ’

Why did not David and Abraham appear in the mount of Transfiguration? These two were part of the very same Melchisideck order.

Paul argues that there is no middle wall of partition – or separation. We are the new Israel – sons of the holy seed.

SESSION 9 : HEBRON (Part 3)

Thamo Naidoo

Exhortation : Pierre

Prophetic Picture : Dynamite sticks that are being lit – fire starting ; a new fire and then a new fire jumps from that one Book of Revelation: ‘Behold I make all things new’. God forever expanding and we need to go with that. New creature; new covenant; new testament; We should be walking in newness in God – do not camp in Shinar (Babylon) – commit to pilgrimage.

Pierre

Vines Dictionary on the word ‘new’ :

1. (2537) *kainos* denotes “new,” of that which is unaccustomed or unused, not “new” in time, recent, but “new” as to form or quality, of different nature from what is contrasted as old. “ ‘The new tongues,’ *kainos*, of Mark 16:17 are the ‘other tongues,’ *heteros*, of Acts 2:4. These languages, however, were ‘new’ and ‘different,’ not in the sense that they had never been heard before, or that they were new to the hearers, for it is plain from v. 8 that this is not the case; they were new languages to the speakers, different from those in which they were accustomed to speak.

“The new things that the Gospel brings for present obedience and realization are: a new covenant, Matt. 26:28 in some texts; a new commandment, John 13:34; a new creative act, Gal. 6:15; a new creation, 2 Cor. 5:17; a new man, i.e., a new character of manhood, spiritual and moral, after the pattern of Christ, Eph. 4:24; a new man, i.e., ‘the Church which is His (Christ’s) body,’ Eph. 2:15.

“The new things that are to be received and enjoyed hereafter are: a new name, the believer’s, Rev. 2:17; a new name, the Lord’s, Rev. 3:12; a new song, Rev. 5:9; a new Heaven and a new Earth, Rev. 21:1; the new Jerusalem, Rev. 3:12; 21:2; ‘And He that sitteth on the Throne said, Behold, I make all things new,’ Rev. 21:5”*

Kainos is translated “fresh” in the RV of Matt. 9:17; Mark 2:22 (in the best texts) and Luke 5:38, of wineskins. Cf. *kainotes*, “newness” (below).

2. *neos* (3501) signifies “new” in respect of time, that which is recent; it is used of the young, and so translated, especially the comparative degree “younger”; accordingly what is *neos* may be a reproduction of the old in quality or character. *Neos* and *kainos* are sometimes used of the same thing, but there is a difference, as already indicated. Thus the “new man” in Eph. 2:15 (*kainos*) is “new” in differing in character; so in 4:24 (see No. 1); but the “new man” in Col. 3:10 (*neos*) stresses the fact of the believer’s “new” experience, recently begun, and still proceeding. “The old man in him ... dates as far back as Adam; a new man has been born, who therefore is fitly so called” [i.e. *neos*], Trench, *Syn. Sec. ix*. The “New” Covenant in Heb. 12:24 is “new” (*neos*) compared with the Mosaic, nearly fifteen hundred years before; it is “new” (*kainos*) compared with the Mosaic, which is old in character, ineffective, 8:8, 13; 9:15.

The “new” wine of Matt. 9:17; Mark 2:22; Luke 5:37-39, is *neos* as being of recent production; the “new” wine of the kingdom, Matt. 26:29; Mark 14:25, is *kainos* since it will be of a different character from that of this world. The rendering “new” (*neos*) is elsewhere used metaphorically in 1 Cor. 5:7, “a new lump.” See YOUNG, YOUNGER.

Romans 7

Or do you not know, brethren (for I speak to those who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man as long as he lives? ²For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to *her* husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of *her* husband. ³So then if, while *her* husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she has married another man. ⁴Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another— to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. ⁵For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death. ⁶But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the **newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.**

Romans 6

Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should **walk in newness of life.**

STEP INTO NEWNESS

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ASIDE : 'itching ear' = condition of a diseased soul. We have for too long preached a normative gospel that has been popular. Test everything you hear or preach. **Reject that which is not scriptural.** Repent from wrongly held positions of doctrine or principles.

ASIDE: Angels were meant to serve, not to give revelation or enlightenment. Angelic activity will increase. But we need to move from beyond the realm of angels. **Operate from a position above the realm of angels.**

LEARN HOW TO STAY FOCUSED. Train your weak bodies to touch the heavenly realm.

SESSION 9 : HEBRON (Part 3)

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HEBRON : THE PLACE OF COVENANT

You can never get to Mt. Zion, until you get to Hebron. Your kingship is established at Hebron before Zion. Rule at Hebron for 7 years before you rule in Zion for 33 years. **At Hebron you consolidate and perfect the principle of relationships and unity.** Our biggest problem is how to deal with people. The enemy's face is presented in the faces you deal with.

David could only get to Hebron - after Saul dies - after he enquired of the Lord - after he sang the Song of Bow – he celebrates Saul not as an enemy, but as the anointed of the Lord. If someone offends you, do not get angry, they are simply revealing the area in which you are easily offended .

A three fold cord or anointing : Judah – Levitical – Kohath ----- all consolidated at Hebron. **You cannot engage on a particular level of spiritual warfare , if you have a serious relationship problems – be careful,** the enemy will wipe you out. Many women in intercessory groups have severe emotional problems because they have serious relationships issues (usually with their husbands) – a Jezebel spirit – they usually come in the name of prophetess.

Substantial grace attracts substantial crowds. Stay humble at this point. It is not you – it is the grace that God placed within you. If it becomes 'your' grace, it becomes a disgrace. Do not advertise your ministry – light will attract people.

Hebron – THE PLACE OF COVENANT

Hebron = place of conjunction

Here, at Hebron, the highest and deepest levels of relationship takes place. Nakedness is the order of the day. You cover your fathers nakedness, not expose it. The son of Noah, Ham, suffered a curse – (Some say African tribes were born from Him). Ham exposed his father’s nakedness (weakness) and was not blessed (by implication because he did not receive the blessing). **Do not allow yourself to be lured into conversation which creates opportunities for cheap gossip and carrying tales. Do not discuss the nakedness of another man. Refuse to live in the spirit of Absalom** – a man of peace yet he operates by war – has no sons to continue his posterity

1 Sam 23:17-18 : Words of Jonathan to David

And he said to him, “Do not fear, for the hand of Saul my father shall not find you. You shall be king over Israel, and I shall be next to you. Even my father Saul knows that.”¹⁸ So the two of them **made a covenant before the LORD.** And David stayed in the woods, and Jonathan went to his own house.

If you do not like something, tell the person in love and walk away as friends. In South Africa, we almost lost the Apostolic move because we never understood covenant.

Covenant is built upon the **principle of covering.**

1 Chron.11:1-3

Then all Israel **came together to David at Hebron,** saying, “Indeed we **are your bone and your flesh.**”² “Also, in time past, even when Saul was king, you *were* the one who led Israel out and brought them in; and the LORD your God said to you, ‘You shall shepherd My people Israel, and be **ruler over My people Israel.**’ ”³ Therefore all the elders of Israel **came to the king at Hebron,** and **David made a covenant** with them at Hebron before the LORD. **Then they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD by Samuel.**

Make = karath = to cut off a part of your body , your hand or your foreskin – same word for circumcision

Easy to make verbal covenants and agreements. **You have no right to lay claim to anyone in your Church if you have not established this particular level of covenant.** Tribes, clans, families and individuals all came to David. David responds by making covenant – cutting off an element of himself. You must symbolically ratify the covenant by committing yourself to total surrender, pledging yourself to death, if the covenant is broken. David is saying he is prepared to die for them if needs be.

Be open and available to those you claim to be in covenant with. At this level, you cease to live, but you must lose your life to others. Do not settle for cold love or selective associations (some you have to withdraw from). The leader who attracts people because of his grace must be prepare to lay down his life – to help your brother in trouble – to make personal sacrifices to his good. The Kingdom of God is first in you before it must go through you. **Personal contact is vital.** A current trend emerging where guest speakers are whisked away after speaking without being allowed to ‘touch’ people.

Some will enjoy your grace, but refuse to be covered by you. We are all equal, yet functionally different. If you have no covering, you are open to demonic attack. If you cannot express a current revelation under a blind ‘covering’ and want to

stay, then submit, forfeiting your right to that revelation. If you cannot submit, then rather leave with blessing instead of rebelling. Rebellion against your covering opens you to demonic attack.

ATONEMENT / COVER

Kaphar = To cover – to make atonement – to reconcile – in it is found the meaning of forgive, to disannul, to purge or to cancel.

In Christ you can forgive others (I will forgive you as you forgive others). Some come under your grace and enjoy the benefit – eg. financial blessing, holiness, strong marriages, etc. David's men were defeated, in debt, depressed, etc in the cave of Adulam . But under David they get reconfigured and emerge to do greater feats than what David did. David's grace allowed them to become more than what he was himself. The principal grace is your covering.

The word Kaphar is the same word used for the pitch that covered the ark that Noah built – bitumen – pitch – tar.

Five fold ministry covers the Church – submit to those over you ; and leaders, you who cover, do not lord over God's vineyard..

The problem with transfered grace, is that the people also get your weakness.

Sin is covered with the blood of the sacrificed lamb

KAPHAR also means purging – Isaiah lips were purged (Isaiah 6). In covering comes purging for the house. If the covering is weak, the house is weak.

They came to make David king. But he first makes covenant and lets them know that he is willing to lay down his life for them. Melchisedek was Abraham's covering. AB paid tithes to MEL as his storehouse. Tithes first should pay salaries – to bless those from which you draw your grace; then it can be used for other issues.

The men around David did everything to make his job light. Some do not attack the vision but are indifferent – they sit on the periphery and watch. Yet some are extremely supportive and do everything they can to resource you so that you further draw from heaven to resource them.

When your Hebron position is consolidated, you can now move to Jerusalem. Always test and validate your message in your local house first before you export it to the world. You cannot go to the nations of the world, when your own house is in disarray.

You can have your differences with people, but it must not develop to a place where it invalidates your relationships.

1 Chron 11:4-6

And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem, which is Jebus, where the Jebusites *were*, the inhabitants of the land. ⁵Then the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, “You shall not come in here!” Nevertheless David took the stronghold of Zion (that is, the City of David). ⁶Now David said, “Whoever attacks the Jebusites **first** shall be **chief and captain**.” And Joab the son of Zeruiah **went up first, and became chief**.

You cannot proceed to take the spirit of JEBU (Jebusites) with a divided house. From the Ziklag principle, you cannot go to war, without covering your wives and children. Spirit of Jebu is an unclean spirit that desolates that seeks to occupy holy ground.

'First' = first in rank, time and place (He gave some **first** apostles) David does not take the Jebusites alone. He throws out a challenge and watches the responses his men. Joab responds first and attains the status of chief.

Present opportunities to your people and let people respond. Do not ask them for a specific response. The apostolic spirit loves the smell of adventure. The apostolic nature loves a challenge, it rises to the occasion: David's response to the call to fight Goliath; 'who will go for us?' Those that respond love the smell of adventure and determination to establish rank, placement and timing in the face of insurmountable odds.

Most people have to be told what to do. But on the highest levels of Hebron relations, you will not have to be told what to do – you look for opportunities to do something. Remember the men who went to the Philistines to fight simply to get David a glass of water. He offers it to God pouring it out to the Lord.

Apostolic people do not count the cost. They are prepared to give everything. Do not be governed by a poverty mentality.

Chief = rosh = the head, self- appointed head (in a positive sense)

Ordination is simply a recognition of theocratic favour on a person in a particular area.

JOAB = Father, Lord

Commander = SAR = someone can emerge from any place from within the alliance

In other words, there is no incremental ascent to a position; he is simply catapulted to this level – he responds instantly and attains status as commander

Commander refers to anyone from any rank in life that rises to become a representative of the king. Such individual makes oneself a prince. The challenge produces a determination for people to rise from mediocrity to a place of stature in the kingdom; no matter what that individual's previous rank, position and time was in the kingdom.

Establish a stronghold in your Jerusalem – usually your local congregation. Strength of your global influence is measure by your local territorial strength

Maxwell heads the 'Present Truth Ministries'; was an attorney for nine years; went full time into ministry

Genesis 37:1-2

Now Jacob dwelt in the land where his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan. ²This *is* the history of Jacob. Joseph, ***being seventeen years old***, was ***feeding the flock*** with his brothers. And the lad *was* with the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to his father.

Anointing – the power of God; Glory – manifest presence of God in our lives; Glory is now been restored. Sin causes you to fall short of the glory

Joseph is a type of the apostolic – In him we see various characteristics and principles of the Apostolic.

First thing about an apostolic Church is that it must also be pastoral. According to the law, whatever has been stolen must be returned in greater quantity and quality. Eg. money should be returned 7 fold. In John 10 Jesus speaks of hirelings, thieves and robbers. Jer. 23 says to guard and protect the flock. Joseph was tending the flock. If the governing anointing in a place is only pastoral – the protecting grace – it does not have the grace to release the flock or mature the flock.

Pastors are a good housewife anointing. **Hebrews 3:6**

but Christ as a Son over His own house, whose house we are if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end.

Eph 1 calls us a city; Eph. 2 a temple; Eph.3 a family; Eph 4 a ;Eph. 5 a Eph.6 an Army; John 15 we are vineyard; In Song Of Solomon, we are a garden; Heb 3:6 we are a house – hence Pastoral dimension protects the house

2. Joseph was a minor : called at 17 ; Josiah 8 years – beginning of new things; Hez

Some numerology : 8 = beginning of new things ; 9 = completeness ; 9 months to complete the temple
10 = trials and tribulations; 11= disorder (at eleventh hour); 12 = apostolic number (12 wells water at Elim; 12 apostles, tribes.

Anointing for pensioners : **Psalm 92:10**

But my horn You have exalted like a wild ox; I have been anointed with fresh oil. ¹¹My eye also has seen *my desire* on my enemies; My ears hear *my desire* on the wicked Who rise up against me. ¹²The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. ¹³Those who are planted in the house of the LORD Shall flourish in the courts of our God. ¹⁴**They shall still bear fruit in old age; They shall be fresh and flourishing,**

Eg Moses, Caleb and Sarah

Therefore no age prejudice should exist.

Twelve saints in Genesis : eg. Enoch; Abel : blood share; AB : author and finisher; Isaac : son of promise
Jacob : first to use anointing oil; Noah : restorer of broken lives; Seth : appointed by God; Joseph; David

3. Grace is upon all (many are called), but favour on a few (few are chosen). Spiritual success is never achieved, it is rather received. Joseph was given a coat of many colours by his father.

1 Sam 16 – David's choice is rivited in him looking after sheep – a pastoral anointing.

God's choice is sovereign. Joseph was given the birthright above his brothers (not because he was the son of his old age)

Favour was given to Joseph – he was 11th in line in succession as a son (disorder and confusion)

4. He was a dreamer – he was a seer – prophetic – the ability to hear, believe, to prepare and to become the future.

Prophecy need not be confirmational. Noah did not prophesy to confirm anything – his prophecy brought with new information. Enoch prophesies the second coming even when there was no first coming – prophecy can be revelational and predictive.

There is a dimension in the prophetic where only prophets can release apostles (Acts 13:1-2). Paul and Barnabas were released by prophets.

Acts 2 and Joel : 'sons and daughters shall prophesy' – dreams ,visions etc are languages of the prophetic

5. Brothers hated Joseph : Opposition and persecution ; Tribulations and test

Three complexions of trials and troubles : our brothers , the devil and God

Jesus learned obedience through the things he suffered. Anointing produces sweetness and suffering

Esther 2:12 : two bitter spices and two sweet spices. For the first 6 months bathed with bitter oils; next 6 months she was washed with sweet oils.Sufferings will humble you. Before you go to the next stage in the Lord you will suffer.God does not do it TO you, he is doing it FOR you.

Job was a friend of God . God will 'beat' his friends . For 9 months he suffered.

Hosea 6:1-3

Come, and let us return to the LORD; For **He has torn**, but He will heal us; **He has stricken**, but He will bind us up.²After two days **He will revive us**; On the third day **He will raise us up**, That we may live in His sight.³Let us know, Let us pursue the knowledge of the LORD. His going forth is established as the morning; He will come to us like the rain, Like the latter *and* former rain to the earth.

Day 1 day of repentance :typify outer court

Day 2: he will revive : Pentecost

Day 3 : he will raise us up

John 15:1,2

“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. ²“Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit **He prunes, that it may bear more fruit.**

Those who are productive God purges to produce more fruit. Before any major promotion, God takes us through the FISH HOTEL (Jonah) – 3 days in the belly of trials. Then came revival in Nineveh

V11 he was envied by his brothers

V13 sent by his father to Shechem – highlights the apostolic mandate – to send

Characteristics of True Apostles

1. Independent confirmation by peers or seniors in the Kingdom

Paul confirmed Timothy; Barnabas confirmed Paul;

2. Have a heart beat for nations

4 paradigms of the sent one

N – go to the Near, then to your Neighbour, your Nation, the Nations : Start at Bethlehem,

3. Father and Mentor sons

You are only qualified as father if your sons as more gifted and powerful than you

David was a good leader not a good father

4. Team Ministry must be the philosophy

No more the concept 'the man of the hour' (an hour is too short)

Acts 3:1,8:14; Jesus and the twelve ; Barnabas and John Mark

5. Revelation Knowledge that is progressive

Flows from the logos to the rhema to the dabar dimension

2 Pet. 1:12 'be established in the present truth' ; teach old and new

Jer.48:10,11 God must empty you from one vessel to another to produce scent

Cursed *is* he who does the work of the LORD deceitfully, And cursed *is* he who keeps back his sword from blood.¹¹“Moab has been at ease from his youth; He has settled on his dregs, And **has not been emptied from vessel to vessel**, Nor has he gone into captivity. Therefore **his taste remained in him**, And **his scent has not changed**.¹²“Therefore behold, the days are coming,” says the LORD, “That **I shall send him wine-workers Who will tip him over** And empty **his vessels And break the bottles**.”

God restores a truth, not the truth – do not camp at the last truth. Jesus is the truth, He is the sum total of all truths. Hear what the spirit says (not said) Live by proceeding word (continuous tense)

6. Signs and Wonders

Doctrine must be in power with signs and wonders. Must be a divine balance of Word and Spirit manifestation. Word and Spirit made the worlds, including man

Job 33:4 The **Spirit of God has made me**, And the breath of the Almighty gives me life.

Need to demonstrate signs and wonders as well

Acts 1:1 Jesus did and taught

'The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus **began both to do and teach**'

Signs and Wonders can be spectacular and can be supernatural. Power revelationary Word teaching can be supernatural affecting lives of people.

These signs shall follow them believe.....

Different types of apostles :

- a. Like Joseph operate in the **market place** – have business acumen
- b. In **political high places** (David, Samuel, Moses, Joseph)
- c. In **Engineering** (Bezaleel) – building of the tabernacle of Moses
- d. In **Medicine and Pharmacology** (to make incense for the tabernacle...)

History : Montague : 3 levels of power : Parliament, Cabinet, Courts – He found this from the book of judges

e. **Prophetic Revelation** : John

f. **Teaching Anointing**

g. **Scribe Apostles** :

h. **Evangelistic** : peter

i. **Apostolic** : Tim

j. **Overseer** ; James

Joseph was 17 years old – looking after sheep – **pastor** ; a sent one – **apostle** ; a dreamer- **prophetic** ; he had skill – his anointing made him **a manager** ; became a prison warder; second in command to Pharaoh – **prime minister** ; **economic genius**; a **teaching anointing** (sent to teach senators; Psalm 105)

Joseph also was a semblance (Likeness) of Jesus

Both hated by brothers

Both sent to their brothers

Both rejected

Both sold for silver

Both were falsely accused

Both lost robes (Jesus lost two robes (heavenly robe) and at the cross)

Both were worshipped

Both Ruled

Joseph type ministry must be rich in the Word

Types of the Word: Milk; Mirror; Bread John 6; Millstone; Water; Job 29:6 : Butter; Honey; Hammer; Fire; Dew (Deut 28:1,2); Salt (Ezra); Meat

When you minister to different congregations, determine by discernment which aspect or depth of the word you must present.

1 Chron. 5:1-2

Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel—he *was* indeed the firstborn, but because he defiled his father's bed, his **birthright was given to the sons of Joseph, the son of Israel**, so that the genealogy is not listed according to the birthright; ²yet **Judah prevailed over his brothers, and from him came a ruler, although the birthright was Joseph's—**

Birthright – the favour that God gives us above our brothers. The birthright son was given double – twice as more than the others. Among the called (grace) there are the chosen (favour). Jacob prophesies on Joseph first; and on his sons ; Gen 48 In Gen 49 : He prophesies on all the other sons. Favour will cause you to be humble. Be willing and obedient and you eat of the good of the land.

A need to redefine what the heavens are all about. Our previous concept of heaven was a place of eternal bliss – with mansions and with us being in retirement. Heaven is more than this concept. Do not build your definition around mansions and golden streets. This is a materialistic view – built and preached with sensationalism and in accordance with capitalism. This view feeds a lazy spirit. **How should we view the heavens ? heavens are transitional stages** – they are not a constant – heavens will pass away. The WORD is a constant: it will never pass away.

In John 14 : In my fathers are many places (inaccurate rendering - mansions) plural ; many places –

John 14:1-2

Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. ²“In My Father’s house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

John said I go to prepare a place for you. Paul: seated with Christ in heavenly places.

If Jesus comes to take us away to heaven , He also said a new heaven and new earth will be created. This cancels the concept of heaven as a materialistic place. There are some heavens that are not opened.

Matthew 3:16

⁶When He had been baptized, **Jesus came up immediately from the water**; and behold, **the heavens were opened** to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. ¹⁷And **suddenly** a voice *came* from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

Was the heavens shut before this ? If they were shut, what is the specific position adopted by Christ that caused the heavens to open? It opened only after he came out of the water.

Opened = anoigo = to open up based upon your positioning in the earth.

Your positioning in the earth determines the opening of the heavens.

The level of your development determines which heaven gets opened to you. Certain door ways in the heavens

Rev. 4:1-3

After these things I looked, and behold, **a door standing open in heaven**. And the first voice which I heard *was* like **a trumpet** speaking with me, saying, “Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this.” ²Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, **a throne set in heaven**, and *One* sat on the throne.

Jesus said to Peter : I give you the keys of heaven. Note the plural form, KEYS of heaven – implies more than one door;

Anoiga – also implies the automatic opening simply because of correct positioning.

Each level of the heavens comes in the **form of a glory**. Every rung of the ladder brings you to a new level in God until ultimately you see **Him face to face**. Jesus said to Nathaniel

John 1:51

And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye shall **see the heaven opened**, and the **angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man** (ASV)

Paul said we move from glory to glory: 2 Cor. 3:18

Mark 1:10

And **immediately**, coming up from the water, **He saw the heavens parting** and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. ¹¹Then a voice came from heaven, “You are My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

Immediately = suddenly

PARTING = SCHIZO = something **splitting or being severed; to rent or tear**

This tells us how the heavens open. The heavens have to **be torn apart**. In Isaiah it says the heavens are spread like a curtain. There is a **critical need to have a prevailing spirit and mind**. How did Judah become the leader (1 Chron. 5:1-2) – he prevailed over his brothers ; Jacob wrestled with the angels – a human proved that he could subdue a divine manifestation – a prevailing nature can even change the mind of God – press , push – tear

In Hebrews it says that the **heavens fade or perish away =has the picture of horses pounding – creating a sound causing tremendous reverberations in the heavens.** (see pages

Even beyond the veil, there are degrees in the spirit.

Acts 7:56: “Look! I see the **heavens opened and the Son of Man standing** at the right hand of God!”

Job saw HIM with the eyes (not just by the hearing of the ears). We must function from an open heaven position.

Whenever something proceeds from the heavens, it informs our behaviour in the earth. Revelations we receive are the raw materials that we build our lives with. Moses received the pattern for the tabernacle from what he saw in the heavens and he built it in the earth exactly as he saw in the heavens. Moses was a type of the apostolic. Later, David got another picture for a temple which invalidated what Moses built in a previous season. David also built according to a heavenly pattern. Thus there is the need for use to be **CONSTANTLY seeing and looking into unfolding realms of the heavens** to discern the structures that we need to build in the earth that are relevant to the time we live in and the current purposes of God.

Ezekiel 1:1 ¹Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth *month*, on the fifth *day* of the month, as I was among the captives by the River Chebar, *that* the **heavens were opened and I saw visions of God.**

Joel 2:1-10,30 : Joel 2 is a picture of the army of God (not the army of anti-Christ)

Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand: ²A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning *clouds* spread over the mountains. A people *come*, great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any *such* after them, Even for many successive generations. ³A fire devours before them, And behind them a flame burns; The land *is* like the Garden of Eden before them, And behind them a desolate wilderness; Surely nothing shall escape them. ⁴Their appearance is like the appearance of horses; And like swift steeds, so they run. ⁵With a noise like chariots Over mountaintops they leap, (FROM ONE PEAK TO ANOTHER) Like the noise of a flaming fire that devours the stubble, Like a strong people set in battle array. ⁶Before them the people writhe in pain; All faces are drained of color. ⁷They run like mighty men, They climb the wall like men of war (ONE MAN WITH GOD CAN SCALE A WALL) Every one marches in formation, (KEEP TO YOUR COURSE) And they do not break ranks. (EACH KNOW HIS GRACE: SPIRITUAL FORMATION) ⁸They do not push one another; (NO DISTRACTION) Every one marches in his own column. Though they lunge between the weapons, (UNAFFECTED BY WEAPONS OF THE ENEMIES) They are not cut down. ⁹They run to and fro in the city, They run on the wall; They climb into the houses, They enter at the windows like a thief. ¹⁰**The earth quakes before them, The heavens tremble; The sun and moon grow dark, And the stars diminish their brightness.** The LORD gives voice **before His army**, For His camp is very great; For strong *is the One* who executes His word. For the day of the LORD *is* great and very terrible; Who can endure it?

Verse 10 The heavens tremble..... This army shakes the heavens like a fig tree

Joel 2:30 “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. Great manifestations in the heavens. In Genesis 1, God made the heavens and the earth – more than one heaven – not a reference primarily to the cosmos, but something different.

SESSION 12: RECONNECTING WITH DADDY – THE FATHER**Eric Warren (USA)**

Thamo : Catch the impartation and go back and reflect upon the information – rehearse and meditate on the notes listen to the tapes, CD's and DVD's.
Read books, search the scriptures for yourself.

Prophetic Word BY Thamo : **REST**; in the environment of rest, He is now placing gifts – many gifts – deep in your spirit man. God will be walking and dwelling in you; from time to time God will pull out a gift and use it to bless somebody. It will happen from a place of deep rest; relax in deep rest – calmness and stillness.

Eric Warren

Big fat claim = this message is applicable to any message we will ever do. **Relationship with the father underpins everything we ever do or preach.** Whatever we do must bring us back to God the Father. God is trying to connect with sons regardless of what message or season you are in. Jesus said, 'I am the way, no man come to the Father unless by me'. All truth must ultimately reconnect us to the Father through Jesus.

A Life message = a message that you carry as a burden – God emphasises certain issues as a minister in your spirit, eg. marriage and family, character, discipleship, sonship (discipleship never occurs again after Acts – only in the gospels and in the books of Acts) , fathers and sons, leadership development, etc.

The enemy attempts to destroy the institution of fatherhood. It is a critical area. **Satan attempts to pervert our understanding of fatherhood and hence derail the purposes of God.**

Isaiah 58:12

Those from among you Shall build the old waste places; You shall raise up the foundations of many generations; And you shall be called the **Repairer of the Breach, The Restorer of Streets to Dwell In.**

T-Shirt : 'I am my babies daddy'

Understanding the identificational relationship between Fathers and sons (sons in this context is not gender specific).

At the essence of the apostolic is a Father relationship. The Father dimension of the Apostolic is critical. **You cannot call yourself 'Apostolic' and not understand 'fathering'.**

Many abused children develop a hatred for fathers. Many carry around a father-wound. **One of the most debilitating wounds in the lives of apostolic people is an unhealed and unresolved father-wound .** This causes tremendous problems in ministry. The hardest people to father in ministry are those with severe father-wounds. If you are to be a 'Repairer of the Breach' you have to be healed of your father-wound. Absalom had a father-wound. He had a breach with his daddy, David. And this led to an abortion of his destiny. Many leaders are wounded in this area. Leaders with father-wounds will automatically inflict pain upon their congregations because they are dysfunctional.

God in His wisdom determined that He will be the first father. We have to learn from HIM the principles of true and effective fatherhood.

Genesis 1:26,27

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."
²⁷So God created man **in His own image**; in the **image of God He created him**; male and female He created them. ²⁸Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "**Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.**"

Dominion in the earth is only possible when we understand and know our Heavenly Father. Those with father-wounds become an oppressive authority figures. Everything in life has be reconnected to the father. The father principle is that which initiates life. The connection to the Father is critical for your general well being and health.

Romans 8: the **creation groans for the manifestations of the sons of God**. Why is the earth groaning? Even the earth knows the importance the father relationship. The greater the process of re-connection with the Father, the greater the unveiling of the heavenly realm to you. An original rose did not have thorns. Thorns only appeared after the fall. The lion longs to ly down with the lamb.

How you determine and evaluate what a real father relationship is all about ?

What is a REAL DADDY as exemplified by God the Father ?

1. A real daddy is more concerned about giving than getting

God ended His creation with man. He GAVE.

2. A real father gives first – he does not receive first.

A father keeps giving even though you get nothing in return. He gives and gives and gives. If Daddy is the focus of the relationship, something is wrong. If the relationship is centred around his needs – something is amiss.

3. A real daddy makes provision for that which he is about to receive

God created the entire world for his sons to inhabit and subdue. He provided the context of man's operation, then he brought his son Adam forth. If you cannot feed children, then do not bring them forth. Fathers in the ministry should not exploit their children in the Lord .

4. A real daddy will prepare you for the difficulties that lay ahead – even to the point of having insurance

policies should something happen, or for certain strategic moments.

5. A real daddy wants you to be blessed to the maximum

6. A real daddy is never envious of the successes of his sons.

You hear of fathers trying to get certain people out of their son's churches and into theirs'.

7. A real daddy wants to talk to you

8. A real daddy will tell of the danger ahead but will not smother you

A real daddy, even when you mess up, will always be there for you – to redeem you

9. A real daddy's greatest pain is to be rejected by son he loves

Jeremiah 2:4

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob and all the families of the house of Israel. ⁵Thus says the LORD:

“What injustice have your fathers found in Me, That they have gone far from Me, Have followed idols,

And have become idolaters? ⁶Neither did they say, ‘Where *is* the LORD, Who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, Who led us through the wilderness, Through a land of deserts and pits, Through a land of drought and the shadow of death, Through a land that no one crossed And where no one dwelt?’ ⁷I brought you into a bountiful country, To eat its fruit and its goodness. But when you entered, you defiled My land And made My heritage an abomination.

Jer2:26ff

As the thief is ashamed when he is found out, So is the house of Israel ashamed; They and their kings and their princes, and their priests and their prophets,²⁷**Saying to a tree, ‘You are my father,’ And to a stone, ‘You gave birth to me.’ For they have turned *their* back to Me, and not *their* face.** But in the time of their trouble They will say, ‘Arise and save us.’²⁸But where *are* your gods that you have made for yourselves? Let them arise, If they can save you in the time of your trouble; For *according to* the number of your cities Are your gods, O Judah.

Malachi 4:5,6

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD. **6And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.”**

Where a father and son relationship is dysfunctional there is room for a curse to be in operation.

Malachi ←———— (400 years) —————→ Gospels ←————→ Church

Between Malachi and the Gospel was 400 years – no prophetic voice in the land (imagine the last time God spoke was 1605?) God had to send a prophetic voice to turn the fathers to the sons and vice versa. Malachi prophesies a return of the hearts of fathers to the sons and sons to the fathers.

Malachi 4:5,6 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of Jehovah come. And he **shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers; lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.**

Disciple = one who follows the teachings of the instructor. **You can be a disciple, yet not a son.** The OT method for transferring God’s truth was father to sons.

God wants relationship, not religion. John the Baptist stepped into a religious order devoid of a knowledge of the father.

Isaiah 53: Who shall declare his generation?

We need to model what true fatherhood is all about in this apostolic season. Those with father-wounds can make a host of mistakes in relationship joinings with various people (networks, etc.)

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Hebron’s emphasis is on relationships and unity – applies to Father – son relationship as well.

Since the birth of Pentecost in America in 1906, there have been more dysfunctional homes than before 1906. Something is drastically wrong.

Levi said : ‘who is my father?’ Our Heavenly father is the only one who can heal us of all our father deficiencies. Fathers will also discipline as an act of love. Ask yourself as a son whether or not you can receive the discipline of your father ?

There is a false fathering movement presently in the earth where sons are simply ‘claimed’. **Father is progenitor , creator, protector (from the Hebrew word, ‘AB’).** We have to replace Pastors and congregations with Father’s and Sons.

Do your very best to be the best father you can be. Give your lives for your sons. Make time for fellowship. Time for sons must be prioritised in your busy schedule. The fathering and son dynamic can cross over large geographical differences.

Who is your father? Do you have a father? Remember **‘adoption’ is a divine principle.**

Devotion by Marcel: Fatherhood

The heart of a father and a son is formed in the wilderness. God said of David :I have found David a man after my own heart. You have to have the heart of the father, not simply the vision of the father.

1 Chron. 28:9-11 : As for you, **my son Solomon**, know the God of your father, and serve Him with **a loyal heart and with a willing mind**; for the LORD searches all hearts and understands all the intent of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever. ¹⁰“Consider now, for the LORD has chosen you to build a house for the sanctuary; be strong, and do it.”¹¹ Then David gave his son Solomon the plans

Illustration: A disabled son wants to do a triathlon: the father takes up the challenge and does it - carrying him through the entire race. The father would not do it, if it was not for the son. The father was glorified in the weakness of his son. Similarly, we as sons should bring the Father glory, even in our trials.

Maxwell RamamshiahConcerns:

1. Number – apostolic churches are few in numbers. why?
2. No Real Estate; Apostolic churches usually do not own their own buildings and land. Why? We need to buy land to make a statement in the supernatural
3. The use of high profile English – not readily understood by the average person.
4. Why is there an absence of the glory of the Lord in apostolic conferences ?

Two patterns will be used : Israel and the early apostolic church in ACTS

Acts 7:38

This is that Moses who said to the children of Israel, ‘The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear.’ ³⁸“This is he who was in the **congregation in the wilderness** with the Angel who spoke to him on Mount Sinai, and *with* our fathers, the one who received the living oracles to give to us,

Israel = a picture of the church in the wilderness

In Acts 2, 10, 15 ; Luke 4 Apostles had the grace to **decode** the OT and give it present meaning : eg. Peter explains Joel’s prophecy ; first sermon of Jesus in Lk 4 was a decode of Isaiah 61; James explains Amos in Acts 15.

Israel’s three main feasts (There were about seven in total). Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles

1. **Passover** : shared blood of lambs – our born again salvation experience - (1502 / 1510 : Martin Luther)
2. **Pentecost** :: 3rd month : rain of the Land – the former rain fell ; rain is a type of the word of the Lord, a visitation, a revival, a renewal, the presence of the Holy Spirit, a habitation.

We pray, ‘Thy will be done on earth as in heaven’ – Why pray for revival - is there any revival in heaven? or Why pray for the anointing – is there any ‘anointing’ in heaven?. **We must believe in a revival, but live in ‘habitation’**. In Genesis man was covered with the glory, but not inhabited by the glory. The glory of the latter shall be greater than the former. God will

take us from one level of glory to another, not from one level of anointing to another (eg. Samsom was anointed and still operate fleshly). You can be anointed and yet still operate in three G's : gold, glory and girls; or the three P's: pride , pound and pantyhose) Ha Ha Ha

God wants a glorious church without spot. Christ is bringing many sons unto glory. Hebrews 3:6

3rd month it rained : brought wine , corn and oil (anointing) ; apples

This rain was the former rain. – it rained moderately during the Pentecost feast. Rain of Pentecost fell in Acts 2 which culminated in a habitation where there was a continual glory upon the church for 30 years.

The church was never born in a lecture hall: it was born in an atmosphere of signs and wonders and revelation knowledge.

Conferences have too much bread (Word) and no drinks (Spirit).

Ezekiel : fullness of bread (i.e. word only) kills revival

When the captives were returned from Babylon, their mouths **were filled laughter. Joy needs to characterise this present season.**

Joel 2:23

Be glad then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the LORD your God; For He has given you the former rain **faithfully (moderately)** And He will cause the rain to come down for you—The former rain, And the latter rain in the first *month*.²⁴The threshing floors shall be full of wheat, And the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil.

Moderately – the outpouring, down-pouring and in-pouring in Acts was moderate. But in its 'moderation', the results were explosively powerful ...

1. On day 1, 300 souls were saved,
2. On day 2 , 5000 were saved ;
3. Acts 5:28 : they filled the whole of Jerusalem with their doctrine
4. Acts 8 Philip in Samaria : great joy in that city. Philip, deacon, was James' spiritual son. – accessed the father anointing
5. The nine gifts were bestowed : 3 vocal gifts, 3 power gifts and 3 revelatory gifts
6. The whole of Asia within two years heard the gospel
7. This revival culminated in the glory of the Lord - for 30 years there was daily refreshing by the Spirit of the Lord.
8. A school of apostles opened by Paul in the house Tyranus that ran for two years.

There will be a **departure from the nine gifts of the Spirit** —————▶ to the **Spirit without measure.**

There are believers who need physical and emotional healing. Emotional healing (TD Jakes) physical (Benny Hinn). We to marry two these and all other streams of truth in this apostolic season in our quest to mature the saints and possess all things

Isaiah 11:1-4

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.²**The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.**³His delight *is* in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears;⁴But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked.

The seven-fold spirits resident within Christ. These were in Christ and must be in the Christ' Body.

God is raising an Enoch generation that will defy death; Heaven is not our home and will never be. Remember the heavens will pass away. The earth was given to the sons of men. The cross symbolically and literally conquered hell, death and grave.

The **spirit of Wisdom** will substitute the gift of the word of wisdom

The **spirit of Understanding** will substitute the gift of the discerning of spirits

The **spirit of Counsel** will substitute the gift of prophecy

The **spirit of Knowledge** will substitute the gift of knowledge

The **spirit of Power and might** will substitute the gifts of healing and miracles

The **spirit of the Fear of the Lord** will substitute the gifts of tongues and interpretation of tongues

Faith ----- righteous (AB believed God and his faith was credited as righteous)

If we are born again at Passover – salvation; and if we were filled with Holy Spirit at Pentecost; Then where are we : in Tabernacles : **we should be having the two rains in one season**

Faith comes by hearing – we need to rehearse **these issues and constantly preach them**. People today have faith because the faith message has been rehearsed in their ears and hearts so often.

God is also 'mother'. Isaiah 66 God is a mother – El-shaddai – the many-breasted one; the full-breasted one. **At times we need to feel the hand of a mother not only the direction and discipline of a FATHER.**

Joel 1 : The Church today is in the book of Joel 1

¹The word of the LORD that came to Joel the son of Pethuel.²Hear this, you elders, And give ear, all you inhabitants of the land! Has *anything like* this happened in your days, Or even in the days of your fathers?

³Tell your children about it, *Let your children tell* their children, And their children another generation.⁴ **What the chewing locust left, the swarming locust has eaten; What the swarming locust left, the crawling locust has eaten; And what the crawling locust left, the consuming locust has eaten.**⁵Awake, you drunkards, and weep; And wail, all you drinkers of wine, Because of the new wine, For it has been cut off from your mouth.⁶For a nation has come up against My land, Strong, and without number; His teeth *are* the teeth of a lion, And he has the fangs of a fierce lion.⁷He has laid waste My vine, And ruined My fig tree; He has stripped it bare and thrown *it* away; Its branches are made white.⁸Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth For the husband of her youth.⁹The grain offering and the drink offering Have been cut off from the house of the LORD; The priests mourn, who minister to the LORD.¹⁰The field is wasted, The land mourns; For the grain is ruined, The new wine is dried up, (no fresh presence of God's power) The oil fails.

This was the state of the Church in the 4,5 and 6 months – no produce – this is where 80% of present day Church is

Palmer worms	—————▶	they eat the fruit
Locust	—————▶	they eat the stalk of the tree
Canker worms	—————▶	they eat the stubble
Caterpillar	—————▶	they eat the very seed in the ground; the seed is the word of the Lord;
		There is no present truth in the Church today.

The church is the only business which can out of business but still remain in business. There can be an absence of the presence of the Lord, but it is 'business as usual' in many churches.

Even when his season was up, John the Baptist continued baptising people because there was water.

Previous structures of God's moving in times past are still being used today, yet they are not relevant. (cf the brazen serpent in Hezekiah's day). There comes a time where Moses leaves the house of Pharaoh, or for Rebecca to leave the house Laban. Numbers and money does not authenticate that you are in the will of the Lord. – This does not validate you.

Spiritual homosexuals : a Pentecostal who only mixes with Pentecostals ,etc.

(How a demon can be 'Christian possessed'?)Ha Ha Ha

Prepare your seed, break your fellow ground, it is about to rain: the former rains of Pentecost and the latter rain of Tabernacles is about to fall.

Some churches are in **TRUMPETS** : raising of prophetic voices ; activating gifting and callings and offices,etc.

Some churches are in **ATONEMENT** : breaking and purging and crushing; shaking ; confinement and restrictions

We must shift to **TABERNACLES**

The apostolic are in **two seasons**; Trumpets and Atonement (Gilgal) – circumcision for the **second time** before we enter the land. The temple was **cleansed twice** : John 2 (beginning of Jesus' ministry) and Matt 24 (end of Jesus' ministry) to remove doves from the temple – trading in doves speak of competition in the house. Right now, key network leaders are fighting each other – still in atonement. At Tabernacles, rain fell and biggest harvest was realised. Then will be the kingdoms of this world will become the kingdom of our Lord in Christ. The drought is about to break. Death as an enemy will be defeated.

The Christ of the heavens will only marry Christ in the earth. Christ in heaven is looking for a manifestation of Christ on earth.

Marcel's Prophetic Word :

Duet 30:11 : For this commandment which I command you today *is not too mysterious for you, nor is it far off.* ¹²“It is not in heaven, that you should say, ‘Who will ascend into heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ ¹³“Nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ ¹⁴“But the word *is very near you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may do it.*

There are 3 dimensions in the book of Ephesians The Past, Present and the Future.

All of Paul's books start with doctrine, and end with a practical focus. He unveils mysteries. Mystery = mysterion = a shut eye.

God desired to have a Body in the earth, through which He is able to express himself, in whom He desires to put in place the mind of Christ. God desires to bring us **into joint partnership with Himself**. Our 'Great Trek' is out from Adam back **into HIM; into timelessness**. The Father and Son have come into rest. The Spirit it still working. Our ultimate destination is back into full sonship. Elevate your thinking into the thought patterns of the Father.

In 1 John there 3 dimensions of growth: Children, Young Men, and Fathers.

There are three courts :

- Outer court : issues of the cross; full of yourself – all brass; brass will be judged
- Holy Place : lampstand - mixture wood overlaid with gold; a mixture of God and man
- Holy of Holies : total maturity – divine sonship – unity of the faith. – no dualism – only God - rest

Touch the things that are eternal. Many are slack, indifferent to these things. **God's hidden intelligence is embedded within the logos**. We must project a word people. We are carrying a message; **become the message** : 'the messenger in the Lord's message'. A great component of the glory is the word. The Spirit only comes upon the word. Acts 10:38 – Spirit of God anointed Jesus (who is the Word incarnate).

Crave and earnestly desire God more than anything else; this goes beyond meeting your needs in a physical sense.

We have been released from Adam : do not have a dualistic approach in your theology. See with singular a eye.

Prophetic sight, singleness of sight and maturity are connected – be focussed singularly only on God – like a horse with blinkers on. **Eternity is a person – Christ – in Him we live, and move and have our being**. Everything exists in Christ.

Romans 1-7

¹Paul, **a bondservant** of Jesus Christ, called *to be* an apostle, **separated to the gospel of God** ²**which He promised before through His prophets in the Holy Scriptures**, ³**concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord**, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh, ⁴**and declared to be** the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead. ⁵**Through Him** we have **received grace and apostleship** for obedience to the faith among all nations for His name, ⁶among whom you also are the called of Jesus Christ; ⁷To all who are in Rome, beloved of God, called *to be* saints:

The focus of the gospel is the person of Jesus Christ. He is the root and offspring of David = I am the initiator of David and I come from David

A Bond servant of Christ = everything about him is subjected to the will of Christ ; your rights have ceased in Christ

What is the gospel ? Some define it in a evangelistic context. When was the gospel designed by God? Was it only after the resurrection? or when? Is it simply salvation? When was it formulated in the mind of God? Was it part of God's eternal purpose?

Go into the timeless zone when God determined certain things and words. God thought of everything before time. He brings eternal things into the realm of time and space. The cross brought alignment between eternity and time. **There is in essence no distinctions in God**. God does not distinguish between secular and spiritual. Hence we must impact politics,

education and economics. 'Thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven'. Sin caused a misalignment between heaven and earth. The cross brought re-alignment between heaven and earth. Heaven wants to come to earth, yet some of us want to go to heaven.

The 'Gospel' is not confined only to salvation and the new birth.

Romans 8:28b, 29

God called us according to His purpose. For whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, **that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.** ³⁰Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

One of the elements of his eternal purpose: To have a family of sons.

Foreknew = Proginosko = to have knowledge before an event occurs and the end of the event.

An aspect of God's omniscience

Psalm 139:

¹O LORD, You have searched me and known *me*.²You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. ³You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. ⁴For *there is* not a word on my tongue, *But* behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. ⁵You have hedged me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me.⁶***Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high,*** I cannot *attain* it.⁷Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? ⁸If I ascend into heaven, You *are* there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You *are there*. ⁹If I take the wings of the morning, *And* dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,¹⁰Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me.¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me,"

Even the night shall be light about me;¹²Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light *are* both alike *to You*.¹³For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb.¹⁴I will praise You, for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made;

Marvelous are Your works, And *that* my soul knows very well.¹⁵My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, *And* skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.¹⁶Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. ***And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.***¹⁷How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!¹⁸If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; When I awake, I am still with You.¹⁹Oh, that You would slay the wicked, O God! Depart from me, therefore, you bloodthirsty men.²⁰For they speak against You wickedly; Your enemies take *Your name* in vain.²¹Do I not hate them, O LORD, who hate You? And do I not loathe those who rise up against You?

²²I hate them with perfect hatred; I count them my enemies.²³Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties;²⁴And see if *there is any* wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

Verse 16: Jesus said Lo it is written of me in the book

Back to Roamns

Foreordained = predetermine – to decide a matter before hand. We were foreordained to be conformed to the image of His Son.

Four essential questions:

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| What was the purpose of creation? | : for glory |
| If Adam fell, from what did he fall? | : glory (Rom. 3:23) |
| What was God's original intent in redemption? | : restore glory |
| Why was Jesus Incarnated? | : glory |

The view you hold on the incarnation of Jesus determines your pattern of life. **Before there was any need for redemption, the Son was the eternal pattern of God for man. Something was done in the Son before time began. This is where the gospel began. The gospel starts in eternity passed.**

Romans 1

¹Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, called *to be* an apostle, **separated to the gospel of God** ²**which He promised before through His prophets in the Holy Scriptures,** ³concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh, ⁴*and* declared *to be* the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

Gospel comes from an Anglo-Saxon word : God's spell – relates to the story of God, the good message, good news, good tidings

The issue of the SON is the first element of the gospel. The first primary thought was not to deal with the sin issue. You must not only have a sin-related perspective – otherwise your message will only bring people into him – but cannot lead people to fullness and glory. **Romans 3:23** – man fell from the glory. Glory will be covered in the next session.

Man always wants to get to God – but we are already in God – this perspective will affect the way we operate, the way we pray and worship, etc.

The way you see, determines how you interpret the prodigal son. Do you see from the perspective from the father or the son. The true perspective is that from the father who wants to restore a son back into sonship.

On glory ? Adam fell from glory. Glory is attained by looking into his face. Through 'speech', the glory of God is manifested.

In times past he spoke through prophets, but now through his Son – i.e. he spoke son-wise, or in 'sonship' he speaks. Any communication not proceeding out of sonship is illegitimate.

You were not called in time; it was done in eternity.

Hebrews 10:5-10,12

Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. ⁶In burnt offerings and *sacrifices* for sin You had no pleasure.⁷Then I said, 'Behold, I have come—In the volume of the book it is written of Me—**To do Your will, O God.**' "

⁸Previously saying, "Sacrifice and offering, burnt offerings, and *offerings* for sin You did not desire, nor had pleasure *in them*" (which are offered according to the law), ⁹then He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God." He takes away the first that He may establish the second. ¹⁰**By that will we have been sanctified** through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all*.

Verse 12: ¹²But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. ¹⁴For by one offering He has perfected forever those **who are being sanctified.**

What we are now perfecting in the earth in time, was already perfected in eternity passed outside time. Jesus said 'I am....' He walked into that in which He was predetermined to walk in.

A man's ministry only begins after authentication by the Father; otherwise your ministry is illegitimate. Wait to be released by the Father into ministry. Your natural earthly cover in ministry must release you and bless you as he perceives the affirmation of the Father over you.

Sonship is connected with adoption, inheritance, and with glory. Only sons can truly glorify the father. Immature children glorify themselves. Sons glorify the Father.

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The gospel was preached in the OT through types and shadows. Acts 7:38 Israel was the church in the wilderness.

Acts 7:37, 38

“This is that Moses who said to the children of Israel, ‘The LORD your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear.’”³⁸ “This is he who was in **the congregation in the wilderness** with the Angel who spoke to him on Mount Sinai, and *with* our fathers, the one who received the living oracles to give to us

Hebrews 4:2

²For indeed the **gospel was preached to us as well as to them**; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard *it*.

Verse 6 ⁶Since therefore it remains that some *must enter it (i.e. rest)*, and those to whom it was first preached did not enter because of disobedience,

The gospel was not to address a sin issue. The issue in Hebrews is ‘rest’. They could not enter because of disobedience.

Sonship and rest are connected.

Galatians 3:6

⁶just as Abraham “believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.”⁷ Therefore know that *only* those who are of faith are sons of Abraham.⁸ And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, **preached the gospel to Abraham** beforehand, *saying*, “In you all the nations shall be blessed.”⁹ So then those who *are* of faith are blessed with believing Abraham.

‘Gospel’ for Abraham involved a blessing on the nations. Jesus said to his disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel.

The Gospel exhibits the grace of God

Acts 14:3 / 20:32

²“So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the **word of His grace**, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

2 Cor 4:4, 6

But even if **our gospel** is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,⁴ whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the **gospel of the glory of Christ**, who is the image of God, should shine on them.⁵ For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus’ sake.⁶ For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to *give* the light of the **knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ**.

Life and Immortality are brought to light by the gospel

2 Tim 1:10

but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, *who* has **abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel**,¹¹ to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

Preacher = a herald = an evangelistic

Romans 1:16 For I am **not ashamed of the gospel of Christ**, for it is **the power of God to salvation** for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

1 Pet. 1:25 But the word of the LORD endures forever. Now this is **the word which by the gospel was preached** to you.

Rev.14:6 Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having **the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth—to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people**

There are various Scriptures related to the Gospel of the kingdom

Rom.1:1 Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, called *to be* an apostle, **separated to the gospel of God**
Mark 1:1 he beginning of the **gospel of Jesus Christ**, the Son of God
Gal. 1:6,7 **I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, ⁷which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ.**

That Christ might be fully formed in you = part of the gospel.

The culminating thought into which he gathers the epistle of Romans is contained in one word : **HOPE**

Romans 15:13

¹³Now may the **God of hope** fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that **you may abound in hope** by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Hope = Elpis (pronounce elpisay)

Faith is the substance of things **hoped for**. Substance = substructure

The blessed hope is SONSHIP : Christ is us is the hope of glory

Faith = pistis = conviction or persuasion

Acts 19 Paul establishes an apostolic Church – he **reasoned and persuaded** for two years. Step up into the mind of the KING.

Elpis = to anticipate with pleasure , an eager expectation, a deep inward conviction that certain things will happen

Persuade = Peitho = to be persuaded by a certain position. If you are not persuaded, you have no position on an issue.

Eg. that Jesus will physical appear on the earth again

Peitho = all operations hinges from an internal sense of certainty; no deviation concerning the outcome of a matter

Hebrews 6:19

his hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence **behind the veil**, ²⁰where the forerunner has entered for us, *even* Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Hope anchors the soul. Hope is used as a metaphor – an anchor for the soul (not the spirit) – sometimes your soul must catch up to where your spirit is. An anchor stabilises a ship – issues of certainty and fixedness even in trials and moments of despair. **The soul cannot be anchored in the realm of temporal things. The quality of your revelation is also determined by the hardness of the process of your trial.** (Look of Paul's sufferings and the degree of his revelation)

Do not throw away your confidence – your right of free speech – to utter your conviction. Encourage yourself in the Lord.

When you embrace the apostolic, you embrace suffering. Suffering produces greater glory. When you are persecuted for suffering, then the spirit of glory is upon you. At times you stand preaching, yet hurting in your flesh, but does not matter because you are connected to God, not in your flesh, but in your spirit to God.

The book of Ephesians highlights the doctrine of the **Body of Christ**

Ephesians 1:1 –15

Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God,

To the saints who are in Ephesus, and faithful in Christ Jesus: ²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, ⁴just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, ⁵having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, ⁶to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He has made us accepted in the Beloved. ⁷In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace ⁸which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, ⁹**having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, ¹⁰that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.** ¹¹In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, ¹²that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. ¹³In Him you also *trusted*, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.

1:9,10 : 'purposed in Christ' ; a biblical mystery = a sacred secret ; mystery = mysterion = a shut eye.

Eph 3:3,5

Now that **by revelation He made known to me the mystery** (as I have briefly written already, ⁴by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), ⁵which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been **revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets**: that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel, that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel,

Mysteries are unveiled by revelation. Apostles and Prophets are wired to see mysteries of God. God calls these as managers over these mysteries – they are graced to do these things.

The mystery of the Body fellowship. Fellowship is only effected in the Body, made up of different peoples – koinonina – Hebron principle. The daily life of the early church exemplified this. They continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine, fellowship, prayer, and breaking bread.

Eph 1:3-6 : The forming of the Body was formed in eternity passed. It must express divine fellowship. Out of fellowship God brings forth spiritual birth.

Ultimately, we are to be 'Unto the praise of His glory'

Formation of the Body

1. Past : election
2. Present : redemption
3. Future : inheritance

The Method by which God formed the Body

Verse 4 : **according as He choose us in Him**

Eklego = chosen = to call out ; in the middle voice --- you are chosen for Himself

Before even the devil was created you were in Christ. **He called you in Christ and then in time you activated your will to embrace something which was already predetermined for you to walk in.** My thoughts are higher than your thoughts, says God.

The principle of election runs throughout the Scriptures. (eg. 2 Timothy 1:19, 2:10; 2 Thess. 2:12;) **But election does not preclude human responsibility in time.** Our entire lives and ministries rest within the election of God

John 6:37

All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out
How can God choose some, offer salvation to everyone, and hold people accountable who have not chosen Him?

Verse 4 : The object of God's election

John 6:39

This is the will of the Father who sent Me, **that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing**, but should raise it up at the last day.

Rom 9:11-12-24

¹¹(for *the children* not yet being born, nor having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works but of Him who calls), ¹²it was said to her, "The older shall serve the younger." ¹³As it is written, "Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated."

¹⁴What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? Certainly not! ¹⁵For He says to Moses, "**I will have mercy on whomever I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whomever I will have compassion.**" ¹⁶So then *it is* not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of God who shows mercy. ¹⁷For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I have raised you up, that I may show My power in you, and that My name may be declared in all the earth." ¹⁸Therefore He has mercy on whom He wills, and whom He wills He hardens. ¹⁹You will say to me then, "**Why does He still find fault? For who has resisted His will?**" ²⁰But indeed, **O man, who are you to reply against God? Will the thing formed say to him who formed it, "Why have you made me like this?"** ²¹Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor? ²²*What* if God, wanting to show *His* wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, ²³and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory, ²⁴*even* us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

Here are issues of God's sovereignty

Romans 10:9-10

that if you confess with **your mouth the Lord Jesus** and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Here is man's responsibility. Confess him as Lord.

What was God's intent in creation? for glory

For Redemption?: Glory

God wants to share His eternal glory with the Church. Even if you mess up, God will bring you back to His eternal purposes for your life.

How do you know your name is written? How do you know you are saved? Think of these things and search the scriptures yourself

The water of the word is becoming wine and it is fermenting. God has brought us to feast around His Word.

TONIGHT WE'RE HAVING DRINKS !

It is illegal to build in the Spirit outside of covenant. Relationships must proceed from courtships to marriage. Never do ministry apart from covenant. In USA, it is 'I give you ministry, you give me money – no strings attached'. This is wrong and must change.

(Tonight we are going to have some drinks !)

In covenant relationship with someone, **you can be yourself, without pretense.** You are anointed to be you – do not try to be somebody else. Your anointing best works through you !

No relationship is a true relationship until you have some times of adversity and testing. Proverbs says that a friend loves at all times, but a brother is born in adversity'.

You must **be naked in relationships.** In the natural, intercourse, conception and then birth, cannot take place with clothes on. **In naked covenant, things are birthed.** Even within harmony, there must be diversity. Embrace unity and covenant and do not reject it because you have been hurt. If there is abuse, do not move into the position called 'no use' but move into 'correct use'.

Words are nothing more than spirit which has been cloth-ed. Jesus said, 'The words I speak are spirit and life' Look at the ministry of Christ on another level.

THE DESTRUCTION OF UNCOVENANTED ONE (JEZEBEL)

The un-covenanted one = Jezebel. We will use Christ as our example. God is a covenant keeping God.

Jezebel is not a bossy woman. The work of unclean spirits is to create pathways in our minds that will resist the truth of the Word of God. Men with a Jezebel spirit are worse than any woman could be. This spirit is oppressive, and functions out of intimidation and restricts your functioning. If Jezebel is to be defeated, we have got to see Christ in a way that we have not seen HIM before. Christ is King, Saviour, Faithful (Steward : He was a steward over God's will and works), a Covenant Keeper. Christ came to re-establish covenant.

God has always wanted a priestly/kingly people. We must stop Jezebel from trying to assassinate our relationships. There is a way and that is through covenant.

Jezebel means = un-covenanted one ; un-husbanded one ; chaste. By nature, **she cannot produce anything. Jezebel teaches people to not be committed to their relationships.**

Basic definition of Covenant : '*The agreement between two parties to be committed to their relationship.*'

Revelations 2: 20-23

“Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman **Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols.** ²¹“And I gave her time to repent of her sexual immorality, and she did not repent. ²²“Indeed I will cast her into a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of their deeds. ²³“I will kill her children with death, and all the churches shall know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts. And I will give to each one of you according to your works.

N.B. : Everything is a tension between covenant and fornication

Commitment = to be joined to, to be bound to. There is a walk that is not a loose walk – one that is based on commitment. Fornication is without commitment. All who embrace the Apostolic will be attacked by a spirit of fornication. In the OT when Israel went astray, this lure away was most times described in words relating to sexual connotations, eg. whore. This denotes a spiritual condition. The devil does not want us unified – you will always be attacked by the spirit of the un-covenanted one.

Eunuch = emasculated male. Ignoring the term based on the sexual nuance, let us focus on the Eunuch's function.

Matthew 19:12

³The Pharisees also came to Him, testing Him, and saying to Him, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for *just* any reason?” ⁴And He answered and said to them, “Have you not read that He who made *them* at the beginning ‘made them male and female,’ ⁵“and said, ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh’? ⁶“So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate.” ⁷They said to Him, “Why then did Moses command to give a certificate of divorce, and to put her away?” ⁸He said to them, “Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, permitted you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so. ⁹“And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is divorced commits adultery.” ¹⁰His disciples said to Him, “If such is the case of the man with *his* wife, it is better not to marry.”

¹¹But He said to them, “**All cannot accept this saying, but only those to whom it has been given:** ¹²“**For there are eunuchs who were born thus from their mother's womb, and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He who is able to accept it, let him accept it.**”

Jesus represents a covenant keeper; The Pharisee represents **fornicators – those who want to be married to God without commitment**. In Matthew, the **contrast is between covenant with commitment and fornication without covenant. Fornication spirit produces poverty. Wealth is laid up for the just to establish His covenant. God gives power to get wealth to establish His covenant. Wealth and covenant are linked.**

Fornication = pornea = no commitment = acts of selfishness (Homosexuals, etc.)

A 'single person' is described in Scripture as 'unmarried' or 'virgins' or 'widows'. We need to extract the term 'single' from the culture of the Church. It has implications of loneliness, isolation, not belonging, unwanted, etc.

The Eunuch as a term and thought is a powerful one.

Deut. 23: 1 “He who is emasculated by crushing or mutilation shall not enter the assembly of the LORD.

The reason for this was that pagan practices of worship emasculated their male children to function as priests in pagan temples. This was a perversion of the true use. The Eunuch was also linked to the priesthood.

Adam was given the ability to rule and reign (King) and also he also had to walk with God (Priest).

A Eunuch was a powerful individual. Focus on the word as a metaphor : Eunuch for the Kingdom sake. Christ was the ultimate Eunuch for the kingdom's sake.(If you can SEE it you BE IT).

The law of first-mention – sets the course or pattern for how that word will be used throughout the scripture.

Isaiah 56: 3-5

Do not let the son of the foreigner Who has joined himself to the LORD Speak, saying, “The LORD has utterly separated me from His people”; **Nor let the eunuch say, “Here I am, a dry tree.”**⁴For thus says the LORD: **“To the eunuchs who keep My Sabbaths, And choose what pleases Me, And hold fast My covenant,⁵Even to them I will give in My house And within My walls a place and a name Better than that of sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name That shall not be cut off.**

Eunuchs have a prophetic blessing; They are powerful; They also called chamberlains, - They prepared the beds – the context for intimate expressions of love; They have the ability to connect people with God ; They prepared people to meet with the King – same as Jesus did prepare us in a sense to meet with God the Father.

2 Kings 9**Jehu = Jehovah is He**

He is anointed as a defender of the covenant to kill Jezebel. He is absolutely determined to kill her. Jezebel tries to seduce him . Jehu tells the Eunuchs to throw Jezebel down. It was a king-priest anointing that destroyed the un-covenanted one He is asked, ‘Do you come in peace?’ There can be no peace in witchcraft – oppressive – keeps you afraid and unsure and insecure.

Develop the ability to be loyal and committed. It is far better to be number two than number one. Christ-likeness is only developed if you are serving somebody. Servitude is highly esteemed in God.

1 John 3:1,2

¹Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. ²**Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.**

When He is revealed – we shall be like Him; not in the future, but now because we see Him progressively.

Hebron is possible; deal with the issues of your heart that keeps you from being transparent; true partnership is only tested when things go wrong. NOW WE ARE THE SONS of God.

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SESSION 17 : STRONG PROPHETIC FLOW: UNDOING CERTAIN THINGS / MIGRATION

Intense prophetic worship: various apostolic and prophetic songs released during the time of worship.

Chris : Chris felt to simply continue with the prophetic flow in terms of a word which God had given him early this Morning. Here is the essence of it:

Isaiah 6:1-9

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple. ²Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory!"⁴And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵So I said: "**Woe is me, for I am undone!** Because I am a **man of unclean lips**, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For **my eyes have seen the King**, The LORD of hosts."⁶Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. ⁷And he touched my mouth with it, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged."⁸Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us? Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

God wants to get up close and personal; closer than He has ever been before BUT He has to 'undo' certain things.

THINGS THAT MUST BE UNDONE/ AND CHANGE:

1. Ministries and Ministry Functions

- Realignments of Gracing
- Ministries built on comparison and competition

2. Personalities

- 'Many of my servants have not yet discovered the person that I have created them to be'
- I cannot use you to function because you do not know who you are
- There are two you's : the one that I made you to be and the one that you, the church and society have made you to be.

3. Certain Characters

- Some have developed a code of character and ethics that you have grown comfortable with – and have justified – and you know in your heart of hearts that I am displeased with it
- Pain, hurt and bitterness have shaped your character. You have been hurt and you are drawing consolation by hurting my people but you are not..... of it

4. Churches

- Build again; lay foundations again

5. Relationships

- Default Relationships ; Don't to establish covenant.
- Not all good men are fathers
- Relationships not of MY choosing; Release yourself from the obligation of certain relationships
- The only thing that holding some folk back are these relationships; There will be a catapulting after you have released yourself from these relationships.
- Frustration: an oppressive spirit that has been given an open door into your life because you have doing that which God has not called you to do.

- God has sown in this school the seeds that will give birth to new model for team ministry. There will be transparency, synergy and divine energy that the world has not seen before in team ministry.
- I have called you to set nations into order.
- There will be a renewed and refreshed entrance into Africa
- Many are not spending enough time with me. Yes this move of mine does function in grace, but many have taken my grace for granted

If you cannot give your all, then keep the part.

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EXHORTATION BY : GORDON CLAASEN ON MIGRATION

The cry of Israel in bondage brought God back into the earth, both in Egypt and in Babylon. **The purpose of the visitation was for exodus and then migration.** Every time we are God’s presence and glory there should be migration.

Israel in refusing to ascend the mountain, traded God’s glory for His presence. They could not bear the awesome person of God and His voice. Only then Moses was instructed to build a Tabernacle. This was a substitute presence. Mount Horeb was His habitation. The Tabernacle was his visitation. The Ark = the presence of God = the ark brought meaning to their journeyings. Their enemies were not afraid of them, they were afraid of the ark.

Nelson Mandela came alive after touching his wife for the first time in 27 years. Imagine how Israel felt after 430 years of bondage, when God came through to visit them with release.

The spirit of migration must be a core factor and value. This affects the way you preach, pray and worship. The spirit of migration was evident in Abraham – he looked for a city whose builder and maker is God. Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered = this has inherent within it, mobility and scattering. **God will disperse the enemy before you so that you can take territories and jurisdictions previously occupied by them – but you must proceed towards it and venture forth.**

The need to develop a systematic approach to preaching. Only the living Word can confront an inaccurate position.

There are **different ways of interpreting Scripture**. Some examples :

Example 1

The Scripture : 'By the foolishness of preaching men shall be saved.'

- some says this means --- unintelligent, disorganised preaching and men will still get saved
- **BUT**, God choose a foolish medium called preaching; In Acts the apostles preached logos – very clear and coherent – ingeniously designed.

Example 2

The Scripture : 'It is appointed unto man once to die, and then the judgement.'

- some say this means 'All men will have to die'
- **BUT**, you only die once; Paul believed in an imminent eschatology – that would not die; some will not taste death

Your interpretation is conditioned by your perspective – you presupposition. If your perspective is evangelistic you interpret all scripture with that paradigm.

Bread (Christ) is made of five different grace configurations – five fold ministry

Look at heaven from a different perspective. Pentecostal concept of heaven is a place we are snatched away to ----- this inaccurate view caused many not to buy real estate, prepare for their children's futures, etc.. The Moslems and Hindus came in all bought lands, etc....

Why do we need an open heaven ? Why do we study the heavens?

1. To understand the creation of all things : God created everything for us – both visible and invisible

Genesis 1:1-31 ¹In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Created = bara = initiated ; created everything out of nothing

Most angels in most cases come as the form of man, not as celestial beings. Be careful how you handle strangers. That is why you must be given to hospitality.

First He created heavens – in plural form; and secondly, He created the earth. This is the dualism.

More than one heaven. **They are visible and invisible**. God created two dimensions in the creation account: a spiritual world with heavens ; and a natural world which we can see.

Bara = created everything out of nothing

But 'nothing' does not mean emptiness. Everything came out of the Christ.

First born = prototos = to bring out into existence.

Analogy of bucket of water full of water = the "I AM" = the Christ. Call this the heavens. And in this bucket of water there is a little air bubble around the EARTH. That bubble was created through our fall – the bubble is there to protect us from the Holy presence of God until we are able to bear his presence; In the water the bubble floats. Is the bubble in the bucket, or is the bucket in the bubble? The heavens cannot be described dimensionally – they are neither up or down. In understanding this, do not be governed by the laws of gravity. You can be in the mount of transfiguration and be fast asleep. There are different dimensions in the realm of the bucket – of Christ.

Col 1:15-18

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. **16For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth**, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. **17And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.** **18And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.**

'Image' : Christ was drawn out of his essence to adopt an 'image' . The very substance of Him proceeds out from God. WE have to revisit the mystery of the Godhead; this will affect the way we present Christ. Substance = hupstasis.

Eikon = arch type of everything locked in the dimensions of heavens. Christ is the visible resemble of that dimension. The language that God speaks is called SON. Get to know the 'mystery of Christ' not the historical Christ. In Christ ALL THINGS consist. Some aspects of Christ cannot be unlocked now.

Firstborn of all creation = this does not mean He had an origin.

Firstborn = protokos : protos = first (apostolic principle: like 'proton') ; tokos is from tikto = to bear or to bring forth.

You cannot bring forth something if it is not resident within your womb. Some are simply bringing forth 'wind' – a false birth. First born – it was birthed in the very substance of Himself. **Before time, Christ was pregnant with it – his substance. He became the firstborn in His substance. And we were all locked up within the substance of Christ.**

Implications of 'Firstborn'

1. In Him was FIRST (protos) BORN (conceived) ALL THINGS. **ALL THINGS are in Christ.** God can even fit into a seed. He cannot be measured by bigness. God can compress Himself.
2. In Him was first born all things – they were brought forth in Him. The hidden intelligence of the logos was in Him
It was natural for HIM to create all things – All things were **created BY Him**
3. All things were **created FOR Him**
4. All things are **sustained BY Him**

Where did God live before He created the heavens? God made everything visible and the invisible world – this is a mystery! Jesus was born through the incarnation. People were raised from the dead in the OT. How then can Jesus be the firstborn in the sense that he was the not the first man to be raised from the dead? The heavens is not a place – it is a person – Christ. 'In him in heavenly places'

2. To reconcile all things to Him

reconcile = apokataliassio = refers to the restoration of a state of being which is described the word peace (**shalom**) – holistic peace that was once disturbed

Col 1:20

¹⁹For it pleased *the Father that **in Him all the fullness should dwell***, ²⁰and by Him **to reconcile all things to Himself**, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.

Adam walked naked, yet clothed with a garment of light – a garment of God – a multifaceted array of light – he step into the heavenly realm and walked with God. God could step into the earth and commune. **Adam could explore all things in Christ.** God came in a form of a sound in the garden. Adam became the visible manifestation and reflection of God.

Why do we want to access the supernatural? Because we understand the **ministry of reconciliation – to bring healing to the disturbed aspects of creation. Live in Him and He in you. Understand the heavens in Christ.** The church was not an after- thought after the nations of Israel . The church existed in Christ from before the foundations of the world.

In Him the fullness dwells – there is much more to God than we will ever comprehend. **In Christ, there is no gulf between the earth and the heavens.**

Col 1:21-27

And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled ²²in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight— ²³if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the **gospel** which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister.

²⁴I now rejoice in my sufferings for you, **and fill up in my flesh what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ, for the sake of His body, which is the church**, ²⁵of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God which was given to me for you, **to fulfill the word of God**, (to make it fully known)²⁶the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints. ²⁷To them God willed to make known **what are the riches of the glory of this mystery** among the Gentiles: which is **Christ in you, the hope of glory.**

That hope is in heaven – in Christ and needs to be expressed in the earth.

Col. 1:3-5

³We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, ⁴since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of your love for all the saints; **because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven**, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel

We need to plunder heaven to populate earth (not plunder hell and populate heaven). We must tear the heavens to reveal Christ in us like He has never been seen before. Then we can say like Jesus said to men, 'If you have seen me, you have seen my Father'

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Get to a place in the River of God, where you cannot measure your steps. Come into the realm of fullness. Move to a place in the River where you are simply carried.

Reasons why we study the Heavens

1. To have a revelation of what the creator was thinking. Going into the heavens is like a treasure hunt with clues.

2. We can be involved in the administration of the fullness of the times

Eph. 1:9,10 (see also Col.1:19)

Having made known to us **the mystery of His will**, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, ¹⁰that in the dispensation (**administration: NASV**) of **the fullness of the times** He might gather together in one **all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.**

a. Mystery of His will

b. In this is the concept of the **administration of the fullness of the times** – this the summing up of all things in the heavens and earth in Christ, i.e. that we can be involved in Christ through the activity of Spirit ('eye has not seen the things God has prepared for those who love Him But it has been revealed to us through the Spirit) in the conclusion of all things in Christ in heaven and earth.

Summing up = to gather together in one = to reunite in one head. We are joining the things in heavens, and earth, and in the priestly/kingly order, and in us, all things are now summarised. The visible informs the invisible.

Eph.3:8-13

To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, **this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,** ⁹and to **make all** see what *is* the **fellowship of the mystery**, which from the **beginning of the ages** has been **hidden in God** who **created all things through Jesus Christ;** ¹⁰**to the intent** that now the **manifold wisdom of** God might be made known **by the church** to the principalities and powers in the heavenly *places*, ¹¹according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have boldness and access **with confidence through faith in Him.** ¹³Therefore I ask that you **do not lose heart at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.**

Your eschatology should not bring you to a place but to a person, i.e. to Christ.

Fellowship = koinoinia = active participation

'Hidden in God' – analogy of hiding sweets from your children as a gift and letting them search for it.

Satan and fallen angels rebelled at the thought that God would share his glory with man (and not them).

1 Peter 1:8-12-14

To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached **the gospel** to you **by the Holy Spirit** sent **from heaven—things which angels desire to look into.**

¹³Therefore gird up **the loins of your mind**, be sober, and rest *your* hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you **at the revelation of Jesus Christ;** ¹⁴as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, *as* in your ignorance; ¹⁵but as He who called you *is* holy, you also be holy in all *your* conduct,

As we plunder the heavens, angels will become more visible as they look down to peer into the things we say.

Whenever there is an accurate position in the earth, there will always be the two realms of heaven and earth joining.

Angels cannot see his glory – they cover their faces. But we shall behold Him face to face. The scripture says, ‘the glory of the Lord in the face of Jesus Christ. (2 Cor.4:6)

3. To understand the position of our present placement in Him

➤ **FOR Dominion :**

Ephesians 1;20-23

which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated *Him* at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, **far above** all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. ²²And **He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church,** ²³**which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.**

Heavenly places – No Greek word for ‘places’ Only for ‘heavenlies’.

There is no fixed Throne in heaven . It is transitory. Wherever God is, He sets up His Throne. Look at Solomon’s prayer : He said to God, ‘Highest of heavens cannot contain You; then how can this temple?’

Eph 2:6 and raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together **in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,**

➤ **For transmission of divine will in the earth**

Matt. 6:9-13 Our Father **in heaven**, Hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come. **Your will be done** . On earth **as it is in heaven.**

Spiritual Warfare will take on a new face. You serve Him, He serves you. You build him a house, he makes you the house. Money will follow you – it will hunt your wallet and look for a place in bank account..

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Deut.10:14 ^{4cc}Indeed **heaven and the highest heavens belong to the LORD** your God, *also* the earth with all that *is* in it.

God cannot be contained by heavens of heavens: 1 Kings; 2 Chron.2:6; 6:18 ; Ps 36

2 Chron.2:6 But who is able to build Him a temple, **since heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him?** Who *am* I then, that I should build Him a temple, except to burn sacrifice before Him?

2 Chron. 6:18 But will God indeed dwell with men on the earth? Behold, **heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain You.** How much less this temple which I have built!

Ps 36:5 Your mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens;

God’s glory is set above the heavens

Psalm 8:1 O LORD, our Lord, How excellent *is* Your name in all the earth, **Who have set Your glory above the heavens!**

Psalm 57:10 For Your mercy **reaches unto the heavens**, And Your truth unto the clouds.
¹¹Be exalted, O God, **above the heavens**; *Let Your glory be above all the earth.*

Psalm 113:4 The LORD *is* **high above all nations**, His **glory above the heavens**.⁵Who *is* like the LORD our God, Who **dwells on high**,⁶Who humbles Himself to behold ***The things that are in the heavens and in the earth***

Psalm 108:4 For Your mercy *is* great **above the heavens**, And Your truth *reaches* to the clouds.
⁵Be exalted, O God, **above the heavens**, And Your glory above all the earth;

God rides the heavens :

Ps 68:33

Genesis 2:1-4

¹Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the **host** of them, were finished. ²And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had **done**, and **He rested** on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. ³Then God **blessed the seventh day and sanctified** it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

⁴This *is* the **history of the heavens and the earth** when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the **earth and the heavens**, (inverted position : from the earth we have to access the heavens)

Host = tsaba = a mass of persons and things ; everything; created with the purpose for service. Man was the last thing created . The last shall be first and first shall be last. Therefore the first thing in God's mind was man. Therefore everything serves us (satan could not handle this thought)

Finished = kala = nothing was left still to be done ; the task was completely finished

God is not working – it is all there – He is in rest; you simply access the thing that already done.

'**Done** ' = **cessation** ; he ceased because everything was done to the finest detail. You access everything by faith - without faith it is impossible to please God. Pull God into your life, into your realm.

Heaven = shamayin =literally means something that is lofty, an elevated position ; you have to reach for it; has been translated to mean

- **the physical heavens** – the visible galaxies (There are about 52 billion galaxies) Host tells that there are more
- **things created**

Acts 17 Paul on Mars hill : he said the Athenians dedicated Mars hill. God places His signature on all of creation. But Paul challenges them to know the UNKNOWN God, and that HE has determined the horizons – your perception of a boundary.

If you can bring all that God has determined from the heavens to the earth, your spatial sphere of existence will always be Kairos – that critical time when the two horizons meet. Live in this dimension of life.

There is the domain where God has chosen to live – this is wherever we can access Him. Comes in the form of eschatological clouds – 'cloud' implies a transitory process. The cloud has never left the Church, in the OT and NT.

When Peter encounters this, he calls an ordinary mountain, the mountain of God – the mount of transfiguration – where two dimensions , earth and heaven meet. The cloud speaks of that dimension in the heavens that we can see – the level of perception. Latter rain (John the Baptist and back) Former rain (from Jesus onwards to us).

Earth = ge (A Greek word) = a single domain or domicile of human kind where history is transacted between God and man.

We will not only inhabit the earth, but in Christ we will possess all things - this is far bigger than earth and even all the galaxies. Even in the new earth, the natural realm as a place plays an extremely important role in the purposes of God.

The Heavens is like a tent stretched out.

Is 40:22

*It is He who **sits above the circle of the earth**, And its inhabitants *are* like grasshoppers, **Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain**, And **spreads them out like a tent** to dwell in.*

Is 42:5

Thus says God the LORD, Who **created the heavens and stretched them out**, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, And spirit to those who walk on it:

God stretched the heavens out. Moses' tabernacle = a tent . He built a copy and shadow of heavenly things that he saw. God has stretched out the heavens like a tent. The tent that Moses saw, he built. God revealed himself on the level that Moses could understand.

The Heavens Speak / They Erupt with Words

Hebrews 1:1

God, who at various times and in various ways **spoke** in times past to the fathers by the prophets

Spake = lalleo = choice to speak instead of remaining silent. Lalleo is contrasted with logos (from lego).

When God speaks, He uses the level of human comprehension at that point in time. He sometimes speaks in pictures, symbols and metaphors. That is why Peter's Greek is not good Greek – it is broken Greek. Paul's Greek is more polished.

God used Paul in His intelligence (Peter even battled with some things Paul said.)

God's glory is above the circle.

Nature – your inward state; Character – your external behaviour. One determines the other.

That is why when you build anything in the earth that reflects the dimensions of heaven, it is clothed with glory. His presence may be in any move, but his glory will be on whatever the most accurate move is.

Is 45:18, 19

For thus says the LORD, Who **created the heavens**, Who is God, Who formed the earth and made it, Who has established it, Who did not create it in vain, Who formed it to be inhabited: I *am* the LORD, and *there is* no other.¹I have not **spoken** in secret, In a dark place of the earth; I did not **say** to the seed of Jacob, 'Seek Me in vain'; I, the LORD, **speaking righteousness, I declare things** that are right.

Earth and heavens are to be inhabited. Hebrews says that God is shaking the heavens and the earth so that the things which should remain, remain. The heavens **declare the glory of God**:

Psalm 19

The **heavens declare the glory of God**; And the firmament **shows His handiwork**.²Day unto day **utters speech**, And night unto night **reveals knowledge**.³**There is no speech nor language Where their voice is not heard**.⁴Their line has gone out through all the earth, **And their words to the end of the world**. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun,⁵Which *is* like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *And* rejoices like a strong man to run its race.⁶Its rising *is* **from one end of heaven**, And its **circuit to the other end**; And there is nothing hidden from its heat.

Declaring = caphar = telling, narrating, enumerating. The heavens are telling of the glory of the Lord.

Handiwork = reveals the nature of the one who creates, but there is more to God, than His handiwork, **there is still HIM to be understood.**

Stars are a symbolic type of angels. They communicate words, reflect glory. Abraham's seed, i.e. us, are like stars in the sky that cannot be numbered. We (stars) operate from a heavenly realm and must display the glory of the Lord, uttering revelations hidden in the heavens.

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SESSION 21 : THE OPENING OF THE HEAVENS (Part 4)

Thamo Naidoo

Shaun : Before you share the truths taught in the school (do not be hasty to do this), make sure that you yourself have internalised and practiced them in your life.

Thamo: Paul submitted his doctrine to the apostles at Jerusalem even though he received it directly from the Lord. It is important to be accountable.

Recap from previous session: We are talking about HIS un-searchable riches. There are doors in the heavens that we have to open. Words infer more than what the actual words attempt to communicate. Jesus used parables to communicate truths. John wrote the Book of The Revelation of Christ in symbols and pictures. Most of the Book of Revelation has to do with the heavenly realm. When you see into this dimension, it is difficult to put into words what you see and hear.

Jesus is the firstborn in timelessness. We have to study the heavens to understand what was locked up in the Christ. Christ is in us; therefore, in us, all things should be summed up.

You cannot proclaim something until you have lived it. Objective truth must be validated by subjective experience.

The heavens is stretched out like a tent. The heavenly realm patterns for us how we should build a tent in the earth.

Do not build anything until you have seen it in the heavens. The level of the heavens you go to, determines the kind of house you build and live in. Moses saw a tabernacle, David saw a tent. **The heavens determine the way you behave in the earth.**

The presence of God does not fill the temple, but only His glory fills it. The measure of 'the perfect' that you bring to the earth from the heaven, is that measure that God comes and clothes it with glory.

Your authority in the earth determines your ability to unlock the heavens. Your authority is determined by the level of revelation. The grace of God determines your revelation. But you must position yourself correctly to access it by grace.

Matthew 16:13-23

³When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, “Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?” ¹⁴So they said, “**Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.**” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter answered and said, “You are **the Christ, the Son of the living God.**” ¹⁷Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but **My Father who is in heaven.**” ¹⁸“And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹“And I will give you the **keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.**” ²⁰Then He commanded His disciples that they should tell no one that He was Jesus the Christ.

²¹From that time Jesus began to show to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day. ²²Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, “Far be it from You, Lord; this shall not happen to You!” ²³But He turned and said to Peter, “Get behind Me, Satan! You are an offense to Me, for you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men.”

All revelation proceeds from above. My Father in HEAVEN has revealed this to you. ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God’ = Peter is saying that all things find their climax in Christ = the fullness of different anointings (Jeremiah, Elijah, Elisha, etc.) are resident in Jesus.

On this ROCK = the rock is the confession made that you have accessed information by revelation. Everything in the heavens has become our utterance. If you bring anything from heaven, it has to be Christ. If you draw something out of the heavens that brings attention to yourself, you have missed it. Paul was given a thorn in the flesh to keep Him humble lest he should be exalted above measure because of the abundance of revelations he received in the heavens (Cor. 12)

Keys of the kingdom of heaven . This portion has little to do with binding devils. **You invade revelation and bring it to the earth and therefore the earth takes precedents over the heavens at that point in time. What you do in the earth at that time has the guaranteed support of the heavens.**

If everything in heaven is opened, why do I need keys? The implication is that some things are shut up.

Revealed = Apokalupto = to rip opens the heavens and to remove the veil ; = SOMETHING WHICH WAS PREVIOUSLY SECRETIVE OR UNKNOWN IS NOW MADE MANIFEST

In Daniel, it says many things were actually sealed until specific time periods. The key of David is not simply praise and worship – it is a small segment – only one aspect. Keys of David is still to be fully understood and decoded. Example : It is a mystery is that David’s surname was Judah (David - Jesse Judah)

Zechariah 12:7

⁷“The LORD will save the tents of Judah first, **so that the glory of the house of David** and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem **shall not become greater than that of Judah.** ⁸“In that day the LORD will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; the one who is feeble among them in that day shall be like David, **and the house of David shall be like God**, like the Angel of the LORD before them. ⁹“It shall be in that day *that* I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

David is just one family in the Judah tribe. If the house of David will be like GOD ; then how come the house of David will be beneath the tribe of Judah and how come the glory of Judah will be greater than the house of David, even though the house of David is equated to God Himself. We have to unlock this revelation. Desire and wrestle and decode the mystery.

Judah is a **prevailing tribe** – he prevails over his brothers. Jacob overcame an angel who pleaded with him to let him go before morning was coming. A human being subdued a heavenly being, representative of God himself. How desperate are you for more of God – to unlock mysteries and to tear aspects of the heavenly realm to decode that which is veiled to so many.

Back to Matthew 16

v.19 : 'BIND' = deo = to fasten ; has the description of binding in a religious sense; Get to a level of a heaven and put a chain around it like a leash and pull it to the earth. The name **'Rebecca' means 'a rope with a noose'**. She received a word that she will have twins. She purposed that the second son will get the blessing. Although her methods were questionable, she in essence, 'bound' him and dragged him into the patriarchal blessing.

LOOSE = luo = to loose something bound or tied; refers to the hidden, secret things. The apostolic move is about 14 years old. It has just been unlocked. It is still new. 'Loose' is used in Rev. 5:1,2 – the same word is used in reference to break seals.

Revelation 5:1-5

And I saw in the right *hand* of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ²Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to **loose its seals?**" And **no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth** was able to **open the scroll, or to look at it.** ⁴So I wept much, because no one was found **worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it.** ⁵But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, **the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed** to open the scroll and to loose **its seven seals.** And I looked, and behold, **in the midst of the throne** and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.

⁸Now when **He had taken the scroll**, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying: "**You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,** ¹⁰**And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth.**"

There was a heaven that could not be opened until a Judah anointing was released.

Thamo's view: Matthew was not written to the Jews. Matthew still awaits the 42nd generation. – a Judah company.

Who will decode that which is bound. Three levels or realms from which revelation could be accessed (Rev.5:2) : in heaven , on earth , from under the earth.

'To look into it' = to investigate it. You can only open scrolls by accessing the Throne. Those who look like the LAMB will decode. Extremely humility and dedication is required.

2 Peter 3:1-13

Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in *both of* which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), ²that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, ³knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, ⁴and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of creation." ⁵For this they willfully forget: **that by the word of God the heavens were of old**, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, ⁶by which the world *that* then existed perished, being flooded with water. ⁷**But the heavens and the earth** *which* are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. ⁸But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day *is* as a thousand years, and

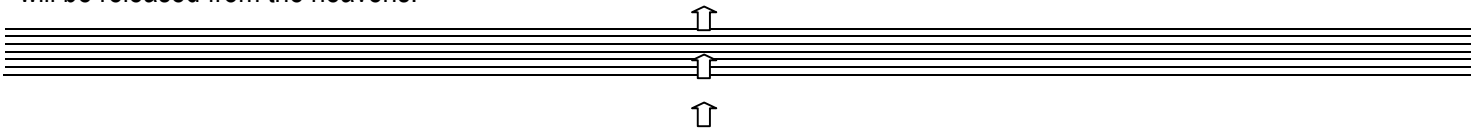
a thousand years as one day. ⁹The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, **in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.** ¹¹Therefore, since all these things will be **dissolved**, what manner of *persons* ought you to be in **holy conduct and godliness**, ¹²**looking for and hastening** the coming of the day of God, because of which the **heavens will be dissolved**, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? ¹³Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for **new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

There is a literal coming of the Lord. Note :V10: The heavens will pass away. V.12 Waiting for and hastening the day'

Dissolve = to be loosed , unbound.

v.10 Elements = stoikion = the first principles of matter set in a series of rows ; the constituent atoms from which other things proceeds set up in a coherent manner ; each row being removed determine the next row. The elements will be released from the heavens.



Eg. If you unlock 'Melchisidek', other 'rows' or truths are available. If you decode just one row, other dimensions automatically open up. One row of the heavens opened causes an explosion – everything in that realm rushes out. **v.11 = dissolve = luo = to loose.** Therefore the requirement to be righteous and holy.

How do you hasten the coming of the Lord? You must strip the heavens naked, you rob Him is His abode and He has to come down to us.

John 3:12,13

If I have told you **earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?** ¹³“No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, *that is*, the Son of Man who is in heaven.

Heavenly things must be decoded. How long is the Church going to only preach and teach on earthly things, needs, faith for things, even fulfilling ministry?

Eph. 2:6 and raised *us* up together, and made *us* **sit together in the heavenly places** in Christ Jesus,

Hebrews 3:1 Therefore, holy brethren, **partakers of the heavenly calling**, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus

The heavens is merely the throne of God, the earth is His footstool. Read the whole of **Matthew 24.**

2 Corinthians 12:1-6

¹It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to **visions and revelations of the Lord:** ²I know a **man in Christ** who fourteen years ago—**whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows**—such a one was caught up **to the third heaven.** ³And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—⁴how he was caught up **into Paradise** and heard **inexpressible words**, which it is **not lawful for a man to utter.** ⁵Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. ⁶For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me *to be* or hears from me.

⁷And lest I should be exalted above measure by **the abundance of the revelations**, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. ⁸Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. ⁹And He said to me, “**My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.**” Therefore most gladly I will rather **boast in my**

infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong. ¹¹I have become a fool in boasting; you have compelled me. For I ought to have been commended by you; for in nothing was I behind the most eminent apostles, though I am nothing. ¹²Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds.

Paul knew a man in Christ – he cannot know anybody in the flesh; you have to know them in Christ. Paul after his conversion, 'saw no man'. Note twice he says 'whether in the body or not, I know'. You can have this experience in your body; you do not have to literally go to heaven. Paul describes the heaven as third heaven. There is possibly more than three heavens. Caught up into paradise. What does Paul hear? The only thing you are going to hear from heaven are **inexpressible WORDS**. Rhema = subject matter of the thing spoken. It was not lawful for Paul to utter these things. Paul says he keeps his outer appearance 'weak' so as not to draw attention to himself (meta-schematizo).

SESSION 22 : OPENING THE HEAVENS (Part 5)

Thamo Naidoo

Devotion by Reggie : Worship

You worship you know not what: John 4. In spirit and truth. In Genesis, Abraham is called to sacrifice Isaac. Isaac = laughter. He was convinced that he will return with Isaac. Can you give your laughter back to God in worship? Can you give your ministry back in worship to God. Can you give the Christ in you back to God in worship. Hallal = exuberance = excitement. Do you give your best in excitement to God in your worship.

God dwells between the waters above and the waters beneath; water is a consistent picture of the Word.

When a baby is born, before it is born, it lives in water. If two thirds of us is invisible, why do we spend more time on the visible part of us. We are so used to functioning in the visible realm. Sitting in heavenly places = this must be a place of such familiarity for you. Information only becomes knowledge only when it processed through subjective experience. Do not worship as a practical expression only but an expression of knowledge. Angels desire to learn how to worship God from us. Do not try to produce a sound in Church. Catch God's singing in the heavenlies. Accessing the heavens is prerequisite to any worship rehearsal.

Pastor Albert : We are his workmanship = poeima = poetry. It is the music of God that must be reflected in our lives. In Eden the music stopped.

Dr. S. Govender Change = upgrade; every system in the earth is being upgraded. Even in medicine, bacteria are upgraded. Only in the church, upgrade is seemingly absent. We must move manifestation to the voice of God: The Spirit moved and then God spoke. At Jordan in His baptism God spoke. Move away from isolation to relationships. The new wine is not in a single grape, it is in a cluster. From captivity to kingdom activity; from the upper room to the house; culture – determines climates – determines strongholds. Blind man at Bethsaida – Jesus takes him out of the city and heals him. I see men as trees. The second time he is healed. Jesus warns him not to go back to that city. Once you receive revelation and your eyes are opened, do not go back to a previous position. There is a flood of God's word coming with great aggression and authority – a flood – in this flood, you have got to know how to swim in God's word. Remove false brethren; reconfigure your systems. We have to move into the fourth measure of what God is saying; move the realm of three-fold things Move beyond three-fold things. Come out of the Holy of Holies and take Jericho. Be able to handle hard words in this seasons as a leader. Take correction.

Thamo :

Do not go back to your vomit. Address all the inaccuracies in your lives. The word is offensive, provocative and can irritate. Generally, current theology is a doctrine of devils.

Being in covenant is far greater than joining a network.

Recap : We need to puncture the heavens and function from an open heaven. There are hidden places in Christ. Do not relegate the apostolic to terrestrial matters only; there is a heavenly realm to explore and to decode the sealed things in the hand of the Lord. **There is no dimension in the heavens you can go to without coming back with a word from God.**

2 Cor.12:1-6 : Paul was seized and snatched up to the third heaven. Paul did not speak of pictures or symbols he saw. He only spoke of words he received. Be snatched up, pull something down (like as binding it with a rope: 'Rebecca') and then build something. Ultimately you become the gateway to heaven. You should become the doorway into the realm of the heavens. The fusion of the horizons where two worlds collide in us. We become the image, the icon, the exact resemblance of God. Do not boast – remain humble.

HOW DO WE REND AND TEAR THE HEAVENS?

Heaven and earth will pass away. – there is a fading that takes place. Heaven not a fixed place.

Matthew 24:35

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

The only constant is the WORD.

How will God recreate the earth and the heavens if He is in Sabbath rest ?

Unless your face looks like that of an angel, we shall never attain the things we speak of. Stephen's face changed. Move from tongues of men to tongues of angels. We are going to become luminaries of God.

Jeremiah 12:5

“If you have run **with the footmen, and they have wearied you**, Then **how can you contend with horses?** And *if* in the land of peace, *In which* you trusted, *they wearied you*, Then how will you do in the floodplain of the Jordan?

Footmen = the realm of the human. We are in the days of Elijah. We are the horses of the Messiah. When Elijah declares the appearance of a cloud the size of a man's fist (5-fold) he runs and outpaces the chariots. There is going to have to be a supernatural energisation. Move into the realm of angels or horses – with super strength. Angels many times are linked with horses in battle. The ministry of angels is becoming more common. How do you know when you have stopped competing with men? It is when they do not weary you anymore. This is because you are operating in another realm.

Joel 2 is a picture of the church is a picture of horses.

Hebrews 1:1-14

in these last days spoken to us by *His* Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; ³who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.⁵For to which of the angels did He ever say: “You are My Son, Today I have

begotten You”? And again: “I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son”?⁶But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: “Let all the angels of God worship Him.”⁷And of the angels He says: “Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire.”⁸But to the Son *He says*: “Your throne, O God, *is* forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness *is* the scepter of Your Kingdom.”⁹You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”And: “You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, **And the heavens are the work of Your hands.**¹¹**They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment;**¹²Like a cloak **You will fold them up,** And they will be changed. **But You are the same, And Your years will not fail.**¹³But to which of the angels has He ever said: “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool”?¹⁴**Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?**

Destroying the heavens with fire = we are so fiery that everything in the heavens melt. God will roll up the heavens like a garment – the heavens become redundant. We are above angels; start behaving like you are. Angels are sent to serve us. They do not provide revelation. We must possess an aggressive spirit to puncture the heavens.

Perish = apollumi = idea of being killed whether temporarily or eternally. God can delete certain phases including the heavens. **Perish also means ‘to ruin or destroy something’.** We can only look at God from one glory to the next – Moses taught us that fallen man could not see glory in its fullness – it had to be veiled. Christ removed the veil. There many glories, and there are many ‘curtains’. God in his wisdom has allowed himself to be veiled. We will ultimately see him face to face.

Isaiah 34:4

All the host of heaven shall **be dissolved,** And the **heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll;** All their host shall fall down As the **leaf falls from the vine,** And as **fruit falling from a fig tree.**

Dissolve = Maqag = to consume away, to pine away ; not the erosion of a material cosmology

Rolled Away = gallal; same as (Gilgal) = literally means a wheel – it give momentum to the message of God.

Cherubim on wheels – stood on the highest levels of glory in God (Ezek 8) – they give momentum to divine purpose; It speaks of a the wheel of a chariot; Also water wheels churning out water from a well.

Glory is the appropriate garment you wear before God. Wear the same substance that God has. God can only anoint himself. Heavens will be rolled up. When he rolls it up, that becomes the scroll that we open up and preach to men in the earth.

Host = tsaba = visible and invisible realm full of people and things created with the specific purpose of rendering service. When the heavens are rolled up, everything in it will be released to serve you. Hence finance will not be a problem Even the rock will give you water. Whatever you need heaven will be there for you. When the heavens become obsolete = the heavens have served their purpose and are now rolled up. Even the Apostolic Reformation will become redundant once it has served its purpose.

Haggai 2:6

In the seventh *month*, on the twenty-first of the month, the word of the LORD came by Haggai the prophet, saying: ²“Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, saying: ³“Who is left among you who saw this temple in its former glory? And how do you see it now? In comparison with it, *is this* not in your eyes as nothing? ⁴“Yet now be strong, Zerubbabel,” says the LORD; ‘and be strong, Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land,’ says the LORD, ‘and work; for I *am* with you,’ says the LORD of hosts. ⁵“According

to the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so My Spirit remains among you; do not fear!

⁶“For thus says **the LORD of hosts**: ‘**Once more (it is a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; ⁷and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,**’ says the LORD of hosts. ⁸‘The silver *is* Mine, and the gold *is* Mine,’ says the LORD of hosts. ⁹‘The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,’ says the LORD of hosts. ‘And in this place I will give peace,’ says the LORD of hosts.”

Once more = ‘in a little while’

Shake = ra-ash = to shake, to be agitated, to tremble, to shake, to terrify, (cf. all the earthquakes, hurricanes, etc.)

Who shakes the heavens? Not God because he is in rest because of His Sabbath law.

Ra-ash describes the action of horses; the description of the din of a battle – absolutely furious and focussed; **primarily notion of this word is a loud crashing noise.** You can cause heaven to shake. See Isaiah 34:4: You shake the ground, everything in the tree falls into your presence (Elijah, etc.) Leaves speak of healing. In Ps 72 it speaks of wind blowing through grain stalks. That breath is in us.

Haggai 2:21-22

And again the word of the LORD came to Haggai on the twenty-fourth day of the month, saying, ²¹“Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying: ‘**I will shake heaven and earth.**’ ²²I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms; I will destroy the strength of the Gentile kingdoms. I will overthrow the chariots And those who ride in them; The horses and their riders shall come down, Every one by the sword of his brother. n that day,’ says the LORD of hosts, ‘I will take you, Zerubbabel My servant, the son of Shealtiel,’ says the LORD, ‘and will make you like a signet *ring*; for I have chosen you,’ says the LORD of hosts.”

Recall the Horses and chariots of Assyria around Elijah and his servant – a greater circle of horses and kings are around Elijah and his servant in the invisible realm. The Zerubbabel order from the tribe of Judah will make this happen.

Hebrews 12:25

See that you do not refuse Him **who speaks**. For if they did not escape who refused Him who spoke on earth, much more *shall we not escape* if we turn away from Him **who speaks from heaven**, ²⁶whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, “Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven.” ²⁷Now this, “**Yet once more**,” indicates the **removal of those things that are being shaken**, as of things that are made, that the things which cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace (thanks), by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. ²⁹For our God *is* a consuming fire.

Everything is shaken

Matthew 11:12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.

Violence = biazō = to press oneself in with energy ; you have to use strength for this;

Force = ; Paul was forcefully seized and snatched into the heavens

Man press into the kingdom. Pressing into the kingdom

Harpazo = to strip or to use forcefully against one, to seize with force, to rob, to steal, to take another’s property, to take to oneself. Hence you need energy to plunder the heavens , demand and wrestle

1Thess 4:17 we shall be seized.

Study for yourself ‘horses’, ‘chariots’ and ‘angels’: eg. 2 Kings 2

Joel 2:1-10,30

Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand: ²A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning *clouds* spread over the mountains. A people *come*, great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any *such* after them, Even for many successive generations. ³A fire devours before them, And behind them a flame burns; The land *is* like the Garden of Eden before them, And behind them a desolate wilderness; Surely nothing shall escape them. ⁴**Their appearance is like The appearance of horses**; And like swift steeds, so they run. ⁵**With a noise like chariots** Over mountaintops they leap, (FROM ONE PEAK TO ANOTHER) Like the noise of a flaming fire that devours the stubble, Like a strong people set in battle array. ⁶Before them the people writhe in pain; All faces are drained of color. ⁷They run like mighty men, They climb the wall like men of war (ONE MAN WITH GOD CAN SCALE A WALL) Every one marches in formation, (KEEP TO YOUR COURSE) And they do not break ranks. (EACH KNOW HIS GRACE: SPIRITUAL FORMATION) ⁸They do not push one another; (NO DISTRACTION, EACH KEEPS TO HIS OWN GRACE) Every one marches in his own column. Though they lunge between the weapons, (UNAFFECTED BY WEAPONS OF THE ENEMIES) They are not cut down. ⁹They run to and fro in the city, They run on the wall; They climb into the houses, They enter at the windows like a thief. ¹⁰**The earth quakes before them, The heavens tremble; The sun and moon grow dark, And the stars diminish their brightness.**(cancels Psalm 19 : AT THIS LEVELS YOU DO NOT NATURAL LIGHT OF THE SUN AND STARS). The LORD gives voice **before His army**, For His camp is very great; For strong *is the One* who executes His word. For the day of the LORD *is* great and very terrible; Who can endure it?

This army never goes to valleys; but go from summit to summit

Prophetic word from Shaun during prayer time:

Do not stand between two opinions. Walk in these truths completely or not at all,

Prophetic Impression by Thamo

We have reached the fullest ripening of the kairos .He has filled the kairos now with everything we need to fulfil God's purpose. Jesus. Kairos took 30 years to reach it's climax. We are in God's ripest position – we are living in the fullness of the kaors – in one season we are having the fullness of all karoises; this is the fullness of times – this is the last few minutes of the last few hours in this day.

Marcel : Your days of wondering are over; you decide to cross over; God is closing your season of wandering

Lucille : Living in the end-times

Lizelle : Allow the Spirit to down load and unveil things ; a word of encouragement to the women

Dr Govender:

Isaiah 25:6

And in this mountain The LORD of hosts will make for all people A feast of choice pieces, A feast of wines on the lees, Of fat things full of marrow, Of well-refined wines on the lees. ⁷And He will destroy on this mountain The surface of the covering cast over all people, And the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸He will swallow up death forever, And the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken.

SESSION 22 : FLEE FORNICATION – PRESERVE COVENANT : Darryl ‘O Neil (USA)**Prophetic Song given to Isaac :**

Changed, from death to life
 Changed from mortal to immortality
 Thank God I am changed
 My life has been re-arranged
 Reconstructed by words of craftsman
 No more I am acting strange

Look at me I am changed
 From the inaccurate to the accurate
 From the obsolete to the complete
 Finally I am changed, transformed and renewed
 From the inside out, yeah of yes I'm being changed

Chorus:

My light shine so much brighter than before
 My life has been changed by this Lion's roar
 Since He corrected me and stretched me
 Until we walk in divine harmony

Changed, changed presence to glory
 From corruption to incorruptibility
 I am blessed for I am changed Transformed and renewed
 From the inside out, yeah of yes I'm being changed

Exodus 15:20,21

²⁰Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took the timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. ²¹And Miriam answered them: **“Sing to the LORD, For He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea!”**

This speaks to a position of victory after God has brought them out. We have come into an awesome position in the Spirit. His session is an occasion to praise and rejoice because we have attained a new position. We are ready to pursue a new level of glory. It is time to declare: **The Lord has triumphed.**

There is an awesome responsibility that God is placing upon us. As David prepared to build a house for the glory of the Lord, God gave Him the resources. God starts with a man but He works through a generation. David wanted to build God a house; God said that he would make David a house. God is waiting for a whole generation to release the glory of the Lord through them. God going to break the poverty over Pietermaritzburg. Assimilate this deeply into your spirit. You are fighting for the legacy of your sons.

Flee fornication ! Two fold: it has a natural progression that talks about our sexual character. God is a covenant keeping God – God gets things done through obedience and purity.

God is love. Illustration with three people: 1: GOD ----- 2: IS ----- 3: LOVE. Love and God are inseparable. You cannot be in love without 'IS'. The word 'is' the word 'equal to'. If your definition is wrong, your destination will be wrong.

You cannot have love without having God. We ought to ' be not unequally yoked with unbelievers. Guard your relationships, and enter into new relationships carefully . natural relationships are obsolete. God is looking for covenant relationship.

If you believe the world's definitions you reach the wrong conclusion.

In the movie 'A Bugs Life' : Flick the ant was apostolic, an inventor, a liberator, possessed a Judah anointing. God is a God is NEW, He has staleness, obsolescence. Flick made a new invention to get off the island.

Functions as though 'NOW' you are the sons of God. Grasshoppers are moved by fear ; they jump around, and they are given to 'chewing' – some people are absorbed in 'chewing up' other people. We have global power in our corporate expression as a Church. Embrace what is in the core of this leadership. Flick found some Warrior Bugs to fight the grasshoppers. The warrior bugs were circus bugs who did not know how to fight. Grasshoppers intimidate the warrior bugs, but Flick, undaunted by threats, says There is more of us than there is them. This nation is ripe for the plucking. God is going to house of glory in this land.

Fornication is the only thing that really gets God mad.

We have a mandate to protect our children's prosperity and inheritance.

Man evaluates from the outside, God looks at the heart. It take times to know your brother's and sister's heart - covenant

Deut. 7

“When the LORD your God brings you into the land which you go to possess, and has cast out many nations before you, the Hittites and the Girgashites and the Amorites and the Canaanites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than you, ²“and when the LORD your God delivers them over to you, you shall conquer them *and* utterly destroy them. You shall make no covenant with them nor show mercy to them. ³“Nor shall you make marriages with them. You shall not give your daughter to their son, nor take their daughter for your son. ⁴“For they will turn your sons away from following Me, to serve other gods; so the anger of the LORD will be aroused against you and destroy you suddenly. ⁵“But thus you shall deal with them: you shall destroy their altars, and break down their *sacred* pillars, and cut down their wooden images, and burn their carved images with fire.

⁶“For you *are* a holy people to the LORD your God; the LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth. ⁷“The LORD did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any other people, for you were the least of all peoples; ⁸“but because the LORD loves you, and because He would keep the oath which He swore to your fathers, the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹“Therefore know that the LORD your God, He *is* God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments; ¹⁰“and He repays those who hate Him to their face, to destroy them. He will not be slack with him who hates Him; He will repay him to his face. ¹¹“Therefore you shall keep the commandment, the statutes, and the judgments which I command you today, to observe them.

¹²“Then it shall come to pass, because you listen to these judgments, and keep and do them, that the LORD your God will keep with you the covenant and the mercy which He swore to your fathers. ¹³“And He will love you and bless you and multiply you; He will also bless the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your land, your grain and your new wine and your oil, the increase of your cattle and the offspring of your flock, in the land of which He swore to your fathers to give you. ¹⁴“You shall be blessed above all peoples; there shall not be a male or female barren among you or among your livestock. ¹⁵“And the LORD will take away from you all sickness, and will afflict you with none of the terrible diseases of Egypt which you have known, but will lay *them* on all those who hate you. ¹⁶“And you shall destroy all the peoples whom the LORD your God delivers over to you; your eye shall have no pity on them; nor shall you serve their gods, for that *will be* a snare to you.

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. ²⁰“Moreover the LORD your God will send the hornet among them until those who are left, who hide themselves from you, are destroyed. ²¹“You shall not be terrified of them; for the LORD your God, the great and awesome God, *is* among you. ²²“And the LORD your God will drive out those nations before you little

by little; you will be unable to destroy them at once, lest the beasts of the field become *too* numerous for you.
²³“But the LORD your God will deliver them over to you, and will inflict defeat upon them until they are destroyed.
²⁴“And He will deliver their kings into your hand, and you will destroy their name from under heaven; no one shall be able to stand against you until you have destroyed them.
²⁵“You shall burn the carved images of their gods with fire; you shall not covet the silver or gold *that is* on them, nor take *it* for yourselves, lest you be snared by it; for it *is* an abomination to the LORD your God.
²⁶“Nor shall you bring an abomination into your house, lest you be doomed to destruction like it. You shall utterly detest it and utterly abhor it, for it *is* an accursed thing.

Before a young man dates you, young girls, establish if God is their God. Your destiny is at stake. Same with any relationship. The fruit of Christ-likeness must be evident in the lives of the people. Fornication is not just sexual activity – it is a principle. It teaches non-commitment that affects all aspects of your life. It encourages the breaking of covenant – to be disloyal. It feeds a selfish spirit – only entering into relationships that benefit you.

Married couples in covenant must beware of fornication – this is adultery. In any level of covenant, you will be a target of the enemy. Guard the glory of God in your house at every level.
