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# *Apostolic School Of Ministry*

*A Summation of the Teachings*

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- **Departing from Ethical and Moral Violation and Chaos**
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## Introductory Session

# Understanding the Present Emphasis in the Apostolic

The emotive content of the soul is secondary to the primary leading and impetus of the spirit. The emphasis of these schools will be didactic and instructive.

The present apostolic season is at least two decades old. There are various streams of the apostolic afoot. The apostolic has still yet to be seen in the manner in which God originally intended. Now it is about to become visible and viral. This season was grounded in the context of great trial in the wilderness – there have been many piercings and bruising. But now it is about to become visible and viral. There are seismic migrations taking place within the servants of God.

All our teachings are coming to a consummate and collated position. This Apostolic School Of Ministry is therefore special. It will coronate things that need to be anointed by the Spirit in a different way. There are a few prerequisites that will prepare us for this .

One is a **census or decree to register in your father's house**. The birth of Jesus was preceded by a decree by Caesar Augustus – this will cause a reorganisation of human life in the earth. Every man had to find his father's house. Joseph from Judah and Mary from Levi went to Bethlehem to register in Joseph's father's house. Many are pregnant with divine purpose, but unless we are realigned, we will not give birth to it. Joseph migrated from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Mary had to comply and go with her husband. She took a risk to travel whilst highly pregnant.

Bethlehem was the perfect location by divine arrangement. Multiple factors witnessed and validated the birth of the Lord. One was the witness of the shepherds. These were watching their flocks at midnight; 'midnight' infers that one day was concluding and another was dawning. The new day was birthed in darkness – in obscurity. Migration was determined where the grace was located. It is motivated by fatal attraction. Grace is magnetic. Wise men made the journey long before Mary was pregnant.

Two dimensions of migration are taking place. Firstly, those who are shepherding flocks conclude one hour in their day and witness a new day – to see the birthing of the Christ. There is also a massive migration from the House of Saul to the House of David. You will see major migration taking place. Those of us who are connected to the present season – many people will come into the manger to worship the Christ-child.

After God took Israel out of slavery, He installed a census. Moses was commanded to do so. Slavery in Egypt broke the family unit. Even modern urbanisation processes forced rural family units to disintegrate. Immorality grows in these contexts. Family units are fragmented. The dehumanisation and demoralisation of the human race is the result. South Africa has the template for a true biblical father-son wineskin.

In the second year Moses took a census in the journey in the wilderness. Why? God commences every new season by first organising us into family units.

Jesus prayed for the church to become one. One-ness defines the family of God. One-ness erodes the marks of distinction that divides us. In one-ness, the Father, Son and Spirit all look alike. True Pneumatology is not the slated Pentecostal view of external signs and wonders. But when HE, the Spirit, comes, He brings the Father and Son to make their mansion in you.

When the census went out, each man had to find out his ancestry and register accordingly. The tribes were arranged north, south, east and west of the Tabernacle. There were three families within the Levitical order – Marari, Kohath and Gesham. There is no competition – one is not better than the other. There is order and divine arrangement. All of this is preparatory work. It creates structure and definitions to administrate the Glory of God.

God has preserved us in the wilderness of sin – of inaccurate doctrine. We are stepping out from this now. Whilst in Christ the work is finished. He led His people out of Egypt – in the wilderness a whole generation died – only a few went in. God gave them the land before they started journeying. We too are given great promises. Up to now, the church has been in a wilderness position. God does not want us to become materialistic. God's purposes is to bring a people back to Him.

Most of the prosperity teachings teach how to manipulate eternal principles for personal gain. The motivation is by a beastly view of how to succeed. Sons of God do not take care of themselves. Their Father takes care of them. Faith always has a calculative element to it. Obedience is single eyed and simply wants to please HIM. Jesus never did anything to make things happen for Him – all He did was do the will of His Father. Our present wineskins are still hybrids of a past season.

Every move of God is birthed with great pronouncement – with trumpets blasting. But then there is a period of development and preparation. Like Jesus – was born – then He goes for 18 years into a wilderness. The pre-incarnate One – the pre-existent One experienced this. We too will go through this. The apostolic season went through this too. It was announced and it went public. Like Paul, we rushed to share it and it brought persecution. Paul went into 14 years of silence- thereafter he re-emerges and submits his doctrine to the apostles. Then he proceeds strongly to change the world.

Every move is born with glory – but for it to be glorified it must be crucified. In the place of relative obscurity – where death stares you in the face – you will come out, and people will say “The Lamb” – and heaven will say “My Son”. The lamb appears to live sacrificially for the benefit of others. We are now learning the lamb-principle of ‘substitution’. Learn to live, how to die to self and live for others. Abraham laid Isaac down. He also left his mother and father. Great breakthroughs will come to those who only seek to do His will. This is a day not for the ambitious. Every vain motive will be exposed. Contriteness of heart and brokenness of spirit is required. We lift up holy hands without ambition. We will be stewards of the glory of God, not controllers of the destinies of people.

# The Spirit of Father

## Part 1

This present moment within the kairos of God is not subject to one specific stream within the apostolic. It is not an exclusive, elitist sectarian move. We are not the exclusive remnant. God's voice is heard within the sound of many waters.

This ASOM is more than one stream. We have shared values, but the expression is diverse – yet there is one-ness. Sometimes what God says through one stream of church is intended for all the streams or churches. We all have blind spots. Sometimes our emphasis is our blind spot. Sometimes what we see is our blind spot.

There is a definitive shift of our global mandate – and how we rest within that mandate.

Now we focus on the **'FATHER' emphasis in our ministry**. Jesus focussed His entire ministry on his FATHER. Your ministry has to be father-centred. The present emphasis of this hour is to be focussed on the Father. Whilst we focus on corporate maturity of the corporate man, the emphasis should not be sonship, but 'father'. We need a father-centred view. We will strive and labour no more. We will rest in the rest of the Father. Much of Christianity is works –centred.

The spirit of Father – the absolute source – the point of origin in the heavens and the earth. He is the author and designer of everything created. Father is source and provider. Everything we need is in Him. He is also our protector. Our destinies are in His hands. Father is our immunity, our preserver. A lamb is totally vulnerable to its environment. The Lamb cannot defend itself. We must know who defends us. We need to rest in the Lord. Rest in your FATHER.

Father is progenitor – the generator of all things. Many things in our churches have not been generated by God, but by ambition. Many have ambition and not God's vision. Many so called slogans and mission statements are not from God – but influenced by secular logistical marketing. Its Babylonian in character . It is vain ambition. Your vision cannot be contextual. Vision born out of context is not vision. True vision is the ability to see into the unseen. It is prophetic sight into the mind of God expressing itself in our context. God must be the originator of all our plans – If He is the originator of it, then He will preserve and protect it. He must be chief – He must be the absolute. He is the pinnacle of everything – the centre of your life.

John referenced Jesus being the Lamb of God. John's reference was the dove descending on Jesus. The dove has a single-eyed view of everything. The primary reason of the dove descending on Jesus was to give him a single eye to life. This will bring you a father-centred viewpoint. Jesus' mind was possessed by the mind of His Father. You can ask in the name of Jesus. Asking in the name of Jesus is not a formula of how you ask – but is a template or culture in which we ask. The ministry of Jesus started with an announcement from heaven, "This is my son". The template for access to the Father is the principle of Son. This is the prototype for all sons. Our predestined position is 'SON'. Only 'son' has access to Father.

Jesus said, "I am the way to the Father" . Way in the Greek is 'Hodos'. 'Hodos' = the template to the Father. Only a son can do the ministry of the kingdom. The focus of son is father, and the focus of father is son. We are called 'sons' of God, not Christians. Your heavenly calling is not your ministry gift, but your identity as SON. The only way to access the Father is to be conformed to the image of the SON.

### John 14:1-12

Joh 14:1	"Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me.
Joh 14:2	"In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you.
Joh 14:3	"If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, <i>there</i> you may be also.
Joh 14:4	"And you know the way where I am going."
Joh 14:5	Thomas *said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?"
Joh 14:6	Jesus *said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.
Joh 14:7	"If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; from now on you know Him, and have seen Him."
Joh 14:8	Philip *said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us."
Joh 14:9	Jesus *said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and <i>yet</i> you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how <i>can</i> you say, 'Show us the Father'?"
Joh 14:10	"Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works.
Joh 14:11	"Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; otherwise believe because of the works themselves.
Joh 14:12	"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater <i>works</i> than these he will do;

Mansions = mone =dwelling places.

Way = hodos – the methodology.

The 'son' is the way of God. The primary focus of every son is to emulate and model the Father. If you do see SON, you should SEE Father. You have to capture the mind of the father to be a son. A son represents his father. Sons live for their father. Sons do not focus on themselves. Sons are not focused on themselves but on the welfare of their father. Even when people said of Jesus "You are 'Good'" – He immediately transferred this emphasis to the Father, saying "there is only one good – my Father". A son's appetite is to do the will of His Father (John 4). At Gethsemane – he submits to the will of His Father – it was never personal convenience – but the will of his Father. He said, "Into your hands – I commit my spirit" - . This kind of a father-centred ministry must come back to the church. In it is your death and peace.

Become dispossessed of yourself so that God the Father can possess you.

There is only one Father over all. As spiritual fathers, we are to medially represent the FATHER. We represent the Father. Do not substitute for Him. To usurp HIS place is fraud of the highest order.

In Revelation 13 some receive the mark of the beast – 6 6 6 = a perfect mature human = a self-centred survival - driven human being. He will survive in life and claims to be blessed. This human is secularised, his spirit thinks like a man (6), and so does his soul (6) and body (6). He can survive in the earth using spiritual principles. He knows how to work the principles of the earth. He buys and sells – he trades to succeed in the earth. If you give – you will get – this does not mean you fully trust God. Do not become result centred - become father centred.

#### Revelations 14: 1-6

Rev 14:1	Then I looked and behold, the Lamb <i>was</i> standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His name and the name of His Father written on their foreheads.
Rev 14:2	And I heard a voice from heaven, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of loud thunder, and the voice which I heard <i>was</i> like <i>the sound</i> of harpists playing on their harps.
Rev 14:3	And they *sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders; and no one could learn the song except the one hundred and forty-four thousand who had been purchased from the earth.
Rev 14:4	These are the ones who have not been defiled with women, for they have kept themselves chaste. These <i>are</i> the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These have been purchased from among men as first fruits to God and to the Lamb.
Rev 14:5	And no lie was found in their mouth; they are blameless.
Rev 14:6	And I saw another angel flying in mid-heaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people;

All eschatological teachings focus on the mark of the beast 666 and not on the mark of 'Father'.

Remain lamb-like in your disposition. A lamb by definition is a sacrificial animal. A lamb has no defensive system. A lamb was built to die. It represents naivety, ignorance, innocence. It is dependant.

A lamb was created to die for someone else. It's blood covered the sins of many. It is a substitutionary animal. You never live for yourself. You always live to die for someone else. Jesus said "I send you as lambs". Paul said "All day long, I am led to the slaughter". We do not search after our own will. Even when you are accused, a lamb never defends itself – only serpents do. A lamb goes dumb before its accusers. In it's innocence is it's defence. To have the FATHER on your forehead you must become a Lamb. Leadership is a Shepherd over the flock. Peter is to feed the sheep and lambs.

This Lamb stands on Mount Zion. Do not focus on other mountains. This is contextual. Simply focus on developing and standing on Mount Zion. This mountain will possess the mountains of the earth.



Zion is the place where all the realms meet – the natural and the spiritual – the temporal and the eternal – the highest point on the earth and lowest point of the heavens. Zion is also the place where beauty is made perfect. Mount Zion is like the Mount of Transfiguration – where his body was covered in light. The law and the prophets are fulfilled in Him.

Zion is also a totally parched place – an arid, dry place – nothing can live here – no growth – no water. (Like the SUN – nothing lives here). Yet the Lamb stands here. The light is so bright that nothing lives. At Zion, you do not live out of the context of natural environment. Its source is called LIGHT. Pure LIGHT - Illumination, revelation, divine disclosure. When you come to Zion, you do not live out of anything else – in LIGHT is my LIFE – is my sustenance and hope.

Can you live if everything around you is taken away from you? If everything on earth fails – no food or air, CAN YOU STILL LIVE. God is bringing us to a place of absolute dependance on Him. On day one God made LIGHT – separated it from darkness – on the deep = ‘the deep’ implies that certain things in God are not known. Light exposes the darkness.

On the second day he made heaven – not the cosmos. Heaven is resourced with all of God. Then He makes earth. The earth must live out of the heavens which receives it’s light from God. The cosmos was made on the fourth day. The earth must not be dependant on the cycles of time. But the earth can be normal in the universe. The earth will still function when the cosmos is destroyed – it lives in the place of eternal light. Fallen man chose to live out of his own context and not from the light. Example: If you cannot trust God with your tithe, God is not your Father.

#### Matthew 6:19 -34

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| Mat 6:19 | "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.  |
| Mat 6:20 | "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal;   |
| Mat 6:21 | for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.  |
| Mat 6:22 | "The eye is the lamp of the body; so then if your eye is clear, your whole body will be full of light.  |
| Mat 6:23 | "But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light that is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!   |
| Mat 6:24 | "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.   |
| Mat 6:25 | "For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, <i>as to</i> what you will eat or what you will drink; nor for your body, <i>as to</i> what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? |
| Mat 6:26 | "Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, nor reap nor gather into barns, and <i>yet</i> your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?   |
| Mat 6:27 | "And who of you by being worried can add a <i>single</i> hour to his life?  |
| Mat 6:28 | "And why are you worried about clothing? Observe how the lilies of the field grow; they do not toil nor do they spin,   |
| Mat 6:29 | yet I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these.  |

- Mat 6:30 "But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is *alive* today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, *will He* not much more *clothe* you? You of little faith!
- Mat 6:31 "Do not worry then, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?'
- Mat 6:32 "For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.
- Mat 6:33 "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.
- Mat 6:34 "So do not worry about tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

By the measure of light that enters your eye – to that measure you give. Everything in the Kingdom is measured financially. The only way to deliver people from the earth is to impose on them a system of giving that detaches them from the earth. God clothes us with light – He is our source. When you give financially, you give with the mind-set that you yourself are the offering.

You cannot serve God and mammon – the spirit of this world.

v.25 do not worry about your life – what you will eat or drink.

v.26 Your FATHER feeds them.

The Apostolic is moving to a new level. The road to eternal life is getting narrower. We are getting ready to outrun horses. God is accelerating things. God will do alarming things in small moments. Do not even carry a negative thought in this season.

## The Spirit of Father

### Part 2

The rich young ruler was to sell everything to follow the Lord. He was encumbered by the things he had – to live like the Lord. Jesus chose to be the slave – he chose a position least below all men. What is the source of your dependence?

With the Lamb is the 144 000 on the Mount. 'With him' = a position of equality with the one you are standing with. You share the values as the one you are standing with. Can two walk together unless they are agreed.

144000 - The number is used to highlight a principle. These are all lamb-like in their disposition.

12X12x100 = 144 000 = the principle of 12 is an apostolic one. This implies government, order, arrangement and design, the structure in which God does things.

12X12 = amplified – weighed and measured, ratified. They are lawful people – these are not lawless. A third of the angels revolted against the idea of sonship in man. They were created to serve man. When they stepped out of their design, they stepped into darkness. Darkness is a world of misplaced functionality. Much of the world is in darkness.

The company that stands with the Lamb is a word-centred people. They live by the word generationally and trans-generationally. God's word has two dimensions: testimony of Jesus and the Word of God – this is how they overcome. They can speak subjectively because the word has worked in them. They live all over the earth but in the order of heaven. They are seamless, borderless. These have the name of HIS father on their forehead. Forehead = mind-set – worldview, attitude, perspective, elevation.

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ. What was in Him? 'FATHER'. This is a single view – a dove's view.

Recall Adam in the garden. The issue is a single view of life or a multiple view of life; exact representation versus equality. The singleness of Adam was lost when he exchanged His intellect for rationality. He initially saw everything through the eye of his spirit. Your spirit is only built to see light. It had a single eye. We were not created to see light and simultaneously to see darkness. To see darkness, the eye of the soul has to be opened. He lived in the DAY – even though there was evening and morning. He would clothe himself daily with light – and so discover God progressively.

He only had to have the eye of his spirit opened. Satan suggested to him to acquire knowledge for himself. When the eye of your spirit is opened, you follow by obedience. The word is the LIGHT. When Adam disobeyed – he stepped into darkness. Sin is not moral failure per se – but stepping out from the grand design of God's ordained structure for how you should live. The soul always gives you an option, the spirit never gives you an option. When the eyes of Adam's soul were

opened, the eyes of the spirit were shut. We shift from faith back to obedience – and our faith in God must bring us to a place of obedience. Simply obey without questioning Him.

The mind of your father removes your focus from the world and brings it into rest.

The supreme way of describing the Father is LOVE. Love is LIGHT. When you think about father, you think about perfect love. Have a father focus.

The supreme example of the 'father' is manifested in LOVE.

The father wants to give to the son and the son gives everything back to the father.

When Abraham selflessly gave Isaac, God revealed Himself as Jehovah Jireh - - as you give it will come back to you.

God hates any system or policy that kills the seed - like abortion and same sex marriages.

An apostolic community simply wants to please their FATHER. We do not labour to inherit, but to serve because we love.

Only the 144 000 can sing the new song. You cannot sing the song unless you have become the song. From the place of intimacy you can sing at new levels.

Having the knowledge of God as your father will deliver you from fear of failure. Allow the name of FATHER to be imprinted into your forehead – mind-set, attitude, thinking, outlook, etc. You will have a deep sense of peace, in the face of severe need or trial. Sons do not beg or even ask their father. God is the FATHER OF LIGHTS in whom there is no degree of variation or turning – the Father is a constant – He is immutable.

Your most powerful resource is not to make things happen but your ability to hear accurately and then obey (pierce your ear). There is too much perspiration in the church. We are called upon to wear linen garments.

We are not to 'defile ourselves with a woman'. The spirit of a Father is what needs to be restored. A matriarchal order does not provide true headship. Last three presidents of America – none had natural sons. In an orphan culture, you cannot produce sons. South African politics is plagued by the spirit of the orphan. Also in Europe, fatherlessness is rampant. Images of matriarchal predominance are pictured for example like over New York – with the statue of liberty.

**Fathering is not an affiliation but a subjection of your will to someone else.**

The spirit of Eunuch must return. Eunuchs were trustworthy – the king could give their brides into their care. God must entrust His church to eunuchs.

The 144000 follow the Lamb wherever He goes. Your destiny is tied up to the Lamb. Become totally deaf to the voices in the earth.

They were redeemed from among men. They are first fruits to God. These are the first of a greater harvest of humans that will appear in the earth. They live ahead of their time.

In their mouth was found no deceit – no corruption, no sarcasm, no prejudice, no bias. Only the purest word. Purest doctrine. They are without fault before the Throne of God.

**GO to Rev. 12 and 13.**

Rev 14 presents to us an apostolic community – a species of humans called the sons of God. Rev 12 and 13 has a different order of humans. This false order is also in the church. Two sons in the same womb. Two sons in the same kingdom – sons of God and sons of the devil. Two are pounding out doctrine at the mill – one is taken and the other left.

**Revelation 12:1-17**

- Rev 12:1 A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars;
- Rev 12:2 and she was with child; and she cried out, being in labor and in pain to give birth.
- Rev 12:3 Then another sign appeared in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads *were* seven diadems.
- Rev 12:4 And his tail swept away a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she gave birth he might devour her child.
- Rev 12:5 And she gave birth to a son, a male *child*, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and her child was caught up to God and to His throne.
- Rev 12:6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness where she *\*had* a place prepared by God, so that there she would be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days.
- Rev 12:7 And there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels waging war with the dragon. The dragon and his angels waged war,
- Rev 12:8 and they were not strong enough, and there was no longer a place found for them in heaven.
- Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.
- Rev 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before
- Rev 12:11 "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death.
- Rev 12:12 "For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time."
- Rev 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child.

- Rev 12:14 But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she \*was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.
- Rev 12:15 And the serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood.
- Rev 12:16 But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river which the dragon poured out of his mouth.
- Rev 12:17 So the dragon was enraged with the woman, and went off to make war with the rest of her children, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

Woman clothed with the SUN = a picture of the Church.

She has the moon under her feet – she controls the night.

She gives birth to sons. The enemy wants to devour the child. The enemy does not want the son to be born. Child was caught up to God – seated with Christ in heavenly places. The woman (church) goes to be preserved in the wilderness.

1260 days = 42 months = 3 and half years. We are living in the wilderness of time. God feeds and protects us. You have to trust God unconditionally.

V 9. serpent, devil deceives the whole world – but we are in heavenly places.

v.12. We are preserved

The serpent pours out false doctrine (water) – these are seductive teachings. A lot of it carries Scriptures. He will cut and paste – it may work but it may not be the order designed by God.

The earth helped the woman – the earth is the Lords.

v.17 – rest of her offspring = son of God. They keep the commandments of God and have a subjective testimony of Jesus.

## The Spirit of Father

Part 3

We live within a system in the world. There are two systems – One is authored by satan and one by our God. You cannot subscribe to the principles of both systems. You cannot synthesise and merge two world views.

- Rom 12:1** Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service of worship.
- Rom 12:2** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

WE are renovating minds through the Word. An alien mind-set not akin to the things of God is our biggest challenge. Yesterday's manna is today's worms. We cannot live in the past and what God did in the past.

The enemy operates by deception – he seduces. When you are deceived – you move off the track. Sin is not moral or ethical misconduct - it is attached to sin. Sin is to fall off the path that has been set out for you. Sin is disconnection from God. You could be blemish-less, morally and ethically pure, and still be a sinner.

The primary objective of the enemy is for you to lose your spiritual GPS. The enemy brings you into an inaccurate view of spiritual things. The enemy clothes himself as an apostle of light. He manipulates through philosophy or tradition. His primary objective is to deceive the whole world – not just people, but the entire operating system of the earth. The enemy wants to clothe the world into darkness. He cannot have one mountain like the church – he divided his strategy into several mountains. He is not omnipresent, and omniscient. He uses politics, culture, education, sport, etc. We should not focus on taking the mountains, go for the root. So do not focus on his tactics. Just focus on being a son. When the son matures, the Kingdoms are given to him. The kingdom is not a material kingdom – it is spiritual. After the Father said of him, "This is my son" – he received the Kingdom. Our primary objective is to be the son – then he will give you rule and reign. When true sons emerge in the earth, then we become the true SUN of the earth. The enemy's primary object of attack is the church and the offspring that the church is producing.

Also, is it possible that a large percentage of the church is already deceived? Is it possible that the enemy has a seat in the church?

Jesus' problem was not with the world. Paul's problem was not with the Gentile world. Religious people of the day posed the greatest problem. The religious carnal mind overrides the spiritual mind in God's house.

The enemy knows people spend most of their time in the secular space – and a little time in church- and he manufactures false doctrine and emotive services to keep people happy.

### Revelation 13:1-18

- Rev 13:1** And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns *were* ten diadems, and on his heads *were* blasphemous names.
- Rev 13:2 And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like *those* of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority.
- Rev 13:3 *I saw* one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed *and followed* after the beast;
- Rev 13:4 they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?"
- Rev 13:5 There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him.
- Rev 13:6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, *that is*, those who dwell in heaven.
- Rev 13:7 It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him.
- Rev 13:8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, *everyone* whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.
- Rev 13:9 If anyone has an ear, let him hear.
- Rev 13:10 If anyone *is destined* for captivity, to captivity he goes; if anyone kills with the sword, with the sword he must be killed. Here is the perseverance and the faith of the saints.
- Rev 13:11 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon.
- Rev 13:12 He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.
- Rev 13:13 He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men.
- Rev 13:14 And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who *\*had* the wound of the sword and has come to life.
- Rev 13:15 And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed.
- Rev 13:16 And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead,
- Rev 13:17 and *he provides* that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, *either* the name of the beast or the number of his name.



Rev 13:18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.

Beast is symbolic of a system that is a predator – it is brutal and ferocious – beastly. No matter how nice it looks – it is dangerous. It comes out of the seas – the nations. Lot had to leave Sodom without looking behind.

Seven heads = headship is government. An attempt to perfect his rule over the nations.

Has ten horns and crown. Ten is the number of rule and law – order. In his head he produces order. E.g. sport is addictive. It can divide friends. These sport stars have immoral lives and we applaud their skills.

A horn implies status and image. When you see a proud person – you are seeing a defence system. It is a false veneer. God hates the proud.

Horns also speak of attack and defence. If you touch it, it will kill you. It also alludes to a violent spirit.

Each horn has a crown – he conquers everything he rules over. On his head he has a blasphemous name. This is his mentality – blasphemy – to speak evil of. E.g. poverty is evil – he will want to keep you in poverty. Poverty came into the world after the fall. Adam was not prosperity focussed. He was not need-centred. He was not survival driven. We all have only one calling – sonship – and in this you may have a predominant grace.

Blasphemy = slander – detraction, injurious speech, to discredit another's good name, impious and reproachable speech.

The devil said to Eve, "Did God say" – this was blasphemy against God. The enemy attacks anything God says.

Beast was like a leopard; feet like a bear and mouth like a lion.

Leopard = an elusive animal; fast footed; is adaptable to environment – camouflages well.; this beastly system is elusive.; A leopard never changes its spots - it never changes – the devil will not change.

Feet of a bear = resolute and stubborn.

Mouth of a lion = eloquence of speech, smoothness and subtlety.

The dragon gives his power and throne to this system. This system is carrying the incarnation of the dragon.

V. 4 the whole world is hypnotised by this spirit. Most Christians believe you cannot change the present world system.

v.6 Blaspheme against his name. His name is Father, Son and Spirit. Antichrist denies the name of Father and Son. This is denying the formation of Christ in all of us. This system reminds you of your deficits – of your weaknesses. It attacks the identity of God in you.

v. 7 Makes war with the saints. He subdues all nations. Thus this system rules the whole world.

Some like Calvin believes in election – that some are predetermined to serve him. The principle of Election is simple – God chose that the human race be His sons. Adam chose not to be a son – he chose his own way. The second man, the last Adam – was sent – if you received him you are saved. You are not robotically programmed for this. You make a decision.

This system attacks for 42 months – for a period – an attack of wrong doctrine. The attempt is to shift you away from your identity in God. Do not submit to this system of the beast.

Apostles are supposed to bring the doctrine of Christ. There are apostles of churches and some are apostles of Christ. True apostles are sent from Christ. Apostles of Christ are in an ascension office and you see everything from the right hand of God – you have keys to open doors – you can decode mysteries and dispense grace like a pharmacist dispenses medication.

Hear what the spirit is saying.

v.11 – another beast – it mutates – a lamb with two horns – and speaks like a dragon – this is a religious system.

v.12 – exercise all of the authority of the first beast – all of the first beast is in this religious beast.

Queen of Sheba wanted to see Solomon's cup bearer – those who drink to discern contamination. We need cup bearers in our churches.

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## The Spirit of Father

Part 4

Continued from previous session. See the text – Rev.13. There are only two systems. We must choose which systems to operate in. The works of satan are still prevalent in the earth. For three and a half years – he has the right to deceive the whole world. God has chosen the woman and her offspring (i.e. us) to live in the wilderness – and God will protect and provide for her. Israel was restrained in the wilderness of sin for forty years. For most of the church – they are in a wilderness dimension of existence. The church is not in its prophetic promised land.

The woman was given two wings of a great eagle – to fly away – where she is nourished. The only way the serpent can attack us – he spewed water like a flood – this is imagery. The enemy's focus is to deceive the whole world. His methodology is deception. He does it by blasphemy – he uses wisdom and intelligence – provocative speech – analytical language. Any form of deception will mutilate the image that God wants you to have in your mind. Whatever governs your mind governs your behaviour. The enemy we have in the church today is an illegal warped mind-set. The enemy is not omniscient, omnipresent and omnipotent. He has to create a net of deception and misconception. He has to ensure that the flood of words that come out of his mouths against the woman (church) – affects her mind – then he can mutilate God's image.

The first sin – in the culture of disobedience – they stepped out of the covering of a word. When you hear a word from God, you make that Word your shelter. The biggest challenge is one of seduction and deception. About 80-90% of the church is under the beastly system. Many sermons are mixed with humanism. We need to purify everything. Doctrine has to be finely ground – so that bread could be baked without adulteration – free from prejudice and bias. Racism is still in most of the church.

Contextual theology is governed by an empirical study of your environment. Many cut and paste from the bible to write a script to suite your perspective. You see with jaundiced eyes. When context defines God, then God is no more God. We often define 'holy' in reference to sin. Before there was sin – God was holy. 'Holy' means indescribable – incomparable. Look at things from executive privilege – see things from the absolute innocent perspective – from a heavenly position. Then simply present truth as if there is no lie – do not attack the lie – simply present the truth, and the pure light of truth will judge the lie.

Much of our theology today borders on substitute theology. If we don't like a thing we want to replace a thing with something within our biblical worldview. The effects of the kingdom must still be righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

**Rev 13:11**

Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon.

This beast first expresses itself through a political system. Now another beast comes out from the earth. This lamb has two horns – picture of status, regality and pride. Pride makes you part of that system. God requires a contrite heart and a broken spirit.

The lamb spoke like a dragon. The ultimate objective is to deceive people. All the authority of the first beast is locked up in this religious system. Its primary objective is to bring you into the lure of the first beast – the devil. When the devil tempted Jesus – he spoke the Word.

The devil was probably made on day two. He discovered that man was the apex of God's creation. The enemy is angry at the fact that God vested all His purposes in man - His son. At no stage was any angel referred to as 'son'. Sonship is concerned about exact representation. In a son, a father is immortalised.

The ultimate objective is not that we take the earth but God wants to give the earth to a son to rule.

**Rev 13:14** And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who \*had the wound of the sword and has come to life.

He deceives. He creates imaginations – images. The gate to the body is the eye and the eye determines what the mind receives. If our teachings are invaded with inaccuracies – then we are off course.

The number of the beast is 666. The devil does not want us to be the sons of God. He wants us to become mere men. He wants to bring us to a place where we are secularised in every way. The mark is an ideology, a perspective, a viewpoint, a doctrine. A man is what he thinks.

#### **Acts 17:22- 34**

- Act 17:22 So Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus and said, "Men of Athens, I observe that you are very religious in all respects.
- Act 17:23 "For while I was passing through and examining the objects of your worship, I also found an altar with this inscription, 'TO AN UNKNOWN GOD.' Therefore what you worship in ignorance, this I proclaim to you.
- Act 17:24** "The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands;
- Act 17:25 nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all *people* life and breath and all things;
- Act 17:26 and He made from one *man* every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined *their* appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation,
- Act 17:27 that they would seek God, if perhaps they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us;
- Act 17:28 for in Him we live and move and exist, as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we also are His children.'
- Act 17:29 "Being then the children of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and thought of man.

- Act 17:30 "Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all *people* everywhere should repent,
- Act 17:31 because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead."
- Act 17:32 Now when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some *began* to sneer, but others said, "We shall hear you again concerning this."
- Act 17:33 So Paul went out of their midst.
- Act 17:34 But some men joined him and believed, among whom also were Dionysius the Areopagite and a woman named Damaris and others with them.

They study the sun, moon and stars – their perspective of God starts on the fourth day. We should be living from the first day – from the LIGHT of God.

v.26 Determined = horizo = a boundary, a limit,

Your horizon is determined by your sight – the limits of your boundary is determined by how far you see. The limits to the boundary is 'pre-appointed times'. Time is kairos. You will see as far as you can interpret kairos. Extend your view of time. God is saying, "See what is locked up in my heart". Burst the limits of your context and live in the eternal. We are predetermined to be conformed to the image of son = the furthest God can see is SON.

The devil wants to 'humanise' us – reduce us to something less than being true SONS of God. He humanises your spirit man. Realise how big your spirit is. Your soul is also powerful. God made the soul to discover Him and search Him out. The consciousness of the soul is powerful. YOUR BODY is the temple of the Holy Spirit. All of God can dwell in you.

'666' tells you that in your spirit, soul and body – you are a man – that will presumptuously sin – that you are limited.

Religion tells you how to manipulate the laws of God to attain things. You can use spiritual principles successfully and yet not have a relationship with God. Much of doctrine today is focussed on the well-being of people with ambitious desire.

But we have the name of FATHER on our mind-sets. The mark 666 is fixated with me, myself and I – a focus on the self-made man. Live in the pure light of God on Mount Zion. Make yourself vulnerable to God and God only. We have 'Father' in our mentality. Others of the beast have the mark on the head and the hand – they work by perspiration. Become father-focussed and father-dependant. Trust in God absolutely and not in your environment. Measure your success by your obedience. The more you think about your FATHER the more He will think about you. He is a God of love. Trust and obey Him. If you cannot forgive someone, you have the system of the beast in you. If you fail to tithe, the system of the beast is in you.

## The Spirit of Father

Part 5

The primary manifestation of the Spirit in us is that of FATHER – hence a focus on our sonship (who we are). He also empowers us to function (What we do).

We must be obsessed with the idea that the will of our Father is predominant in our thoughts and actions. We are to fully represent Him – this is the focus of the son – not a reward-focus emphasis. We do not seek to get from Him; we only seek to represent Him accurately. Obedience is intrinsic to the demand for representation. Faith gives us choice. It gives us opportunity to weigh a thing. It operates on the basis of the soul. Faith shuts the eye of the soul. While we are people of faith – we move from this economy of faith to absolute obedience. Jesus never operated from the platform of faith but from obedience. We need to come to a place where faith overrides our reason. God is calling the church back to a place of absolute obedience. Your mission in representing your Father becomes your highest priority.

The spirit must rule the soul and the soul the flesh – and so we become life-giving spirits. The words we speak will be spirit and life. We are currently being baptised in the name of ‘Father’ – and you come out looking like the son – and the operation of the spirit man takes on new power and effect. Then we function fully in the Spirit. God is the Father of our spirits and the Father of lights.

How do we bring the spirit of ‘father’ into our churches.

Mal 4:5 "Behold, I am going to send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD.

Mal 4:6 "He will restore the hearts of the fathers to *their* children and the hearts of the children to their fathers, so that I will not come and smite the land with a curse."

The OT closes with the promises of restoring fathering. The NT opens with a record of how Fathers beget sons.

**Mat 1:1** The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham:

The face of the Spirit is Father and Son. God expresses Himself in flesh. Hence He has a body in the earth. Spirit has nature and attributes to it and this becomes expressed in humans – in son.

Look at the letter to the church at Pergamos. Each letter is applicable to all churches.

### Revelation 2: 12- 17

Rev 2:12 "And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write: The One who has the sharp two-edged sword says this:

- Rev 2:13 'I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is; and you hold fast My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days of Antipas, My witness, My faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells.
- Rev 2:14 'But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who kept teaching Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols and to commit *acts of immorality*.
- Rev 2:15 'So you also have some who in the same way hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans.
- Rev 2:16 'Therefore repent; or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of My mouth.
- Rev 2:17 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give *some* of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.'

The letter is addressed to the angel = to the head – to the apostle over that church. Apostles of Christ are men sent from God. When they speak, the sound of their voice goes out to the ends of the earth. Few people are commissioned as true apostles who stand on His Mountain to then proceed to bring good news. They appear like angels – their view of everything is shaped by their view of the Father. Paul's jurisdiction did not extend to all churches but only to those whom he fathered. Some apostles are called to a city. True prophets also need to be raised.

Pergamos = well-fortified tower – in an elevated position – you can see all around – hence implications of foresight and insight – it sees an enemy approaching long before. This is a watchtower church. It is in a governmental, aerial position. God comes to this church as a sharp TWO-EDGED sword. This church sees prophetically.

'Sharp' (oxus) speaks of an acidic effect. It eats up things. When He speaks as a two-edged sword – he speaks like that of a father.

I know your works = ergon = your workings, your business, what you have been commissioned to undertake. This church is assignment driven.

You hold fast my name = you are son-father centred. You are word-centred. You are word-focussed. On your thigh is King of Kings and Lord of Lords = a ruling governmental activity. This church is Christo-centric.

You did not deny my faith – uncompromising – faithful – full of faith – faith is the ability to believe.

This church so far is good. ....

YET ... From verse 13 onwards. Satan dwells in the midst of it.

Satan's throne is here. A throne is an elevated seat of government – executive power of authority – a kingly royal position – governing administration – a tribunal bench where you could judge matters. All thrones had footstools – indicates rest – supreme and uncontested rule – unrivalled.

How is it possible for satan to dwell here? Antipas was permitted to be killed – he was eliminated or removed – and then satan occupied it.

Antipas = anti + pas

Anti = against all; not in a negative sense – but also ‘not being opposed to’. It means to be a defence against anything that comes against Pergamos. Antipas is the defence or immunity system.

Pas = from the root ‘Pater’ = father.

Hence Antipas was the spiritual father at the church at Pergamos. He was a senior elder. The church at Pergamos permitted the elimination of this leadership. The spirit of the Nicolaitan came in and filled the gap – it’s a democratic system. This system kills the spirit of father. The devil became the father of this church He is an angel of light.

Antipas = ‘like the father’.

He was a representative of the father of the families of heaven and earth. He was not the father. He was LIKE the father. He is a surrogate father. He is the body through which the seed of heavenly Father comes.

Jesse, the father David – asked him to take care of his sheep. David understands that the sheep belong to his father. David was not permitted to go to war (he was less than 20). He represented his father accurately. When the lion came for his father’s sheep – he would do what his father would do. He fought bears and lions in the power of his father.

Then is only one Father. No one claims the right to be a father. All they can claim to be is a representative of your Father. You are like the father – you are a similitude of the father. There is no ownership in representation – there is only stewardship.

God who is in Sabbath rest – He is rendered inactive. God created the seventh day. He cannot work again. The only thing God can do is to be represented in His seed. Seed immortalises the One who is in rest. In the seed, representation takes place. God only actively works through representation. In representation, you obey everything He says. In the principle of representation is provision. If you obey, it’s God’s job to provide for you – remember Abraham sacrifices Isaac – God provides for him.

In exact representation you do not take “script”, food, etc. – God takes care of you. Brings you into a sense of absolute reliance and trust in the living God.

Do not own people. Know how to release people. Every son comes through a process of adoption. Joseph had to adopt Jesus as his son. The principle of adoption was patterned in Jesus. You care for your spiritual sons the way the Father would care for them. As long as there is legitimate fathering grace over a church – there is the divine defence system over the house.

Moses had a rod = signs and wonders. When you own nothing – no one can take anything from you. God said to Moses, “Tell them I AM THAT I AM sent you”. Jahweh – O jah = I will exist how I want to exist in you. Moses wanted to accurately represent God. I will be in you who I want to be in



you; you do not be what you want to become in me. You just simply go – I will show up in you. To Pharaoh – you will appear as God. To others you will be friend of God; to others a great law-giver. Follow me, I will make you – not you will make you.

The paradox is that to get the heavenly Father – you have to receive him who comes in the NAME of the Lord - the name of father.

There are two types of sons: Those who are connected and those who are affiliated.

The church today needs the name of Father on its forehead.

## The Spirit of Father

Part 6

### Revelation 2

We have to have a father-centred view. Our food is to do the will of the Father who sent us. When you are occupied with only the mind of your Father, then nothing else around you affects you. You will be preserved and protected and provided for. Our mandate in life is to only seek Him and His kingdom. No-one has the right to take your life unless your Father permits it. And if He permits it, He also can give it back to you.

We have to rely fully on the Father – you will be amazed to see what God will do through you. You need to develop rest in the Father's nature. If we do not have the Father as our centre, then we are caught up in a system called the 'beast' – it allows you space to worship God. Let your Father fight your battles.

Ensure that there is no mixture within you – no alloy.

A provocation is designed to bring you into a place of greater accuracy. God corrects those whom He loves.

The teacher is subjected to two times more judgement than the hearer.

Refer to the passage of Revelation 2 quoted earlier.

The Pergamos church was in an elevated spiritual position – they had foreknowledge – but in their midst satan had a throne. Satan is not affected by all the spiritual activity (singing, fasting, praying). This church is Christo-centric – they have the name of God. Satan dwelt where they allowed Antipas to be destroyed. Antipas means 'like the father'. There is only one Father – our Father God – from this Father – all things flow. Some are usurping the role of Heavenly Father – they are autocrats – they are not true fathers. No one else can replace Heavenly Father – YET you have to understand the protocol and principle by which He has chosen to function. God is in Sabbath rest. God works through a principle of deputation or representation. This is the corporeal principle – God is invisible and immaterial – God is Spirit. The Fatherhood of God is embodied in certain individuals. Hence we need to say "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." God is represented in an individual He places over a specific family. This is the vicarious principle. This principle is being abused. Some sons are being abused – and there is a culture of fear.

You do not carry the burden yourself; it is not your weight. His burden is easy and light. Antipas is placed on behalf of God over a house – he becomes the medium through which God comes over the house. The grace of heavenly Father is channelled through him.

The term 'FATHER' embraces everything that one may need in life. When you receive an Antipas over your house, you are receiving the heavenly Father. When the house is attacked, the fathering principle becomes your hiding place. This is your immunity.

Melchisedek had to have been human. For at 65 years of Isaac's life he was still living.

Abraham had 318 men born in his house. They were armed by Abraham – he poured his life into them. The Spirit on Moses was multiplied on 70 men. Moses' spirit was multiplied in them. When Abraham armed them he poured himself into them. He tithed of the plunder to Melchisedek. What he received from Melchisedek he poured into 318 men and they defeated a might coalition of kings.

Discern the patterns of God in His Word.

The church at Pergamos is an apostolic church – yet satan is in her midst. This is the system of the beast.

This church (Rev. 2:14) holds the doctrine of Balaam – he was an international prophet. Balaam means 'perhaps' – he teaches but puts a question mark to it. He was an accurate prophet – he was a seer – he was respected – when he spoke, nations would fall under his spell. He could dilute legitimate truth. The enemy's primary weapon is a flood of deception. Many are deluded and they think God is with them. Balaam twists truth.

In the valley of Jehosaphat – coalition of three kings came against him: King of Moab, Ammonite and Edomite. Before you come to your land, you have to conquer these three spirits.

Balaam is employed by King Balak to put a stumbling block before the people of God. Balak means 'destruction of the people'. Balak is King of Moab – What father? Moab is brother to Ben-ami = son of a tribe. Moab says "who needs a father" – challenges the necessity for fathering; and Ben-ami – calls himself a son of the people – he is people centred – he is not father-centred.

These sons were brought about by incest. Anything outside of the covenant of marriage cannot produce the image of God. Lot was a nephew of Abraham. Lot was orphaned when his father died. He was adopted by Terah; when Terah died, Lot was adopted by Abraham. Lot could never see Abraham as his father. When you do not submit to a father, you cannot produce a seed line that changes the earth. Lot goes to Sodom and Gomorrah. He is given a chance to flee. The NT calls Lot righteous. Abraham covered Lot – hence he was righteous. His sons-in-law were killed. Lot and his daughters end up in a cave. Lots daughters have an incestuous relationship with their father.

When a spiritual father drops seed, you can receive that man's seed / word without being covenantally joined to him – you bastardise the plan of God. You mock the idea of father – but you want his seed.

We are moving to a position of literal acquisition. But to enter your promised land, you have to confront the spirit that says "Who needs a father" – you have to go through the land of Moab to get to the promised land of Canaan - and confront the spirit of Moab.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in the wilderness, God called a census. Moses numbered the people. The people were organised by families and the families functioned as an army. The only way you eliminate the spirit that mocks the idea of father is by functioning as a family. Balak is king of Moab – he is king that kills fathers. Balak says to Balaam to curse them.

- Amos 2:1      Thus says the LORD, "For three transgressions of Moab and for four I will not revoke its *punishment*, Because he burned the bones of the king of Edom to lime.
- Amos 2:2      "So I will send fire upon Moab And it will consume the citadels of Kerioth; And Moab will die amid tumult, With war cries and the sound of a trumpet.
- Amos 2:3      "I will also cut off the judge from her midst And slay all her princes with him," says the LORD.

He took the bones of a father – and ground the bones to lime and then whitewashed houses.

Ben-ami – son of the people – democratic system – a people-centred culture.

Moab – Elimelech, Mahlon and Chilion all died here. Here you have a widows house. Boaz was kinsman-redeemer = a representative father. Elimelech aborts his privilege of being a great grandfather of David. Boaz replaces what Elimelech vacated. Ruth and Boaz's boy is placed on the lap of Naomi – they are closing the gap created by the dislocation of Elimelech.

## The Spirit of Father

Part 7

Continued

Study the journeying of Israel from Egypt to the promised land. The spirit of Ammon is people-centred. Moab cuts off headship. Think about Judas. He betrays the Lord. He was supposed to be head over a homestead in the spirit. He disinherited himself – he hung himself. He cut off his headship. His bowels gushed out. Bowels speak of truth and grace. All the grace he had was poured out from him.

When Moab has a son – he names him Moab. His son also mocks the spirit of father. To get out of your wilderness you have to pass through and deal with Moab and Ammon. Also study the spirit of Edom. Edom was the son of Esau, the twin brother of Jacob. He had birth-right privilege – he had the executive of two portions of his father's estate. Joseph got the birth right from Reuben – Reuben uncovered the nakedness of his father. Joseph had two sons – he got two portions – two provinces.

According to divine design, the inheritance of a family is locked up in the presence of a father. A father leaves an inheritance for his sons. See the inheritance that God has stored up for you within your father. Inheritance = security – the assurance that you will be well. We need to honour our fathers. The basis of honour is an attitude – a condition of the heart – a mentality. Do not in any way discredit them. Dishonour has caused a major curse in the earth. One of Noah's sons exposed his father's deficiency. Noah was wrong to be intoxicated in the first place Noah's nakedness was exposed by Ham. Noah did not bless Ham's firstborn son. Ham probably slept with Noah's wife. Some form of incest took place. This father was cursed (Ham). Hence the emphasis on ancestral worship in Africa. An eternal principle was violated. Sons must honour fathers. Honour is a mentality or a disposition.

Joseph's parents reacted to the principle they knew to be true. The principle here – is that Jacob is fathering a man who is fathering the earth. Joseph was father to Pharaoh.

We must resurrect the spirit of Antipas. Build this into your constitutional make-up. The persons in the Godhead are all co-equal. Yet there is submission and honour. Spirit submits to Son, and Son to Father.

You can never honour someone without taking a gift or offering to them. When you bring your gift to the altar – this offering was defined by the occasion attendant with the offering. The tithe goes to one who ministers at the altar – and he has oversight over it. Nehemiah appointed treasurers to manage the funds. You can never go beyond your fathers. Abraham was blessed to be blessing to others. Ensure that your fathers live in a place of double honour. If the father is blessed, the house is blessed. As fathers prosper, the water level (word) in the house rises.

To have a male leader in church does not presuppose that you have a father.

Your spirit must be connected to the Father in your midst. When the spirit of father – Antipas - is eradicated – satan sets up his throne in your midst.

It happens through teachings of Balaam – the spirit of ‘perhaps?’ – it challenges the fathering spirit. A Christo-centric view of God is a Father-focussed view. Five-fold gifts do not head churches – the spirit of Antipas is placed over a church – a father heads a church. The church is the family of God – this is not metaphorical. Abraham is the father of the families of the earth. Each family must have a father over it. True religion is to visit the widow and care for the orphans – this is more than a social programme. In a family there is one-ness.

Family is ‘patria’; the root is ‘pater’. Without Father, you cannot have family. The family replicates the image of father in the earth. The object of marriage is to produce a son – in Hebrew culture. The primary objective of father is to incarnate himself into family to produce sons. The father represents the Heavenly Father to others. When fathers are restored to families, then true religion is restored in the earth. When ‘father’ is restored to earth, the earth starts to heal.

‘Father’ cannot be legislated. It cannot be imposed. Receive the man at least as father over the family. In a great house, you have more than just sons.

When we get this right, God will position us in the global movements in the earth. The next phase is releasing His glory into all the earth.

In a family / home, the gender male is not the priest of the home. Everybody in the Body of Christ is a royal priesthood. There are no Levites in the NT – we are part of the High priest family – the Melchisedek order – we all can go beyond the veil. Everyone has the privilege. The principle of **headship** is resident in the male. Headship is not priesthood. The husband is still the head. If a wife knows how to submit – she is covered – no matter how deficient the husband is in any area.

It’s different in a spiritual family. In the spiritual family, gender does not determine spiritual fathering. In Christ there is neither male nor female. Women also fathered households. It is not the gender that fathers the household, but the grace in her that is fathering. Grace builds God’s house and not gender.

Colonialism, imperialism and history can influence worldviews. When a white man heads a church, black people have no problems submitting. But where a Black man heads a church, white people have difficulty submitting. If you have a Black leader full of grace – white people who are colour conscious will not submit. The nuances of colour influence the choice of spiritual fathering.

The beast – the ten horns, then ten crowns – the number 666 - shapes our worldview. We should not choose based on colour or gender. There are wicked systems that have to be destroyed. Grace is colourless and timeless. Linguistics and language does not determine grace. Do not choose fathering or sonship on the basis of the flesh. You cannot even have a Jewish view of grace. See everything from the heavenly point of view. We have to become the new nation and the new order of God. Be grace conscious.

The doctrine of Balaam is recruited by the King of Moab, Balak.

The 'curse' in Malachi 4:5, 6 means to be reduced to a place of insignificance, that the memory of them is obliterated from the face of the earth. Balaam's intended curse was to reduce Israel to a place where they make no substantive contribution to God's purposes.

#### Numbers 22: 1-4

- Num 22:1 Then the sons of Israel journeyed, and camped in the plains of Moab beyond the Jordan *opposite* Jericho.
- Num 22:2 Now Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites.
- Num 22:3 So Moab was in great fear because of the people, for they were numerous; and Moab was in dread of the sons of Israel.
- Num 22:4 Moab said to the elders of Midian, "Now this horde will lick up all that is around us, as the ox licks up the grass of the field." And Balak the son of Zippor was king of Moab at that time.

On the wilderness side of the Jordan, the people of Moab attempt to wipe Israel out before they get into the promised land. The Moab spirit works in tandem with covenant breakers.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of their journey God organised them into family units – hence in the 40<sup>th</sup> year, Moab is terribly afraid of Israel.

#### Numbers 22: 5-12

- Num 22:5 So he sent messengers to Balaam the son of Beor, at Pethor, which is near the River, *in* the land of the sons of his people, to call him, saying, "Behold, a people came out of Egypt; behold, they cover the surface of the land, and they are living opposite me.
- Num 22:6 "Now, therefore, please come, curse this people for me since they are too mighty for me; perhaps I may be able to defeat them and drive them out of the land. For I know that he whom you bless is blessed, and he whom you curse is cursed."
- Num 22:7 So the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the *fees for* divination in their hand; and they came to Balaam and repeated Balak's words to him.
- Num 22:8 He said to them, "Spend the night here, and I will bring word back to you as the LORD may speak to me." And the leaders of Moab stayed with Balaam.
- Num 22:9 Then God came to Balaam and said, "Who are these men with you?"
- Num 22:10 Balaam said to God, "Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, has sent *word* to me,
- Num 22:11 'Behold, there is a people who came out of Egypt and they cover the surface of the land; now come, curse them for me; perhaps I may be able to fight against them and drive them out.'"
- Num 22:12 God said to Balaam, "Do not go with them; you shall not curse the people, for they are blessed."

They are blessed because they are organised into family units.

#### Numbers 22: 13-17

- Num 22:13 So Balaam arose in the morning and said to Balak's leaders, "Go back to your land, for the LORD has refused to let me go with you."
- Num 22:14 The leaders of Moab arose and went to Balak and said, "Balaam refused to come with us."
- Num 22:15 Then Balak again sent leaders, more numerous and more distinguished than the former.
- Num 22:16 They came to Balaam and said to him, "Thus says Balak the son of Zippor, 'Let nothing, I beg you, hinder you from coming to me;
- Num 22:17 for I will indeed honor you richly, and I will do whatever you say to me. Please come then, curse this people for me.'"

The present understanding of generational curse is unbiblical. A people of covenant cannot be cursed.

#### Numbers 22:18-21

- Num 22:18 Balaam replied to the servants of Balak, "Though Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold, I could not do anything, either small or great, contrary to the command of the LORD my God.
- Num 22:19 "Now please, you also stay here tonight, and I will find out what else the LORD will speak to me."
- Num 22:20 God came to Balaam at night and said to him, "If the men have come to call you, rise up *and* go with them; but only the word which I speak to you shall you do."
- Num 22:21 So Balaam arose in the morning, and saddled his donkey and went with the leaders of Moab.

Leaders of Moab = princes of Moab = a whole senate of leaders – a network to oppose family.

#### Numbers 22:22-32

- Num 22:22 But God was angry because he was going, and the angel of the LORD took his stand in the way as an adversary against him. Now he was riding on his donkey and his two servants were with him.
- Num 22:23 When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way with his drawn sword in his hand, the donkey turned off from the way and went into the field; but Balaam struck the donkey to turn her back into the way.
- Num 22:24 Then the angel of the LORD stood in a narrow path of the vineyards, *with* a wall on this side and a wall on that side.
- Num 22:25 When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, she pressed herself to the wall and pressed Balaam's foot against the wall, so he struck her again.
- Num 22:26 The angel of the LORD went further, and stood in a narrow place where there was no way to turn to the right hand or the left.
- Num 22:27 When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, she lay down under Balaam; so Balaam was angry and struck the donkey with his stick.
- Num 22:28 And the LORD opened the mouth of the donkey, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you, that you have struck me these three times?"



- Num 22:29 Then Balaam said to the donkey, "Because you have made a mockery of me! If there had been a sword in my hand, I would have killed you by now."
- Num 22:30 The donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your donkey on which you have ridden all your life to this day? Have I ever been accustomed to do so to you?" And he said, "No."
- Num 22:31 Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way with his drawn sword in his hand; and he bowed all the way to the ground.
- Num 22:32 The angel of the LORD said to him, "Why have you struck your donkey these three times? Behold, I have come out as an adversary, because your way was contrary to me."

If anyone comes to curse us, God will prevent it.

### **Numbers 22:33-41**

- Num 22:33 "But the donkey saw me and turned aside from me these three times. If she had not turned aside from me, I would surely have killed you just now, and let her live."
- Num 22:34 Balaam said to the angel of the LORD, "I have sinned, for I did not know that you were standing in the way against me. Now then, if it is displeasing to you, I will turn back."
- Num 22:35 But the angel of the LORD said to Balaam, "Go with the men, but you shall speak only the word which I tell you." So Balaam went along with the leaders of Balak.
- Num 22:36 When Balak heard that Balaam was coming, he went out to meet him at the city of Moab, which is on the Arnon border, at the extreme end of the border.
- Num 22:37 Then Balak said to Balaam, "Did I not urgently send to you to call you? Why did you not come to me? Am I really unable to honor you?"
- Num 22:38 So Balaam said to Balak, "Behold, I have come now to you! Am I able to speak anything at all? The word that God puts in my mouth, that I shall speak."
- Num 22:39 And Balaam went with Balak, and they came to Kiriath-huzoth.
- Num 22:40 Balak sacrificed oxen and sheep, and sent *some* to Balaam and the leaders who were with him.
- Num 22:41 Then it came about in the morning that Balak took Balaam and brought him up to the high places of Baal, and he saw from there a portion of the people.

### **Numbers 23:1-13**

- Num 23:1** Then Balaam said to Balak, "Build seven altars for me here, and prepare seven bulls and seven rams for me here."
- Num 23:2 Balak did just as Balaam had spoken, and Balak and Balaam offered up a bull and a ram on each altar.

- Num 23:3 Then Balaam said to Balak, "Stand beside your burnt offering, and I will go; perhaps the LORD will come to meet me, and whatever He shows me I will tell you." So he went to a bare hill.
- Num 23:4 Now God met Balaam, and he said to Him, "I have set up the seven altars, and I have offered up a bull and a ram on each altar."
- Num 23:5 Then the LORD put a word in Balaam's mouth and said, "Return to Balak, and you shall speak thus."
- Num 23:6 So he returned to him, and behold, he was standing beside his burnt offering, he and all the leaders of Moab.
- Num 23:7 He took up his discourse and said, "From Aram Balak has brought me, Moab's king from the mountains of the East, 'Come curse Jacob for me, And come, denounce Israel!'
- Num 23:8 "How shall I curse whom God has not cursed? And how can I denounce whom the LORD has not denounced?
- Num 23:9 "As I see him from the top of the rocks, And I look at him from the hills; Behold, a people *who* dwells apart, And will not be reckoned among the nations.
- Num 23:10 "Who can count the dust of Jacob, Or number the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the upright, And let my end be like his!"
- Num 23:11 Then Balak said to Balaam, "What have you done to me? I took you to curse my enemies, but behold, you have actually blessed them!"
- Num 23:12 He replied, "Must I not be careful to speak what the LORD puts in my mouth?"
- Num 23:13 Then Balak said to him, "Please come with me to another place from where you may see them, although you will only see the extreme end of them and will not see all of them; and curse them for me from there."

They are studying the detail of the constitution of this group – the extremity – start to build even beyond your local house.

#### Numbers 23:14-30

- Num 23:14 So he took him to the field of Zophim, to the top of Pisgah, and built seven altars and offered a bull and a ram on *each* altar.
- Num 23:15 And he said to Balak, "Stand here beside your burnt offering while I myself meet *the LORD* over there."
- Num 23:16 Then the LORD met Balaam and put a word in his mouth and said, "Return to Balak, and thus you shall speak."
- Num 23:17 He came to him, and behold, he was standing beside his burnt offering, and the leaders of Moab with him. And Balak said to him, "What has the LORD spoken?"
- Num 23:18 Then he took up his discourse and said, "Arise, O Balak, and hear; Give ear to me, O son of Zippor!
- Num 23:19 "God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent; Has He said, and will He not do it? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?
- Num 23:20 "Behold, I have received *a command* to bless; When He has blessed, then I cannot revoke it.

- Num 23:21 "He has not observed misfortune in Jacob; Nor has He seen trouble in Israel; The LORD his God is with him, And the shout of a king is among them.
- Num 23:22 "God brings them out of Egypt, He is for them like the horns of the wild ox.
- Num 23:23 "For there is no omen against Jacob, Nor is there any divination against Israel; At the proper time it shall be said to Jacob And to Israel, **what God has done!**
- Num 23:24 "Behold, a people rises like a lioness, And as a lion it lifts itself; It will not lie down until it devours the prey, And drinks the blood of the slain."
- Num 23:25 Then Balak said to Balaam, "Do not curse them at all nor bless them at all!"
- Num 23:26 But Balaam replied to Balak, "Did I not tell you, 'Whatever the LORD speaks, that I must do'?"
- Num 23:27 Then Balak said to Balaam, "Please come, I will take you to another place; perhaps it will be agreeable with God that you curse them for me from there."
- Num 23:28 So Balak took Balaam to the top of Peor which overlooks the wasteland.
- Num 23:29 Balaam said to Balak, "Build seven altars for me here and prepare seven bulls and seven rams for me here."
- Num 23:30 Balak did just as Balaam had said, and offered up a bull and a ram on *each* altar.

### **Numbers 24:1-13**

- Num 24:1 When Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he did not go as at other times to seek omens but he set his face toward the wilderness.
- Num 24:2 And Balaam lifted up his eyes and saw Israel camping tribe by tribe; and the Spirit of God came upon him.
- Num 24:3 He took up his discourse and said, "The oracle of Balaam the son of Beor, And the oracle of the man whose eye is opened;
- Num 24:4 The oracle of him who hears the words of God, Who sees the vision of the Almighty, Falling down, yet having his eyes uncovered,
- Num 24:5 How fair are your tents, O Jacob, Your dwellings, O Israel!

Tents = family units

- Num 24:6 "Like valleys that stretch out, Like gardens beside the river, Like aloes planted by the LORD, Like cedars beside the waters.
- Num 24:7 "Water will flow from his buckets, And his seed *will be* by many waters, And his king shall be higher than Agag, And his kingdom shall be exalted.
- Num 24:8 "God brings him out of Egypt, He is for him like the horns of the wild ox. He will devour the nations *who are* his adversaries, And will crush their bones in pieces, And shatter *them* with his arrows.

Num 24:9 "He couches, he lies down as a lion, And as a lion, who dares rouse him? Blessed is everyone who blesses you, And cursed is everyone who curses you."

Our answer lies in becoming the family of God – you will cause fear in those who rule.

Num 24:10 Then Balak's anger burned against Balaam, and he struck his hands together; and Balak said to Balaam, "I called you to curse my enemies, but behold, you have persisted in blessing them these three times!

Num 24:11 "Therefore, flee to your place now. I said I would honor you greatly, but behold, the LORD has held you back from honor."

Num 24:12 Balaam said to Balak, "Did I not tell your messengers whom you had sent to me, saying,

Num 24:13 'Though Balak were to give me his house full of silver and gold, I could not do anything contrary to the command of the LORD, either good or bad, of my own accord. What the LORD speaks, that I will speak'?

The word of the Lord protects us.

Num 24:14 "And now, behold, I am going to my people; come, *and* I will advise you what this people will do to your people in the days to come."

Days to come = last days. They will obliterate the spirit of Moab.

## The Spirit of Father

Part 8

Where the house of grace is, that is where the famine will be broken.

There are national and international bias – in reference to spiritual fathering. This is an expression of a slavery spirit. It has to be based on fatal attraction to grace, understanding the movements of the Spirit. One of the images of Spirit is WIND. When someone breathes Word – your spirit should catch the vibrations. Your father will direct your future movement in God.

- Num 24:15      He took up his discourse and said, "The oracle of Balaam the son of Beor, And the oracle of the man whose eye is opened,
- Num 24:16      The oracle of him who hears the words of God, And knows the knowledge of the Most High, Who sees the vision of the Almighty, Falling down, yet having his eyes uncovered.
- Num 24:17      "I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near; A star shall come forth from Jacob, A scepter shall rise from Israel, And shall crush through the forehead of Moab, And tear down all the sons of Sheth.

The mentality of Moab will be destroyed. This is a season for one-ness. There is a romantic element to revelation. It has got a mystical and magical element to it.

In teaching, people are attracted to the revelatory dimension. You can make revelation your golden calf. Revelation must become incarnation. Sometimes you have to reduce revelation in your house – not to feed the addiction of people – if revelation does not become flesh amongst us. With this comes exclusivism and sectarianism. Learn how to manage the magical and mystical elements to revelation.

True apostles move from the local house to the corporate global church. You have to sometimes go and listen to others first before they hear you. We need to bring the church together – otherwise desolation will come.

- Num 24:18      "Edom shall be a possession, Seir, its enemies, also will be a possession, While Israel performs valiantly.

Edom is the son of Esau – the spirit that rejects the first-born principle. It attacks anything that has the doctrine of first things in it.

The valley of Jehosaphat had three spirits attacking it. Edom, Moab and Ammon – these three spirits attack the people of God.

Edom will be possessed and subdued.

- Num 24:19      "One from Jacob shall have dominion, And will destroy the remnant from the city."

Num 24:20 And he looked at Amalek and took up his discourse and said, "Amalek was the first of the nations, But his end *shall be* destruction."  
Amalek is also a descendant of Esau. Amalek = dweller in the valley.

#### Numbers 24: 21-25

Num 24:21 And he looked at the Kenite, and took up his discourse and said, "Your dwelling place is enduring, And your nest is set in the cliff.  
Num 24:22 "Nevertheless Kain will be consumed; How long will Asshur keep you captive?"  
Num 24:23 Then he took up his discourse and said, "Alas, who can live except God has ordained it?  
Num 24:24 "But ships *shall come* from the coast of Kittim, And they shall afflict Asshur and will afflict Eber; So they also *will come* to destruction."  
Num 24:25 Then Balaam arose and departed and returned to his place, and Balak also went his way.

#### Numbers 25: 1- 18

Num 25:1 While Israel remained at Shittim, the people began to play the harlot with the daughters of Moab.  
Num 25:2 For they invited the people to the sacrifices of their gods, and the people ate and bowed down to their gods.  
Num 25:3 So Israel joined themselves to Baal of Peor, and the LORD was angry against Israel.  
Num 25:4 The LORD said to Moses, "Take all the leaders of the people and execute them in broad daylight before the LORD, so that the fierce anger of the LORD may turn away from Israel."  
Num 25:5 So Moses said to the judges of Israel, "Each of you slay his men who have joined themselves to Baal of Peor."  
Num 25:6 Then behold, one of the sons of Israel came and brought to his relatives a Midianite woman, in the sight of Moses and in the sight of all the congregation of the sons of Israel, while they were weeping at the doorway of the tent of meeting.  
**Num 25:7** When Phinehas the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he arose from the midst of the congregation and took a spear in his hand,  
Num 25:8 and he went after the man of Israel into the tent and pierced both of them through, the man of Israel and the woman, through the body. So the plague on the sons of Israel was checked.  
Num 25:9 Those who died by the plague were 24,000.  
Num 25:10 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,  
Num 25:11 "Phinehas the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, has turned away My wrath from the sons of Israel in that he was jealous with My jealousy among them, so that I did not destroy the sons of Israel in My jealousy.  
Num 25:12 "Therefore say, 'Behold, I give him My covenant of peace;  
Num 25:13 and it shall be for him and his descendants after him, a covenant of a perpetual priesthood, because he was jealous for his God and made atonement for the sons of Israel.'"

- Num 25:14 Now the name of the slain man of Israel who was slain with the Midianite woman, was Zimri the son of Salu, a leader of a father's household among the Simeonites.
- Num 25:15 The name of the Midianite woman who was slain was Cozbi the daughter of Zur, who was head of the people of a father's household in Midian.
- Num 25:16 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
- Num 25:17 "Be hostile to the Midianites and strike them;
- Num 25:18 for they have been hostile to you with their tricks, with which they have deceived you in the affair of Peor and in the affair of Cozbi, the daughter of the leader of Midian, their sister who was slain on the day of the plague because of Peor."

I have no problem with interracial marriages, so long as it is within the family of God – we share the same royal blood. A son of God should not marry someone outside the family of God. The 'mixed multitude' caused Israel to murmur. When you marry inaccurately – you are breaking a lineage. Balaam informed Balak that Israel will destroy him. So what was the secondary plan – get them to intermarry with your people. Then God will destroy them because of compromise. The principle of marriage is not just companionship but to reproduce a seed after your kind. If you mix the seed line, you produce a hybrid form. Preserve the headship principle.

Back to Rev 2

#### Revelation 2: 14-17

- Rev 2:14 'But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who kept teaching Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols and to commit *acts of immorality*.
- Rev 2:15 'So you also have some who in the same way hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans.
- Rev 2:16 'Therefore repent; or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of My mouth.
- Rev 2:17 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give *some* of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.'

When you remove the spirit of Father – you introduce the spirit of the Nicolaitans. It is victory over the people. It is a democratic spirit. Some say it was started by Nicolas, one of the seven deacons. He taught that there was no need for the headship principle. God hates the spirit of the Nicolaitans.

The church at Ephesus hated the teaching of the Nicolaitans. People cannot vote for the direction God wants to take a church to. God speaks to the father of the house.

True fathers remain invisible and want to magnify their sons. The spirit of Nicolaitian causes a culture of democracy. When you remove fathers, you resurrect the people power.

We do warfare against this spirit with the power of the sword of the Spirit = the Word of God.

Verse 17. Manna has got to do with a grace called 'father'.

**Matthew 7: 7-11**

- Mat 7:7 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.
- Mat 7:8 "For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.
- Mat 7:9 "Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone?
- Mat 7:10 "Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he?
- Mat 7:11 "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!

If you overcome this spirit, God says, "I will give you food from heaven" – secret insights. Since fathers have come back to houses, there is no more famine on our tables, there is also less burdens to bear, there is lesser tension.

If the past we gave our people stones – we stoned them because our messages were tarnished with our hurts. Our sermons were shaped by the rebellion of our people. But now our messages are shaped by love.

Rev 2:17 – White stone. In a court of law, the verdict was pronounced through a black or white stone. White stone implied that you are innocent.



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# Light

Part 1

Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.  
 Gen 1:2 The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.

Formless = no definition and no purpose – not yet commissioned by God. It's function was not yet defined. It was purpose-less.

Void = rendered inactive and idle – not yet commissioned to function in a certain way.

Form = toho

Void = boho

Darkness was on the face of the deep. Not sin – but coded – not yet exposed / made clear. Out of darkness, the day is born. The day is the exposition of things hidden in darkness.

God is not the author of sin. If you do not know the light you will live in darkness. Sin is disconnection from the revelation of the ways of God.

Waters = the word.

Gen 1:3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.  
 Gen 1:4 God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.

God SAID = before there was light there was SPEECH – speech produced light. Sound produced light.

Gen 1:5 God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

**DAY ONE** – God created **light**. Before day one – there was darkness – everything in ignorance of God.

Gen 1:6 Then God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters."

Expanse /firmament = like a visible arch – the vault out of which the heavens will come out from.; a system that gives support.

A splitting of the waters. Out of the belly shall flow living waters. Acsah wanted the lower and upper springs. Revelations will come from the heavens and from the deep things in the earth. In earth God has hidden stuff related to us – inventions, ingenious ideas, etc.

- Gen 1:7 God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so.
- Gen 1:8 God called the expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

**DAY TWO** : God created Heaven – the eternal spiritual dimension. People have materialised and commercialised heaven. It cannot be reduced to mansions and a street of gold. Heaven was created on the second day – so He existed without it before. Now it is simply the place from which God expedites His purpose. The present heavens will disappear. And a new heaven will occur. There is no rapture – but a literal coming of the Lord. He will appear to us with the saints. We believe in the physical return of the Lord. He comes in the cloud of witnesses. We will be caught up to be with him in the air – to rule over all things.

- Gen 1:9 Then God said, "Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so.

Waters separate the atmosphere. The heavens have an atmosphere – which is the WORD (waters) - --- the Word influences the heavens. From the water comes dry land. The atmosphere of the earth is also governed by the Word.

- Gen 1:10 God called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and God saw that it was good.
- Gen 1:11 Then God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, *and* fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit after their kind with seed in them"; and it was so.
- Gen 1:12 The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit with seed in them, after their kind; and God saw that it was good.
- Gen 1:13 There was evening and there was morning, a third day.

**DAY THREE** – God created the earth – and the seas. He gave the earth with seed bearing capacity. Day one – Light; Day two: heavens; day three: earth

Light feeds the heavens; heavens feed the earth.

**DAY FOUR: sun, moon and stars**

#### Genesis 1:14-19

- Gen 1:14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years;
- Gen 1:15 and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so.
- Gen 1:16 God made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night; *He made* the stars also.
- Gen 1:17 God placed them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth,

- Gen 1:18 and to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness; and God saw that it was good.
- Gen 1:19 There was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

Whenever God creates things there are natural and spiritual dimensions. A human lets natural things govern his world.

Day one has a LIGHT; and there are these other lights on day four. All religions use the sun, moon and stars to define religious activities. It seems these lights have a way of controlling movements of people.

Verse 18: govern the day and the night. These lights have dominion – they inform the earth.

Earth was made on the third day; the cosmos was made on fourth day. The earth is not dependant on the universe whilst it works in tandem with the universe. The universe was created for the earth. If there was no sun, moon and stars, the earth still had a light.

Everything was created in order and discipline – there is arrangement. They were built not just to operate by rule – but also created to serve . HOSTS = Tsaba. They serve man on the earth.

#### **DAY FIVE: all that dwells in the ocean and sky**

##### **Genesis 1:20-23**

- Gen 1:20 Then God said, "Let the waters teem with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens."
- Gen 1:21 God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and God saw that it was good.
- Gen 1:22 God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."
- Gen 1:23 There was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.

#### **DAY SIX: Animals and Man**

##### **Genesis 1: 24-31**

- Gen 1:24 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind"; and it was so.
- Gen 1:25 God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and everything that creeps on the ground after its kind; and God saw that it was good.
- Gen 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of

- the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."
- Gen 1:27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- Gen 1:28 God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."
- Gen 1:29 Then God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you;
- Gen 1:30 and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to everything that moves on the earth which has life, *I have given* every green plant for food"; and it was so.
- Gen 1:31 God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

God does not say take ownership – it's not our mandate.

- Gen 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were completed, and all their hosts.
- Gen 2:2 By the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done.

Completed/ Done /finish = kalah = nothing more to be added.

Work = Melaka = deputyship; everything was made to represent Him – to act on behalf of HIM. It was to fulfill a specific administration in God. Bring the earth back and realign it, we will have a new heaven and earth. Not a brand new earth – but a renewed earth.

When we become the light – the earth comes back into alignment.

### 2 Peter 3: 10 – 14

- 2 Pet 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.
- 2 Pet 3:11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,
- 2 Pet 3:12** looking for and hastening the coming of **the day of God**, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat!
- 2 Pet 3:13 But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.
- 2 Pet 3:14 Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,

Hierarchy of God is like a wheel – the ones at the top are in the centre of wheel – the cog of the wheel.

Gen 2:3      Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

Rest = perpetual rest – because everything was complete. Everything created was designed to serve the purposes of God in us. It will serve the one who represents Him. Everything must serve ‘SON’. Even the LIGHT must furnish us – we then must be clothed with LIGHT.

Everything must serve you and support you to function in two realms – it must support you to engage the unseen and the natural worlds.

### **Go Back:**

Everything proceeds out from God – three persons in one. The source is ‘FATHER’. He is the beginning of all things. He is author and finisher of everything.

Isa 45:6      That men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun That  
there is no one besides Me. I am the LORD, and there is no other,  
Isa 45:7      The One forming light and creating darkness, Causing well-being and  
creating calamity; I am the LORD who does all these.

There is no other – but God. He forms light and creates darkness – Do not try to create any new revelation in your darkness. In the absence of climbing a mountain there will always be the creation of the golden calf.

God can keep certain aspects of Himself in darkness. God comes in the cool of the day – not the evening. Adam was to progressively clothe himself with the Light that proceeds from God.

Peace is connected to light; darkness is connected to calamity.

### **Ephesians 1:15-23**

Eph 1:15      For this reason I too, having heard of the faith in the Lord Jesus which  
*exists* among  
you and your love for all the saints,  
Eph 1:16      do not cease giving thanks for you, while making mention *of you* in my  
prayers;  
Eph 1:17      that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a  
spirit of  
wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him.  
Eph 1:18      *I pray that* the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will  
know what is  
the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in  
the saints,

His calling = that you are called to be a son.

His inheritance in the saints = You must become the embodiment of God in creation. You must be the visible expression of God. You are God’s offspring. We are not equal to Him. Adam was not equal to God – He was made like God. Made lower than God = we all have a lack so that His eternal

unknown self might fill us..... WE all have a capacity to want more of Him. We are the sons of God IN God – not outside of God.

**Ephesians 1: 19-23**

- Eph 1:19      and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. *These are* in accordance with the working of the strength of His might
- Eph 1:20      which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly *places*,
- Eph 1:21      far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.
- Eph 1:22      And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church,
- Eph 1:23      which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

God is light. Light is spiritual information.

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# Light

Part 2

Recap – the Creative Order:

1. Light
2. Heavens
3. Earth
4. Cosmos (Sun Moon and Stars)
5. Creatures and the Sea
6. Animals and Humans

Read Genesis chapter 1 again:

God created light and separated it from darkness. Darkness does not refer to sin or moral deficits.

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

Earth was without form and void. It was functionless.

Darkness was on the face of the deep. Darkness alludes to something mysterious – hidden – an enigma – concealment – the unknown.

Darkness was upon the deep. Everything on the deep was hidden.

Psalm 33:7      He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deeps in storehouses.

Deep is a storehouse = a resource centre – a data base – a library. The deep = a reservoir of information. A storehouse is a place of sustenance. God does not want this storehouse to be hidden from view. There are treasures that we do not know of.

Deep cries out to deep and spirit to spirit. There are different levels of the deep. Like going from one rung of Jacob's ladder to the next. All things in God is in a storehouse and God wants everything to be exposed. God needs to put light on these things.

Job 12:22      "He reveals mysteries from the darkness And brings the deep darkness into light.

Everything in God is hidden in darkness. If you press beyond the veil – in the holy of Holies – there is no windows – there is darkness. It is clothed in darkness – the light comes by revelation in that darkness. We often say when we understand something new "I never saw it like that before".

The Spirit was brooding over the deep. He uncovers the deep things in God. The Spirit searched the deep things of God.

Earth was made before the sun – the sunlight was not needed on day 3. The welfare of the earth was linked to the LIGHT created on day 1. Too many of us are still surviving on environment. Both the heavens and the earth were created to be lived out from the light of HIS presence.

Everything God created was by His word.

**Psalms 33: 4 – 7**

Psa 33:4	For the word of the LORD is upright, And all His work is <i>done</i> in faithfulness.
Psa 33:5	He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the lovingkindness of the LORD.
Psa 33:6	By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, And by the breath of His mouth all their host.
Psa 33:7	He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deeps in storehouses.

His word is His breath (Spirit). His Word is His Son (John1)

John 1:1	In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
John 1:2	He was in the beginning with God.
John 1:3	All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.
John 1:4	In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men.
John 1:5	The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

Your life-line is your obedience to His Word. You will have light and revelation. Become a bond slave to Him.

Out from the Word precedes LIGHT. God SAID let there be light. Mary said ‘whatever He says, do it’. The Word must animate us, activate us, push our entire being.

God ‘SAID’ = the principle of speech. A school of thought is that sound produces light. Speech – Sound – Light. Word produces light. Thy Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Word is light. When the word comes into you, that is life. And life becomes light. Light decodes mystery and secrets. The life that the earth and heaven had was the statement “Let there be light”. Heaven and Earth functioned by this light. Earth fell off its axis on the sixth day. Man was the centre of these two realms. He was clothed with the Light which was the life – it was the glory. God came to Him in the ruach of the day – no night. John 9 tells you this. As long as the word is shining in his life, there was no darkness even though there was evening. Man and God communed by Word. Every deficit or lack within man was clothed by the revelation of God. In man the well-being of all of creation was maintained. When he disobeyed, he disconnects. When you step out from under His word, you are no longer protected.



We are the sons of Light – 1 Thessalonians. If the light is in you, the world will not be in darkness—light is life. The Word is light. The Word cannot pass away.

God is the source of Light

1 Jn 1:5            This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you,  
that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all.

God is Light – speaks of that which exposes or brings to full view everything that is in God.

God gives us light for sight – to expose – to enunciate.

Psa 104:1            Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, You are very great; You  
are clothed  
with splendor and majesty,  
Psa 104:2            Covering Yourself with light as with a cloak, Stretching out heaven  
like a *tent* curtain

The knowledge of His glory will cover the earth. His glory He gives to us. We are of the same kind as Him. He covers Himself with Light like a garment. God wraps the heavens in light – it is one of the storehouses of God. In each dimension of the heavens – there are secrets of God. I will give you keys - keys open closed things. God stretches out heaven like a curtain. There are multiple heavens. He went to every strata of the heavens.

Light clothes the heavens.

2 Cor 4 – clothe yourself with the heavenly dwelling. God wants to use the heavens and its building material to clothe you.

Light brings us insights to God. We get it through His speech – You must receive sound. Spiritual fathering – through which God bounces off His word – off the spirit of a man in which He shines through. A man's voice is used to shine light into your life. Hear the voice within the voice. Without a preacher bringing seed – you cannot understand the mysteries of the kingdom in other parables. By the measure you hear, by the same it will be measured to you.

Hearing cleans up the sight –which is the lamp to the body. Hearing and seeing is critical to speaking.

#### **2 Corinthians 4: 1-6**

- 2 Cor. 4:1    Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we received mercy, we do not lose heart,  
2 Cor 4:2    but we have renounced the things hidden because of shame, not walking in craftiness or adulterating the word of God, but by the manifestation of truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.  
2 Cor 4:3    And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,  
2 Cor 4:4    in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.  
2 Cor 4:5    For we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake.

2 Cor 4:6 For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

Our light must be a Christo-centric message. We live only for Him. Those perishing because of ignorance will get saved.

God is choosing for us to be the lights in the world.

Men used the stars to regulate time and movements. God's original plan was that the Word would be our light. The very axis of earth and its rotation should be around THE LIGHT. When man sinned earth was disconnected from the pure light of God. The earth groans for reconnection – how – through the rising of sons of God in the earth.

John was not the light but bore witness of the light.

We must become the light – the city on a hill.

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## Departing from Poverty

Job 28:7 "The path no bird of prey knows, Nor has the falcon's eye caught sight of it.

Job 28:8 "The proud beasts have not trodden it, Nor has the *fierce* lion passed over it

Falcon and the lion are symbols of demonic attack. There is a way of protection from every demonic attack.

Job 28:28 "And to man He said, 'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; And to **depart from evil is understanding.**'"

Understanding is the ability to comprehend – involves the reasoning (Webster).

The Bible sees understanding as departing from evil.

Evil has ten shades of meanings in the Hebrew.

Departing from evil is health to your flesh and strength to your bones. My people must turn from their wicked ways.

One shade of evil is contained in the tree of knowledge of good and evil = ethical violation.

Also when Nehemiah comes before the King – his depression was considered evil.

Poverty is evil.

Inaccurate locations, rebellion, tormenting influences, ungodly associations, ---- these all are evil.

1 John 5:18 – he who keeps himself the devil cannot touch him.

Your positional righteousness must also be practical righteousness. You must practice righteousness if you are born of God.

Focus on One aspect

### Genesis 41: 17-32

Gen 41:17 So Pharaoh spoke to Joseph, "In my dream, behold, I was standing on the bank of the Nile;

Gen 41:18 and behold, seven cows, fat and sleek came up out of the Nile, and they grazed in the marsh grass.

Gen 41:19 "Lo, seven other cows came up after them, **poor** and very ugly and gaunt, such as I had never seen for ugliness in all the land of Egypt;

Gen 41:20 and the lean and ugly cows ate up the first seven fat cows.

- Gen 41:21 "Yet when they had devoured them, it could not be detected that they had devoured them, for they were just as ugly as before. Then I awoke.
- Gen 41:22 "I saw also in my dream, and behold, seven ears, full and good, came up on a single stalk;
- Gen 41:23 and lo, seven ears, withered, thin, *and* scorched by the east wind, sprouted up after them;
- Gen 41:24 and the thin ears swallowed the seven good ears. Then I told it to the magicians, but there was no one who could explain it to me."
- Gen 41:25 Now Joseph said to Pharaoh, "Pharaoh's dreams are one *and the same*; God has told to Pharaoh what He is about to do.
- Gen 41:26 "The seven good cows are seven years; and the seven good ears are seven years; the dreams are one *and the same*.
- Gen 41:27 "The seven lean and ugly cows that came up after them are seven years, and the seven thin ears scorched by the east wind will be seven years of famine.
- Gen 41:28 "It is as I have spoken to Pharaoh: God has shown to Pharaoh what He is about to do.
- Gen 41:29 "Behold, seven years of great abundance are coming in all the land of Egypt;
- Gen 41:30 and after them seven years of famine will come, and all the abundance will be forgotten in the land of Egypt, and the famine will ravage the land.
- Gen 41:31 "So the abundance will be unknown in the land because of that subsequent famine; for it *will be* very severe.
- Gen 41:32 "Now as for the repeating of the dream to Pharaoh twice, *it means* that the matter is determined by God, and God will quickly bring it about.

**Gen 41:19** And, behold, seven other kine came up after them, **poor and very ill favoured** and leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness: Nkjv

Ill-favoured = poverty = evil.

Prov. 10:14 The destruction of the poor is their poverty.

Poverty is a demonic manifestation. The thief comes to destroy. We must know how to depart from poverty.

### **ECONOMIC PROSPERITY**

We must rejoice in the prosperity of the servants of the Lord. The average pastor is not rich by world standards. Many pastors are poorer than their Old Testament Levite counterparts. The Levites received nine tenths of the tithe. Pastors should be wealthy. They should be able to advance the Kingdom of God without undue financial concern.

### **Causes of Poverty**

1. Stinginess : Prov 11:24
2. Over-indulgences : The younger son squandered

3. Pride – Prov 29:23
4. Evil company :
5. Rebellion: the house of Eli rebelled and inherited poverty. 1 Sam 2:36
6. Laziness - Prov. 6:10
7. Poverty Mind-set - that poverty is God's will
8. Self-inflicted curses – Jer 17:5;
9. Oppression by an enemy - Jug 6:1-6
10. Persecution – early church
11. Absence of spiritual father

JOSEPH encouraged us to save in the time of prosperity. Some consistently are in lack.

Joseph then dealt with the power of seed. Initially Joseph provided bread. In Gen 47 – Joseph gave them seed. Money is bread and seed. When you receive bread – part is bread and part is seed. You can sow yourself out of poverty. Our sons must be economically well off for them to reach the nations.

- 2 Cor 9:7 Each one *must do* just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
- 2 Cor 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything; you may have an abundance for every good deed;

He who sows sparingly will reap sparingly - bountiful sowing has a bountiful harvest. And God's grace is able to make all grace abound to you. Your grace can be multiplied through the power of seed. You will have an abundance for all things – all sufficiency.

#### **Ecclesiastes 11: 1 – 7**

- Ecc 11:1 Cast your bread on the surface of the waters, for you will find it after many days.
- Ecc 11:2 Divide your portion to seven, or even to eight, for you do not know what misfortune may occur on the earth.
- Ecc 11:3** If the clouds are full, they pour out rain upon the earth; and whether a tree falls toward the south or toward the north, wherever the tree falls, there it lies.
- Ecc 11:4 He who watches the wind will not sow and he who looks at the clouds will not reap.
- Ecc 11:5 Just as you do not know the path of the wind and how bones *are formed* in the womb of the pregnant woman, so you do not know the activity of God who makes all things.

Ecc 11:6 Sow your seed in the morning and do not be idle in the evening, for you do not know whether morning or evening sowing will succeed, or whether both of them alike will be good.

Ecc 11:7 The light is pleasant, and *it is* good for the eyes to see the sun.

Note: Ecc 11:1 **Cast** your bread on the surface of the waters, for you will find it after many days.

Cast = 'to release from captivity'. Water is a symbol of the WORD. Cast your money in the present demand of the Word of God.

Cast is used in the context of a spoilt child in the house, who wants to go out to play and always come back.

Cast also means to send with a purpose or assignment.

Give seed to the stranger, enemies, parents, lost, poor, the nations, to the carrier of grace.

Israel's giving was a pattern for us. They gave a range of offerings.

Three different tithes: to the Levites; tithe for your journey to Jerusalem; every third year – for the widow – the orphan. Then there was first fruits. Some oppose First Fruit as legitimate for the New Testament – yet accept current practices of worship expression as valid, although its rooted in the Old Testament.

The Israelites had to give last fruit – you had to leave a certain amount to the widow and the poor – for the gleaners. Olive trees had to be shaken – the ones that remained at the top = for the poor.

Then you were not permitted to work on the Sabbath. Every seventh year you had to free the slaves and cancel all debts. It seems that God wanted his people poor.

God wanted His people to know that in their extraordinary giving – He is their source.

In sowing financially, you take an active step to depart from poverty.

Poverty devours years of purpose. Prosperity brings acceleration of purpose. All resources are channelled from poverty. You need grace – you will accelerate. When you are bound to grace everything starts moving faster.

Acceleration: Things are moving faster

Amos 9:13 "Behold, days are coming," declares the LORD, "When the plowman will overtake the reaper And the treader of grapes him who sows seed; When the mountains will drip sweet wine And all the hills will be dissolved.

Lev 26:5 'Indeed, your threshing will last for you until grape gathering, and grape gathering will last until sowing time. You will thus eat your food to the full and live securely in your land.

There is a four month gap from seed sowing time to harvest time. But the gap will be abolished. Do not say that there are yet four months to harvest.

Amos 9:11 – all of this is prophesied in the context of the Tabernacle of David.

Is 65:24 – before they call I will answer.

Can a nation be born in a day?

Numbers 17:8-9 – the blossoming of Aaron’s rod – overnight!

John 2 – Jesus turns water into wine – Wine takes many years to mature – but acceleration was taking place in their hands.

The bent woman was made straight – Luke 13.

To God, a thousand years is one day. God could compress events of a thousand years in a single day.

The parable of the same wages. All were paid the same irrespective of the time started. What took a whole day to earn will happen in an hour.

Elijah girded up his loins and overtook the chariot with his feet. He overtook Ahab (uncle)= institution. The spirit of the father will overtake the spirit of institutionalised Christianity.

When they wanted to cross the sea of Capernaum – they rowed three miles – Jesus drew near – they received him into the boat then immediately they were on the other side. Jesus appeared to them in this specific way. In our current time, Jesus is appearing in many different forms. The rowing stops – and they were immediately on the other side.

Make my feet like hinds feet.

John 9 – the blind man moved through a series of revelations very quickly.

Joseph comes into Pharaoh’s presence as a slave and exits as a prime minister.

Ruth migrates from widow to landlord.

David from Ziglax “pursue, overtake, recover all”. David converts all the spoil to seed. He distributes the seed. Next chapter Jonathan and Saul die – and David is on the Throne.

Mephibosheth moved from Loadebar to Zion.

Jesus said to the thief, “Today you will be with me in paradise”.

The glory of the latter house will be greater than the glory of the former.

When your debts are settled, you move into the realm of acceleration.

You must learn to accelerate someone else. Paul settled Onesimus’ debt with Philemon. When your debt has been settled, accelerate someone else’s.

**Thamo:**

Glory is always connected to silver and gold. Your present economic situation must not influence your view of the Scriptures.



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## Departing from Ethical and Moral Violation and Chaos

**Continuation from previous session on acceleration:**

Culture is important for accessing grace. Humility and righteousness also; obedience; wisdom; marriage; apostolic fathering connections – covenant – dwelling near – accessing doctrine; co-operation – investing in him, etc. – are all important for accessing grace.

5th measure of Ezekiel's Temple is waters to swim in – you have to disconnect from the earth.

**Amos 9: 11-13**

- Amos 9:11 "In that day I will raise up the fallen booth of David, And wall up its breaches; I will also raise up its ruins And rebuild it as in the days of old;
- Amos 9:12 That they may possess the remnant of Edom And all the nations who are called by My name," Declares the LORD who does this.
- Amos 9:13 "Behold, days are coming," declares the LORD, "When the plowman will overtake the reaper And the treader of grapes him who sows seed; When the mountains will drip sweet wine And all the hills will be dissolved.

**Acts 15: 13-18**

- Act 15:13 After they had stopped speaking, James answered, saying, "Brethren, listen to me.
- Act 15:14 "Simeon has related how God first concerned Himself about taking from among the Gentiles a people for His name.
- Act 15:15 "With this the words of the Prophets agree, just as it is written,
- Act 15:16 'AFTER THESE THINGS I will return, AND I WILL REBUILD THE TABERNACLE OF DAVID WHICH HAS FALLEN, AND I WILL REBUILD ITS RUINS, AND I WILL RESTORE IT,
- Act 15:17 SO THAT THE REST OF MANKIND MAY SEEK THE LORD, AND ALL THE GENTILES WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME,'
- Act 15:18 SAYS THE LORD, WHO MAKES THESE THINGS KNOWN FROM LONG AGO.

David's Tent structure – one house - the throne (kingly ministry) and the ark (priestly ministry). We are all kings and priests. It's a restoration of the anointing on the person of David – he operated as king-priest. He operated with acceleration – he tasted something that belonged to another season. He ate the showbread – and wore the linen ephod – he offered burnt offering – something only priests could do. He was a king-priest. The Tabernacle of David is acquainted with acceleration.

He killed the bear and lion and a couple of sheep get saved; he kills Goliath and the whole nation gets saved. As a reward for killing Goliath, all his debts were cancelled – instantly found his bride and instantly came into wealth.

There was a song - David kills 10 000; while Saul kills 1000 – This is acceleration.

When Ziglag was burnt down, within 48 hours everything changes.

In 2 Sam. 8 he defeats a host of different enemies. .... and David reigned.

### 2 Samuel 8: 1 -3

- 2 Sa 8:1 Now after this it came about that David defeated the Philistines and subdued them; and David took control of the chief city from the hand of the Philistines.
- 2 Sa 8:2 He defeated Moab, and measured them with the line, making them lie down on the ground; and he measured two lines to put to death and one full line to keep alive. And the Moabites became servants to David, bringing tribute.
- 2 Sa 8:3 Then David defeated Hadadezer, the son of Rehob king of Zobah, as he went to restore his rule at the River.

We must come quickly to our destiny and purpose.

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#### **Depart from Ethical and Moral Violations :**

Ethical = An acceptable conduct.

Moral = Discerning what is right and wrong.

Tree of knowledge of good and evil. Evil here refers to ethical and moral violation. Why did God not protect man from this tree. If you ate of this tree you would discern between good and evil. Adam was made perfect – he already knew what was good and evil – it was built in him. The tree was there for him to exercise his moral conscience. He disobeyed. Ceremonialism and traditionalism cause this – a form of godliness. Also legalism, works of the flesh, emotional sins of envy and jealousy, sexual sin, witchcraft. We ought to depart from this.

Joseph departed from sexual immorality – he fled from Potiphar’s wife. God protected him by putting him into prison. Pornography and sexual sin is rampant in church circles. He who commits adultery, sins against his own body. God will forgive the adulterer, but people have difficulty in forgiving this sin.

Also know how to depart from an evil heart of unbelief.

Depart from sectarianism. Don’t only connect with father. Connect with your brothers. Also give seed to your brothers also.

## **ISSUE OF IMMATURITY AND NEGLECT, LAWLESSNESS – CHAOS.**

### **DEPARTING FROM CHAOS**

Any system left unattended will deteriorate into chaos. There is maintenance that you have to put in place. God maintains the planetary system. People do not regulate their world. If your heart is evil, your heart will be messed up.

Diseases are rampant because of chaos – because basic hygienic principles are not adhered to. Do not forget the basics as you move into higher revelation. Our basics like the Trinity, Christology e.g. are important.

We also have poor sewage disposal. Water is more expensive than petrol. There is chaos in government departments. There is chaos in medicine.

There is chaos in the church. There is the privatisation of the kingdom of God. A local church is not the Body of Christ.

There is chaos amongst believers. There is a lethargy and a lack of discipline and punctuality. People do not know to treat their guest speakers.

You must not have a spirit of chaos in your house. Chaos is a reflection of an uncultured mind.

Ethics must be taught and caught. Imitate a good ethical culture. Management of your time, your speech, your will, and your important documents – must be done and properly filed. Ethics in the management of other people's things. We must have order and good management. God's culture has no chaos. We serve an 'excellent' God.

### **GOD IS EXCELLENT**

His name is excellent: Psalm 8:1

His greatness is excellent : Psalm 50:2; Is 28:29

Glory is excellent: 2 Peter 1:17

Excellent in power : Job 37:23

A More excellent ministry : Heb 8:6

Excellent = superior; and three-fold things.

Tabernacle of Moses – had three parts – each item had a specific place in there. There was protocol and order.

Certain class of Levities were not allowed into the sanctuary.

Solomon's Kingdom was a Kingdom of excellence. The seating of servants, the food, the way he ascended.

Paul demanded an order in operation of the gifts: 1 Cor. 14:39

There is an order in the Resurrection: 1 Cor. 15:22-28

There is Order in choice of Elders: Titus 1:5-9 – Set in Order the things that are lacking. There were specific criteria to be fulfilled. E.g. – an elder must be apt to teach. Wrong appointments bring chaos.

There was a due order for the return of the Ark of the Covenant. David initially copied the order of the Philistines. David symbolically restored the apostolic culture of Acts 2:42 (Doctrine, fellowship, Breaking of Bread and prayers). You cannot build an event based church. Only apostles and prophets can bring this order. Be careful of accumulating revelation and not doing it. E.g. meet often with one another – the head of Jesus is looking for a landing place. Jesus will look for the corporate city church – not the local church. Guard against the spirit of territorialism.

Meet together regularly – defeat familiarity. Your limitation gets broken because of association. We must heal the chaos, the individualism.

There is a due order for battle. It was burnt and peace offerings.

There is Due order for sacrifices, ordinations, all the feasts, marriage, education, etc.

Turn away from the chaos:

**2Ti 3:5** having a form of godliness but denying its power. **And from such people turn away!**

See Romans 1: Homosexuality is wrong. We must be vocal in our disapproval of these things.

Know your boundaries – David prayed: deliver me from presumptuous sins. Abner left the safety of his location. Ahimaz – ran at the wrong time – and forgot his message.

The earth was without form and void; Form = tohu = emptiness; Void = boho. Where there is no form there is emptiness. How did God cure the problem? He introduced a son into the world. When grace is absent, there is chaos.

Your house is left desolate = chaos. When grace is celebrated, chaos leaves.

When Moses went up the mountain, chaos resulted. When Paul left Ephesus, wolves came in.

Joseph brought order in Egypt.

Abraham brought order to Lot.

Death of fathers in Moab resulted in chaos in Moab.

### **Thamo:**

We must govern the earth – so manage what God has already given you. Self-government is the highest form of management. Moses said to Israel – The land you are entering is a land of mountains and valleys; in Egypt you had little vegetable gardens – that you watered a specific way – by watering can – but now you cannot have a watering can mentality. Be faithful in little things and so have rulership over much. Mature your ethical behaviour. Do not lie.

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## Departure from the Wilderness and Depression

Continued from previous session. You cannot tithe or give offering unless you perceive grace. Tithing and first fruits are supernatural phenomena.

Numbers 20:5 – The wilderness is an evil place.

Num. 20:5      And why have you made us come up out of Egypt, to bring us to this evil place? It *is* not a place of grain or figs or vines or pomegranates; nor *is* there any water to drink." NKJV

The wilderness is an inaccurate location. We must know how to leave inaccurate locations. Although there were supernatural signs – the nation was locked in a wandering mode – this is inaccurate. The wilderness has one purpose – to delay the son.

Egypt was an inaccurate location. It kills sons. It was the ultimate Nicolaitan. You have to exit Egypt within 24 hours.

Babylon was an inaccurate location. It abolished the God-culture and brought in a heathen culture. Zion is the accurate place to come to. Babylon abolishes Acts 2:42. Nebuchadnezzar removes the candlestick, etc. It was a place of captivity. No joy there (lost their song). All the gold was in the head and not distributed throughout. Babylon did not celebrate the feasts – no understanding of the times and seasons of God. Less than 10% of God's people left it. Babylon is the institutionalised church – a false church.

Prov. 7 – a young man is seduced by the harlot- the false church. See ABC lesson. There are more false churches than true churches.

The mother of all harlots sits on the beast – drunk with the blood of the saints.

Saul is also a picture of an evil system. Saul could prophesy. Do not be impressed by personal prophecy. The word of the Lord is the main thing. Saul is an evil system. The end result is suicide when you face the Philistine. Laban is also a false system.

Uzziah is also a false system.

Moab kills his son.

Herod is a false system.

Adonibezik and Diotrepes are false systems.

Fraternalism are an evil system of government.

The Pharisees and the Scribes fear the multitude – and the multitude is coming into the apostolic.

The spirit of denomination cannot embrace father and son – the pastor is employed and hence can be fired.

Isolated networks also inaccurate. They are step-father and sons.

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### **The next Departure: Depart from Depression as evil**

Genesis 40:5FF

- Gen 40:5 Then the cupbearer and the baker for the king of Egypt, who were confined in jail, both had a dream the same night, each man with his *own* dream *and* each dream with its *own* interpretation.
- Gen 40:6 When Joseph came to them in the morning and observed them, behold, they were dejected.
- Gen 40:7 He asked Pharaoh's officials who were with him in confinement in his master's house, "Why are your faces so sad today?"

The cupbearer and the baker's faces were sad – evil = symbol of depression. Depression will be the leading illness globally. Many are bipolar: in the manic phase they are gripped by a spirit of generosity; the depressive phase – all goes wrong – feelings of overwhelming sadness – you don't engage in any pleasurable thing – you have an emptiness – your body has all kinds of pain. This lasts for about two weeks. At some stage we all will encounter depression. It may lead to suicide.

- Isa 61:3 To grant those who mourn *in* Zion, Giving them a garland instead of ashes, The oil of gladness instead of mourning, The mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting. So they will be called oaks of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.

You could still be depressed in Zion. Depression saps your strength. Joy leads to exuberant praise.

Isaiah 61:3 – Depression is a spirit of heaviness. It attacks you when you are alone. David went home to Michal after he danced. Michal attacked him.

### **ELIJAH:**

1 Kings 19 Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal

#### **1 Kings 19: 1-6**

- 1Ki 19:1 Now Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword.
- 1Ki 19:2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and even more, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time."
- 1Ki 19:3 And he was afraid and arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.
- 1Ki 19:4** But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree; and he requested for himself that he might die,

and said, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take my life, for I am not better than my fathers."

1Ki 19:5 He lay down and slept under a juniper tree; and behold, there was an angel touching him, and he said to him, "Arise, eat."

1Ki 19:6 Then he looked and behold, there was at his head a bread cake *baked on* hot stones, and a jar of water. So he ate and drank and lay down again.

Elijah is a picture of the apostolic-prophetic. He becomes suicidal. An angel had to remind him that he had to eat.

### **Examples of those who experienced depression:**

#### **DAVID:**

After Ziggag David was depressed

2 Sam 12:15

**Exiles in captivity.** Psalm 42:5

**Samuel** was depressed after Saul was removed.

Jeremiah 15:10, 18

**Nehemiah** was sad.

Many have lost their joy.

Depression will sabotage your purpose. Know how to keep yourself happy. Believers are known by their joy.

#### **Practical Steps:**

1. Exercise everyday. 30 minutes a day of brisk walking.
2. Stop table sugar.
3. Get at least half an hour of sunlight per day. Vitamin D and mood regulator.
4. Practising laughing.
5. Anti-depression medication works.
6. Know the Voice of the Lord – know how to cultivate the presence of the Lord.
7. Develop a strong mind. Be strong and of good courage.

#### **ADVICE FOR HANDLING DEPRESSION IN MINISTRY**

1. Don't despair when everyone does not come to your meeting. Elijah on Mt Carmel had great strength against many false prophets. He gathered 12 stones to represent the 12

tribes. He simply did what God asked him to do. Understand the first fruit principle. In God's reckoning, the first fruit represents the entire harvest.

2. The Battles never end. The battle against Baal was followed against Jezebel. We wrestle against principalities (plural). Successive attacks are part of your portion. The battle does not end with the bear. Jehosaphat faced battles after deeds of faithfulness.
3. Expect to be betrayed. Jesus had Judas. Nehemiah had Shemiah. David had Absalom. Some like Judas are distressed when Jesus was being honoured. Jesus gave him the best part – and this activated the satanic in Judas.
4. Expect good people to leave you even though you were good to them. Multitudes left Jesus. Jesus never enquired as to the reason why they left. The words of life HE gave was the reason the disciples connected to him. Demas forsook Paul. Everyone in Asia forsook Paul. Know how to leave a genuine apostolic source. Even the prodigal son asked his father to release him. Two kinds of birds in Noah's ark – dove and raven. One day he releases the birds – only the dove came back – the raven ate dead flesh. Be careful how you treat servants of God.
5. Expect those close to you to receive no impartation. They never represent you. They are with you for a long time and represent someone else. The Centurion was hardly with Jesus but demonstrated a high level of faith. In Luke 11 – at Lazarus death - why did Jesus weep at the death of Lazarus? Martha has a deep theological discussion with Jesus at the death. Mary does not have the deep discussion. Mary was closer - ----- This is why Jesus wept.
6. Expect rejection from those who once celebrated you. People who gossip about you. Gal. 4:14 – Paul had a trial in his flesh - v15 they celebrated him. But later on they rejected him.
7. Expect to have dry seasons where God is silent. The Scriptures become blank. Your heart becomes overwhelmed. Ps 77:1-3. Jacob hears that Joseph is dead – he goes into depression and says he will go into his grace mourning – he is depressed for 17 years. The spirit of Jacob revives. God did not tell Jacob for 17 years that Joseph was alive. If he knew he would have gone to Egypt to fetch Joseph and abort divine purpose.
8. Joy is a choice. Phil 4:4; Col 1:24; 1 Pet 4:12, 13. Circumstances must not affect your joy. Jehosaphat in the face of a triple enemy sang praise. Habakkuk 3: “yet will I rejoice”. Learn how to rejoice. Do not let anything steal your joy.
9. Live in Positivity. Mark 11:23 – speak positive things. Refuse to be negative – causes heaviness. Negativity exaggerates minor problems. The Shunamite woman said “All is well”. David's confession before Goliath. “This day I will smite”. Rehearse all the promises of God to you.



## Departing from Carnality - Immaturity

### Departing from carnality – in all of it's forms.

Two companies in heaven – one before the Throne; Rev 7:9ff – 13

#### Revelation 7: 9-15

- Rev 7:9           After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and *all* tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches *were* in their hands;
- Rev 7:10          and they cry out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."
- Rev 7:11          And all the angels were standing around the throne and *around* the elders and the four living creatures; and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,
- Rev 7:12          saying, "Amen, blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might, *be* to our God forever and ever. Amen."
- Rev 7:13          Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "These who are clothed in the white robes, who are they, and where have they come from?"
- Rev 7:14          I said to him, "My lord, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- Rev 7:15          "For this reason, they are before the throne of God; and they serve Him day and night in His temple; and He who sits on the throne will spread His tabernacle over them.

Another company on the Throne:

Rev. 12:21

There are many incidences where there were mature and immature expressions.

Song of Songs – Shunamite – breast like towers – and the little sister who has no breast = immaturity.

The man-child represents the mature child and the rest of the people in the wilderness represent immaturity.

The two responses at the re-building of the temple – one from the older, mature and one from the younger, immature.

In the structure of the Tabernacle, one company is going from the outside in, and another company going from inside out.

Tension between the teknon and the huios. Our departure must be to exit immaturity.

**Characteristics of children:**

1. Addicted to milk. Heb 5:12
2. Strife and Contention. 1 Cor 3:1-4
3. Lack of perception
4. Respond to every attack; adults choose battles.
5. Have no restraint.
6. Are not focussed; easily distracted. They take detours.
7. Cannot keep secrets.
8. Hastiness.
9. Play hide and seek.
10. Gullible – believe fantasy.
11. Do not examine; unable to judge prophecy. (Mad rider on the blind horse)
12. Languish in ignorance.
13. Digestive problems.
14. Rebellious
15. Incoherent
16. Legalistic
17. Come to claim back their gifts.
18. Love amusement – propelled by music.
19. Selfish.
20. Get offended easily; e.g. because of correction; because you were not invited; Isaiah 52:2 – consider offence and gossip as dust. The dust is serpent's food. Shake off the offence. Become offence proof. Let nothing people say or do offend you. Do not let what people say delay you.

Know how to go from positional righteousness to practical righteousness. Know how to put off the old man. Grow up into Him in all things.

There is a second travail for Christ to be formed in you - Gal 4:19. We must grow up .

### Galatians 4: 1 -7

- Gal 4:1 Now I say, as long as the heir is a child, he does not differ at all from a slave although he is owner of everything,
- Gal 4:2 but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by the father.
- Gal 4:3 So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world.
- Gal 4:4 But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law,
- Gal 4:5 so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.
- Gal 4:6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"
- Gal 4:7 Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.

Mature sonship receives an inheritance.

One benefit of the Kingdom of God is POWER - dunamis – the power in you, the power to perform miracles; moral power and excellence of soul; riches; multitudes; power in an army.

Power belongs to sons. The fig dried up because the SON spoke to it. The only time Jesus rejoiced is when His disciples were operating like Him. We rejoice when our sons do the same things as us.

Joseph is not included in the twelve tribes – but his sons are – Ephraim and Manasseh. In the place of fathers shall be the son. Jesus, after two years, sent out the seventy. He empowered them and sent them.

Power is for the mature.

#### Requirements for Maturity :

Matt 3:13-17- The Father validates Jesus as His son. Connect to the Father:

1. Jesus had to **leave** Galilee – **the circle** – there are circles and systems that we must leave.
2. He then went to Jordan – the place of descent – **humble yourself**.
3. **Submit to a man sent by God**. Set-man principles are not about an autocratic leader. Jesus submitted to John. This is to fulfill all righteousness.

This is the starting point.

Luke 4:1 - Jesus was filled by the Spirit and then led by the Spirit.

- a. The Spirit regenerates,
- b. Baptism in the Spirit, and then
- c. Being filled with Spirit. Eph 5:18-

1. Speaking to one another – your level of fellowship with brotherhood is enhanced.
2. Singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord.
3. Governed by Gratitude.
4. Submitting to one another in the fear of the Lord.

BEING LED by the SPIRIT – Rom 8:14 – those who led are the sons of God.

Acts 1:8 – Witness = martyr = your will must die when the Spirit leads you. The Spirit promotes your death to self.

#### Luke 4 : 1 – 13

<b>Luk 4:1</b>	Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led around by the Spirit in the wilderness
Luk 4:2	for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days, and when they had ended, He became hungry.
Luk 4:3	And the devil said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."
Luk 4:4	And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE.'"
Luk 4:5	And he led Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.
Luk 4:6	And the devil said to Him, "I will give You all this domain and its glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I give it to whomever I wish.
Luk 4:7	"Therefore if You worship before me, it shall all be Yours."
Luk 4:8	Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD AND SERVE HIM ONLY.'"
Luk 4:9	And he led Him to Jerusalem and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here;
Luk 4:10	for it is written, 'HE WILL COMMAND HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU TO GUARD YOU,'
Luk 4:11	and, 'ON <i>their</i> HANDS THEY WILL BEAR YOU UP, SO THAT YOU WILL NOT STRIKE YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.'"
Luk 4:12	And Jesus answered and said to him, "It is said, 'YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'"
Luk 4:13	When the devil had finished every temptation, he left Him until an opportune time.

After these tests the devil left him. Overcome the lust of the eyes, lust of the flesh and the pride of life, and the devil will leave you. Preserve your marriage. Guard against imaginations – and fantasy - this is a stronghold. Church in Thyatira – you have this woman Jezebel (a sexual spirit). In Christ – if you have engaged the thought you have done the deed – you have sinned against your own body – you have sown to the flesh and you will reap in the flesh. He who overcomes shall inherit all things – I will be his God and he shall be My son. You can be delivered from pornography and adultery.

Luke 4:14 – Then Jesus returned in the POWER of the Spirit!

**Luke 4 : 14 -21**

- Luk 4:14        And Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about Him spread through all the surrounding district.
- Luk 4:15        And He *began* teaching in their synagogues and was praised by all.
- Luk 4:16        And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and as was His custom, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath, and stood up to read.
- Luk 4:17        And the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. And He opened the book and found the place where it was written,
- Luk 4:18        "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED,
- Luk 4:19        TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD."
- Luk 4:20        And He closed the book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him.
- Luk 4:21        And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

## Departing From the Orphan Spirit

**Inaccurate associations** are another manifestation of evil. Nehemiah called the nation together and instituted a corporate divorce from pagan wives. Discern between an evil fraternal and a good fraternal. Democratic systems always choose Barabbas and resist Christ.

Departure from the spirit of the orphan.

### Lamentations 5 : 3 -6

Lam 5:3	We have become orphans without a father, Our mothers are like widows.
Lam 5:4	We have to pay for our drinking water, Our wood comes <i>to us</i> at a price.
Lam 5:5	Our pursuers are at our necks; We are worn out, there is no rest for us.
Lam 5:6	We have submitted to Egypt <i>and</i> Assyria to get enough bread.

Lack of provision and Protection

Lam 5:7	Our fathers sinned, <i>and</i> are no more; It is we who have borne their iniquities.
Lam 5:8	Slaves rule over us; There is no one to deliver us from their hand.
Lam 5:9	We get our bread at the risk of our lives Because of the sword in the wilderness.

Lack of Position

Orphan = one who is bereft of father (or both parents)

Gen 1:26,27

Man is a spirit created like God who is spirit.

Gen. 2:7

Gen 2:15-17

The spirit of man enjoyed intimate communion with God. There was clarity. When he disobeyed , he died. This was a loss of communion and communication – a separation from God.

Rom 3:21-23

Through sin all have fallen short of the glory of God. Adam fell from the glory of God. In the glory, you access all the benefits of God. The falling from grace is called death – separation from God. Falling from grace and glory is fatherlessness.

### Genesis 3 : 1 -7

- Gen 3:1** Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?"
- Gen 3:2 The woman said to the serpent, "From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat;
- Gen 3:3 but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it or touch it, or you will die.'"
- Gen 3:4 The serpent said to the woman, "You surely will not die!
- Gen 3:5 "For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."
- Gen 3:6 When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make *one* wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate.
- Gen 3:7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings.

### Characteristics of the Orphan

His eye of the soul is opened. Gen 3:5,6 His body and spirit has eyes. In unregenerate man, he cannot see because the spiritual eyes are shut.

Acts 28:27; Rom 11:7; Acts 26:18 – “to open their eyes’.

Eph. 1:17-18 – your spirit does not have one eye; your spirit has many eyes to know four things located in these verses. Eph. 1:v22. Ensure that all your eyes are opened.

Isaiah 42:9 The servant of the Lord is blind = this refers to the third soul – the eye of the soul closed.

Three parts of the soul:

Mind : Psalm 139:14; Lam 3:20

Emotions : Psalm 42:11

Will : Rev 18:14; Psalm 84:2

The spirit has three parts:

Mind : Phil 2:5

Emotions : John 13:31; Luke 1:47

Will : Mark 14:13

We therefore have two minds. The mind of the soul and the mind of the spirit. There is ‘my will’ and there is ‘God’s will’. The mind of your soul must align with the mind of your spirit. A double

minded man is unstable in all his ways. When Adam sinned, the eye of the soul was opened and they became carnally minded. The soul of man developed fleshly tentacles that covered the eyes of the spirit and suffocated it. The soul became his leader. The human nature became prone to sin.

### **Eph 2:1-6**

Dead in trespass and sin:

#### **Ephesians 2: 1-6**

Eph 2:1           And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,  
 Eph 2:2           in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world,  
                       according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now  
                       working in the sons of disobedience.  
 Eph 2:3           Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging  
                       the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of  
                       wrath, even as the rest.  
 Eph 2:4           But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved  
                       us,  
 Eph 2:5           even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together  
                       with Christ (by grace you have been saved),  
 Eph 2:6           and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly *places*  
                       in Christ Jesus,

Your spiritual eye could be opened, but the eye of your soul should be closed.

The carnal mind is enmity with God - Rom 8:7; 6:20; 8:13; Col 3:5

The orphan is governed by lustful tendencies - there are three main ones:

Lust of the eyes, lust of the flesh, pride of life.

1Jn 2:15           Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the  
                       world, the love of the Father is not in him.  
 1Jn 2:16           For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and  
                       the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.  
 1Jn 2:17           The world is passing away, and *also* its lusts; but the one who does the will  
                       of God lives forever.

When grace comes upon you, you simply outgrow certain things.

**Lust of the eyes:**           lust for provision – “I want what my eyes see though God has forbidden it”.  
                                       This includes pornography and food. Only when Jesus overcame these –  
                                       the devil left him. Pornography is a secret sin that leads to masturbation.  
                                       Having fantasy – includes covetousness, adultery, sin against your own  
                                       body – you sow in the flesh you reap decay and corruption.

**Lust of the flesh:**           rooted in self-provision.



**Pride of Life:**                      Desire for Position.

Jesus overcame all three of these in the wilderness. Eve could not overcome these.  
The devil left Him for a season and came to Him at a more opportune time.

The devil came back when He was on the cross:

- Come down     : lust of the eyes – provision
- Save yourself   : Lust of the flesh
- Come down     : position – pride of life.

Lot was governed by lust of the eyes.

The orphan manifests all of these: He feels he has greater opportunities on the street than in the home. : Matt 6:31-34

**The Street Child Characteristics:**

- The orphan is preoccupied with two things: food and fun. Looking for resource without relationship.
- The orphan stands at the street corner – his strategy is to ask as many people as possible in one day.
- He is famous – he goes to many churches for resources. He has no serious relationships. Whatever relationship he has is fragile. He will dump relationships because of a lack of resource. You have to pay him to stay. He can sever a relationship with ease.
- He looks for resource through excellence. His excellence is because of his desire to excel. Jephtha - he was the son of a harlot. He has polished his message to get you to surrender guilt offerings. He is looking for a preaching opportunity without relationship.
- An orphan wants resource through compassion. His belly is his god. He is master at moving your heart.
- Obtains resources through scams. He will choreograph false healings to get money.
- He has lost his shame. He wants resources without concern for the repercussions. Smash and grab tendencies. His conscience is dead. He removes copper cables, train lines etc. he will steal money from the offerings.
  
- LUST FOR PROTECTION  
Sees other street kids as a threat to his survival. He is territorial.  
He looks for busy places or a place near a bush. The crowd is his protection. The traffic and the crowd will prevent you pursuing him. The spiritual orphan looks for a big church. Or he will move from small church to small church.
  
- LUST FOR POSITION

Looks for validation by association; poor self-image; gets his dignity by association. Identity crisis. The old prophet of Bethel knew about the reputation of the young prophet. Wanted to be buried next to the young prophet.

- An orphan recognises his nakedness. Adam and Eve knew they were naked. The orphan knows something is missing. He has image failure. E.g. The ten spies, Elisha before Jezebel; Moses.
- He has pseudo-coverings – introduced substitute coverings for his conditions. He changes his accent. He uses titles. Orphan has coverings. He moves to an elite neighbourhood. Smoke machines. Lights.
- Adam and Eve heard the sound of the Lord God --- they hid themselves in the presence of God in the trees. Adam could give names to all the animals. He thought he could hide from the presence of the Lord. Adam was hiding from the very thing that would protect him. An orphan is always uncomfortable in the presence of a genuine spiritual father.
- An orphan ascribes blame to someone else.
- Adam deteriorated from a supernatural man to a natural man. Lost the supernatural component of his life. When in glory it is easy - we have acceleration.

The orphan mind-set must be dismantled. A son is sober, is an overcomer, is sensitive to the Spirit of God, understands his inheritance, knows the discipline of God, etc.

John 1:12 – as you receive Jesus you become the son.

John 13:20, 21 – if you receive the ones He sends, you receive Him.

Connect and receive the spiritual father sent to you and so continue to BECOME the son – a process of ‘becoming’.

Mephibosheth was an orphan – but he connected with David – he had his provision, protection and position.

## Dominion and Glory

Seven women in Isaiah – “We will take your name but eat our own food” (Isaiah 4:1)– validation by association. As long as you give a street child money – he will stay on the street. The prodigal son did not change – only when no-one gave him anything – he began to think about his father – this activated his repentance. Fathers must know how to activate people into their destinies.

A son knows the discipline of a father. A father will scourge His son. Throughout Israel’s history you will see the demonstration of God’s heavy hand on the nation.

### Dominion is given to the Son.

#### Phillipians 2: 8 -11

Php 2:8	Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
Php 2:9	For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,
Php 2:10	so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
Php 2:11	and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

At the name of Jesus everything bows. Things under the earth do not have knees. The name of Jesus is SON.

Dominion is given to the church.(Eph. 1:22; Rev 21:7)

Everything submits to the son – (Rev 3:12)

The son has the name of God – the nature of God.

Creation submits to the nature of God manifested in sonship.

Creation can only respond to the son. The principle characteristic of God is obedience. The whole of creation is waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God – not for the disappearing. There is a three-fold groan for the manifestation of the sons of God.

Creation responds to the son. Where the sonship principle is violated, creation rebels.

- Lev 18:24ff - the land vomits you out
- When you rebel, creation has no longer any right to co-operate with you – will vomit you out.

Lev 20:22

- Cain is cursed because of disobedience.

The ground did not respond to Cain - Gen 4:10

- Matt 5:21-26

Whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of hell's fires – this is equal to murder. This is the reason why many cannot prosper. Love one another as I have loved you.

- When Adam disobeyed, the ground produced thorns.
- When Sodom disobeyed – there was climatic revolt.
- When the generation of Noah rebels – there was a water revolt.
- Plagues of Egypt –
- Serpents in the wilderness.
- When Joseph was abused, the end result was a famine.
- When Saul violated covenant with the Gibeonites – there was a famine.
- The sea responded to the rod of Moses.
- The birds feed Elijah – they respond to the image of the son in him.
- The bitter waters of Marah responded to Moses.
- When Korah disobeyed the earth rebelled.
- No fathers in Moab – famine resulted.
- The waters give up the axe-head to Elisha.
- The bear responded to David.
- The bear mauled 24 kids.
- The rebellious dwell in a dry place – the environment shuts down.
- Deut 28 – even your body will rebel.
- The storms listened to Jesus.
- At His crucifixion creation responded with an earthquake.
- Cities without sons are in trouble.

- Recent Tsunami in Japan – the response to preaching is poor.

May the sons of God arise to heal the land.

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### **CROWN OF GLORY**

Wisdom has many benefits – see Proverbs 4.

Prov 4:7 – Wisdom gives you a crown of glory.

- ✧ Glory, Anointing and Grace cannot be separated. Eph 1:17 Father of Glory; John 1:14 – Son is full of grace; His grace and glory is about the anointing.

Glory is many things – refer to previous schools notes.

- ✧ Exod 33:18 – Glory is His goodness, etc.
- ✧ God’s glory is His hand – Psalm 89

Gods hand is with David.

Tabernacle of David is the church in the city. When we see this we will see God’s glory in our cities. When the city church operates, we will see greater specialisation of gifts and graces. We need to understand the visibility of the corporate son.

To Moses God said, “I will take away my hand and you will see my back” – pursue God.

- ✧ Gory of God is also the power of God.
- ✧ The Glory of God is seen through cancellation of debts. Witty inventions are a manifestation of Glory. Our witty inventions will provide employment for masses. The government will come looking for us. We do not need the government’s help. Pharaoh called Daniel. He did not know what he dreamt – Daniel provided it and the interpretation.
- ✧ The glory is instant maturity.
- ✧ Also angelic visitation.
- ✧ Glory is favour from unbelievers.
- ✧ Miracles of nature – walking through the storm. Multiplication of provision.
- ✧ The glory operates in a faith environment. Israel’s invasion of Jericho demonstrates principles of faith.

- ✧ They shouted

- ✧ Act of obedience to Joshua’s command

- ✧ Tenacity (13 times)

\* Risk of faith – went against might men of valour

\* The glory is not a salve of atmospheres. It does not need ambience, or decor. The glory does not need music. Does not need children to be quiet.

Lazarus' Resurrection:

**John 11 : 38-44**

Joh 11:38      So Jesus, again being deeply moved within, \*came to the tomb. Now it was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.

Joh 11:39      Jesus \*said, "Remove the stone." Martha, the sister of the deceased, \*said to Him, "Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been *dead* four days."

Joh 11:40      Jesus \*said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

Joh 11:41      So they removed the stone. Then Jesus raised His eyes, and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.

Joh 11:42      "I knew that You always hear Me; but because of the people standing around I said it, so that they may believe that You sent Me."

Joh 11:43      When He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth."

Joh 11:44      The man who had died came forth, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Jesus \*said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Jesus is the method (way).

Note the following: There was no music. No ambience. No flamboyant exhibition – the prayer was short. There was no environmental manipulations. Do not create a false sense of divine presence. Jesus just prayed to His Father – He focussed with the Father. Jesus prayed long, private prayer and short, public prayers.

**Glory at Nain:** Luke 7: Jesus raised the young man from the dead. This was on the street.

**Acts 9:** Dorcas' Resurrection: Peter put everyone out – and raised her from the dead.

We will see the dead raised in this present reformation. Stop operating from the gift – operate from the position of son. We are not music dependant. We function as sons. The glory of God is not a slave to atmosphere. Do not spend too much money on ambience – do not build for the soul. The eye of the soul is still open. Jesus came in a manger – there was no ambience – only wise men came there. God responds to the condition of the heart, not ambience.

Acts 5:12 Apostles were in one accord – thinking alike – in Solomon's porch – no ambience. Many signs and wonders were done because 12 apostles were in one accord. Develop a burden for one-ness. Many have a greed for revelation. The best preachers of unity do not practice it – let alone one-ness. They were thinking alike – they were of the same mind.

- ❖ Two cherubs facing each other – the glory is there. Signs and wonders will only happen in the context of the city church. City fathers must come together.

The glory which you gave me, I have given them - it is a father's glory. The glory is there when oneness is there. Isaiah 48 – glory is not given to 'another' – only to the son. The glory is for oneness.

**Benefits of the Glory:**

- ❖ Acts 5:14-16
  - They were all healed – 100% healing. Many think they are healed – but it is a placebo effect. Placebo healing is in many religions.
  - Shadow healings – eg. Peter
- ❖ Activation of angels – Acts 5:17-19
- ❖ At the gate called Beautiful – the man is healed. “Look on us” --- Can we say Look at “US”. Not look at ‘me’. In this oneness is the glory manifested. Glory from Elisha's bones raised a man.
- ❖ The Glory can operate in an antagonistic environment. It does not need human approval to function. The Glory is not determined by audience reception. Dagon collapsed when the Ark of the Covenant was placed in the Philistine temple. The paralysed man who was brought through the roof. Luke 5:17-21 – the power of the Lord was present to heal them – i.e. the Pharisees and scribes were sick in their mind. This was an antagonistic environment.
- ❖ Unbelief cannot cancel the faithfulness of God. The word will not return void. Plant the seed and move.

**Session 18**

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## Departing From Evil Mind-sets

Gen 35:10 Jacob is called Israel – one man is Israel.

Ex 4:22 – Israel now is a nation.

Hosea 11:1 Israel as a nation.

Matthew 2:14 – migration of Jesus from Egypt – Now Jesus is the Israel of God.

Isaiah 41:8 Jacob is Israel – the seed of Abraham

Gal3:9 If you are Christ's – you are seed of Abraham.

Israel = seed of Abraham

Christ = seed of Abraham

Therefore, the church which is Christ = the Israel of God today.

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### **EVIL MIND-SETS**

Mind-sets are shaped by upbringing, environment, church.

Depart from that which is not the mind of Christ. What are these?

Examples.

**Mystic Mind-set** : e.g. chanting – repetition. Repetitive banging of drums. In here there is a component of fear; overwhelming focus on the supernatural. Excessive preoccupation with the supernatural.

**Illogical Mind-set** : Inability to come to reasonable conclusions . Pray that God delivers me from this.

**Narcissi personal disorder**: A mind of pride – personal ambition – inflated self-esteem; delusions of grandeur; feelings of entitlement.

**Religious Mind-set**: Legal criteria for salvation; preoccupation with external things; inflexibility. The Pharisee spirit is this. – Matt 23 - characteristics of Pharisees : occupies Moses's seat; sitting = inflexibility.

**Emotional Mind-set**



**Ungrateful Mind-set** : Ingratitude is rife.

**Double-Minded Mindset**

**Vindictive Mind-set**

**Inferiority Mind-set**

**Careless Mind-set** : operate in chaos; operates outside of their sphere.

**Iniquitous Mind-set**

**Depressed Mind-set**

**Gullible Mind-Set**

**Oppressive Mind-Set**

**Negative Mind-Set**

**Suspicious Mind-set** : ascribes blame without evidence.

Suspicious Mind-sets are rife within marriages. Pastors need to know how to treat your wives.

The Genesis encounter is the blue-print for a healthy marriage. Everything made was good, expect for man. The reason the woman was created is to make the man look good. He who finds a wife finds a good thing. A man must know how to respect his wife – because she makes you look good. The wife is the only one qualified and suitable to help in your ministry. Your wife is an extension of you (bone of bone). The glory of God is not enough to fill the void in the man's life. In marriage the following must be present:

**Respect:** Love your wife more as you grow older.  
Respect your wife.

**Intimacy:** Intimacy in marriage – sexual intimacy. Men love sex.  
Your wife is a joint heir of grace.

**Transparency:** Do not keep secrets from your spouse. They were both naked.

**Accountability:** Husband is the head – if he loves his wife as Christ loves the church. Many have not transitioned from man to husband. Adam did not take responsibility in the garden. Marriage is honourable. If your wife has a suspicious disorder, you have allowed your wife to be oppressed by a demonic spirit. This can wreak havoc in your whole church.

**Rebellious Mind-Set.** We live in a culture of rebellion. Grace can break through when culture fails.

See Mark 6:1-9.

He could not do mighty works there. A prophet is without honour in his hometown, but an Apostle is honoured. In the preceding chapter – Jesus is in the house of Jairus. Jesus asked his daughter to keep quiet about the fact of her resurrection from the dead. Why? Not Talitha cumi, but Ellaya Talitha cumi = Girl under the Talith, Almighty God says to you “Arise”. Jesus called Himself Almighty God (Rev 1:8). Hence Jesus asked them to keep quiet about this.

Jesus embodied and exemplified all items in the tabernacle. At Nazareth He came as the candlestick – He came as an apostle. Move from operating from the gifts to operating from the glory. You can destroy mind-sets.

Man with the withered hand – paralysed hand = paralysed church = imperfect church. Cannot wield the sword; cannot discipline; retarded; cannot shake hands. Jesus instructed him to stretch out his hand. Problem was with the **brain**. Because the mind is damaged, the church becomes dysfunctional. His mind-set was healed. We want to see functional believers.

Also the bent women – at the hip = bent truth; for 18 years = 6+6+6. **Upside down mind-set;** can drown in shallow water = cannot engage a deep word; upside vision; no dominion; false humility; always looking backwards; isolated – cannot sit on the table; no shoulder to carry a burden; on Sabbath day – seventh day – she is reformed – IMMEDIATELY.

**Develop a clean mind.** Meditate upon the Word day and night. Plant yourself by the river of God’s Word. Meditate on the Word. We have the mind of Christ. WE (plural) have the mind of Christ. Meditation – education is essential. Neutralise evil thoughts in your minds. Cast down every contrary thought – this is the next level for us. Have a fasted life – flee from youthful lusts. Train yourself – keep your body under control. This requires discipline.

Keep your focus on Christ. Keep your eye on the proceeding Word of God. A rebellious culture lacks pleasure in God’s Word. Know how to eat the right spiritual diet. The wisdom from above is first PURE. Wisdom has many benefits. Brings wealth, light, favour, capacity to build. But all of these benefits of wisdom come only if it is first pure. It must manifest in your minds. On SA TV we are being bombarded with single parenting and same sex marriages.

**You reap what you sow:**

Prayer	is the seed for ....	intimacy with God
Repentance	is the seed for ....	revelation
Obedience	is the seed for ....	glory
Unity	is the seed for ....	blessing
Integrity	is the seed for ....	presence

Fear of the Lord is the seed for .... Wisdom

Our word must separate the soul from the spirit. Your spirit must control the soul.

Paul knew no one after the flesh. He was kind to those who hated him. His mind was focussed. His mind was strong. We need the manifestation of the mind of Christ. Christ's mind is pure.

As He is so are WE (corporate). We all beholding as in a mirror (corporate).

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## Breaking into the Next Level

Out of this school God is raising us to the next rung of the ladder. There is a great need for acceleration.

**Mark 7:24-30 KJV**

- Mar 7:24 And from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know *it*: but he could not be hid.
- Mar 7:25 For a *certain* woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:
- Mar 7:26 The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.
- Mar 7:27 But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast *it* unto the dogs.
- Mar 7:28 And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.
- Mar 7:29 And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.
- Mar 7:30 And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.

This woman is a non-Jew – a Syro-Phoenician. She has a need. She persists to get a response from the Lord.

In Matt 10 – Jesus instructed his disciples not to go to the Gentiles but only to Jews. Later on in Matt 24:14, he says to them “And this gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached as a witness to all nations, then the end shall come”. Then in Acts 1:8,9 – he incorporates the entire known world.

**Challenge:** How do we move on from what Jesus said in a particular context to what He is saying now. Your present truth at one point could become a present lie today.

The woman was a Greek/ Syro-Phoenician. Jesus has the same problem today as then. Every nation is going nowhere without Christ. Her nation was lost without Christ. But Christ had another problem: He could not be over a nation without having a people ready and mature enough. If you start going all over without accurate people, you will end up with mess that you are unable to resolve.

Jesus identifies a small group of apostles and some are disciples, and then there are crowds that come for healing.

The Israelites were searching for a messiah. The Gentiles were not even searching for the true God because He was visible everywhere. Jesus wanted to prepare a people that could represent Him.

The disciples had to first go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. After Pentecost they could go everywhere.

The present challenge is also to transition us from 'Jerusalem' to the 'ends of the earth'. God had to break up their 'holy exclusive club' mentality to send them further. They had been trained – and become complacent at this level. One thing is a stepping stone to the next level.

The Syro-Phoenician left her nation and came through to Jesus. Jesus was not a man-pleaser. He was responding to an individual – she was acting ahead before her time. She had moved faster than the training of the disciples. Jesus stopped the training programme to attend to the woman. He continued the training by demonstrating to them that His will incorporates the entire world.

Jesus is the only answer to all nations, not only to the disciples only. The sense of decision making in nations is impaired. They know they have no answer.

We can misinterpret the fellowship of the brethren – it includes all nations.

Look at the arrangement of the feasts. The Passover feast – He partook of the bread and wine – it was only Jesus and the twelve. Fifty days later they discovered that the reason why Jesus sat with them is so that they might leave the room and become 120 for the next feast at Pentecost. It was the 12 + 108 others. The twelve had to eventually incorporate the rest. Then whenever Pentecost was concluded - the next level of excellence – the third level – the church has now got to bring nations into the next feast.

The Pentecostal church has not transformed nations. Reformation of the church is for the sake of 'all nations'.

Whilst doing a localised work amongst the Jews, Jesus had all nations in view. Peter had difficulty with this principle. Whilst he still spoke in Acts 10 – God intervened and they were baptised in the Holy Ghost and in water. Because it was contrary to Peter's mind-set. God took Peter and the group to the next level. Peter presented a strong defence at the council at Jerusalem. People moved 'grudgingly to the next level'. Many years later, when Paul and Barnabas went to the Gentiles, another legal defence of their activity had to be made – Acts 14. The circumcision issue arose.

Among the Gentiles God is doing great works, and yet there is a core still stuck at Jerusalem with a Jewish mind-set. We too have this problem. We are with 'church' and God has started to gather nations to Himself. We get saved, we regard the unsaved as wicked. Christ is not just for you or for your church group.

Even in a prayer meeting individuals pray contrary prayers. People do not have the mind of Christ. What is your personal expectation and understanding of the next level?

The next level is that the Lord is harvesting every nation to Himself. He is decentralising ministry.

Look at the way David was anointed.

**1 Sam 16:13-14**

- 1 Sam 16:13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.
- 1 Sam 16:14 But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.

After David was anointed, Samuel went to Ramah, and an evil spirit troubled Saul. David is anointed by a credible prophet. He is anointed for kingship. Samuel leaves David among the sheep fold. Samuel never opened a royal office for David – he actually ignored him – he just left him with a word. The next level comes in ways that you have never thought of. It is not kingship according to worldly standards, but by God’s own way.

David finds a new ministry opportunity – an evil spirit is upon Saul. Saul is demonised and still in office as king. God prepared an opportunity for acceleration but it does not look like one. David had to sing to a demon-possessed King – this was the road to the next level. The next chapter introduces Goliath. This too was his opportunity to go to the next level. See all your problems differently now. You are anointed for kingship. You have been anointed for righteousness, peace and joy. Hence the ones without these qualities will meet you. Hence David meets Saul – whose peace is gone, and then Israel whose peace is gone because of Goliath. This is his ticket to the next level.

David just had to kill one Goliath – this was his coronation into kingship.

The road to greatness is not as you think. Nobody knew David until Goliath introduced him. Not even his own brothers perceived him accurately. They did not welcome him – they questioned his sense of responsibility and also his character. Even Saul doubted his capacity. They said of Goliath, “he has been a man of war since his youth”. David is saying “Allow me also to be a man of war – since I too am a youth”. Do not block your youth from meeting Goliath. Our households of faith must be ready to meet major problems – when they break into that – they break into the next level.

What annoys and concerns you in society is usually your calling. Goliath was taunting for many days, but not many were concerned.

As you serve, the next level is your portion.

Don’t wait for a big event – or glamorous situation. Samson looked for foxes and tied foxes together and set them alight and destroyed the fields of the Philistines.

## The True and Faithful Witness

### The True and Faithful Witness

I felt the burden of the Lord Strongly on me, to share a word God gave me some time ago. In fact I shared some of it here at Thamo's house about a year or so ago.

I told Thamo not to worry about me ministering at the school, for I am here to listen. Listening is something God is training me to do because by nature, in the past, i talked too much and listened too little. For the first time I can honestly say that not open word has left my mouth that I regret in more than a year now.

But I clearly felt that God gave me a Word that is now more relevant than ever, especially for the new season we are entering in.

This morning my son, Frans will be my faithful witness and he will deliver my Word to you. He is my "Antipas", one representing and standing in the place of the his Father. Again the whole message will be practically demonstrated as he delivers not his own word but his father's word, desire and heart. Listen to him. He has the name of the Father on his forehead.

I want to share with you about being a faithful witness of the father.

### The True and Faithful Witness

#### **Rev 1:5**

*And from Jesus Christ, [who is] the **faithful witness**, [and] the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,*

Let's look at the history of this most important concept from the Old Testament:

1. It is always **plural** indicating a **corporate** concept;
2. Also it is always a **feminine noun** indicating that it is **something or someone** that testifies;
3. The **significance** of a witness is determined by the weight of it's **Testimony**.

### Principle of First mention

The First mention of the word, witness (Hebrew: ydah) in the Old Testament, is when Abraham is at Beersheba in **Gen 21:25-30**

Verse 30 says:

- Here he gives king Abimelech seven ewe lambs as a witness and names that place "Beersheba", meaning "the place of oath"

- A witness is like a covenant or oath that is given
- God through the prophet Isaiah said: "I will give you as a covenant to the people and the nations";
- Thus witness is a place or **position of oath**.
- God desires that, **we the Church**, be like seven lambs, a picture of completeness and perfection, given as a Witness to kings and kingdoms as the **evidence of God**.
- This account happens before God turns Abraham into the 12 tribes in the earth.
- TO ME, these 7 lambs is the Old Testament equivalent / shadow of the 144,000 of Revelation that follows the Lamb wherever He goes.
- **THE PERFECT COMPANY OF THE LAMB,**
- **The Witness of the oath or the covenant**

#### In the New Testament:

##### **Rev 1:5**

*And from Jesus Christ, [who is] the **faithful witness**, [and] the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,*

- Christ is the True and faithful Witness:
- He is the **seven in one**;
- The Lamb has seven Crowns
- Remember, that Christ is the Lamb is corporate: He is head and body.

##### **In Rev 5:6**

- THE LAMB TAKES THE BOOK, FOR HE IS WORTHY
- "...*having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth.*"

God the Father gave Christ His Son as His faithful and true Witness and testimony. He redeemed **the Church** to be a corporate son, to be the **exact Witness of God the Father** to the world.

BUT...There is indeed now **two witnesses** of God the Father:

- the Son of Man in the heavens and;
- the son of man on the earth.
- The son of God in the heaven and ;
- the son of God on the earth.



We have now become His 'Bersheeba' - ***the place of the oath - the "unbreakable oath and true Witness"***

The Church is now these seven lambs

- Revelation Chapter 1 speaks of the seven Churches - The Witness of Him.

### **The Place of my Killing**

In Rev 1:9, John on the Island of Patmos says "I am here for the Testimony"

***I, John, both [fn] your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.***

The word Witness in Greek is "**Martyr**" where we get the English word "martyr" from

- *The essence of this word, witness, is to be Persecuted to the place of death*

- "Patmos" in the Greek means : "place of my killing"

The character and life of the Witness determines the value of his testimony.

***"A True and faithful Witness is Someone who will accurately confirm a matter for another." - Even at the cost of His own life.***

In 1 Thes 2:10, "the faithful interpreters of Gods counsels" are called witnesses

### **The Power of the Holy Spirit**

*The coming of the Holy Spirit in Acts, is crucial to the understanding of the nature of the witness.*

#### **Act 1:8**

*"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

*A faithful witness is One who is willing to suffer for his testimony and the evidence he presents. For this we need the power of the Holy Spirit. For the One of Whom are a witness is God the Father.*

### **Antipas the Faithful Witness**

**Rev 2:13**, Talks about such a man in Pergamos. His name was Antipas - "The faithful Witness: who was slain amongst that Church in Pergamos.

Thamo has already spoken so beautifully about Antipass. I would like to show you another dimension of Antipas. Antipas as the picture of a faithful Witness

Antipass the Faithful witness Represent the Father accurately. *Antipas to me is a picture of a representative father, like Jesus the Christ, who represented the Father to the earth.*

*Jesus said to Philip: "How can you say show us the Father. I am so long with you don't you know*

*that if you see me you see the Father?"*

- *We must Be such a witness even if it is at the cost of ourselves*
- *We need to live like "Antipas" the faithful witness slain in your midst.*
- *We must make God the Father visible in the earth*
- *We must be able to say: "Look at me if you want to see the Father I Represent Him. I carry his Testimony. I am His Witness"*

*The two witnesses in Zachariah and Revelation is Christ the head and Christ the body. Both had to die for its witness of the Father both will be resurrected*

- *Ephesians 2:5&6 tells us:*

***"When he died we died, when He was buried. We were buried with Him when He ascended we ascended with Him"***

When Revelation talks about Two witnesses we should not wait for that to happen in the future. This is not in the future it is now!

We are empowered by the Holy Spirit today to be Jesus' witnesses of the Father on the earth . As sons, To BE the EVIDENCE of HIM.

Listen to John the beloved and how he sees the function of the Church as witness in **1 John1:1-4:**

*1 We Have seen with our eyes tasted and experienced the Goodness and faithfulness of God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched –this we proclaim concerning the Word of life.*

*2 The life appeared; we have seen **it and testify to it**, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us.*

*3 We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.*

*4 We write this to make our joy complete.*

In our legal systems, many who are guilty are not prosecuted. This is not because of their innocence but because of the lack of a reliable and credible witnesses, that could give testimony to their crimes.

In the same way, the testimony is true and cannot be doubted and disputed, but the enemy knows if he could find fault with the witness that witness' testimony will not be believed, but thrown out and the case cannot be prosecuted because of the blemish of the Witness.

God the Father sent Jesus to the world not only to Witness about God but to be the Witness and evidence of the Father. - To re-present (TO SHOW God AGAIN). In Jesus the Son, the Witness and

the Testimony of God became one and the same.

ADAM was created to be that exact representation. In fact a true son is the most accurate witness of the Father. And that was God's intention and purpose with man from the beginning. God created man to be:

- A. The image of God;           - His representative
- B. In the likeness of God:   - His character
- C. The glory of God:         - His reputation
- D. The Son of God             - His House (Luke 3: 38 says "...Adam, the son of God.")

When God lost man as His son, He lost His witness. To restore this witness and bring mankind back to be His evidence and witness, God started again with a father called Abram 4000 years ago. Abraham was purified through a journey until he was willing to lay down his firstborn son in obedience to God, the true Father of Heaven. Abraham became a nation and God gave them the Law written on two stone tablets and called it His Testimony and Witness.

What a tragedy:- When you are forced to replace the witness in a son, with a witness written on two stones. When Moses coming down the mountain, threw the Tablets of testimony or Witness and broke it to pieces, it was a prophetic picture, indicating that God never wanted to have a Testimony on stone in the first place.

God always wanted the heart and mind of a Son to carry his, image likeness and reputation, and be his Witness in creation

So when Moses comes down the mountain with a copy of the Testimony, not the original Testimony. He had to place it in the Ark of Covenant. In fact it was not the second time down the mountain but the third time.

Moses went up for the first time in Ex 19: 5. He never come down with any law written on a stone. He came down with the word of God for the people in his mouth: ***"tell them I called the and brought them to me. Tell them if they obey and follow me, I want them to be my special treasure and royal priesthood"***. God always wanted man to be his Word and law in creation.

So in reality the law is a copy of a copy - Man, as true son, is the original

When man broke the first, God took a second and wrote on it with his finger. This was a very accurate prophetic picture of Christ The rock is Christ. The two tablets, prophecies about Christ and the Church who were to come in the fulness of time. The heart and mind of a son would be in the corporate Christ, the son of God.

### The Journey to Sonship

The Bible tells of the journey to Sonship, and a faithful Witness.

Lets look for moment at the OLD TESTAMENT's journey and migration towards sonship:

God gave Moses the Law

1. THE LAW was called "the Testimony and Witness" of God and was written on two tablets of stone
  - In fact in numerology witness is the number 2
  - Today, God writes his law on two tablets: The hearts and minds of his sons
2. Then God told Moses to make The ARK OF COVENANT and put the Law or "The Testimony" inside the Ark of Covenant.
  - So we see the Ark of Covenant became the "Ark of Testimony" by virtue of it containing the testimony.
3. The "Ark of Testimony" was placed inside the MOST HOLY PLACE:
  - So the Most Holy Place became the Testimony
  - Ex 27:21 says: "BEHIND THE CURTAIN OF THE TESTIMONY"
4. Then The Ark of Testimony was placed Inside the Tent of meeting or the tabernacle of Moses, in the midst of the congregation, the appointed meeting place and so the whole Tabernacle became the Testimony and Witness in the midst of the the nation.
  - Num 9:15, calls it: "the Tent of Testimony"
  - So the Tabernacle of Moses became the Witness. The place where God and man meets and agrees.

ADAM was to be God's Witness to Creation.

When Adam sinned he lost the IMAGE of God : "Thelem". He ceased to be the WITNESS of God on earth. He stop being the accurate representative of the invisible God.

Today, GOD NEEDS A WITNESSES IN THE EARTH - Evidence, and an express image of His person:

1. TO ESTABLISH HIS KINGDOM.
2. TO PROSECUTE JUDGEMENT.

*WHEN JESUS WALKED THE EARTH GOD HAD A WITNESS. RELIABLE AND FAITHFUL (REV 1:5, REV 3:14)*

*When two can agree on the earth Jesus will come and be the witness in their midst.*

DEUT 17:6 says that "in the mouth of two Witnesses everything will be established "

That's why The Father, In His son Jesus, COULD FINISH HIS PURPOSES AND ETERNAL PLAN and in three and a half years, 42 months, GOD COULD JUDGE THE WORLD system and its ruler according to **John 12:31**

- Sons accelerate the Father's purposes
- Jesus the son Finished the business of the Father.

- True sons keep the father in rest.
- The Son finished 4000 years years of unfulfilled history in 42 months
- The best and fastest way of acceleration is called Son

### The Son Established The Kingdom Rule and Righteousness

The Holy Spirit's task is to establish on the earth a witness like Jesus, the faithful witness in Heaven.

#### **Acts 1:8**

*But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

In the days of Jesus Many witnessed the miracles of Jesus and followed him but never became a witness like Him. They never became witnesses themselves.

There must always be Two Witnesses:- One in Heaven and another in the earth. Two witnesses are needed to establish and execute Kingdom matters.

Zac 4; says that there are Two olive trees. ONE LEFT AND ONE RIGHT OF THE GOLDEN LAMP-STAND.

Not by might nor by power but by my Holy Spirit says the Lord

#### Rev 11:3,4

"And I will give power to my two witnesses....,"

"These are the two olive trees and the two lamp stands standing before the God of the earth."

So Revelation talks about 2 witnesses that have power.

- In the Heaven: Power of Heavens is to Shut the heavens ,
- In the Earth: Power in the earth is to Judge the earth.

***I believe this is symbolic of Christ and the Church, ruling and judging the heavens and the earth.***

There is a cloud of witnesses, Witnesses who brings the Glory and the reputation of our God. They surround us they are looking for their earthly counterpart. Who is The second, earthly witness of God.

**Hebrews 11:40** - "God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us."

The highest order of witnessing is to be the witness. And the highest order of being a witness is to be Son of God. For The son is the image, the glory and the reputation of God. If you have seen and heard the son you have seen God the Father and heard God.

**Col 2:9** declares that:

This is the mystery of Christ which Paul's and the apostles proclaimed: that the fullness of the Godhead dwells bodily in Him

- The World needs evidence of God the Father
- And God needs a faithful witness, an "ANTI PAS" in the earth.

Christ is called in **Revelation 3:14**. the "True and Faithful Witness"

John the Baptist witnessed about the Christ:

- **John 1:7**- "He came as a Witness to bear witness of the light

- **John 1:19** - *This is the testimony of John when the Jews asked him Who are are you? He said I am not the Christ.*

- **John 1:34**: *"I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God"*

*The amazing thing about Gods Christ was that he is His Son.*

- John the Baptist said that *The Christ is the Son of God*
- Nathaniel said: *" you are the Son"*
- Peter said: *"Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God"*
- Paul said: *"Christ is the Son"*

*The seed of David and Abraham is: Christ the son of God*

**This is The reason God sent his son.**

- No one ever has seen God ever but the Son
- Only a son can accurately represent the Father and be His True and faithful Witness.
- Most Christians only witness about Him but have not become the witness on earth God is looking for.
- The true Witness is: "full of Grace and Truth"

The law is a servant, but Christ is the Son

- We are Not servants and we are more than friends
- We are His witness and sons

In the OT God found a man David. And made him His witness. Ps 89:37 says that God has set up David as a faithful witness like the sun and moon in the heavens.

God is waiting on us, in the same manner that Jesus needed John the Baptist , to witness of Jesus, God now needs also a voice calling from the wilderness of the fallen kosmos.

- Like he waited for Noah to build the ark, and by it condemned the world and saved his household (**Heb 11:7**)
- So also the Judgement of the world and of angles are given to the sons of God according to **1 Co 6:2,3**

***The Highest order is not apostle, bishop or pope but son***

- "To whom of the angeles did He ever say you are my son"
- **ROM 8:19** - Creations is awaiting with antisipation for the appearing of the sons.
- **Heb1:2** - "God's language is Son. When a son as witness speaks, the heavens and earth answers.
- "A son that will uphold everything by the word of his power"

Christ, the Son, commanded them in **Acts 1:8**

***Be a Witness in Jerusalem first!***

- As someone once said: A big shot is just a small shot far from home.
- Your Jerusalem is the Most difficult place to be a witness for there they know you intimately
- It is impossible without the Holy Spirit's dynamic power.
- The Holy Spirit is the promise of the Father, not the promise of the son. So the Holy Spirit creates a throne for the Father and makes us His witness. But it will kill everything in you that contradicts Him.

**IN CLOSING:**

I believe that we are moving into the acceleration phase of this present reformation. God needs us as His examples. His evidence His showpiece. I believe in the Supernatural. The Supernatural that is not necessarily the spectacular.

But God needs a faithful witness. Jesus said if you don't believe me believe the works. I believe in the Supernatural. The Supernatural that is not necessarily the spectacular. Signs and wonders doesn't change hearts but it gets our attention like Moses at the burning bush. When He has our attention, he can speak and his Word that changes hearts. Signs and wonders are the Witness of the Father about his son.

As we become a true Witness and mature son of the Father, the Father will also start to witness about his son. Jesus the son waited for 30 years for the Father to witness about Him. Then the son

came out of obscurity. Then the devil was in trouble.

This is what God is showing the apostles today. The time for the manifestation and showing has come.

But we have made one great mistake in our expectation of the manifestation of the sons of God, written in Rom 8. God has been waiting for a mature son who will only manifest one thing:

- When the son manifests and shows this corporate son in Creation it is only for the creation to know the creator, the Father.

- I now believe that this manifestation of the sons of God can only come when the Sons carry the ***Father's name is on their foreheads.***

**God, the Father** is in need of a faithful witness. One who will declare and carry His name on their foreheads.

**The Son** is looking for a witness. One who will be the second witness, agreeing with Him and declaring the true Father to mankind and the World. One in whom the Father and the Son has become one and visible.

**The Holy Spirit** is searching for those He can empower to be a witness of the true God, so that the World system can be set free from the false image of God, that religion and the Devil has come up with.

A witness who will declare the truth about God the Father and demonstrate it by life.

When the world is confronted with this truth by a son, The son will set them free. Free indeed.

Are you willing this morning to be that witness? Are you ready to be entrusted with this next level?

***This time, I believe, has now come!***

God bless you.



**POEM by PIERRE TOERIEN**

**Thamo** started with a short introduct  
 On how we should ourselves conduct  
 'This is a school' we were reminded  
 So be satisfied with the way you find it

And so we gathered in the Rivlife venue  
 To enjoy the food of a five day menu  
 Each session is not a separate dish  
 So you cannot come and go as you wish

Though this season might be two decades old  
 It will now become visible, we were told  
 And after that, it will become viral  
 With momentum like an upward spiral

To prepare the church for manifestation  
 There has to be the implementation  
 Of a census which may be a decree  
 Every man has to find his family

There'll be a migration from the house of  
 Saul  
 Until the latter will come to a fall  
 But no matter how long we may have waited  
 It won't happen before we're correctly  
 located

Jesus prayed for His church to be one  
 So the Spirit can bring the Father and Son  
 God's glory we have to administrate  
 His showing on earth will be very great

We've camped at the backside of the  
 mountain  
 Drinking from Christ, the spiritual fountain  
 But God knew how to sustain us there  
 Obedient sons enjoyed the Father's care

The wilderness is a common place  
 In every son's progression in grace  
 Here he is formed in his father's image  
 And brought into his spiritual lineage

While every move is born in glory  
 That is not the end of the story  
 Before it can be glorified  
 It first has to be crucified

The focus of our ministry  
 Should really not on sonship be  
 But let us turn our attention rather  
 To the spirit of the father

So most of what we called our vision  
 Was nothing more than selfish ambition  
 The spirit of Nimrod to subdue the earth  
 In heavenly value it has no worth

This may shake your theology  
 But "the way" is really methodology  
 And so, to the Father, there is just one  
 Access is given only to son

A son will always surrender his will  
 So that the father his life can fill  
 His desire is to give everything back  
 To the one who keeps him from knowing lack

Some will carry the beast's own number  
 Not knowing they're in a spiritual slumber  
 In spirit, soul and body a six  
 The system has played them some dirty tricks

He seems so complete, composed and mature  
 Self-centred, ambitious, vision-driven for sure  
 Contextualised, survival-organized  
 This "perfect man" is so humanized

He builds his success on the Word, and yet  
 It's all still a life of give and get  
 Sowing and reaping, working the earth  
 Can that be the climax of our human birth?

To represent the great "I Am"  
 We will have to become like a lamb  
 It does not defend, even in strife  
 But is always ready to lay down its life

Its function is to reconcile  
 To go beyond the extra mile  
 It has no defence against the lion  
 Its safety is, standing upon Mount Zion

No matter what people have organized  
 This kingdom cannot be contextualized  
 It's not of this world' was Jesus' word  
 But it seems than only a few have heard

Zion is lifeless; its source is called light  
 The sun can never shine so bright  
 The environment cannot keep you alive  
 Illumination is that by which you survive

We must inspire a system of giving  
 That will detach us from earthly living  
 Where we'll cease our toil and suffering  
 Until we become the offering

And so the people standing with Him  
 Share the same mind-set as Elohim  
 In numbers of twelve, which speak of design  
 Of order and structure, purely divine

On their foreheads is the Father's name  
 Their values and viewpoints have become the same  
 What is in Him is now in them  
 This must be the heavenly Jerusalem

The Father wants to give His treasure  
 To the son who brings Him pleasure  
 Apostolic people have one desire  
 That is to lift the Father higher

Inheritance does not come by labour  
 But simply by having the Father's favour  
 And once a son has this connection  
 He will not build for his own protection

That's when the Master can pierce our ear  
 'Cause it's only His voice that we want to hear  
 We'll be the virgins, pure and clean  
 Through whom the Father will be seen

By now you really should have noted  
 A people, to God, so purely devoted  
 Is called an apostolic community  
 Enjoying total immunity

The dragon opposes the son to be born  
 There's also a lamb with double horn  
 These are all systems in the earth  
 But nothing will stop the man-child's birth

This child will never be fatherless  
 Although it is kept in the wilderness  
 Its real position is on the throne  
 'Cause the work is truly finished and done

The dragon cannot touch the child  
 And so he should be going wild  
 Seductive doctrines is what he'll use  
 The church is the one he wants to seduce

Our greatest enemy is not something strange  
 But inaccurate mind-sets that have to change  
 And this is why apostles are sent  
 And why every move starts with "repent"

The enemy comes as an apostle of light  
 And so he'll try with all his might  
 To twist our view of spiritual things  
 Until we dance to the tune he sings

Though most of the church, Christ has  
 received  
 Can it be that they're still deceived?  
 If it is ruled by the carnal mind  
 The doctrines of demons is what you'll find

He uses systems by which to rule  
 This dragon is really not a fool  
 He has a strong mentality  
 Of using words of blasphemy

We must not try this thing to purge  
 Another system must emerge  
 It's called the mountain of the Lord  
 It only obeys the two-edged sword

In one thousand two hundred and sixty days  
 The dragon will teach the world his ways  
 He was not destroyed at Calvary  
 But only wounded on the tree

But for this same amount of days  
 Which represent an unfulfilled phase  
 The woman and child will enjoy God's care  
 In the wilderness out there

This one thing you can know for sure  
 God wants us to become His sons, mature  
 But the enemy will fight this plan  
 And try to keep us as "merely a man"

With Him we have to stand as one  
 God only sees as far as son  
 The devil will keep you an earthly creature  
 And not tell you you have your Father's  
 nature

He has a very deceptive goal  
 To mark your body, spirit and soul  
 And if you do not know his tricks  
 In each of these you'll carry a six

You'll be serving God with the spirit of Cain  
 Where you till the ground and work for your  
 gain  
 You will decide how much you will give  
 And no-one must tell you how to live

The other system tells you to trust  
 And not to chase religious lust  
 Here they simply listen and do  
 You can only be in one of the two

There is a mind-set that is higher  
 Than for the sons of God to perspire  
 While faith will always give you a choice  
 God prefers us to listen to His voice

The church in the earth has lost the track  
 The spirit of father we have to bring back  
 The model to study is Pergamos  
 The church that suffered a serious loss

Although it was a well-fortified tower  
 A governmental church with Biblical power  
 That seemed to be the house elect  
 God's sword would come with acidic effect

They seemed to have it all in tact  
 You'd think there's nothing that they lacked  
 Yet in their midst was satan's throne  
 This church was ruled by the evil one

What brought God's wrath was actually this  
 They permitted the killing of Antipas  
 When they took out this God-ordained  
 eldership  
 Satan set up a democratic leadership

This is a wonderful, biblical statement  
 You can only be the Father's replacement  
 Representation does not give ownership  
 But only asks for stewardship

No-one can father another man  
 This could never have been God's plan  
 All you can do is to represent  
 The One by whom you have been sent

So God, in your life, a person will place  
 To bring to you the Father's grace  
 Then you have to receive the living word  
 From the one who comes in the Name of the  
 Lord

If God is in a place of rest  
 The Sabbath day that He has blessed  
 He cannot come out, but has to stay mute  
 Or else He must work through a substitute

Balaam was a voice to be heard  
 Although he added "perhaps" to his word  
 Before we possess our destinations  
 We'll have to conquer some wicked nations

It's the Moabites and Ammonites  
 And then there's also the Edomites  
 Without a father, coming from incest  
 These spirits oppose our final conquest

The one promotes patriarchal rejection  
 The other will bring democratic election  
 They'd like to see fathers crucified  
 'Cause they'll only survive if Antipas died

There is another important thing  
 A principle called honouring  
 A core value that must be restored  
 Amongst the people of the Lord

This is a standard we have to lift  
 It goes together with a gift  
 And if you think this is a scam  
 Be sure to ask our brother Ham

Fathers should not have financial trouble  
 But live in a place where honour is double  
 If you don't see the father in your preacher  
 Then all you have is a glorified teacher

If you just go to church for the sermon's sake  
 You're really making a big mistake  
 It speaks of incest, and no covenant  
 This spirit in church is so prevalent

Fathers will bring true religion back  
 The widow and orphan will have no lack  
 There'll be no more absence of covering  
 And the earth will start recovering

We have to get a heavenly view  
 And have a mind-set that is new  
 Or else the beast will impose his rights  
 And the dogs will never bark at the whites

So Balak and Balaam got on their steeple  
 To try and curse God's holy people  
 But this was never going to be  
 'Cause Israel was a family

But it seems that the prophet still tried his  
 luck  
 With his own advice, to make a quick buck  
 The only way, God's wrath they would carry  
 Was if Balak could get them to intermarry

And so the daughters of Moab came  
 And the Israelites lost their family name  
 This sin could not be cleansed by water  
 But twenty four thousand died in the  
 slaughter

A mixture is something God will not stand  
 'Cause it cannot produce Him in the land  
 He hates the doctrine of the Nicolaitans  
 But gives heavenly food to the one who wins

The light of creation exceeds by far  
 The brightness of sun, moon, or any star  
 There's nothing we did, this to deserve  
 Creation was formed, mankind to serve

When darkness was still on the face of the  
 deep  
 It means that God did not want us to peep  
 There are some things that were volted away  
 It's not about sin as many would say

It's simply things not yet revealed  
 Because in God, they were concealed  
 And so the deep are the hidden things  
 That only revelation brings

This is a conclusion we have to reach  
 Before there was light there had to be speech  
 So the Word of God brings revelation  
 And from ignorance a seperation

When God creates there's the spiritual  
 That's always brought into the natural  
 Your life will reflect the position you took  
 The point from where you choose to look

The lights have a way by which they control  
 The earthly movements of many a soul  
 This planet was never for man to own  
 But to manage on behalf of the throne

And so all things were to represent  
 The One by whom they have been "sent"  
 This is called the order of heaven  
 If restored, a new earth is a given

We had a very good look at the Word  
 To see what was meant by the day of the  
 Lord  
 And how that God the sixth day would find  
 To create what was always first on His mind

And so this truth must be clearly stated  
 God is the source of all things created  
 And if He has given something to you  
 He will take care of that very thing too

You cannot create a light of your own  
 But only tell what He has shown  
 A golden calf is always produced  
 When mountain climbing is reduced

Too many people today create things  
 Without the light that only God brings  
 God came to Adam in the cool of the day  
 And Adam was clothed by what He would say

Our calling is to be His son  
 To represent the Holy One  
 And come to visibly manifest  
 To creation, the God who's in rest

Some people create such a terrible fuss  
 About the portion that waits for us  
 But the final answer has so much more merit  
 God is the one whom we will inherit

We are not gods like the New Age will claim  
 But called to carry and reflect His name  
 We were not created in equality  
 But to represent with dignity

Whatever we need to be sustained  
 Here in the earth, as God ordained  
 He's locked up in this storehouse, the deep  
 But wants it revealed, His sons to keep

So if God does not want it concealed  
 The only way it can be revealed  
 By light that shines thereon, exposed  
 By revelation it is disclosed

This is the Holy Spirit's task  
 To show us God's mind, if we ask  
 It should, for us, be highly priced  
 It's in the face of Jesus Christ

The earth is not dependant upon  
 The sun, moon and stars, they could be gone  
 It's only dependant upon heaven and light  
 This is the order that must be set right

God wants us, by the Spirit, to live  
 That's why He teaches us to give  
 To disconnect us from the dust  
 To kill the flesh and all its lust

So, just in case you have not heard  
 You will have light if you stick to the Word  
 The light that we must hold on to  
 Whatever He tells us we must do

Clothed with glory, nature's study case  
 Between heaven and earth, the interface  
 Such was the calling, given to man  
 Until he aborted the heavenly plan

God's knowledge is not abstract, but in sons  
 Those called to be His revealing ones  
 We'll shine the light, that is for certain  
 It's just the same as removing the curtain

There are some keys, the kingdom to know  
 A "kerugs" must preach, like a sower must  
 sow  
 And by the ability to hear  
 The light will come through a well-trained ear

**Sagie** exposed another devil  
 And showed us how to depart from evil  
 Although he struggles with a sermon's  
 landing  
 He taught us well on understanding

One thing called evil is poverty  
 We should move on to prosperity  
 Some people are in a deep cycle of debt  
 They don't know how their needs will be met

One of the causes is stinginess  
 Another is simply laziness  
 "It's the will of God" some have confessed  
 They have a fit when a pastor is blessed

We saw the wisdom of Joseph's plan  
 Beginning to save while you still can  
 We also learned the power of seed  
 And how sowing can be a generational deed

From the closet came a funny noise  
 Like someone throwing out his toys  
 But then the doctor felt great relief  
 It was a boy looking for his brief

Multiple grace will bring God's nation  
 Into a place of acceleration  
 Things that have taken so long to do  
 Will be accomplished in a day or two

In evil there's something else that thrives  
 It's chaos that rules many Christian lives  
 While we have high-powered revelation  
 We forget the basics of a holy nation

It's just like phoning a company  
 No more a matter of one-two-three  
 If you're neurotic, press two all the time  
 If suicidal, please hold the line

If you study chaos, you will find  
 It simply reflects an uncultured mind  
 We must portray God's order, since  
 The world will be drawn by our excellence

So if, by now, you have not heard  
 There's so much order in the Word  
 The kingdom also has the same  
 Apostolic culture is its name

We will have to know how to leave  
 Inaccurate locations that deceive  
 Like Egypt, that was an evil place  
 You can disconnect, if attached to grace

We also had a thorough session  
 On the evil called depression  
 If you choose, in this place to abide  
 It seeks to lead you to suicide

The Bible has a wonderful cure  
 In practising this you'll have to endure  
 It's simply called the garment of praise  
 The joy of the Lord, your spirit will raise

Then there's the spirit of Jezebel  
 Through this, Elijah nearly fell  
 So get up and shake off your spiritual nappy  
 You have to know how to keep yourself  
 happy

One thing is to exercise every day  
 And keep the table shooters away  
 Sit in the sun for vitamin D  
 Start to laugh and you will see

You have to learn that joy is a choice  
 And come to know the sound of God's voice  
 If someone betrays you, don't get violent  
 Expect dry seasons where God is silent

Refrain from saying negative things  
 You'll see what a good confession brings  
 We'll have to end immaturity  
 And grow up in love and purity

When other people slander you  
 Don't speak badly about them too  
 Consider offense and gossip as dust  
 And learn to walk away from lust

This might be very hard for some  
 But offense-proof you will have to become  
 And like the donkey in the pit  
 Just shake it off and stand on it

So the lust of the flesh and of the eyes  
 And the pride of life can cause your demise  
 Before you can think of taking the nations  
 You must overcome these three temptations

The orphan spirit has a three-fold lack  
 And only a father can bring this back  
 The one is protection, the other provision  
 Then there is also the need for position

So Adam and Eve's unlawful bite  
 Eventually cost them their spiritual sight  
 His soul then started manoeuvring  
 And fabricated a covering

One of the orphan's manifestations  
 It seeks resources without relations  
 It will give you thirty seconds of fame  
 But always seeks a more popular name

So Mephibosheth became disable  
 But got a seat at David's table  
 He showed to all of humanity  
 That connection to grace heals orphanity

The spirit of father brings discipline  
 If a son has issues or flirts with sin  
 Israel can surely testify of this  
 Just think of their time in the wilderness

Creation responds to the sons of God  
 But rebels if we despise His rod  
 We will be vomited out by the land  
 If we do not rise and take our stand

Then there is also another fox  
 We've locked God's sons in a musical box  
 The glory does not rely on the beat  
 'Cause Jesus did wonders right in the street

The people of God cannot even function  
 Without first getting a musical unction  
 Totally irrelevant in the market place  
 'Cause there is no band to deliver the grace

We have to cast out imaginations  
 Before they can harbour demonic invasions  
 These are all strongholds within the mind  
 Patterns of thought that we have to bind

Many a Christian marriage is failing  
 But here's a tip for plainer sailing  
 Clap your hands when her haircut you see  
 And she'll also love the days with a T

A rebellious spirit's invading the land  
 You have to decide on where you stand  
 God's word prescribes a wonderful cure  
 Develop a mind-set that's noble and pure

We learned from Zimbabwe's future  
 president  
 That the next level might come by accident  
 A present truth can become a present lie  
 If you don't understand the reason why

God did some warfare against the church  
 Because, for His will, they did not search  
 While Jerusalem became their station  
 He wanted them in every nation

Peter did not even finish his word  
 Before the sound of tongues they heard  
 And God intervened because He knew  
 He was going to make each one a Jew

When David was sent to play and sing  
 In the palace of a demonised king  
 He could not see that this was pointing  
 Back to the day of his anointing

God's opportunity for acceleration  
 Won't always suit our expectation  
 Although you may have a prophecy  
 Goliath your coronation may be

Frans spoke to us through his Antipas  
 A son who serves with faithfulness  
 God's witnesses we have to be  
 Before the world, the Father can see

A witness will stand in the face of death  
 If need be, a martyr, until the last breath  
 The most accurate form of this is a son  
 That can say "the Father and I are one"

God is so awesome in all of His greatness  
 Yet on earth He needs a faithful witness  
 This is the reason why you were sent  
 The Father, accurately, to represent

And so we ended another feast  
 We learn of mindsets and the beast  
 And while we were having so much fun  
 Before we knew it, the school was done



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