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Session 1Thamo Naidoo**Refocus on and Repetition of Key Apostolic Doctrines****PERSPECTIVE ON THE PRESENT APOSTOLIC SEASON**

We are part of an on-going process of reformation. The present reformation is a continuation of previous reformations. In each eon of time, certain characteristic features are ordained of God. The present apostolic move is at least twenty years old. We have come together to access the present speaking of the Lord in a fresh 'kairos' of God. A characteristic feature of this season is the **centrality of the Word of God**. As we see, we become. The present 'message' compels change. You cannot download the present season on old hardware. You cannot filter the present message through patterns of old thought.

In this Apostolic School of Ministry, the culture of **community and one-ness** – interactions over tea and eating times, etc. - are critically essential for building relationships/ fellowship.

THE REPETITION OF ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES

There are two processes to every divine season. In the first instance God releases certain things into the earth – into the fabric of the hearts of His people. In the second phase, He repeats the things He said in the first phase – to **re-orientate the view of His people to the future** – (tied up to past impressions given to them). All movements of God are governed by a **repetition of certain things**. There is a lot of repetition in Scripture, for example, the synoptic gospels. Don't invent new things if God is not releasing new things. **In repeating old things, God wants to galvanise and seal certain things**.

Israel crossed the Red Sea; God summoned Moses to the mount and transferred to him patterns and commandments. Moses brought this to the people and built this into an extremely hostile environment in the wilderness. This was the first phase.

Almost forty years later, after the conquest of major cities (e.g. they subdued Moab – the spirit that questions the need for fathering), they sat for three months – **a period of refocus**. In a sense they were given new spectacles – God gave them an **improved sense – improved sight of the finish**. **Moses gave them the law a second time**. This is the book of Deuteronomy – the giving of the book of the law a second time. But this time the law was not going **to be viewed through the contextual sense of the wilderness, but through a sense of possession and dominion**. The law in the wilderness sustained them in the absence of great provision. But now we are moving to a new place – we have crossed the Red Sea. We are now crossing the Jordan. God will shut revelation for a little while. Revelation is addictive. There's mysticism to it.

Now is the time to prosecute the things God has already told us for the past 20 years. We are shifting to a new orbit in God. We need to revisit previous things in the context of where we are going. We have to follow and obey ALL that God has spoken. God is repeating Himself again a second time. Where you were deficient the first time you heard Him, you must now fill the gaps.

When the 'Apostolic message' comes the first time, it comes with a new vocabulary to shift mind-sets. **New vocabulary is essential to reshape mind-sets.** God gives His servants a listening ear and the tongue of the learned. Words carry concepts, proverbs and illustrations. When the Apostolic season began, the new words we used were conceptual and elevated our understanding. Some misunderstood and misinterpreted this as Gnosticism. **When God repeats Himself a second time, certain words will become redundant.**

Certain words that were part of antiquity will now come back. But there is a move to simplicity. We will go back to biblical language embedded in Scripture. Paul's Christological view was powerful. He used words like 'baptise' and applied it beyond water baptism. Words like predestination, election, justification, glorification, grace, reformation, foundation, etc. Certain words may have negative connotations, like the word 'reformation' got hijacked and discoloured along the way.

'Reformation' – while it came from the eternal and timeless to bring us back to a physiological rectitude in the spirit, BUT it has also been subjected to narrow ways of viewing things tainted by carnal judgement. **This is an 'apostolic season', not an 'apostolic reformation'.** Perhaps the first step was 'reformation'. Reformation has a time frame, because when you are reformed, then you have to focus on the next emphasis or phase of God's will.

What we did is look at every illegal position in the church. Do not let the negatives you see shape your message. Do not attack the illegal. This is contextual preaching - your context shapes your behaviour and message. Do not let your message be coloured by your context - your message comes out from heaven - your message is framed by a heavenly view. Just present the true and the pure as though there is nothing wrong in the earth. Christ came not to condemn the world. He came to present a supra-alternate view. **The inaccurate or false was automatically condemned by His right posture of the true.**

The purity of what we present will challenge the status quo. AT times the prophetic in us, as in John the Baptist, will openly challenge that which is wrong.

In the current emphasis of God in repeating certain things, we need to come back to purity and innocence. We need to dispense of pride. **You judge the world by simply presenting the true in humility and innocence.**

All of our study of the Scriptures has to be seen within the ambit of Scriptures. We must only have a CHRISTO-CENTRIC view of all things in the Scriptures. **Theology is studied; Christology is revealed.** Some only study theology in a bid to know God. To know God is to know Christ. Christ is the pin code to deity. The key to God is Christ. You cannot know Christ with your mind or intellect even though God uses that. Knowing Christ has to be revealed to you.

Jesus said to Peter after he said "You are the Christ", that only the Father could have revealed that to him. **Knowledge of Christ must come by divine disclosure. Without revelation, you will not have a Christological view of the Scripture.** On the Damascus road, only when Paul's eyes were shut to the natural (the eye to the mind and soul), could he only see Christ from a heavenly perspective. Paul never knew Christ after the earth. Paul was schooled under Gamaliel. From the vantage point of the Throne - Paul saw the Scriptures. In Acts 17 – Paul understood boundaries in the spirit. **No**

matter where you live in the natural, your view into the heavens should not be limited. You cannot be apostolic with an earthly view of things.

This does not mean all revelation has been shut. **God is simply reprocessing things He has already spoken.** This is necessary for the third phase of our journey. We will have the most complete view of heavenly things. We will see the greatest expression of our walk with God. **To have a Christological view is to have a WORD-centred view.**

Many things will have to be redefined. Example: the way we teach Economics in the church will have to be reviewed. It must proceed from out of context. If you teach 'give to receive', you are potentially colouring it with humanistic thinking. It teaches people security. Go beyond the laws that sustain creation. Hindus and Moslems also use these laws to perpetuate the culture of self-sustainability. We do not give to get. E.g. the scriptures generally used for teaching financial sowing have a context to them other than finances - like "give and it will be given to you" - used in reference to forgiveness.

We give to get delivered of the things we have attached ourselves to. This is when Jehovah provides Himself a lamb. **You need to be delivered from yourself.**

We need to redefine 'dominion' and 'possession'. **You don't 'take a city' - cities are given to you because of faithful stewardship.** We believe in dominion - dominating the earth with His presence as His glory comes on the sons of God.

You still learn the same things in varsity that you learned in primary school - with greater complexity.

Think about 'grace' as a wireless environment. If you don't know how to connect your device to it, you will access nothing. But by knowing the principle that governs connection to it, you enjoy the benefit of it. **You can be in the environment of grace and yet not know how to plug into it.**

Now no more will we simply get daily bread, we will manage the 'houses' that produce bread.

LIGHT

Part 1

We need the 'way' of God. Jesus said 'I am the WAY'. At the Jordan River, a voice said, "This is my son". The Father was pronouncing His pleasure in His son. When Jesus said that He was the WAY – He is telling us that He functions as the SON. He is saying, "I, son, am the way; I, son, am the life; I, the son, am the truth".

We are moving away from elementary things. When we were children, we saw through a glass darkly. We are moving toward full maturity.

Jesus said that He was the beginning and end - He is the start and the limit. **Everything in God has a 'limit' – this is called fullness – full measure of the stature of Christ.** We must not be satisfied with where we are in Christ. Even the fivefold ministry will be redefined as it reaches the fullest expression.

The apostolic season will express itself on public domains in us and through us. It will be the glory of God covering the earth – by coming in us and through us. **The greatest days of the church in the earth are ahead of us, whilst the systems of this world deteriorate progressively.**

But nothing just happens. Nothing happens just because we are available. Create the right environment and conditions for things to happen. Everything Heaven sends to earth must be administrated properly – this relates to how we manage the movements of Heaven. This is how we bring the glory into our environment. **Wisdom builds the house and administrates the matters of God. There is presently very little wisdom in the administration of revelation.**

For administration to take place, you cannot impose your mind upon it. You must understand the 'WAY' of God. God has left His footprint throughout the Scripture. 'Let this mind be in you which was in Christ'. The word 'you' here in the Greek is in the plural form. **This is a collective mind, not an individual mind. Hence we need to be knitted with others who are 'like-minded.'**

Administrators are Prophets, Wise men and Scribes; or Apostles and Prophets. They dispense grace pharmaceutically to people in certain time periods. Apostles are first - prophets are second. Prophets ensure that everything is on frequency. We move beyond personal prophecy to directional prophecy – to where we speak to the direction of the 'cloud'.

Genesis 1 – contains everything relative to our present journey.

Day 1 : Light is created – Light is directly linked to glory.

Day 2: Created the Heavens – Kingdom of the heavens

Day 3 : Earth is created – Kingdom of God on Earth

Three categories of creation:

Category 1:

Day 1: Light;

Day 2: Heavens;

Day 3: Planet Earth

(Timelessness)

Category 2:

Day 4: Sun, moon and stars – hence chronology started on day four – chronology is a created principle before there was ‘olam’ – eternity or timelessness. Which clock are we operating from – it should be from the category 1

Day 5: Birds of the air, fish of the oceans, etc.

Day 6: Animal Kingdoms and then humans

(Chronos)

Category 3

Day 7: God created a category of time all for Himself

The earth was not created to be part of the solar systems. The earth is older than the solar system. Man was created to rule the earth. When man is displaced, the whole of creation is misplaced. **Only when the man comes into freedom, then will all creation come into liberty. We need to silence the cosmic groan.**

The earth can function without the solar system. Do not build your theology by sun, moon and stars.

Mat 5:16 "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

Light and glory is the same thing expressed differently. For light to become glory – you need ‘works’. The filter is called ‘works’.

God wanted to make Himself visible through the creation of man. Gnostic views make material things evil. Man has to work and so express the image of God. God gave man a work mandate. Outside of the environment of work, God’s image will not be understood. **In the environment of work, the glory of God is seen.** Secularism creates a dichotomy between our engagement with the heavens and with the earth.

This affects the way you view ministry and calling. Example – The Scripture that says, ‘The gift and calling of God are without repentance’ – the calling here is your calling as ‘SON’, not your gift. **Everyone therefore is in full-time ministry.** In the Melchisedek order, we all are high-priestly order.

All of us have in this one man – this collective called Christ – a high priestly ministry, although we may differ in categories of function. This cancels the king-priest distinction.

Adam was called to be a son of God, not an apostle. As son – he carries his Father's presence. We are the high priests of God in Christ. But also, we all are **KINGS. We are as priests before God, but as Kings before men.** We are the interface between two realms. **We function as God's sons exhibiting His glory in an environment of work.**

Light will come upon us like we have never experienced before. In the spirit we will beam light. Arise; shine for your light is come, etc. The Lord will rise upon you. The Gentiles will come to your light. This will change evangelism. But you have to be an exact representative of God. This shifts our paradigm.

Isaiah 60:1-5

- Isa 60:1 **"Arise, shine; for your light has come,** And the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
- Isa 60:2 "For behold, darkness will cover the earth And deep darkness the peoples; **But the LORD will rise upon you And His glory will appear upon you.**
- Isa 60:3 **"Nations will come to your light,** And kings to the **brightness of your rising.**
- Isa 60:4 "Lift up your eyes round about and see; They all gather together, they come to you. Your sons will come from afar, And your daughters will be carried in the arms.
- Isa 60:5 **"Then you will see and be radiant, And your heart will thrill and rejoice; Because the abundance of the sea will be turned to you, The wealth of the nations will come to you.**

We are on the threshold of these things.

Isaiah 60:19-20

- Isa 60:19 "No longer will you have the sun for light by day, Nor for brightness will the moon give you light; **But you will have the LORD for an everlasting light,** And your God for your glory.
- Isa 60:20 "Your sun will no longer set, Nor will your moon wane; For **you will have the LORD for an everlasting light, And the days of your mourning will be over.**

The sun – you will no longer live from the fourth day.

GENESIS 1

DAY ONE:

Genesis 1:1 - 5

- 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.
- 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.
- 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 TWO:**Genesis 1: 6 -8**

- 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."
- 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 THREE:**Genesis 1:9-13**

- 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.
- 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 FOUR:**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.

Do not look at time as evil – because time existed before the fall. There was an order to time – 12 hours for the day and 12 for the night. God is ordered and structured. Do not measure time as we measure it. Day – 'Yom' - does not refer to a twenty four hour day.

There are two lights in Genesis 1. There is light on the first day and a different light on the fourth day. Most religions base their festivals on natural positions of the sun and moon and stars.

The wise men studied the position of the stars to determine their movement. Yet, in the eschatological period, the sun, moon and stars will no longer determine our movement or positions.

From which day are you operating from? Day one or day four? Is planet earth's relationship with the first day or the fourth day. **Which light are we, the wise men of our day, following?**

Cf. : Mal. 4:2 "But for you who fear My name, the **sun of righteousness** will rise with **healing** in its wings; and you will go forth and skip about like calves from the stall.

Matt 13:43 "Then **THE RIGHTEOUS WILL SHINE FORTH AS THE SUN** in the **kingdom of their Father**. He who has ears, let him hear.

DAY FIVE:

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:

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.

Note:

LIGHT AND DARKNESS

The principle of the first shall be last and the last shall be first. Jesus said that He was the first AND the last – He is the sum total of everything – He is the initiation and conclusion. **The first position and the last position are the same thing.**

The first thing created was LIGHT. Man was created last. Light was made first. Light and man have a common union. Light must become man and man must become light. Man was built for light and

light was built for man. When light shines in man, the glory of God is seen in creation, and then God is glorified and magnified. **Light uses man as the body through which it beams itself.**

“Let your light so shine before men so that they might see your good works”. In your hostile environment, light must shine. **God is seen in a body that can carry light.**

‘Man’ and ‘light’ must become one.

Christ comes in the form of a man. He becomes LIGHT to all men. The Father is called the “Father of all Lights”. Abraham’s prophecy concerning his sons was two-fold: “Your sons will become like the sands of the sea and also like the stars in heaven”. **While you are on earth you shine as lights.**

If we exhibit the glory of God in the earth, shebeens will no longer operate – they will shut down.

Isaiah 45:6-7

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.

In day one, there was no sin. Darkness in this context is not sin. The fruit of light is peace; the fruit of darkness is calamity. Darkness is ignorance – it is lacking the knowledge of who God is.

LIGHT

Part 2

Ask God for a listening ear and the tongue of the learned - the ability to articulate eternal things.

Also ask God, that having come so far in this journey in the apostolic, that you do not disqualify yourself and fall short.

The biggest challenge to transition into the next season is to shut down what you know. Do not build your lives on the popular doctrines you have made.

Back to Genesis:

Doctrinal positions are locked up in seminal form in Genesis 1. The 'days' recorded there shape doctrine. **All doctrine must manifest the person of Christ.** The year 2017 will be 500 years from the reformation under Luther. There is a continuum of divine purpose. The previous moves of God were legitimate yet there were excesses and some erroneous expressions. When you mature, you put away childish things, e.g. do not spend long times casting out demons; or spend long time motivating for offerings.

We need to review much of our theology through the lenses of Christology, e.g. Kingdom Theology of possessing all things. On the second day, the infrastructure for heaven was completed. Most Kingdom theology teachings are colonial in nature. Only in Cain's line is the idea of possession, but in Seth's line is only the producing of sons. The Kingdom is not physical but spiritual.

1st process: Review order of things in creation: Light - Heaven – Earth. Light 'first' covered everything. **The earth is a place of light.**

2nd process: The earth was created before sun, moon and stars. The earth can function independently of the solar system. **The plant life was created before the sun, moon and stars. Another form of light sustained it.**

Most of us are preachers of context. Environment shapes you. Context must not shape our messages. Then when your environment is bad, you question the message. **Heaven was made before earth, but anything from heaven could live in perfect harmony with the earth.** Similarly, the earth was before all the stars, sun and moon, yet the earth can live in harmony with these.

Also, the earth functions without the sun, moon and stars even though it functions in harmony with it. **Earth functions by the LIGHT of God.** But the whole of creation is in a cosmic groan.

Paul on Mars Hill – the people were studying the stars – e.g. Mars – and they dedicated the place to Mars. Then they discovered that beyond the god of Mars there is an 'unknown' God who determines times and seasons and boundaries. If you can interpret the kairos of God, this becomes the

boundary. **Boundary is a limit set by sight. As far as you see, is where you live. Our dwelling is determined by our view of Heaven. The ultimate boundary that God has is SONSHIP.**

Rom 8:29 For those whom He foreknew, He also **predestined** (*'horizo' in the Greek, imply 'boundary' or horizon*) to become conformed to the **image of His Son**, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren;

The furthest boundary God has – the furthest He can see – is He sees you as His son.

Parents are preoccupied with inheritance being left for their sons. The boundary of sonship transcends everything in Heaven and Earth. All of these are God's estate - and He had given it to 'son'.

In the 'SON' everything is summarised. In terms of time (beginning and the end), **alphabet** (alpha and omega) **and numeric** (first and last), **the SON is the consummation of everything.**

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.

The Hebrew word for 'Beginning' has reference also to 'first fruits' – i.e. something which is at its initial stages will eventually reach its harvest.

The phrase 'without form and void' implies without purpose, without order or direction.

Genesis 1: 3-5

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

Light = PHOS in Greek. Out from here we get **PHOTOS**. **PHAO = to shine**. The root is PHOS.

Light is not light until it shines. From PHAO we get **PHONE = to sound**.

Light and sound have the same source in the original Greek. **Before there was light, there was speech. Speech produces light and light produces speech.**

When you hear – then you see. John first hears the Voice – and then he turns around to see the Voice – then he sees the golden lampstands – light.

'First' and 'last' is the same thing. Light was created first and man was created last – hence light is supposed to become man and vice versa. **Light and sound is supposed to be the same thing and produce the same effect.**

Light should communicate to your mind, 'PHOTOS' – photographs. What you see in Heaven - **you see as photos of Heavenly patterns and then you come to the earth and you build out from the photo you see.**

All language communicates pictures, especially the Hebrew language.

Live in timelessness - do not let the earth determine how you live. God is the same source to everything you need. Break the alabaster box – the carnal man views this negatively.

Doctrine is not static statements – it has the vitality of life to it – it stimulates you into the purposes of God. Live supernaturally.

The word PHOS speaks of the NATURE of Light. Ultimately we must become the **SON OF LIGHT. Clothe yourself in light - You become the Word of Light.** Light means intrinsically 'intelligence'. The 'eyes of your understanding' must be illumined. We must be clothed in LIGHT.

Phos = Light emitted from a luminous body. One of these days our bodies will actually become glorified and immortal. Light comes into our bodies – and overrides every principle of decay and death in our bodies.

PICTURE OF LIGHT:

God has chosen to remove ignorance from the earth and give the earth purpose and direction. For the earth to function with purpose and definition, it needs LIGHT. **Light must be separated from anything in secret form.**

Darkness = ignorance – an enigma- a mystery – the unknown. God is codified but wants to be seen and be visible.

Light will inform creation and give them photographs. Everything about God is parabolic and proverbial. When you get the picture you get the sound.

God compartmentalises the Light - He places it into categories that are on different platforms. Hence there are different dimensions to the heavens. In each of these heavens, God has treasure boxes containing different dimensions of the mystery of Himself. When you open a door, it is no more in darkness. It is called 'revelation' – no more secret – it is now a reality. Heaven is not a place of matter - it is a place of spirit. The heavens carry the unsearchable treasure of Christ. Light in the earth is called 'glory'.

When the earth is out of sync with the heaven, everything malfunctions. Apostles and prophets are focussed on realigning all things.

LIGHT

Part 3

Heb 1:9-12

- Heb 1:9 "YOU HAVE LOVED RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HATED LAWLESSNESS; THEREFORE GOD, YOUR GOD, HAS ANOINTED YOU WITH THE OIL OF GLADNESS ABOVE YOUR COMPANIONS."
- Heb 1:10 And, "YOU, LORD, IN THE BEGINNING LAID THE FOUNDATION OF THE EARTH, AND **THE HEAVENS ARE THE WORKS OF YOUR HANDS;**
- Heb 1:11 THEY WILL PERISH, BUT YOU REMAIN; AND **THEY ALL WILL BECOME OLD LIKE A GARMENT,**
- Heb 1:12 AND **LIKE A MANTLE YOU WILL ROLL THEM UP; LIKE A GARMENT THEY WILL ALSO BE CHANGED.** BUT YOU ARE THE SAME, AND YOUR YEARS WILL NOT COME TO AN END."

'Changed' = changed into another

When revelation in the heavens is exposed, it becomes the property of the earth. The Sons of God in the earth raid the Heavens to take the earth. Everything in the Heaven must come to clothe you. The mantle on the earth is the veil in the heavens. **Your tier in the earth is the garment of the heavens you have wrapped yourself in.** You are no longer functioning in the flesh. When you move to the second heaven, the clothing of the first is changed, and you move to the third heaven. **This happens until there are no more heavens and we have a new heaven – a new set of resources to live by.** This is how the principles of the earth are 'burned away'.

The Light is ultimately related to the person of the SON of God. As we cover ourselves with light, the earth will be covered with the glory of God.

CHARACTERISTICS OF LIGHT

Light is the MAJESTY OF GOD

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.

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.**

John 1 also speaks of His word as Light.

If God is the Father of Lights, then we His sons, are sons of light.

Mal 4:1-6

- Mal 4:1 "For behold, the day is coming, **burning like a furnace**; and all the arrogant and every evildoer will be chaff; and **the day that is coming will set them ablaze**," says the LORD of hosts, "so that it will leave them neither root nor branch."
- Mal 4:2 "But for you who fear My name, **the sun of righteousness** will rise with healing in its wings; and you will go forth and skip about like calves from the stall.
- Mal 4:3 "You will tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day which I am preparing," says the LORD of hosts.
- Mal 4:4 "Remember the law of Moses My servant, *even the* statutes and ordinances which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel.
- 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."

Zion is the highest place you can get to. It's the ultimate place of our journey. It's a place where everything is made beautiful. It's a consummate position. Zion is totally parched where nothing lives because of the brightness of light. **Your provision will come from the light. And your light is your life.**

By you being clothed in 'light' – you burn everything demonic in your path.

In Mal. 4:2 – "those who fear my name' - His name is Father, Son and Holy Ghost. All other names of God are attributable. Those who fear the name – the SUN of Righteousness will rise with healing in His wings. Righteousness includes holiness.

 **LIGHT IS THE GLORY OF GOD**

Isaiah 60:1-2

- Isa 60:1 "Arise, shine; for your **light has come**, And the **glory of the LORD** has risen upon you.
- Isa 60:2 "For behold, darkness will cover the earth And deep darkness the peoples; But the LORD will rise upon you And His glory will appear upon you.

Isaiah 60:19-22

- Isa 60:19 "No longer will you have the sun for light by day, Nor for brightness will the moon give you light; But you will have **the LORD for an everlasting light**, And your **God for your glory**.
- Isa 60:20 "Your sun will no longer set, Nor will your moon wane; **For you will have the LORD for an everlasting light**, And the days of **your mourning will be over**.
- Isa 60:21 "Then all your people *will be* righteous; They will possess the land forever, The branch of My planting, The work of My hands, **That I may be glorified**.
- Isa 60:22 "**The smallest one will become a clan, And the least one a mighty nation. I, the LORD, will hasten it in its time.**"

Verse 22 hints at the issue of mega-sons.

LIGHT IS WISDOM AND REVELATION IN THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE FATHER

There is much insight in the present season, but one thing may be lacking - viz. there is a lack of wisdom in how one builds. Wisdom builds the house.

Eph 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,
- 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.

'Hope of His calling' = SON. you come to a perfect man, every gift will pass away.

LIGHT IS THE GLORY OF THE GOSPEL BEAMED IN AND THROUGH CHRIST

2 Cor 4:1-6

- 2Co 4:1 Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we received mercy, we do not lose heart,
- 2Co 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.
- 2Co 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,
- 2Co 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.
- 2Co 4:5 For we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake.
- 2Co 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.**

Light brings the 'photo' of God to us – which is Christ, who is in the image of God. If you are seeking to build your network, it will not bring the gospel, which is Christocentric. The formation of Christ in us comes through the communication of the gospel – **which is a Word-centred gospel**. The Word we preach must bring Christ out. When Christ is led out, you and I become His dwelling place. Then the fullness of God comes into you.

Every man is a son of God – even those we father – they must carry the light of the Heavenly Father, not us. Not everyone in our houses are our sons. Those we father, we are simply serving. We train them and we shape them. Jesus was ‘supposedly’ the son of Joseph. You are the father over the house. But not everyone in the house will be your son.

Verse 6: the face of the light or glory is CHRIST - not an earthly man.

LIGHT IS IMMORTALITY

Light clothes immortality. Immortality dwells in unapproachable light.

1 Tim 6:15-16

1 Ti 6:15 which He will bring about at the proper time--He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords,
 1 Ti 6:16 who alone **possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light**, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him *be* honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

FROM THE LIGHT EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT COMES

God’s Word is LIGHT. **The only way you are going to get light is through the Word of God.** If you love God, you will love His Word, and so you will love your brother. You cannot get life without loving God’s Word.

James 1:17-18

Jas 1:17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from **the Father of lights**, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.
 Jas 1:18 In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by **the word of truth**, so that we would be a kind of **first fruits among His creatures**.

Clothe yourself in the Word.

Summary:

Light produces photos and images of the divine substance of God.

Eph 5:8 for you were formerly darkness, but now **you are Light in the Lord**; walk **as children of Light**

Light also alludes to knowledge, brilliance, understanding, conscience, morality, purity, rectitude, uprightness, etc.

The super-abundant demonstration of the grace of God will be perfect love! Even your enemies must be loved. **If you really want LIGHT – you have to learn how to love your brother.**

1 John 2:10 The one who **loves his brother** abides in **the Light** and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

2 Pe 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 Pe 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 Pe 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 Pe 3:13 But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

What is Darkness?

Darkness is not always associated with disorder. But it is **ignorance that manifests as confusion and uncertainty**. Also, darkness speaks of **obscurity – of things not known**. Darkness **does not understand blueprints, designs, order**, etc. Any religious practice that is unbiblical is evidence of darkness.

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

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

Grace

Part 1

Some of the greatest expressions of divinity will start to exhibit itself in and through us. **God will appear in us before He appears to us.** The things that God has hidden are meant to be discovered.

We start must to view things that are in their incipient stages of development. **See the earth not in terms of the universe, but in terms of the 'Light'.**

Bring your prophetic reality into your present – do not say there are still four months to harvest (tabernacles). Bring this into your present.

Seek to have the mind of Christ. It comes through a corporate collective Body. It is one mind, or multiple minds – but **Christ is fully known only in and through a corporate context.**

We will see the **manifold expressions of grace** in a powerful way.

Grace is more than unmerited favour. Up to now, grace was present among us – but not in its full blossom – but there is now coming an opening of this flower. **We will see the super-abundant grace of God supplied to all of us. Also it will come upon you supernaturally to be able to finish the work.**

Superabundant GRACE is the answer to our present personal and global problems. Learn to REST. Before the fall, the system of the world was governed by God, managed by Adam. Many people are still working to attain their success in their own personal strength. The answer is 'GRACE'. Grace does not just fall on your lap. **If you are displaced, you are disgraced.** Operate from the place of rest – in grace.

Grace in 'charis'= joy, favour, a gift, thankful; that which affords joy; kindness; mercies.

All of this is the personification or outworking of grace. **If grace is resident in you, it will express itself in every area of your life,** e.g. grace produces thanksgiving.

But we need to understand the **hard drive of grace – the engine of grace.**

In some circles, grace has become an excuse for liberality. Grace is not license for sin. **Grace only operates in an environment of absolute obedience** – faith brings you to obedience and when you come here – you do not need faith anymore.

We need to **define the essence of grace, not just its characteristics.**

Paul had a profound understanding of GRACE. He was born out of season. He did not know Jesus personally in the flesh. Paul was a master with words. He knew how to take words and fill it with the context of the eternal. He immerses words into the revelation he received. He was a technician with words. He, in some instances, expanded the semantic range of some words. **God sometimes will hide a great mystery within a word. Jesus is also the alpha and omega = He hides Himself in words. Great truths are communicated through words.**

Grace described connotes the idea of a **substance or divine reality**. This is not a material substance. The early church fathers said that firstly, **substances could not be changed**. The second reference to **substance – to that of the earth – could be altered**.

But grace – its substance is inalterable – but it is communicable.

CONCEPTS EMBEDDED WITHIN THE MEANING OF GRACE:

- **'Veritable Substance'** : Grace is substance you can verify or measure – it is authentic and genuine.
- **'ESSENCE'** : Grace is a 'reality'.
- **'NATURE'** : In 'grace' there is personality, identity, attributes, presence, the persona is locked up here.
- **Grace is the Divine real estate – the 'body of divinity'**.

This substance is directly linked to divinity itself. **Grace comes from the very embodiment of everything we call 'GOD'. We you receive GRACE - you partake of His divine nature. Hence you don't work by works anymore.**

You need the same stuff by which God is comprised. **Heb. 1:3** – Jesus is the 'hupostasis' of everything God is.

Hence we need 'law' – rules and regulations to get back to this. Law was intended to be a guiding light – like a GPS. The law was never abolished – the old covenant was – but not the law. Jesus came not to cancel the law, but to fulfill it. There is a royal law of love. God is true to a principle. Superstructures can change, but not the substructure. **Grace does not mean total freedom now – Jesus' freedom was defined by the will of His Father.** He was obedient. Access to grace is by rule and regulation.

- **Grace is that property within a thing (body).**

The substance must reside in a thing, i.e. in us. It must be housed in a body. The battery in a cell phone is the 'property in a thing'. Grace, this property, drives, energises and moves something to function in a particular way. Paul said that He was what he was by the grace of God. **Paul's output**

was determined by the input of grace in his life. If you work by the measure of the property in your engine – your engine will not burn out. The thing about grace is that it can GROW.

- **This property is Price-less.**

It is freely given. You do not earn it. It is an inheritance – you receive at the point of salvation. The moment you receive Christ, you receive GRACE. **You get introduced to the grace – you have access to it, and now you must stand in that grace; and then you function in it by the doctrine of apostles.** When you function like this you will never lack. You will be at rest. You will be at peace.

Do not frustrate the grace by stepping out of its intended domain or sphere of function for you. We will see the greatest inventions take place because of grace. When you live in divine health, you don't need healing.

One of the descriptions of grace is favour. Favour follows you. When grace is in you, you become a favourite of God.

Grace is installed into the believer. You are saved by GRACE through faith. You do not get your inheritance when you go to heaven. When you get saved, the Spirit brings your inheritance to you – it is given to you. Learn how to walk in the grace of God. Grace covers every part of your being.

Grace animates those believed to function as SONS OF GOD.
After you believe, you become a SON.

Heb. 1:3 – Exact representation – you represent the substance.

Now you **function under the unction of grace.** Hence you cannot blame the enemy for anything in your life.

“I am what I am by the grace of God” = your identity is no longer defined by your culture or heritage. We view no one after the flesh – not even Christ. **View everyone by grace. Do not be defined by your limitations, deficiencies,** etc. When grace incarnates in you, it is called ‘SON OF GOD’.

Grace is the divine nature – freely given to everyone who believes – to function as the sons of God in the earth. **Grace is the imposition of the divine nature into everyone who believes.**

Man was to be God's exact representative in the earth. Man will be a son of God with the nature of God – called grace. When Christ came – all of grace came into the earth. **When you receive Christ - you receive grace that drives you to become the exact representative He always wanted you to be.**

Grace

Part 2

Only grace can bring back order to a disordered world. When we oversimplify the meaning of grace, we lose its profundity. The totality of grace cannot be fully described. The more we understand it, the more we can collaborate with it.

Grace is not simply unmerited favour – It is this, but far more than that.

Grace is the divine substance. It's a veritable substance or essence. It's the nature of divinity. Grace has no molecular structure to it. You cannot explain 'first day light' with 'fourth day light'.

Grace is ineffable – it cannot be described.

Grace is a property that must function in a body.

Grace is the very anatomy of God Himself – not referenced to anything in the earth.

'Holy' does not refer to the morality of God. 'Holy' denotes something which stands alone in its unique peculiar existence. You must be holy – you must be so unique as God is. There are no opposites to God.

Spirit has substance – but is **it immaterial**. Grace is the essence of everything God is. Grace is the anatomy of God. **Grace is the structure of God**. Grace is the real estate of deity.

Grace can live in a human body. All of heaven and earth can be installed in the human body. Your spirit can engage the eternal dimensions of the heavens; the soul has the capacity to take in the entire planet. **The spirit is native to the heavens; the soul is native to the earth.**

One seed can preserve an entire species. In Adam there were billions of people. In Christ, too, was many sons – hence He is the seed of Abraham. In temporality, God can vest all of eternity.

Grace is similar: in our fallen and deficient states of being – grace can live. Mary (bitter) receives the divine seed in her womb. **Grace, the 'God particle', can live in you.** This grace drives me so that "I am what I am by the grace of God". We must function by this grace. Grace is the nature that we partake of. Grace is the imposition of the divine nature within you. You must grow in this.

GRACE in the Greek

Grace = Charis

Charisma = the result of grace – the place where grace comes to rest.

To be charismatic – is to be a custodian of grace.

Charismata = **the resultant effect of grace** - the expression of itself through me. You are now communicating grace. You are functioning in **the gift of grace**. This is where grace starts to compute itself in you. **You operate in the gifts**. You cannot earn grace. You cannot buy it.

Warning: Do not think that you are the gift of grace to men. Do not manipulate grace for your own purposes. God hates the proud. Some become peddlers of the Word to make money. The gift of the prophet is popular because people want to know their future – and some reciprocate with money.

Grace is given to the humble. The culture of ‘armour bearers’, in some circles, is mostly governed by pride – and not humility. This is the abuse of grace.

We need the gifts of charismata. We are enabled by the Holy Spirit.

Another Word for **GRACE = DOMA**; from this word we get **domata**.

This word places emphasis on the character of the gift. The construct of the gift. When God dispenses of grace to an individual, **it is specially designed to fit you**. It comes just for you. **God measured Himself out and clothed him with grace**. ‘Doma’ is like this. **Your Father knows what you need – not what you think you need**. He won’t give you something that will hurt you. He does not operate on your preferences. He knows what you need.

Gifts cease when you get to a place of maturity. **At maturity you operate in the fullness of the Spirit.**

‘Doma’ is the uniqueness of the gift that God **generously gives to everyone**. You should not compete with anyone else in the church. Do not be intimidated by anyone – do not be jealous of anyone. A competitive spirit grips the church. **You do not need an ego boost when you have grace**. You may need comfort and appreciation. When you understand charis and doma, the gift God gave you creates capacity for you.

Grace comes from the eternal and timeless. Grace is not from this world. The compositional construct is spirit. God is spirit – all three parts in the God-head is spirit. You cannot describe wind – you can only describe its effects – same with grace. All of grace is spirit. Zech. 12:10 speaks of the ‘**spirit of grace**’.

The contents of the ARK OF THE COVENANT were a shadow of things to come. Beyond the veil, there was the mercy seat – a Throne room of grace (Heb. 4:16). At the base of the mercy seat was the ark of the covenant – with its six rings – covered in gold. Within the ARK there were eternal principles.

Heb 9:4 having a golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides in which was a golden jar holding the manna, and Aaron's rod which budded, and the tables of the covenant;

Heb 9:5 and above it *were* the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat; but of these things we cannot now speak in detail.

This mercy seat cannot be God's Throne because angels cannot be above God. You have to go beyond angels.

Three Things were in the ARK:

Manna: Man must live by the bread of the **proceeding Word of God.**

Rod of Aaron: To access the rod – you must submit to the rod that blossoms. In the heart of the winter, when there is an absence of any sign that summer is coming, this almond blossoms. It blossoms before leaves come on the branches. To the man whom God gives favour – you have to submit to this man.

The rod – also means 'tribe'. The stick that blossoms is the patriarchal order. The one whose stick blossoms is the one who will lead you. Under Moses' leadership, manna fell.

The place of the almond is called LUZ – Genesis 28 – It was renamed 'Bethel' – House of God. Jacob slept here at night. In your darkest moment – a dream will come.

Tablets of the Covenant: The ten commandments. This is not ten rules. This is an agreement God makes with the human race.

Incorporating all three symbols above, we may conclude that – **'Grace come to you through leaders who bring you into covenant by the release of the Word'.**

This dimension is beyond the veil – it is spirit – it is not flesh. This is the reality where God swore that I would be His son. Most of the work of what the Holy Spirit does, is communicated in and through people.

Grace comes from the spirit world.

THE ANATOMY OF GRACE

Heb 11:1 Now faith is the **substance** of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (NKJV)

Faith is developing a belief system that will allow you not to be governed by the temporal world you live in. Faith causes you to lay hold of a substance from an unseen world.

SUBSTANCE = hupostasis = To place or set something under; a substructure; a basis of something; a reality – an essence, a substance placed under

This substance is grace. God will build you by building this very substance of grace within you. This is the stuff God is made up of.

Heb 1:3 who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Jesus was full of grace. **Grace is a permanent underlying reality.** It is the stuff that God is made up of – this must be our compositional make-up too.

Romans 5:1,2

Rom 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Rom 5:2 through whom also we have **access by faith into this grace in which we stand**, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Access by faith into this grace. **When you access it, you must stand in it.** You cannot be moved. And you rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

You even rejoice in suffering.

Grace

Part 3

Grace is a substance – a property. We get caught in the manifestation of grace without giving attention to **the construct of the internal configuration of grace.**

When grace works in us – it is a favour – a demonstration of God’s love and kindness towards us.

The biggest problem in the church is an identity crisis. **Grace configures who you are.**

One of the translations of grace is the **‘supernatural power of God’**.

The ultimate outward appearance of the power of God driven by grace is LOVE. Grace masquerades in the faith or hope presently. The most excellent position is love. There is an absence of love in pulpits. **In the face of your greatest enemies, the grace of God in you fills your prejudices, and the only feeling you have is LOVE.** Love should motivate the exercise of all gifts. Love must be the highest quality of our gatherings. Love must be our greatest strength. Our weakness must be that we cannot stop loving. We **must love because of the grace of God within us.**

Grace will also express itself in your personality.

Grace must overcome every part of your being – every atom must be impregnated with grace. Grace must overshadow you. Jesus in Luke 2, grew in GRACE (favour). Grace must become your personality. It overrides your cultural prejudice, deficiencies, your heritage, etc. **It must express itself in your mood.** In your **attitude** and in all your **relationships, you should express and be the embodiment of grace.**

SUBSTANCE – HUPOSTASIS:

Substance, Essence, Nature and Property – these words highlight the compositional make-up of grace. **Grace is a spiritual substance that emanates from the very essence of divine being.**

Focus on ‘hupostasis’. **Hupostasis relates to substance.** It means to place a substance under something – that which underlies a reality.

‘Hupostasis’ is the **basis of something.** It is the **exact representation of the real being.** Learn to **discern each other** by **the basis that gives them reality or make them behave in a specific way.**

Many are attracted to the father-son basis on an homogenous basis and not on GRACE – the reality that undergirds.

Hebrews 1:1-3 (NKJV)

Heb 1:1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,

- Heb 1:2** has in these last days spoken to us by *His* Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;
- Heb 1:3** who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person (nature in KJV), and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Nature (person) = hupostasis.

You are defined by the substance you stand in and that substance should **determine your personality**. Grace is something put under the substructure of your foundation. This defines who you are.

Hupostasis = the substantial quality or nature of a thing – or of who you are. You are defined not by your historical settings.

Manna = ‘what is it’ or ‘who is it?’. Grace defines who you become. It is the very essence of God coming to dwell within us.

You become steadfast in your mind and courageous in your resolutions, Confidence, trust, etc. It becomes your experience. It gives you a deep assurance and confidence.

Your ‘substance’ makes you real.

In Latin the word is ‘substantia’.

This word HUPOSTASIS raised the following issues in the early church:

Substance was the **permanent underlying reality**. Live by the permanent reality of who you are. Your permanent reality must not be determined or defined by the past. **Your permanent reality lies in how you access grace.**

1. **It is an absolute substance.**

It is an absolute substance – the God-property – the God-particle. **This substance cannot be altered or changed.** God is immutable – He cannot change.

2. **Substance - is the sole substance – it is an eternal and infinite substance.**

Hence you cannot be moved no matter what happens to you externally. Cf. Paul’s thorn in the flesh. Probably he was not fully healed of the blindness he suffered at his conversion – by the light of Day 1. To the Galatians – he said to the Galatians that they would have plucked their eyes out to give him. God answered by ‘My Grace is sufficient for you’. **Paul is simply to stand in the grace to overcome his infirmity.** Do not focus on your weakness or deficiency – just focus on the grace that defines you.

3. **You cannot describe this underlying substance - but every quality you need is in it.**

In it is every quality you need to be like God. A child simply lives without anxiety, knowing their father will provide. We sometimes have unbelief in our heart. But **the same stuff that**

gave Jesus the person that He became – is in us – then the very essence of what He inherited is now given to us in our human bodies.

4. **Grace – substance – can be dispensed or communicated.**

We become a sacramental people of grace.

5. **Existentialists believe that this substance, when it exists in a person, can be understood as creating a presence in the person.**

The persons formed can produce presence. Wherever I am, there is a presence. Peter's shadow healed the sick. When you have grace – anyone who comes within your grace sphere or influence is touched. When you ooze grace – it affects your environment. **Come within the metron or ambit of the grace of God given to a man.** Metrons of grace generates the presence of God. Then you 'REST' in God for this.

6. **Substance is used to describe the God-head.**

It describes the underlying being by which all three persons are described. The early church fathers said that the three persons in deity all had the same property. Father, Son, Spirit all have the same substance. The early church in describing **the Trinity – there are three persons – all made of the same substance – this is the hypostatic union.** We carry the very essence that God is made up of.

In the natural, a father to sons communicates to his sons by spirit, because we are essentially spirit.

Matthew 6:6-11

- Mat 6:6 "But you, when you pray, go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees *what is done* in secret will reward you.
- Mat 6:7 "And when you are praying, do not use meaningless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they suppose that they will be heard for their many words.
- Mat 6:8 "So do not be like them; for your **Father knows what you need before you ask Him.**
- Mat 6:9 "Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father who is in heaven, **Hallowed be Your name.**
- Mat 6:10 'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.
- Mat 6:11 **'Give us this day our daily bread.**

Do not ask for your personal budget to be met. God is your Father – He will provide because He knows what you need. Do not pray for earthly material things. 'Daily bread' is then not material things.

'DAILY' – epiousios =

comes from two words;

epi = into or for – motion or movement into something.

[different from 'en' = the final abode – no movement - rest]

Ousia = substance – or being – the essence of something

Hence every day we need a substance to be transported into our lives – the substance of grace. Grace is God-food. One of the early church fathers, Chrysostom, explained **epiousios as daily sustenance - Bread which is needed for our daily support for life.**

Grace

Part 4

In studying 'grace', we are seeking to know the minute detail of it.

Ask God for 'sight'. If you see it right – you will say it right and those who hear you will do it right.

The words you use **must not so much be technical, but more so substantial**. Your words must communicate grace. Words can go out like flames of fire and consume that which is erroneous.

DAILY' – epiousios

Bread is the basic subsistence to life. The substance that God is made up of becomes food. This is God-food. You are what you eat. What you eat, you become. If you are a son of God, this makes you an offspring of God carrying His DNA – His genetic make-up. We are partakers of the divine nature of God. **In your humanity, you can have a substance just like God.**

Moses asked God – “Who shall I say sent me”. God responded: **'I am that I am'** = Yaweh. God was saying **“To become who I want to become, I will form myself in you the way I want to; I exist as I choose to exist within you’ – this is the one who sends you**. God can express Himself within you the way He wants to. To Pharaoh, Moses was as God, yet at other times Moses is humble and meek. The persona of God must express itself in and through us.

Exodus 16:1-7

- 1 Then they set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the sons of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departure from the land of Egypt.
- 2 The whole congregation of the sons of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness.
- 3 The sons of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the Lord’s hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat, when we ate bread to the full; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”
- 4 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Behold, **I will rain bread** from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and **gather a day’s portion** every day, **that I may test them**, whether or **not they will walk in My instruction**.

PORTION/QUOTA = dabar = the spoken word – the substance that is spoken.

In receiving dabar, you are receiving the essence of something that defines your business, mannerisms, acts, etc. **In the speech of God is all the stuff in that Word to create what the Word seeks to create. In the Word is the God-substance**. Just train your ear to hear a clear word from God every day. The ultimate success of our lives is in how we access the Word. **In this Word is all that you need in order to be successful in life.**

As long as Christ is in the earth, it is called 'DAY'. Read the whole chapter of John 9.

Joh 9:1 As He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth.

Joh 9:2 And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he would be born blind?"

Sin is not moral blemish – it is missing the path of accuracy – missing the mark. When this happens, the church becomes blind. **Some are morally impeccable, yet spiritually blind.** For example, assume that you do not migrate with the current emphasis of God in any time frame; you would have missed the mark. And there will be results to this – you cause whole groups of people to live in an obsolete season – and they too will be blind. Matt 23 – 'on this generation the blood of Abel will be laid' = if this generation does not fix the failure of past fathers, their past error is applied to them.

Joh 9:3 Jesus answered, "*It was neither that* this man sinned, nor his parents; but *it was so* that the works of God might be displayed in him.

Joh 9:4 **"We must work the works of Him who sent Me as long as it is day; night is coming when no one can work.**

In the absence of revelation – you are in the dark.

Joh 9:5 "While I am in the world, I am the Light of the world."

If there is an **accurate representation of Christ** in the earth – this is the **DAY**. See Hebrews 3 and 4 – do not harden your hearts.

Only in the day can you work. Our 'quota' or daily bread is knowing the Day of the Lord. **If the Lord is your light in that day – you are living in the day of the Lord.**

For six days they collected bread - but not on the seventh day. On the sixth day you collected two quotas. But if on the third you collected two portions, it would get rotten. Jesus came on the sixth day and on the seventh day when He died and rose again we enter rest with Him – He brought us the bread of Heaven. **Now we are in the day of rest.**

Your resource or inheritance does not lie in your ability. In the 'dabar' is all you need to get the job done. This is the 'rhema' in the New Testament. **You can be biblically correct but spiritually dislocated.**

Ex 16:4 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, **I will rain bread** from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and **gather a day's portion** every day, **that I may test them,** whether or **not they will walk in My instruction.**

The provision of grace – substance- is to test you whether you will walk in the law/instruction of God.

Hypothesis: God could have deposited all the grace in you but He chose not to. In the spoken Word is Grace. But the primary objective is to see whether or not you will obey – and so access further grace daily.

There is 'law' in God, e.g. giving accesses grace. And 'giving' here is defined by the law – by the school master. All types of giving (first fruits, tithes and offerings) is the nature of God Himself. The test comes by the law.

Exodus 16:5-7

- 5 “On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.”
- 6 So Moses and Aaron said to all the sons of Israel, “At evening you will know that the Lord has brought you out of the land of Egypt;
- 7 and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, for He hears your grumblings against the Lord; and what are we, that you grumble against us?”

When the bread comes, you will see the glory of God.

Your complaint is against the leaders and against God Himself. Leaders provide bread for you. Be careful how you complain against your leader. If you feel your leader is not feeding you, then leave with honour. **The stick of a leader – indicates that he has grace for the whole tribe.** When Bethlehem (House of Bread) is established – people will migrate away from places where there is famine. Doctrine must be ground out like grain and bread baked for your people.

Ex 16:8-15

- 8 Moses said, “This will happen when the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening, and bread to the full in the morning; for the Lord **hears your grumblings** which you grumble **against Him**. And what are we? Your grumblings are not against us but against the Lord.”
- 9 Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, ‘Come near before the Lord, for He has heard your grumblings.’ ”
- 10 It came about as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the sons of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud.
- 11 And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying,
- 12 “I have heard the grumblings of the sons of Israel; speak to them, saying, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread; and you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’ ”
- 13 So it came about at evening that the quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp.
- 14 When the layer of **dew** evaporated, behold, on the surface of the wilderness there was a fine flake-like thing, fine as the frost on the ground.

Rev 1:4,5 : Grace from the Father, Son and from the seven Spirits

- 15 When the sons of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “**What is it?**” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread which the Lord has given you to eat.”

'What is this' here in the O.T. becomes 'Who is this' in the N.T.

Jer 31:1-2

Jer 31:1

"At that time," declares the LORD, "I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people."

Jer 31:2

Thus says the LORD, "The people who survived the sword Found grace in the wilderness-- Israel, when it went to find its rest."

In the wilderness, we get GRACE. And Rest is the result of Grace.

Jesus is led by the Spirit into the wilderness. Wilderness is living in an environment that cannot sustain you. See Rev.12, 13, 14 – the woman in the wilderness becomes the harlot of Babylon.

You have to find grace in the wilderness to sustain you. Before you rule in the midst of your enemies, learn how to eat off the table that the Lord has furnished for you in the midst of your enemies. In the wilderness He gives you the wings of an eagle – access to the heavens.

Rev 12 – He prepared a place in the wilderness where He fed them.

Matthew 4: 1-4

Mat 4:1

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

Mat 4:2

And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry.

Mat 4:3

And the tempter came and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread."

Mat 4:4

But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.'"

Jesus was tested in the wilderness – as Israel was tested in the wilderness. Jesus lived a fasted life – He divested Himself of being dependant on the environment. He was totally vulnerable when the enemy came to Him. The devil attacked sonship. The devil has come to verify something, viz. sonship.

He is testing Jesus - 'do you live from this world' or from 'another world'. The devil tested the rule in the book that sons live by the Word of God. When you live by grace - you still need rules. Jesus spoke from the law, prophets and Psalms. The book of Hebrews demonstrates the relevance of the law.

Word = Rhema = a spoken utterance; it comes in apportioned contexts; something uttered by a living voice.

The Word that defines sons of God in their humanity comes from a living voice. The first thing God does to Isaiah is to cleanse his lips – coals of fire comes upon his lips = **purifying the voice that will be the proclaimers of the message.**

Rhema also speaks about 'speech and discourse'. Hence we need to give ourselves to the Word and prayer.

Grace

Part 5

Grace needs a body to function in. **A 'body' can also allude to a way of thinking.** As a man thinks, so is He. There is only a narrow way – not a broad way.

Mat 4:4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.'"

'Rhema' implies a physical voice. This is a series of words put together in a sentence – also a collection of thoughts and concepts. Now, in this present apostolic season where grace is emphasised and being imparted, **every single word has become significantly substantive.**

Do not murmur against leaders – or else you are rejecting **the medium through which WORD comes.** Bread to Israel was provided under the leadership of Moses. **Where there is rebellion – grace is frustrated.**

Rhema = a declaration; an utterance; any sort of a message that comes in a narrative form.

Leaders and preachers are communicators of GRACE – but only if you are relaying a message from God.

Your speech is not empty words. Your speech is not just vocabulary or verbiage. **Behind your speech is a matter or substance.** The substance in your statement is the rhema – this utterance is that which has creative power. It is not empty words. Every statement we make is loaded with meaning. None of Jesus' words were empty. **Our lips must drip with grace** (Psalm 45:2).

Rhema is the matter behind a command.

THE ANATOMY OF GOD'S WORD:

John is the first book in the new covenant. OT = 39 NT = 27; But the synoptic gospels must be part of the old covenant – hence NT = 42 books and the NT = 24. Genesis and John start with 'In the beginning'

John 1:1-4

Joh 1:1 In the beginning was **the Word**, and the **Word was with God**, and the **Word was God**.

Joh 1:2 **He** was in the beginning with God.

Joh 1:3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

Joh 1:4 In Him was **life, and the life was the Light of men.**

In Exodus 16, when they collected the manna – they saw the glory of God. In the Word is life. When you get it you become Light. **The grace in the Word produces Life – which becomes light.**

John 1:5-7

Joh 1:5 The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.
 Joh 1:6 There came a man sent from God, whose name was John.
 Joh 1:7 He came as a witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him.

John is the last order of prophets of the old order. So was Jesus – but He was also the initiator of the new order.

John 1:8-12

Joh 1:8 He was not the Light, but *he came* to testify about the Light.
 Joh 1:9 There was the **true Light** which, coming into the world, **enlightens every man**.
 Joh 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.
 Joh 1:11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.
 Joh 1:12 But as many **as received Him**, to them He gave the right to become **children of God**, *even* to those who believe in **His name**,

This is to receive the stuff or grace by which He is comprised. He is the pre-existent material – the Word. **In this Word is all the creative energies – called light. This creates and produces light, information, enlightenment.**

He comes in a form of a human carpenter – but those who look at Him said ‘carpenter’ etc. Many looked at him externally, but could not see His internal make-up. Do not just receive ‘Jesus’ – receive the stuff He is made up of. **He is the Son of God – as you receive Him – you become a son of God constituted after the same substance.**

‘GAVE the right’ = to give someone something – to give someone a gift. **He gave us substance that will furnish them as the sons of God.** He handed them **Word**.

‘Give’ also means to commit to something to someone – **to furnish or to imbue; to impute – to install into ; to appoint someone to an office ; to cause somebody to come forth; to give to someone as if you are giving to your own .**

When God gave to you, He gave you His best. If you understand this, you realise it is impossible to be disconnected from Him.

Right = exousia = the power of choice – the leave or the power; the physical and mental power to choose; the power to exercise this privilege; the right to become – [you have to come into your existence as son].

His ‘name’ in the context of John 1 is ‘SON’.

At the River Jordan, God the Father affirmed Jesus’ sonship. Later, Jesus essentially said, “I, the son, am the way; I, the son, am the Truth; I, the son, am the life”.

John 1:13-14

- John 1:13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.
- John 1:14 And the **Word became flesh**, and **dwelt among us**, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, **full of grace and truth**.

The word became flesh. The word is full of grace and truth. Grace is the 'hupostasis' in the Word.

Truth = alethia = the expression or the evidence that is behind any matter that we must take into consideration; this is the reality in the fact.

If you say of someone, "He is the real deal or genuine article" – this does not refer to how the person exists externally, but also his inner life and his private life. Word is full of grace and truth. **The internal stuff that the Word is made up of is called GRACE – you cannot see it – it is spirit. Truth is the external visible expression of grace.** Study what is outside the man to know what is inside him.

Moving away from your first love = moving away from your love for the Word.

John 1:15-16

- Joh 1:15 John testified about Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.'"
- Joh 1:16 For of **His fullness** we have all received, and **grace upon grace**. (*or grace for grace*)

'Grace for grace' = **grace substituting for all your deficiency**.

Your security is not in what you have built. **Your security is in the VOICE of God**. Your destiny is linked to how to connect to the Word. All the grace that you need is in the Word. You need someone in order for God to speak to you.

Zech. 4:7-9

- Zec 4:6 Then he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel saying, 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of hosts.
- Zec 4:7 'What are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel *you will become* a plain; and he will bring forth the top stone with **shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"**'"
- Zec 4:8 Also the word of the LORD came to me, saying,
- Zec 4:9 "The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house, and his hands will finish *it*. Then you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent me to you.

'Mountain' represents an obstacle. The mountain becomes a flat plain. It will not happen by human intellect. It happens with SHOUTS of 'Grace, Grace'. 'Shouts' implies that there has to be speech or declaration by someone. God's house is built through the release of grace through His servants (in the context of the scripture above – it is Zerubbabel).

Jesus, as a young child, grew in GRACE – see Luke 2.

Acts 20:42-32

- Act 20:24 "But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the **gospel of the grace of God**.
- Act 20:25 "And now, behold, I know that all of you, among whom **I went about preaching** the kingdom, will no longer see my face.
- Act 20:26 "Therefore, I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men.
- Act 20:27 "For I did not shrink from declaring to you **the whole purpose of God**.
- Act 20:28 "Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.
- Act 20:29 "I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock;
- Act 20:30 and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them.
- Act 20:31 "Therefore be on the alert, remembering that night and day for **a period of three years** I did not cease to admonish each one with tears.
- Act 20:32 "And now **I commend you to God and to the word of His grace**, which is able to **build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified**.

You inheritance is GRACE which comes through the Word preached to you.

Col. 1:1-8

- Col 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
- Col 1:2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ *who are* at Colossae: **Grace to you** and peace from God our Father.
- Col 1:3 We give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,
- Col 1:4 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love which you have for all the saints;
- Col 1:5 because of the hope laid up for you in heaven, of which you previously heard in the word of truth, **the gospel**
- Col 1:6 which has come to you, just as in all the world also it is constantly bearing fruit and increasing, even as *it has been doing* in you also since the day you heard *of it* and **understood the grace of God in truth**;
- Col 1:7 just as **you learned it from** Epaphras, our beloved fellow bond-servant, who is a faithful servant of Christ on our behalf,
- Col 1:8 and he **also informed us of your love in the Spirit**.

Study all of Paul's salutations of grace in his epistles. He wrote to communicate grace. The Word of Truth contains grace.

GRACE

Part 6

You cannot be the son of God without carrying the DNA of God. If a spiritual paternity test is performed on you, will it be conclusively proven that God is your Father? The grace of God must be in you. Grace defines who you are.

Grace is communicated to us principally through the Word – the Logos – the complete pattern of thoughts designed in God – the intelligence of God. When it manifests, it is called TRUTH. Grace animates you, energises you, and quickens you. Grace is the very basis of the law. **You cannot access grace without becoming obedient to the Word of God.** God will put tests in your life – e.g. finances – tithing. **Obedience is critical in this present season.**

Some practical matters on the subject of GRACE.

Grace is food from heaven.

The diet of the sons of God is GRACE. You should be greedy for grace. This is God-food. Grace is our daily bread – the substance from out of time. **The whole economy of the Kingdom operates from the WORD.** Our subsistence – our reliance- is upon grace.

2 Pet. 1:4 For by these He has granted to us His **precious and magnificent promises**, so that by them you may become **partakers of the divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

Phil. 1:7 For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I have you in my heart, since both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, **you all are partakers of grace with me.**

‘You all’ – grace is all inclusive.

Heb 13:7-9

Heb 13:7 **Remember those who led you, who spoke the word of God to you; and considering the result of their conduct, imitate their faith.**

Heb 13:8 Jesus Christ *is* the same yesterday and today and forever.

Heb 13:9 Do not be carried away by varied and strange teachings; for it is good for the heart **to be strengthened by grace**, not by **foods**, through which those who were so occupied were not benefited.

Your conduct matches your word. Your life must bear testimony to your word. The end does not justify the means. Cf. Jacob – he had to pay the price. Simply do it the right way – do it the hard way.

Your heart is to be strengthened by grace through accurate doctrine. Inaccurate doctrine will not strengthen your heart in grace. This doctrine must be apostle’s doctrine, not just any doctrine.

Apostles of Christ are few in number. There were not many apostles in the early church. The early apostles connected cities to apostolic grace. Pre-eminent elders, like Diotrephes in John's epistles, prohibited an apostolic grace carrier from influencing a whole region. A mega church does not make its leader an apostle. There needs to be an audit of fivefold ministry today.

2Ki 4:38 When Elisha returned to Gilgal, *there was* a famine in the land. As the **sons of the prophets** were sitting before him, he said to his servant, "Put on the large pot and boil stew for the sons of the prophets."

Sons of the prophets = sons of multiple prophetic agencies.

2Ki 4:39 Then one went out into the **field to gather herbs**, and found a wild vine and gathered from it his lap full of wild gourds, and came and sliced them into the pot of stew, for they did not know *what they were*.

Fields = sadeh = 'open country; pasture lands in which sheep are fed; used to describe a plot of land and in which one could meditate without being disturbed.; a field in which a man is slain; this word, sadeh, is the opposite of the tent of meeting = it is the antithesis of a place where you meet God; also speaks of land that belonged to a tribe in the nation.

Herbs = implies something luminous.

Wild vine is found. The vine is supposed to give you grapes which is revelation. He collects wild vines.

Lapful = begged = covering;

Your food that you eat is revelation that supposed to be your covering;

2Ki 4:40 So they poured *it* out for the men to eat. And as they were eating of the stew, they cried out and said, "O **man of God**, there is **death in the pot**." And they were unable to eat.

2Ki 4:41 But he said, "Now bring **meal**." He threw it into the pot and said, "Pour *it* out for the people that they may eat." Then there was **no harm in the pot**.

'Meal' is a picture of the doctrine in Elisha.

You cannot go to anyone's fields to get your food. Do not mix your seed. Only eat from the field where you 'meet with God'. Do not eat in a field where you get WILD vine, but which is not TRUE Vine. **That food or doctrine which comes to you becomes your covering.**

There were sons of the prophets – multiple groups.

GRACE COMES THROUGH COMMUNICATION

The way you receive the food is through communication. **Grace comes to you by your hearing the PRIMARY VOICE speaking to you – this is the voice of your spiritual father.**

GRACE comes through **SHOUTS – PROCLAMATION**. James taught that if you can perfect your speech, you will be perfect. **Whatever we say must be seasoned with grace.**

Zec 4:6 Then he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel saying, '**Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of hosts.**

Zec 4:7 'What are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel *you will become* a plain; and he will bring forth the top stone **with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"**'"

The Holy Spirit does not work in a vacuum. The Spirit looks for a medium in and through which He works. The administration of the Spirit is through mediums.

The capstone is referring to the building programme of God - it will come forth with shouts of grace, grace to it. **The Holy Spirit uses a man to speak the Word of God to people.**

GRACE CAN BE COMMUNICATED THROUGH SALUTATIONS AND BENEDICTIONS.

Refer to the start and ending of the epistles. The last verse in the book of Revelation is a declaration of grace.

Rev 22:21 **The grace of the Lord Jesus** be with all. Amen.

Do not spend too much time counselling people without first having released grace to them.

Our houses must be communities of grace. It must be **an environment of grace.**

THE ADMINISTRATION OF GRACE

All GRACE comes from God. You cannot lay claim to grace. Do not threaten people with the fact that they will be graceless if they leave you. **When people leave you, commend them to the grace of God.**

The gift of the grace of God comes to us through once source – Jesus Christ.

Grace cannot be purchased – it is a free gift. Do not use your grace to motivate tithes and first fruits. **Don't sell the grace. Grace cannot be purchased.**

To grace carriers, your sustenance is not in your people, it is in the grace that God gave you. His GRACE is sufficient.

1 Cor. 1:4-7

1Co 1:4 I thank my God always concerning you for **the grace of God which was given you** in Christ Jesus,
 1 Co 1:5 that in everything **you were enriched in Him**, in all speech and all knowledge,
 1 Co 1:6 even as the testimony concerning Christ was confirmed in you,
 1 Co 1:7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, awaiting eagerly the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ,

The Silos of grace in the New Covenant were the first twelve apostles. Consider the feeding of the five thousand men. Five is the number of grace. Men are seed carriers – as heads of families. In the man, identity within the family is established. Fathers sat in groups of 50's and 100's. Jesus took the

bread, and He blessed it – i.e. transferred everything of Himself into it. The twelve apostles were asked to distribute the bread – they gave the fathers – who gave their families. The remnants of the bread were to be collected. Nothing was to be lost. 12 baskets were filled. He said to them, “Have you come because I fed you with bread?” He said, “I am the bread of life; if you eat of me you will live.” Nothing was lost of the bread that the Father gave Him and that He was ready raise it up again in the last days. Jesus brought all of the bread from heaven in His day – and He gave it to the first community of believers – and they could not contain and assimilate all of it – so it was collected and preserved in twelve apostles – with 5 grace configurations – five-fold ministry. Then He said they must eat His body and drink His blood.

Judas hung himself – burst his bowels. Matthias replaced him. 11 apostles could not carry twelve baskets. The Holy Spirit only fell when they were reconstituted as 12.

The predominant grace is that of an apostle who then releases that grace.

We are referencing ‘twelve’ here as a principle of governmental order.

GRACE

Part 7

Be aware of the grace of God within you. **Do not focus so much on the expression or execution of your gift. Do not 'put on a show' – there is an ostentatious culture out there.** We come together to partake of grace – divine nature. It comes to you in Word form. We gather together as the church to receive food from heaven. There are two critical aspects to this.

1. BEING ESTABLISHED IN THE GRACE BY APOSTLES.

Each person has to be firmly established in the grace. **This takes place primarily through the ministry of apostles.** Churches, not headed by an apostle, need to be connected to an apostolic source.

Rom 1:10-12

- Rom 1:10 always in my prayers making request, if perhaps now at last by the will of God I may succeed in coming to you.
- Rom 1:11 For I long to see you so that I may **impart some spiritual gift** to you, that you may be established;
- Rom 1:12 that is, that I may be encouraged together with you *while* among you, each of us by the other's faith, both yours and mine.

Established = sterizo = to become resolute, to be confirmed, steadfastly set.

Establishment of believers is the work of apostles. Apostles establish churches – making sure that everything complies with God's design for His house.

Every ministry must be connected to a legitimate apostolic grace. Paul made repeated visits to churches he founded – each time a greater establishment took place.

Evangelist Philip had a revival in Samaria. Apostles went in to establish the work of God there. An Evangelist may start a congregation, but apostles establish it.

2. PEOPLE PARTAKING OF GRACE

Houses need to be continuously fed by grace. **Everyone that is a leader – and elder, must be able to teach SOUND doctrine** (not apostle's doctrine). Those who communicate the grace they receive from their spiritual father, cannot replace the apostolic grace. They will share it with people as sound doctrine. **'Sound' means 'wholesome'**. The doctrine becomes bread to their houses. Doctrines must be presented as 'food'. Manna fell as apostolic doctrine under the leadership of Moses. Manna was taken into their houses and transformed into meal. **Bring the doctrine down to the taste levels that will appeal to your people. Make it into 'bread'.**

Acts 2:42-45

- Act 2:42 They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
- Act 2:43 Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles.
- Act 2:44 And all those who had believed were together and had all things in common;
- Act 2:45 and they *began* selling their property and possessions and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need.
- Act 2:46 Day by day continuing with one mind **in the temple**, and breaking bread **from house to house**, they were taking their meals together **with gladness and sincerity of heart**,
- Act 2:47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Temple = a picture of the city church where apostles dispense doctrine.

House to house = from family to family. Your true family is your spiritual family. The venue was not the point. How they gathered was the point.

When leaders leave the corporate gathering, they break bread (word) from house to house. The food spoken of here is grace through the word.

Receive the word with gladness and simplicity of heart. When we break bread (word) from house to house, the grace of God will spread rapidly.

- * Grace is distributed to apostles, but has secondary graces like pastor or prophets, etc.
- * **When apostles receive the grace, they receive the grace within the environment of a family.** You can never have gladness and simplicity of heart unless you have family.

Mat 24:45 "Who then is the **faithful and sensible** slave whom his **master put in charge of his household** to give them their food at the proper time?"

Faithfulness is critical for those apostles who dispense grace.

Also pray for **wisdom** (sensitivity) in how you speak the Word to distribute grace.

You must adopt the attitude of a slave. **Servanthood** is the highest office in the Kingdom.

This man gets to rule the household.

This is addressed to His apostles. **Faithfulness, wisdom and servanthood is essential.**

Food in due season. Due Season = at every time a kairos arrives.

Matt 24:46-51

- Mat 24:46 "Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes.
- Mat 24:47 "Truly I say to you that he will put him **in charge** of all his possessions.
- Mat 24:48 "But if that evil slave says in his heart, 'My master is not coming for a long time,'
- Mat 24:49 and begins to beat his fellow slaves and eat and drink with drunkards;
- Mat 24:50 the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect *him* and at an hour which he does not know,
- Mat 24:51 and will cut him in pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

When we establish churches, we should bring them food from 'kairos' so that their households can live.

✳ **Stewardship of Apostolic Grace**

Eph. 3:1-3

- Eph 3:1 For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles -
- Eph 3:2 if indeed you have heard of **the stewardship of God's grace** which was given to me for you;
- Eph 3:3 that **by revelation there** was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before in brief.

Administration/Stewardship = management of household affairs. The substance he was called to manage was grace. Paul's apostleship was restricted. He could not go to the Jews. **Know your boundary. Your boundary has got to do with your measure of grace. Within this ambit, you must know how to dispense grace.**

Note also the grace given to Paul was for others.

Note He receives it by 'revelation'.

Eph 3:4-5

- Eph 3:4 By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ,
- Eph 3:5 which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit;

The hall-mark of an apostolic ministry is revelation. **The quintessential feature of an apostolic grace is revelation.** Not everyone who carries the title of apostle communicates grace.

Luke 11:49-54

- Luk 11:49 "For this reason also the **wisdom of God** said, 'I will send to them prophets and apostles, and *some* of them they will kill and *some* they will persecute,
- Luk 11:50 so that the blood of all the prophets, shed since the foundation of the world, may be charged against this generation,
- Luk 11:51 from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who was killed between the altar and the house of God; yes, I tell you, it shall be charged against this generation.'
- Luk 11:52 "Woe to **you lawyers!** For you have taken away the **key of knowledge**; you yourselves did not enter, and you hindered those who were entering."
- Luk 11:53 When He left there, the scribes and the Pharisees began to be very hostile and to question Him closely on many subjects,
- Luk 11:54 plotting against Him to catch *Him* in something He might say.

Apostles that bring grace decode the mysteries of heaven.

Fivefold grace has only one thing in mind, viz. to build the Body of Christ.

Eph. 3:4-10

- Eph 3:4 By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ,
- Eph 3:5 which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been **revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit;**
- Eph 3:6 *to be specific*, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel, of which I was made a minister, **according to the gift of God's grace** which was given to me according to the working of His power.
- Eph 3:7** To me, the very least of all saints, **this grace was given**, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ,
- Eph 3:8 and to bring to light what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things;
- Eph 3:9 so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly *places*.

Who receives GRACE?1. **Grace is given to the humble.**

Humble means 'to stoop'. It is an attitude of the heart. You look to a superior to give you something.

James 4:1-10

- Jas 4:1 What is the source of quarrels and conflicts among you? Is not the source your pleasures that wage war in your members?
- Jas 4:2 You lust and do not have; *so* you commit murder. You are envious and cannot obtain; *so* you fight and quarrel. You do not have because you do not ask.
- Jas 4:3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend *it* on your pleasures.
- Jas 4:4 You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.
- Jas 4:5 Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose: "He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"?
- Jas 4:6 But He gives a greater grace. Therefore *it* says, "**GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE.**"
- Jas 4:7 Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.
- Jas 4:8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.
- Jas 4:9 Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom.
- Jas 4:10 **Humble yourselves** in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.

Do not ask God for anything that will promote you in this world. Don't look for another domain. Every day when you come before God say, "Without you I am nothing". Humility is where you analyse your whole life and realise that you are a human in creation, created by a Creator – and hence your connection to the Creator is critical for success. Hence you rely on God for everything in

life. Become poor in spirit. Become nothing in your own eyes and reliant on God to fill you with substance.

Super-abundant grace will come to people who have completely surrendered their lives to God.

To get grace you must learn how to give. To give you have to be humble. To 'go down' you have to die to everything you have. He makes ALL GRACE abound to you.

Keep a disposition of humility. All seek to serve others. Obey God in the area of giving. Not just money – but all things. ALL GRACE will abound to you.

Christ's humility became humiliation. In his humiliation was His exaltation.

Grace is given to the uncovetous person.

Grace is given to those who do not have a root of bitterness.

1 Peter 5:5-10

- 1Pe 5:5 You younger men, likewise, be subject to *your* elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, **for GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE.**
- 1Pe 5:6 Therefore **humble yourselves** under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time,
- 1Pe 5:7 casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.
- 1Pe 5:8 Be of sober *spirit*, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.
- 1Pe 5:9 But resist him, firm in *your* faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world.
- 1Pe 5:10 After you have suffered for a little while, **the God of all grace**, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen *and* establish you.

Great grace will come to the humble.

The Name of God

Part 1

We seek to speak from the eternal plateau – from the eternal time frames as it exists within the Father. The prophet stands in the counsel of God. In Numbers 10 – Moses crafted two silver trumpets out of one piece of silver. The Old Testament speaks to us through types and shadows, divine cameos, etc. When we look at it, it must **lead us to one concluding point which is Christ** – “Christ in us, the hope of glory”.

Ephesians 1:9-10

Eph 1:9 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him

Eph 1:10 with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, *that is*, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth. In Him

There is the moving back of all to Christ. The Prophet is to recover those truths which are ancient realities in the heart of God the Father. **When God speaks and releases certain in events in each epoch of time, He speaks from outside of time into man’s time and thus a new ‘kairos’ is then initiated.** The prophet releases what God wants in that time frame. The church must enter the specific constituted events in time progressively through time.

In Numbers 10 – Moses crafted **two silver trumpets out of one piece of silver**. **Silver = redemption. Two = witness, testimony, agreement.** These represent two systems from which God wants to make an announcement to the earth. The sound of the trumpet means different things dependent on how it is sounded. Paul says the trumpet must give a certain sound. John said he heard A **VOICE like THE SOUND OF A TRUMPET.**

‘Two’ also has reference to the **seventh trumpet** in the book of Revelation. This **brings God’s business to conclusion.** This is not a physical trumpet – it is the VOICE of God that gets released in a certain kairos that brings God’s work to conclusion.

THE NAME OF GOD

There is an administration behind the name.

John 17:6 "I have **manifested Your name** to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.

Joh 17:26 and I have made **Your name known to them**, and will make it known, so that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

This implies intimacy with the one to whom the name was revealed. God wants ‘HIS NAME’ to be sounded forth and understood properly.

'Silver trumpets' release redemptive truth relative to the 'kairos' in which the church stands.

Things in Heaven and Earth must be **loosed by the VOICE** in order to bring all things under one head, even Christ.

The phrase "in the fullness of the dispensation of time":

Dispensation = oikonomia (oikos = house 'nomia' from nemo = to dispense).

The 'dispensation of the times of all the kairoses', viz. **God will gather all of this into one concluding point.**

Many things have gone off track from what God originally said. God's voice at Sinai shook the earth; but we have come to Mount Zion – and He will once more speak so that all things will be shaken. **The speech of God is to remove everything that is of an earthly humanistic ideology and order. God's speech is to bring everything to its original order and condition.**

The lineage of Christ, in the order of Melchisedek, is the Body of Christ – and **out from God's house – the dispensing of God's intent must take place.**

Revelations 14:1-2

Rev 14:1 Then I looked, and behold, the Lamb *was* 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 *was* like *the sound* of harpists playing on their harps.

Rev 22:3-4

Rev 22:3 There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His bond-servants will serve Him;

Rev 22:4 they will **see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads.**

The name **redefines our mentality** (forehead). The name of God must be **inscribed upon our forehead. The nature and rank of the Father is ours.**

"I am that I am" = Yaweh is His name.

Phil 2:1-11

Php 2:1 Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion,

Php 2:2 make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.

Php 2:3 Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves;

Php 2:4 do not *merely* look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

Php 2:5 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,

Php 2:6 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,

Php 2:7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men.

- 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**.

What is the name above every other name? In the Hebrew, Greek or Latin alphabet, the letter 'J' is not there. The name in Hebrew is the same as JOSHUA in English.

Verses 9-11 above is part of our prophetic registry. When God covenanted with Abraham, we were in the loins of Abraham. We were all in Adam when he sinned. So too, we were in the Christ in redemption. When Abraham paid tithes to Melchisedek, we were in Abraham's loins. When God dealt with Abraham, He was dealing with us. God said to Him that through his offspring **the nations shall be blessed. You are I are included in this**. The term 'Blessed' is to bring to a place of bended knee.

The seed of Abraham is Christ – and we are in Christ. The church is the Body of Christ – not the Body of Jesus. Jesus is the face of the Godhead – He is the Son, who is the Christ. If you belong to Christ – you are Abrahams' seed.

Psalm 2 – the **Father gives the nations to His son**. This is a fulfillment of the covenant God made with Abraham. There is **something about the name of God that will cause the nations to come to a place of bended knee**.

Back to Philippians:

The source of His exaltation is ...	'God'
The title of His exaltation is ...	'Lord'
The response to His exaltation is	'worship'
The purpose of His exaltation is ...	'the glory of the Father'

Rom 10:1-13

- Rom 10:1 Brethren, my heart's desire and my prayer to God for them is for *their* salvation.
- Rom 10:2 For I testify about them that they have a zeal for God, but not in accordance with knowledge.
- Rom 10:3 For not knowing about God's righteousness and seeking to establish their own, they did not subject themselves to the righteousness of God.
- Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.
- Rom 10:5 For Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on law shall live by that righteousness.
- Rom 10:6 But the righteousness based on faith **speaks** as follows: "DO NOT SAY IN YOUR HEART, 'WHO WILL ASCEND INTO HEAVEN?' (that is, to bring Christ down),
- Rom 10:7 or 'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead)."

- Rom 10:8 But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART"--that is, the **word of faith** which **we are preaching**,
- Rom 10:9 **that** if you **confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord**, and **believe in your heart** that God raised Him from the dead, **you will be saved**;
- Rom 10:10 for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.
- Rom 10:11 For the Scripture says, "WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED."
- Rom 10:12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same *Lord* is Lord of all, abounding in riches for all who call on Him;
- Rom 10:13 for "WHOEVER WILL **CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD** WILL BE SAVED."

There are two processes here: Confession in the mouth and belief in the heart. Confess with your mouth Jesus is Lord or Jesus AS Lord.

The Father alone made Jesus Lord and Christ – Acts 2:32-36.

Acts 2:32-36.

- Act 2:32 "This **Jesus God raised up again**, to which we are all witnesses.
- Act 2:33 "Therefore having been **exalted to the right hand of God**, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear.
- Act 2:34 "For it was not David who ascended into heaven, but he himself says: 'THE LORD SAID TO MY LORD, "SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND,
- Act 2:35 UNTIL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES A FOOTSTOOL FOR YOUR FEET.'"
- Act 2:36 "Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that **God has made Him both Lord and Christ**--this Jesus whom you crucified."

You must confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord or Jesus is Lord. You must consider the man, Jesus, as Lord. Consider the 'self-emptying' of Jesus: He was man – yet was totally God. **As a man He brought His life under the Father, and He did not exercise His divine right independantly of the Father.**

Confess with your mouth and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead. Confess Him – that He is Lord. 'Lord' is not 'Adonai', but 'Yahweh – the term for deity.

Psalm 110: "The **LORD** (Yaweh or Jehovah) said unto my **Lord** (adonai)".

Psa 110:1 The **LORD** says to my **Lord**: "Sit at My right hand Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet."

This references the Son coming into equality with the Father. **In His incarnation He receives the name JESUS – the name of His humility/humanity. But when He stood in the Jordan River, the Father said 'THIS IS MY SON'. The Father speaks when a son stands fully-formed in the earth.**

In His birth	His name is	...	'JESUS' ;
In His manifestation	He is	...	'CHRIST'
In His exaltation ,	He is	...	'LORD'

HE is the LORD JESUS CHRIST!

Now He sits at the right hand of God. The receiving of the divine name brought glory to the Father.

In the book of Luke the angel said you shall call Him 'Jesus'. He becomes Christ as a man. He had to wait for 30 years. He prayed with loud crying. **He became obedient - 'ginomai' = growth, development and maturity in obedience.** He became the model for every other son born after His likeness.

'If you confess' – this is a quote from Isaiah 24.

'Confess' means to **'swear allegiance'**. If you confess 'Jesus as Lord' - giving your allegiance to Him.

Isa 33:22 For the **LORD** is our **judge**, The **LORD** is our **lawgiver**, The **LORD** is our **king**; He will save us.

The Lord is our lawgiver (the legislative arm), our judge (my judiciary) and king. In marriage, the woman takes the name of the man upon her. There is an exchange of name. **In confessing Jesus as Lord, you are proclaiming a word to your Lord that will bind you to Him forever.**

Every fact is established by two witnesses:

- (1) Confess with your mouth and
- (2) Believe in your heart.

This is submission of one's entire life to God. The Father has made Him Lord and Christ – see this by revelation.

His divine name now clothes you. The name is in you and you are in the name. This is 'baptism into the NAME'. **Name alludes to nature, rank, power and authority.** In ancient Egypt, every child had two names – his normal name and a name of power or deity.

Confession implies the making of 'a binding statement of intent with your mouth': JESUS IS LORD! He is both LORD and CHRIST.

To study the name, you must study **the mode of who God is.**

We need a full understanding of the **total authority of the name of God.**

When Paul was called, he was told he will **suffer for the 'name'**. Jesus said that we too shall suffer for my name.

To ancient Israel, in the giving of their offerings, they were told to go to the place **where I record my 'name.'**

Where two or three are gathered **in my name**, there I AM in the midst.

Any other name is an illegitimate high place. Israel brought the right sacrifice on the wrong platform. The names of churches does not really count.

In Jewish culture, **the name is the person.**

Those who can **understand the name will do signs and wonders.**

Our **gathering must be unto HIS NAME.**

Genesis 1:1-2

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.

Verse 1: God = Elohim

'Said' = **the creative power of God by the release of His Spirit through speech.**

'God' is the title. What is the name of 'Elohim'?

As the God of **creation** – He is **Elohim**. But when **He cuts covenant with men, He introduces Himself as LORD GOD – Jehovah God.**

Gen 2:4 This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the **LORD God** made earth and heaven

Every time Yaweh wants to destroy , the Elohim nature in God makes a way of escape.

The greatest compound name of God is "**The Lord Jesus Christ**". Moses was the first man to know the Heavenly Father's name some 2500 years after Adam. The forefathers referred to God as El Shaddai – the Almighty Provider.

Exo 6:1-3

Exo 6:1 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh; for under compulsion he will let them go, and under compulsion he will drive them out of his land."

Exo 6:2 God spoke further to Moses and said to him, "I am the LORD;

Exo 6:3 and I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as **God Almighty**, but *by* My name, **LORD**, I did not make Myself known to them.

'God Almighty' = El Shaddai = the fully breasted one. Lord = Jehovah - Yaweh

Exodus 3:1-15

Exo 3:1 Now Moses was pasturing the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian; and he led the flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.

Exo 3:2 The **angel of the LORD** appeared to him in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush; and he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, yet the bush was not consumed.

Exo 3:3 So Moses said, "I must turn aside now and see this marvelous sight, why the bush is not burned up."

Exo 3:4 When the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am."

Exo 3:5 Then He said, "Do not come near here; remove your sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground."

Exo 3:6 He said also, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Then Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Exo 3:7 The LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt, and have given heed to their cry because of their taskmasters, for I am aware of their sufferings.

Exo 3:8 "So I have come down to deliver them from the power of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanite and the Hittite and the Amorite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite.

- Exo 3:9 "Now, behold, the cry of the sons of Israel has come to Me; furthermore, I have seen the oppression with which the Egyptians are oppressing them.
- Exo 3:10 "Therefore, come now, and I will send you to Pharaoh, so that you may bring My people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt."
- Exo 3:11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the sons of Israel out of Egypt?"
- Exo 3:12 And He said, "Certainly I will be with you, and this shall be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God at this mountain."
- Exo 3:13 Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?"
- Exo 3:14 God said to Moses, "**I AM WHO I AM**"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, '**I AM** has sent me to you.'"
- Exo 3:15** God, furthermore, said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, '**The LORD**, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' **This is My name forever**, and this is **My memorial-name to all generations**."

God is revealing Himself in His NAME to Moses.

Jesus, in His exaltation, is given the name 'Lord' in His constitution into deity.

What is the mystery of God? Christ!

Col 2:1-2

- Col 2:1 For I want you to know how great a struggle I have on your behalf and for those who are at Laodicea, and for all those who have not personally seen my face,
- Col 2:2 that their hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love, and *attaining* to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, *resulting* in a true knowledge of **God's mystery**, *that is*, **Christ Himself**,

Rev 10:7 but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then the **mystery of God is finished**, as He preached to His servants the prophets.

This Christ is the fullness of deity in bodily form. 'Elohim' includes Father, Son, Spirit.

'Elo' = the feminine singular
 'him' = masculine plural in the Hebrew.

In Hebrew the masculine overrides the feminine. This is why Elohim creates from within Himself through speech.

The Name of God

Part 2

We are touching God. Virtue is coming to us. Place a demand upon God. Without a demand, there will be no supply. **All of the values and attributes of God culminate in the name, 'FATHER'**. 'Father' is in our midst tonight.

Before we continue with the 'name of God' – here are a few thoughts on the WORD and the PROPHETIC:

The golden candlestick brings forth light – these are luminaries. Jesus walks amongst the lampstands. 'Walks' implies walking in a circular motion. He inspects how relationships in your context are defined. He gives commendation and then a warning. **"You have left your first love" = "You have left your love for my Word"**. The way that the heart is guarded is by us taking the Word. The entrance of the Word brings forth light. Logos = the hidden intelligence of God – the governing principle in the speech of God. The Word has an apostolic assignment – it is sent forth from the mouth of God. It does not return void and empty. It shall accomplish its task.

THE PROPHETIC

All former spiritual values are now centred in Christ.

Hebrews 1:1-9

Heb 1:1 God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways,

The medium of His speech was the prophetic. Now every speaking is in SON (Christ).

Heb 1:2 in these last days has spoken to us **in His Son**, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

Heb 1:3 And He is the **radiance of His glory** and the exact representation of His nature, and **upholds all things by the word of His power**. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Heb 1:4 having become as much better than the angels, as He **has inherited a more excellent name than they**.

Heb 1:5 For to which of the angels did He ever say, "YOU ARE MY SON, TODAY I HAVE BEGOTTEN YOU"? And again, "I WILL BE A FATHER TO HIM AND HE SHALL BE A SON TO ME"?

Heb 1:6 And when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says, "AND LET ALL THE ANGELS OF GOD WORSHIP HIM."

Heb 1:7 And of the angels He says, "WHO MAKES HIS ANGELS WINDS, AND HIS MINISTERS A FLAME OF FIRE."

Heb 1:8 But of the Son *He says*, "YOUR THRONE, O GOD, IS FOREVER AND EVER, AND THE RIGHTEOUS SCEPTER IS THE SCEPTER OF HIS KINGDOM."

- Heb 1:9 "YOU HAVE LOVED RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HATED LAWLESSNESS; THEREFORE GOD, YOUR GOD, HAS ANOINTED YOU WITH THE OIL OF GLADNESS ABOVE YOUR COMPANIONS."
- Heb 1:10 And, "YOU, LORD, IN THE BEGINNING LAID THE FOUNDATION OF THE EARTH, AND THE HEAVENS ARE THE WORKS OF YOUR HANDS;
- Heb 1:11 THEY WILL PERISH, BUT YOU REMAIN; AND THEY ALL WILL BECOME OLD LIKE A GARMENT,
- Heb 1:12 AND LIKE A MANTLE YOU WILL ROLL THEM UP; LIKE A GARMENT THEY WILL ALSO BE CHANGED. BUT YOU ARE THE SAME, AND YOUR YEARS WILL NOT COME TO AN END."
- Heb 1:13 But to which of the angels has He ever said, "SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, UNTIL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES A FOOTSTOOL FOR YOUR FEET"?
- Heb 1:14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent out to render service for the sake of those who will inherit salvation?

There is move from the fragmentary, inconclusive, etc. ---- to the FINAL. The speech of God is now encapsulated in the son who has inherited a name better than angels. When son comes into mature sonship, that is when the voice of the Father is activated. God wants to speak through a corporate son in the earth. God wants us to **become the message – not just to speak the message**.

Radiance = 'to transmit light'. Christ is the radiance of God's glory. The son is the radiance of God's glory. **Glory is the opinion in the mind held about God's reputation**. Our maturity in God must not just be positional but subjectively operational in our lives. The reputation of the Father is at stake in the son. The glory flows out from our works. That glory transmits through light.

Glory = the acknowledgement in the mind of someone of another.

Rev. 1:12, 13

- Rev 1:12 Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands;
- Rev 1:13 and in the middle of the lampstands / saw one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash.

He sustains or upholds all things by the Word of His power (Heb. 1:3).

'Sustains' = undergirds; carry the rigours of the task; shoulder the prophetic burden.

Hebrews 12:22-29

- Heb 12:22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of angels,
- Heb 12:23 to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of *the* righteous made perfect,
- Heb 12:24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks better than *the blood* of Abel.
- Heb 12:25 See to it that you **do not refuse Him who is speaking**. For if those did not escape when they refused him who warned *them* on earth, much less *will we escape* who turn away from Him who *warns* from heaven.

- Heb 12:26 And **His voice shook the earth** then, but now He has promised, saying, "YET ONCE MORE I WILL SHAKE NOT ONLY THE EARTH, BUT ALSO THE HEAVEN."
- Heb 12:27 This *expression*, "Yet once more," denotes **the removing of those things which can be shaken**, as of created things, so that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.
- Heb 12:28 Therefore, since we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service with reverence and awe;
- Heb 12:29 for our God is a consuming fire.

God shook the earth with His voice. God always employs a voice through which he wants to SHAKE. Voice will shake the earth and the heavens.

Joh 18:36 Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews; but as it is, **My kingdom is not of this realm.**"

The Kingdom is eternal – and it is within you. The only way you bring it into visible reality is by obedience to the voice of God.

When there is a falling away from the Throne of God – then the prophetic is activated to realign things. True prophetic ministry is activated to restore the eternal meaning of things as it is valued in God's heart and mind. Thus prophetic ministry is infused apostolic reality. Prophetic ministry must have an apostolic infusion. The prophetic presents the full mind of God to the people. Prophetic ministry must reclaim and recover the things which were lost.

God is after the eternal things.

Prophets attach to God's voice which interprets the mind of God to the people. They do not speak contrary to the original intent in the heart of God. The highest order for prophetic function is the logos.

Eze 1:1 Now it came about in the thirtieth year, on the fifth *day* of the fourth month, while I was by the river Chebar among the exiles, the heavens were opened and I saw visions of God.

Prophets are connected to kairos. Kairos dictates particular purposes. Then you become redemptively relevant. Ezekiel was among the captives – he was never disconnected from the situation into which God was speaking. The same must apply to modern prophets.

We must seek to recover the meaning and implications of the 'name' of God.

BACK TO THE 'NAME' OF GOD

The 'excellent name' is part of what God is downloading to the church. In the book of Acts – see how the apostles understood the NAME of God. **The most comprehensive name of God is FATHER, but there many facets to that name.**

Whatever I have that does not flow out from 'FATHER' is illegal.

In Genesis 1, God = Elohim.

Elo (feminine singular) + HIM (masculine plural).

The principles of maleness and femaleness are locked up within Him.

This was the first way in which God introduced humanity. **You cannot study the name of God without studying the nature of God.**

Heathen parents gave children names that were attributed to demon deities in order to perpetuate the existence of that demon in the earth.

In Matthew 28, we are to **baptise all nations in the NAME**. When we imbibe the command of God within us, this is how we TEACH to the nations – not so much the act of giving verbal instruction, but more the becoming of the instruction or Word before men. This is an apostolic mandate. This is a re-enacting of the Edenic Covenant.

“Go in authority” = exousia = jurisdictional power without resistance. Go in these realms and declare to them the terms of their surrender. But it has got to do with the central issue of the name. Baptise them in the name of Father, Son and Spirit. **When we live in the command of the name of Father, Son and Spirit, then this is how we teach the nations.**

How does Elohim create? He does so by speech: “And God said”.

When God creates, He speaks to a certain entity to bring forth what He wants. When He made man He spoke to Himself. We need to be connected to God Himself. Thus, we too, are 'spirit. **He** who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.

God breathed His breathe into the creation.

This Elohim is the same LOGOS in John 1:1

John 1:1-2

- 1 In the **beginning** was the **Word**, and the **Word** was with God, and the **Word** was God.
- 2 He was in the beginning with God.

God and we create by speaking a WORD.

Faith comes by hearing the Word. But you must connect to the one who brings the word – the preacher. Hear the one sent! You need to connect to sent-ones. Faith is released by speaking.

John 1:3-4

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.

Your light is your life.

The Jews had a reverential fear for the name Yaweh. So they substituted it with Adonai. They considered it to be too holy to be uttered.

Adonai = sovereign Lord, owner, possessor.

But they took away the meaning of deity from the name.

In Phil 2 the response of God to Jesus' self-humiliation is that God gave Him the name 'LORD'. Peter says, "This same Christ whom you crucified – was made both LORD and Christ" – see Acts 2.

He was made LORD in His exaltation. The reason for His exaltation is that God, the Father, would be glorified.

They removed the vowels from Yaweh – it became ineffable – unutterable. That is why Jesus offended the Jews when He said 'I AM'. They wanted to kill Him from this time onwards - they wanted to kill Him because He was making Himself equal to God.

Joh 17:6 "I have **manifested Your name** to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and **they have kept Your word**."

Manifested = to bring out from hidden-ness the truest meaning of the name.

Joh 17:26 and **I have made Your name known to them**, and will make it known, so that the love with which **You loved Me may be in them**, and **I in them**."

Make known = impress it upon them.

Joh 17:11 "I am no longer in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, **keep them in Your name, the name which You have given Me**, that they may **be one even as We are**."

This **name protected the apostles. This name facilitates one-ness. This name is FATHER**. This is a cry from the heart to Him. Jesus taught His apostles to HALLOW His name. The name – is an expression

of HIS nature. 'FATHER' is the family name. **Every time we pray it constitutes me into what He is.** There is a connection of son to Father. Disconnection with the FATHER is death.

When you say 'FATHER' you say 'owner, initiator, I dispossess myself of everything , etc.

Acts 9:15-16

Act 9:15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of Mine, **to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel;**

Act 9:16 for I will show him how much he **must suffer for My name's sake.**"

Acts 15:24-26

Act 15:24 "Since we have heard that some of our number to whom we gave no instruction have disturbed you with *their* words, unsettling your souls,

Act 15:25 it seemed good to us, having become of one mind, to select men to send to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,

Act 15:26 men who have risked their lives **for the name** of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The name 'LORD' expresses 'eternity of being' – "I AM". **He is the timeless one. He is your past, present and future.** The Son made Him known. **So we the sons of God must make Him known to creation.**

The Name of God

Part 3

Jacob's Transformational Journey from Crisis to Identity

We must have the heart of the FATHER.

God will bring us to a crisis point intended not to hurt us but to deal with us. **God will unearth every un-dealt residual issue within our lives.** We have to be totally dead to ourselves. The true breakthrough is to break through YOU - from within yourself. If we are to become the place of divine exchange – there must be no clutter from a previous way of life. **Everything must be brought into compliance with God.**

We must not seek to make a name for ourselves. **Do not try to manufacture something for God to give you affirmation** - this behaviour depicts an orphan spirit.

Many isolate themselves from the mainstream Body of Christ.

The ultimate place in our journey is really 'FATHER'. Fatherhood is our goal. **Bring forth the reality of what He has always made you to be.** You do not have to 'perform' to be like another. There is a deep search for identity. Many seek to find it through activity of church.

In my life, God dealt with me over 18 years to resolve the crisis of identity.

The first thing is the issue of HUMILITY. There must be nothing of you that must come forth. **Things will not change in the lives of your people if you as a leader do not change within.**

Journey out from 'self' into the fullness of God.

Names **carry identity, nature and character** of an individual. **The names of God are all verbs, not nouns.** [e.g. Shaun = 'The gracious one']. God has left us codified messages in the lives of individuals. Search for truth that relates to Christ.

In Jacob's life is a **transformational journey from brokenness' into divine identity.** He wanted to project **self initially. He ultimately came into fatherhood.**

In God there is Father, Son and Spirit. To build correctly, we can only relate out from the eternal and build in it time. The Father revealed the sonship identity of Jesus to Peter. **You need to lock into the Father to get revelation of yourself in your sonship.** You need to **journey outside from yourself – and go into FATHER – and build it in the earth.** We are not time-related beings, but we are spirit.

Jacob is the product of a long lineage. We also have to look at Isaac and Abraham. His origination was not really Isaac but Abraham. Abraham initiated the process of birthing. **Jacob needed to align with core issues imparted in and through Abraham. Twelve sons would spring out from Jacob – and so if he does not understand his identity, the purpose of God could be abruptly aborted.**

Our **primary frame of reference is not our natural lineage, but our spiritual lineage**. Melchisedek existed after a genealogy not known in the earth. **There is nothing of the earth that can define us in Christ**. The earth realm does not define who you are. You are born from above. The Kingdom of God is not of this world. **The orphan spirit is birthed in the context of an identity crisis**.

Abraham	=	Tested Faith
Isaac	=	Promise Made
Jacob	=	Birthright

A son is the social continuance of the father. A son is known by his father. Hence **identity is locked up in who your father is. To know who you are – you must track back into who your FATHER is**.

The son is **the generating power of the father**. The son is the evidence that the father has the ability to birth forth. The father has the ability to 'beget'. The begetting power of a father brings forth sons in the image of the father.

Jacob became the holding place of prophetic promise. If he defaulted, the generations would be misdirected and so purpose would be aborted. **Your life will only be remembered in the sons you have produced**. The **father lives in and through his son**. The son is the exact representation of His father.

Abraham sows, Isaac waters and Jacob reaps the harvest. We are entering into the cycle of sowing of our predecessors. There is the conception of vision and there is the building of the vision (e.g. David and Solomon).

Laban – the uncle spirit – has no fathering grace – he will subject you to hard labour in his ministry. **Sometimes God allows this because God wants to purify you through pressure** [Laban = purity].

Genesis 31:1-2

Gen 31:1 Now Jacob heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, "Jacob has taken away all that was our father's, and from what belonged to our father he has made all this wealth."
 Gen 31:2 Jacob saw the attitude of Laban, and behold, it was not *friendly* toward him as formerly.

Sometimes **God sets you up because you have stopped journeying**. When you stop journeying, you start to build things. E.g. they attempted to build a tower at Shinar (Babel) to reach God.

Gen 31:3 Then the LORD said to Jacob, "Return to the **land of your fathers** and to your relatives, and **I will be with you**."

Here is a prophetic command. A command to go to your father's house. **There is safety in your father's house**.

If your father's prophetic purpose is found, you will find satisfaction and rest for your soul. There will be no labour in seeking for identity. Some are struggling to connect and are afraid to disconnect from Laban. Note that Jacob is given the **promise of God's presence**.

'The land of the father' = a metaphor = the city whose founder and builder is God.

Heb. 11:9-10

- Heb 11:9 By faith he lived as an alien in the land of promise, as in a foreign *land*, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise;
- Heb 11:10 for he **was looking for the city which has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.**

Gen. 32:22-23

- Gen 32:22 Now he arose that **same night** and took his two wives and his two maids and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.
- Gen 32:23 He took them and sent them across the stream. And he sent across whatever he had.

Night = spiritual sunset.

Events of the night represent a climax in Jacob's life. Come to your midnight.

He crossed the river Jabbok. A river is a demarcation in the spirit. Cross-over = penetrate a realm and trans-position yourself – **but only until your prophetic compass is set to find the house of your father.** By doing this – you will be thrust into a time of crisis. This is the hour when all the prophetic promises in your life will come into activation. It is time to 'cross over'. Leave and forgive the unfair treatment you have received in uncle Laban's house.

He cannot move in the night. Night depicts the close of a season. He is shifting out from his night and journeying into light.

You need to be repositioned to start the journey again.

Gen 32:24-32

- Gen 32:24 Then Jacob **was left alone**, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.
- Gen 32:25 When he saw that he had not prevailed against him, he touched the socket of his thigh; so the socket of Jacob's thigh was dislocated while he wrestled with him.
- Gen 32:26 Then he said, "Let me go, for the dawn is breaking." But he said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me."
- Gen 32:27 So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob."
- Gen 32:28 He said, "Your name shall no longer be Jacob, but Israel; for you have striven with God and with men and have prevailed."
- Gen 32:29 Then Jacob asked him and said, "**Please tell me your name.**" But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And he blessed him there.
- Gen 32:30 So Jacob named the place Peniel, for *he said*, "**I have seen God face to face, yet my life has been preserved.**"
- Gen 32:31 Now the sun rose upon him just as he crossed over Peniel, and he was limping on his thigh.
- Gen 32:32 Therefore, to this day the sons of Israel do not eat the sinew of the hip which is on the socket of the thigh, because he touched the socket of Jacob's thigh in the sinew of the hip.

Left alone = secluded even though you are in a crowd. Jesus often found a solitary place to pray. Abraham pitched his tent outside from the camp – to hear God clearly.

God moves you to places of isolation to get you to a place of wrestling.

Wrestling is to give him a new name – his hip is dislodged. His strength is dislodged. God wants to impute a new nature. **You have to become a leaning man – he had external evidence of his wrestle with God. He now had to lean on God for every decision he had to make.**

It is time to give up some stuff because it will impede your progress in the journey. **You can only wrestle until daybreak – there will come a time of day break and illumination.**

After his encounter with God, the journey began for Jacob.

NOW GOD SAYS TO HIM **GO UP TO BETHEL.**

Gen.35:1-3

- Gen 35:1 Then God said to Jacob, "Arise, **go up** to Bethel and live there, and make an altar there to God, who appeared to you when you fled from your brother Esau."
- Gen 35:2 So Jacob said to his household and to all who were with him, "Put away the foreign gods which are among you, and **purify yourselves** and **change your garments**;
- Gen 35:3 and let us arise and go up to Bethel, and I will **make an altar there to God**, who answered me in the day of my distress and has been with me wherever I have gone."

Now, altar building becomes part of his life (prayer, etc.).

Gen. 35:4-5

- Gen 35:4 So they gave to Jacob all the foreign gods which they had and the rings which were in their ears, and Jacob hid them under the oak which was near Shechem.
- Gen 35:5 As they journeyed, there was a great terror upon the cities which were around them, and they did not pursue the sons of Jacob.

At Shechem you bury your old idols = misrepresentations of Christ. You bury the orphan spirit – the inaccurate image of Father. **Shechem is a place of internal purification. Your whole household is brought into corporate compliance.**

The next level is to deal with issues of the past where brothers have hurt you. Jacob now reconciles with Esau. David sang the song of the bow. Sing the praise of those who were once fathers in your life without cursing them.

Gen 36:16-21

- Gen 35:16 Then they journeyed from Bethel; and when there was still some distance to go to Ephrath, Rachel began to give birth and she suffered severe labor.
- Gen 35:17 When she was in severe labor the midwife said to her, "Do not fear, for now you have another son."
- Gen 35:18 It came about as her soul was departing (for she died), that she named him Ben-oni; but **his father called him Benjamin.**
- Gen 35:19 So Rachel died and was buried on the way to Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem).
- Gen 35:20 Jacob set up a pillar over her grave; that is the pillar of Rachel's grave to this day.
- Gen 35:21 Then Israel journeyed on and pitched his tent **beyond the tower of Eder.**

He goes to BETHEL and then Bethlehem = house of Bread = a house that dispenses grace and Christ.

Tower of Eder = a governmental position in the spirit. Now you can be sent. You become a giant in the spirit yet you remain as humble as a dove.

EDER = Same as Edar = Flock; (root = to keep in ranks; to keep in order; to lack nothing).

End-Time Church Environment

The final battle is between two positions: Zion vs. Babylon. We must understand the spirit of Babylon. Babylon summarises all the operations of how the devil will manifest and operate. Zion is how God wants to manifest the end time church. Zion is a place that God wants to move the end time church to. **Zion = position of purity, integrity**, etc. HE exists with us. Zion is a parched land where **only light exists**. There will be a clash between Zion and Babylon.

The spirit of Jezebel is assigned to the prophetic. It brings sensuality to God's leaders and leads them astray. Jezebel = un-covenanted or un-husbanded.

Babylon is mentioned in Gen 11, Jeremiah, Daniel and in Revelation.

Babylon means '**confusion**'. God confused their language because the people built a structure so that through humanism or ideology they wanted to reach God – a humanistic system of religion to reach into the heavens without the mediator called 'Christ'.

Humanism is taking many people away. A God-consciousness is absent – and **man himself is central to everything**. There is the **corrupting of all values in humanity**.

In Babylon, Israel sang, 'How can we sing the Lord's song in a strange land'. **"Sing" = the exuding of a mentality and of a principle**. We are in the world but not of this world. There are man-made systems regulating the world.

In Jer. 29: --- they were already 16 years in Babylonian captivity – Jeremiah himself was not in Babylon. Jeremiah 29:11 ("For I know the plans that I have for you declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not calamity to give you a future and a hope") exists within the context of Babylonian captivity – and so he is telling them that their captivity will not be forever. God said to pray for the peace of the city to which you are captive and you will have peace. God told them to increase in Babylon – do not decrease.

In the book of Daniel, Babylon is mentioned again. In Daniel 1:8 - he determined that he will not defile himself.

Come to an internal resolution of heart that you will not defile yourself. The issue here in Daniel is **non-conformity to the world standards**.

In the book of Revelation 18, John saw **Babylon, the great, as fallen**. The whore rides on a beast – seven heads (mind-set) and horn (govt). **This woman is a fallen church which has fallen into a stupor governed by principles of the world**. The **kings of the earth** give her the maddening wine of her adulteries. **Wine = ideology or philosophies of the earth**. The **saints totter as well**. This woman is beautifully dressed in fine garments – but she is **a prostitute whoring with the church of Christ**. The uninitiated will get drunk on her wine.

This woman has fallen and she enters into covenant.

The apostles and prophets rejoice at the fall of the system. The **kings of the earth weep** (because of economics). These kings can also refer to **church leaders who have merchandised the gospel.**

This whore (false church) is in agreement with some pastors. The kings of the earth mourn. Apostles and prophets rejoice – so we too today need to rejoice. **Babylon is a fallen reality.**

The First World seeks, through imperialistic tendencies, to impose their influence upon the Third World. This church will not escape by rapture. **The first fruit church will subdue the environment in which they live. It is possible to plant a church in a demonically infested world.** The modern church only operates on pastors, teachers and evangelists. **God is shooting now with apostolic-prophetic precision.**

To **exit Babylon is to exit the principles that govern Babylon in your mind-set.** As a man thinks so is he. The sickness of this age will be **stress and distress.** There will be blasphemy against God and the saints. There is no peace in this world. There is a leadership crisis in the world. In the end time, the greatest wars will be fought over water. **Satan finds expression through human gates.**

The House of God should provide adequate leadership. **The absolute standard is still the Word of God in a world of relativism.** Even prophecy is to be bolted onto the unfailing Word of God. The will of God is not subjected to what the events of the earth are. We are seated with Him in heavenly places. Some prophets study the newspaper – and then determine what the will of God is. You cannot do this. **The will of God is not determined by where the devil lives – nor his activity.**

The tares are removed at the end of the age – when harvest comes. There is mixture in the present church. The problem lies in the human hearts.

Jer 17:9 "The heart is more deceitful than all else and is desperately sick; who can understand it?"

The economic crisis in Europe will not abate. China is about to feel the tremors of the Spirit of the Lord. The Sovereign Lord first reveals His secrets to His servants the prophets.

God is not standing aloof from the crisis in the earth. King Ahab marries Jezebel. Jezebel is the voice. When Ahab speaks, Jezebel is controlling it. Any piece of legislation not in alignment with the throne of God is not legal. Israel is married to Baal worship through Jezebel. Elijah comes into this mess. Elijah = Eli + Jah (Yaweh) = this is an injection of the name or nature of God into the system.

‘Elijah the Tishbite’: There is no reference to his parentage. Elijah declares “At my word it will rain for three years”. An uninformed church will start praying for rain. **Understand reality from God’s perspective. There is the judgment of God on inappropriate systems.** The seven mountains teachings are not the focus. Zion is the highest elevation.

Sons must become **LIGHT, YEAST and SALT in** the world.

YEAST: The Kingdom of God is like yeast put in dough. The yeast will overtake the dough.
Yeast is an influencing agent.

SALT: Salt preserves, flavours, irritates,

LIGHT: Light permeates the darkness.

Do not be corrupted by your environmental context even though they change your name like they did to Daniel. Daniel prayed three times a day toward Jerusalem. **He looked EAST for enlightenment for how he should live in the system.**

Also Joseph - He became a father to Pharaoh.

The 'super elite' leadership of the earth cannot produce solutions whilst the crisis deepens. God has got mega-sons. **WE ARE THE SOLUTION.**

Micah 4:1-3

Mic 4:1 And it will come about in the last days **That the mountain of the house of the LORD Will be established as the chief of the mountains.** It will be raised above the hills, And the peoples will stream to it.

Mic 4:2 Many nations will come and say, "**Come and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD And to the house of the God of Jacob,** That He may teach us about His ways And that we may walk in His paths." For from Zion will go forth the law, Even the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

Mic 4:3 And He will judge between many peoples And render decisions for mighty, distant nations. Then they will hammer their swords into plowshares And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation will not lift up sword against nation, And never again will they train for war.

The directional flow of all things is not us going into seven mountains, but they coming to us because they see something in us that they want. When they are bankrupt - they will come to us. **Darkness and thick darkness will be upon the people. But in Zion there will be light. Darkness also speaks of distress. Do not keep your heart in distress. The hearts of many will wax cold because of fear.** Things will get worse in the earth. Get the divine order of your entire life right in all respects. **AS long you are accurately connected you will not be deceived nor destroyed.**

The Lord's house is a mountain. **Zion becomes the transmitters of light in a dark Babylonian sky.** Die daily. Your cry must be 'That I may know Him'. Count all things but dung for the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ. This is the position for a mega-son. Give everything back to God – put the seal of FATHER on everything. **LOVE is the currency of the spirit.**

IMPORTANT PROPHETIC IMPERATIVES IN THE PRESENT SEASON:

1. Global purpose on the Nations. Israel is not God's Holy nation. Be global in your perspective.
2. Movement away from fragmentation - to integration - to corporate covenantal loyalty.
3. Integrated joint ownership – covenanted.
4. Father's one thought and opinion which is Christ.
5. Movement back to eternity.
6. Movement to reinstating of the apostolate.

Mega-Sons

Part 1

Luke 5:1-11

- Luk 5:1 Now it happened that while the **crowd was pressing around Him and listening to the word of God, He was standing by the lake of Gennesaret;**
- Luk 5:2 and He saw two boats lying at the edge of the lake; but the fishermen had gotten out of them and were washing their nets.
- Luk 5:3 And He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little way from the land. And He sat down **and began teaching** the people from the boat.
- Luk 5:4 When He had finished speaking, He **said** to Simon, "**Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.**"
- Luk 5:5 Simon answered and said, "Master, we worked hard all night and caught nothing, but I will **do as You say and let down the nets.**"
- Luk 5:6 When they had done this, they enclosed a great quantity of fish, and their nets *began* to break;
- Luk 5:7 so they signaled to their partners in the other boat for them to come and help them. And they came and filled both of the boats, so that they began to sink.
- Luk 5:8 But when Simon Peter saw *that*, he fell down at Jesus' feet, saying, "Go away from me Lord, for I am a sinful man!"
- Luk 5:9 For amazement had seized him and all his companions because of the catch of fish which they had taken;
- Luk 5:10 and so also *were* James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not fear, from now on you will be catching men."
- Luk 5:11 When they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed Him.

This multitude was pressing to hear the Word of the Lord. Note that the disciples had caught nothing the whole night and were washing their nets in the morning. They were getting ready for the next fishing trip. **Do not give up easily.**

They forsook all and followed Him. This fishing miracle was at the early stage of Jesus' ministry. The disciples saw that **breakthrough is connected to obedience to God's Word.**

What was the reason for their success of the great catch. They did not protest against the instruction of the Lord. They responded at the 'Word' of God. People cannot take advice today from leaders. **The concept of 'at Your Word' is foreign for many people today. Hence the supernatural is not being seen in many churches.**

The second fishing expedition takes place in John 21 at the sea of Galilee:

- Joh 21:1 After these things Jesus manifested Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and **He manifested Himself in this way.**
- Joh 21:2 Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the *sons* of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together.

- Joh 21:3 Simon Peter *said to them, "**I am going fishing.**" They *said to him, "We will also come with you." They went out and got into the boat; and that night **they caught nothing.**
- Joh 21:4 But when the day was now breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet **the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.**
- Joh 21:5 So Jesus *said to them, "**Children**, you do not have any fish, do you?" They answered Him, "No."
- Joh 21:6 And He said to them, "Cast the net on the **right-hand side** of the boat and you will find *a catch*." So they cast, and then they were **not able to haul it** in because of the **great number of fish.**
- Joh 21:7 Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved *said to Peter, "**It is the Lord.**" So when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, **he put his outer garment on (for he was stripped for work), and threw himself into the sea.**
- Joh 21:8 But the other disciples came in the little boat, for they were not far from the land, but about one hundred yards away, **dragging the net full of fish.**
- Joh 21:9 So when they got out on the land, they *saw a charcoal fire *already* laid and fish placed on it, and bread.
- Joh 21:10 Jesus *said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have now caught."
- Joh 21:11 Simon Peter went up and **drew the net to land**, full of **large fish, a hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not torn.**
- Joh 21:12 Jesus *said to them, "Come *and* have breakfast." None of the disciples ventured to question Him, "Who are You?" knowing that it was the Lord.
- Joh 21:13 Jesus *came and *took the bread and *gave *it* to them, and the fish likewise.
- Joh 21:14 This is now **the third time that** Jesus was manifested to the disciples, after He was raised from the dead.

This was the third post-resurrection disclosure of Jesus to them. They caught 153 large fish.

153 is a unique number.

- Stephen Jones used two different standards to measure capacity of the jars at Cana. Those jars were 153 cubits.
- Archimedes – said 153 is the measure of the fish.
- 153 individuals had direct blessings from Jesus.
- St Jerome taught that there are only 153 species of fish.

Bible Numerology is important

1 is the number of uniqueness and unity

2 is the number of witness

3 is trinity, and resurrection

4 is nations (four corners of the earth)

5 is the number of grace (5th book of the Bible magnifies grace; 5th Psalm concludes with grace)

8 is new beginnings

9 is the Spirit

10 is the law

11 Is lawlessness (22000 died ; 11X2X1000) (26000=13X2X1000)

13 rebellion

15 triple grace

$$16 = 4 \times 4$$

17 = victory (Genesis 8:4 – the ark rested; Sheaf of the First fruit on 17th day of the month)

- **153**
(1x1x1) + (5x5x5) + (3x3x3) = 153
- Gregory the Great : 153 = 17X9

Augustine discovered that 1+2+3+4+5+6+7+8+9+10+11+12+13+14+15+16+17 = 153

17 Nations were present on the day of Pentecost.

17 Judges at the death of Joshua.

Jacob lived for 17 years in Egypt.

Jeremiah prayed for 17 years

In the book of Romans there are 17 things that will not separate us from the love of Christ.

- **In terms of Gematria, every Hebrew word had a value.**
e.g. Caesar Nero gematria was 666.
Jesus' name had a value of 888
The gematria for fishes and the net = 8X153
Fishers of men = 153
The gematria for joint heirs is 153.
Passover in the Greek has a numerical value of 153.
The words I AM GOD; I = 1; AM =50; GOD= 3. Jesus was declaring 'I am God'.
Son of God is 153. [The Hebrew word is 'Benihaelohim']

They were **LARGE fish. Large = Mega.** These were mega-sons (not mega church).

Characteristics of a MEGA- SON

- Self-Control
- Overcomer
- Nature of His Heavenly Father
- Sensitive to the Spirit of God
- Understand Inheritances
- Walk in Intimacy with God
- Understand that God can Discipline them (God can scourge you)

LARGE FISH:

1. The instruction is "Cast the net on the right side of the boat" – they could not lift the fish into the boat. In the first instance, on the first fishing expedition in Luke 5, they could lift it. Now it is different, viz. **these fish had weight. It is symbolic of the glory. We need people of substance in the church - people that are strong. They have the glory of the latter house.** One mega-son is one whose weight is equal to at least ... 100 people in another church,
5000 people in another church,

100 000 people in another church.

A whole army could not handle Goliath – but David was stronger than the whole army.
Shadrach, Meshack and Abednigo had ‘weight’.

Jaheal in the wilderness killed Sisera – and transitioned a whole nation (compared to Samson who killed many Philistines and could not transition a nation).

John 9 - the man who received his sight and had three upgrades in one day – his perception of Jesus grew from ‘man’ to ‘prophet’ and then to ‘Lord’ in a short space of time. This is rapid growth and rapid migration.

2. **Mega- sons are so heavy that they cannot be lifted into your ship. They cannot be contained in a local church. Local churches must not have a fish tank mentality. This limits growth into full potential. The resources are limited.** The believers here are ornamental. Some have bigger churches which are really like a large aquarium. This is a picture of an institution. Mega-sons will also not fit in a fraternal. There is no democratic process of election in a city church. Mega-sons do not fit into a para-church. He will not fit into anything that has a denominational spirit. Some apostolic churches are denominations. Mega- sons will fit into a network. Institutional ships exist just to make money. Do not partner with this evil generation. There are pastors that hate the voice of God.

3. **Fish had to be dragged to the shore. ‘Shore’ is a picture of the nations.**

Zep 2:11 The LORD *will be* awesome to them, For He will reduce to nothing all the gods of the earth; *People* shall worship Him, Each one from his place, Indeed all the **shores of the nations.** (NKJV)

4. The net did not break. At the first fishing expedition the net broke and the ship began to sink. **There is a net that will not break. There will no longer be schisms in the church.** There is a net where there is no Korah, Jezebel, Adonijah or false brethren. While the harlot is getting worse and worse, the true church is getting better and better. **There are more good people than evil people.**
5. Jesus did not go fishing – but He had fish in readiness on the braai stand for breakfast. The 153 fish are not for breakfast. **Mega-sons are not for breakfast – not for your personal pleasure.** They are not cash cows. Not for personal use. They are kingdom sons. **Beware of church fixation.** There is **something bigger than your local church – it is ‘Kingdom’.**
6. **It is apostolic culture that is able to land mega-sons.** Another ship with four disciples came to assist – they dragged the fish 200 cubits. 200 cubits is the area of the Holy Place. Here you have the culture of the Apostolic (all the articles of furniture). Zech 5 – flying scroll – brings judgement on the sorcerer and thief. **This culture lands the mega-son. Mega sons emerge from a culture. Rich people have difficulty with this – they hate village life. The gospel is preached to the poor.** Institutions cannot land mega-sons.

7. The little ship could not land the 153 fish. Peter drags the fish to the land. **Peter is symbolic of a spiritual father or set man.**
8. **There was no bad fish that required separation** (recall the parable of the dragnet of the Kingdom). This was a clean catch. **Isaiah 52:1** –“for the uncircumcised and unclean shall no longer come to you”.

Isaiah 52:1-2

- Isa 52:1 Awake, awake, Clothe yourself in your strength, O Zion; Clothe yourself in your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city; **For the uncircumcised and the unclean Will no longer come into you.**
- Isa 52:2 Shake yourself from the dust, rise up, O captive Jerusalem; **Loose yourself from the chains around your neck,** O captive daughter of Zion.

N.B. : How does all this happen – how do we secure Mega-sons? The key is HEARING AND OBEYING THE VOICE OF GOD. The issue was how to listen to the voice of God clearly. In English Gematria, “hear ye the voice of the Lord” = 153.

Mega-Sons

Part 2

Read John 21 again.

Note :

- 153 Large fish were caught = **mega-sons**.
- They **cannot be lifted into institutionalised Christianity** - see notes from previous session.
- The kind of ship that will contain the mega-son is the **father-son wineskin**.
- Mega-sons will not break the net. They will **know how to preserve the unity of the gathering**.
- Mega-sons **do not feel that they are too big for the net**. If you have to leave – do so honourably with good manners.
- Mega-sons are **not for breakfast**.
- They have to be landed on the shore – **the nations**.
- 200 cubits = **apostolic culture** is able to draw them into the shore of the nations.
- This was a **clean catch – there was no unclean fish**. The Father-son wineskin **will allow this separation process to take place**.

Amplifying the last point above: A Clean Catch – No 'Tares' or 'unclean' in the Catch.

Previously the enemy was in the midst of the congregation.

Psalm 74:3-4

Psa 74:3 Turn Your footsteps toward the perpetual ruins; The enemy has damaged everything within the sanctuary.

Psa 74:4 Your **adversaries have roared in the midst of Your meeting place**; They have set up their own standards for signs.

- ✓ As we journey toward the end, the tares among us will be no more. There is a filtration process afoot.
- ✓ 'Teach' does not mean 'lecture' but to teach out of a relationship.
- ✓ The man at the wedding without the wedding garment had to be expelled.

- ✓ Do not give your strength to the tare. Give your strength to your son. Do not waste your strength.
 - ✓ If someone is not moved when present truth is shared – he is not saved – he is a tare.
 - ✓ You must be drawn to the Word instinctively as a new babe cries out for milk.
 - ✓ Your sons must rejoice over the Word that you are carrying.
 - ✓ Diagnose your house – if it is full of tares or ‘WORD–SONS’; A mega-son is a Word-based son.
 - ✓ Separate the precious from the vile.
 - ✓ Do not compromise values to get numbers.
 - ✓ If the branch does not bear fruit in three years – remove it.
 - ✓ Do **not allow the enemy to roar in the house.**
 - ✓ As you get older – get more accurate.
- **Mega-Sons LOVE the WORD of GOD.**
 - These Mega-sons come only when Jesus comes. Only when He came, did the catch take place. **The voice of God activated the sons to emerge from the sea.**
 - Jesus **asked for some of the fish they caught**, although He had fish already. This was a **demonstration of first fruit.**

NOW OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING:

John 21:9-10

- Joh 21:9 So when they got out on the land, they *saw a charcoal fire *already* laid and fish placed on it, and bread.
- Joh 21:10 Jesus said to them, "**Bring some of the fish which you have now caught.**"

Tithing is totally supernatural – a natural man cannot tithes. You give to deliver yourself from dependancy on this world, BUT giving has great side effects of blessings. You give to reflect Christ. Paul at the end of his life became the ‘drink offering’. Learn to give from all sources. Do not give off your own account – give off from God’s account. Challenge: Trust God that you will be able to settle someone else’s financial debt.

John 21:1-2

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- Joh 21:2 Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the *sons* of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together.

Seven disciples were present here.

Before this occurred – Jesus appeared to them in the previous chapter:

John 20:20-29

- Joh 20:20 And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. **The disciples then rejoiced when they saw the Lord.**
- Joh 20:21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace *be* with you; **as the Father has sent Me, I also send you.**"
- Joh 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them and *said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.
- Joh 20:23 "If you forgive the sins of any, *their sins* have been forgiven them; if you retain the *sins* of any, they have been retained."
- Joh 20:24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.
- Joh 20:25 So the other disciples were saying to him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."
- Joh 20:26 After eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus *came, the doors having been shut, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace *be* with you."
- Joh 20:27 Then He *said to Thomas, "Reach here with your finger, and see My hands; and reach here your hand and put it into My side; and do not be unbelieving, but believing."
- Joh 20:28 Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"
- Joh 20:29 Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen Me, have you believed? **Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed.**"

Blessed = makarios (from the root MAKRO)

This speaks of enlargement. These are those who have not seen. Some teach that apostles must have seen the Lord physically – but ‘see’ in the Greek means ‘to see with the eyes of the mind’. Jesus said the blessing is to those who have not physically seen Him yet believe.

Then – ‘AFTER THESE THINGS’ - there was a decision to fish. They were indifferent to what they had just seen. They were excited when they saw HIM, they went back fishing. They were governed by selfish interest. (Cf. the prodigal son, Absalom,). They went back into the boat. In the Luke 5 encounter – they forsook everything and followed the Lord – they forsook the boat – but now they run back to the boat. Peter leads the backsliding. There were seven of them. They caught nothing.

They could not operate in resurrection power.

Many people are going fishing without Jesus – without the presence of the Lord. Winning a soul is totally supernatural. **Mega-sons will be landed because the presence of the Lord is in our company.**

They did not recognise Him or His speech – They only recognised Him after the miracle.

Jesus called them ‘children’. This was offensive. Have you any meat? My meat is to do the will of Him who sent me. What Jesus was really saying to them is, **“Is there any will of God left in you?”** They were in their own will and not the will of God.

Simon was naked and covered his nakedness with his fishing clothes - and his old boat (old traditions). **Do not exalt the 'right side' of the boat. It was not the right side but the VOICE of the Lord. Gematria of "Voice of God" = 153.**

The ten lepers responded at the Word of the Lord. Namaan responded in dipping in Jordan seven times. Elijah said "Dig the trench". The widow assembled some vessels. **The demand for sons is OBEDIENCE. You cannot be the son of God without hearing the voice of God.**

Mega-Sons

Part 3

Continued from previous session:

- **Mega-sons OBEY the Voice of the Lord**

Nothing really happens until Jesus comes. The voice of Jesus changed everything. Obedience is the key issue of SONS OF GOD.

At the first fishing expedition, they learnt the value of obedience at the word of the Lord. Now here again, they learn the same lesson of the **importance of obedience.** Many are not producing fruit. The ten lepers were healed as they obeyed. Gehazi, Achan, Saul were unable to obey the man of God. You must know how to take instruction from your spiritual father in the Lord. Jesus said "If you receive the one I send, you receive Me." **Many cannot obey – and thus experience high failure.**

Medical patients give their doctor absolute obedience. **Many problems are solved by simple obedience.** Marriage problems can be easily solved if there is obedience to Godly counsel.

Obedience has to be learned by suffering if you do not obey by instruction. People engage in repetitive patterns of disobedience.

- **Mega-sons are LED by the Spirit**

John 12:15-17

- Joh 21:15 So when they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, *son* of John, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My lambs."
- Joh 21:16 He said to him again a second time, "Simon, *son* of John, do you love Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Shepherd My sheep."
- Joh 21:17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, *son* of John, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You."

Jesus used agape the first two times, where Peter consistently used the word 'phileo' (like).

'Simon, son of Jonah' occurs three times. Simon was not living like the son of God but the son of Jonah. Jonah in the OT disobeyed the voice of God – and Peter was functioning in this spirit.

Jesus knew that Simon loved him.

John 21:18-19

- Joh 21:18 "Truly, truly, I say to you, **when you were younger, you used to gird yourself and walk wherever you wished;** but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will gird you, and bring you where you do not wish to go."
- Joh 21:19 Now this He said, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me!"

‘When you were younger’ = ‘you were led by your own will’.

‘Another will lead you where your flesh does not want you to go’ = this was prefiguring the death in crucifixion with which Peter died. This kind of love is not humanly possible. How? **‘ANOTHER’ will gird you.**

Another = another of the same kind = the Holy Spirit. As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

- **Mega-sons Understand that they have Enemies**

1 Cor 16:8-9

1Co 16:8 But I will remain in Ephesus until Pentecost;
1Co 16:9 for a **wide door for effective service** has opened to me, and **there are many adversaries.**

Phil. 1:27-28

Php 1:27 Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;
Php 1:28 **in no way alarmed by your opponents**--which is a sign of destruction for them, but of salvation for you, and that *too*, from God.

As we mature, there are also casualties- where there are many pastors beset with many problems. Many do not know what adversaries they have.

Three enemies are :

- Satan
- Flesh
- The World

The whole world is under the sway of the wicked one.

SATAN:

The thief comes to destroy.

1 Peter 5:8 – satan can still devour some people.

Col 2:15 Jesus overcame all powers and principalities.

We must enforce the victory of Christ.

See Matt 16:19; 16:17 –Luke 10:19; Rom. 16:20; Eph. 1:22

THE WORLD

Jesus overcame the world: John 16:33

Sons are also called to overcome the world.

Be practical – do not engage in intellectual gymnastics. Tell people how to overcome the world. Be practical. **Give young people rules and regulations. They need to start off with the law. Separate yourself from the system of the world.** Moses fled from the Egyptian system. So did Daniel – he refused to eat the food offered to idols. Samson in his death kills Philistines – die to self. Produce a son that hates the world. We ought not to love the world – otherwise the love of the FATHER is not in us.

FLESH

Jesus said, “Not my will but your will be done”.

Husbands protect yourself – guard against adultery.

What gives a mega-son weight?

Disciple = dead to self, imitator of Christ, dwelling in the word, obedient, fruitful, loves others, exclusive devotion to Christ.

It is the same with sonship. What is the description of a son? **What things confer weight on a son?** The harvest is plenty- but labourers are few. ‘Few’ could also mean ‘little in strength’.

- **A son lives in apostolic culture.** This protects you. The culture is Acts 2:42. See previous schools notes. **This culture is the secret place of the Most High.** Understand the primacy of doctrine. The man in John 9 had three upgrades and could not fit in the old established order.
- **Conscious about their Walk in God.** [Walk in good works, light, love, etc.] Walk = lifestyle. Jacob’s walk changed. The people did not recognise the man in John 9 – everything about him changed – his walk changed. He is not blind – he can see – and this affects the confidence of his walk. **Your walk should change if you are a recipient of apostolic grace.**
- **Understand the principle of sacrifice.** Jonah’s breakthrough took place when he sacrificed. Solomon had glory after sacrifice. Josiah too.

Romans 12:1,2

Rom 12:1 Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to **present your bodies a 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.

You do it by **renewing your mind**. Then the rest of Romans from Rom.12:3 up to Romans 15:33 – is about the good, acceptable and perfect will of God that will result in your life, e.g. humility, sound mind, not slothful in business, etc.

Mega Sons

Part 4

We are sons of the day and not the night.

- **A mega-son is a Low-Maintenance and a High Impact Son.**

David was mightier than Saul's impact.

Paul had Epaphraditus – who had risked his life to supply Paul's material needs. One person made up for the lack of an entire church.

Aristarchus allowed himself to be arrested so that he could take care of Paul.

Onesiphorus looked for Paul to bless him.

Even the feeble will be like David. A little one will become a strong nation.

The impact of a mega-son is greater than the impact of a mega-church.

- **Mega-Sons Understand and Embrace the Mystery of God – which is the Mystery of Christ – which is that in the Body of Christ where there are no Distinctions – There is ONE BODY OF CHRIST**

Let us track this thought:

Rev 10:1

I saw another strong angel coming down out of heaven, **clothed with a cloud; and the rainbow was upon his head, and his face was like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire;**

The book of Revelation is the Revelation of Jesus Christ. In every chapter you should be able to see Jesus Christ.

Angel = messenger = a picture of the Lord Jesus.

Clothed with the cloud. Cloud is a picture also of spirit (including judgement).

A rainbow on His head = picture of love; symbol of covenant; grace of God

Face was as the Sun = God is Light

Fire = a Consuming Fire

**Rainbow = light passing through water – happens at a critical angle of 42 degrees (42nd generation)
A rainbow forms because of light and water. The Word is light and water. Christ is the ultimate carrier of grace.**

Rev.10:2-3

Rev 10:2 and he had in his hand **a little book** which was open. He placed his **right foot on the sea and his left on the land;**

Rev 10:3 and he cried out with a loud voice, as when a **lion roars**; and when he had cried out, the **seven peals of thunder uttered their voices.**

Sea = a picture of the Gentile nations
 Earth/Land = a metaphor for Israel
 Hence One foot on Israel and the other foot on Gentile nations.
 Lion roars = Jesus is the Lion of the tribe of Judah.

Rev 10:4 When the **seven peals of thunder had spoken, I was about to write;** and I heard a **voice from heaven** saying, "**Seal up the things** which the seven peals of thunder have spoken and **do not write them.**"

Three voices: Voice of Jesus (angel)
 Voice of the Seven Thunders
 A voice from Heaven – the Father's voice

What are the seven thunders? The Father has sealed this – God the Father has blocked this. Only John knows this. It is not too important that we know this because the Father Himself has sealed it for some reason. I think that they are the seven offices of the Holy Spirit. The Father silenced this because it was not as important as what the angel has just said.

Rev 10:5 Then the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the **land lifted up his right hand to heaven,**

Rev 10:6 and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, WHO CREATED HEAVEN AND THE THINGS IN IT, AND THE EARTH AND THE THINGS IN IT, AND THE SEA AND THE THINGS IN IT, that there will **be delay (time) no longer,**

God would no longer delay in the execution of a particular purpose.

Rev 10:7 but in the **days of the voice of the seventh angel (i.e. Jesus)** , when he is about to sound, then **the mystery of God is finished**, as He preached to His servants the prophets.

This is a mystery that gets finished or completed. What is this mystery and when exactly do they take place?

A mystery is something hidden in the OT and unravelled in the NT.

Examples of Mysteries:

- **The Mystery of Israel's Blindness:**

Rom 11:25 For I do not want you, brethren, to be **uninformed of this mystery** - so that you will not be wise in your own estimation--that **a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in;**

Rom 11:26 and so all Israel will be saved; just as it is written, "THE DELIVERER WILL COME FROM ZION, HE WILL REMOVE UNGODLINESS FROM JACOB."

Rom 11:27	"THIS IS MY COVENANT WITH THEM, WHEN I TAKE AWAY THEIR SINS."
Rom 11:28	From the standpoint of the gospel they are enemies for your sake, but from the standpoint of <i>God's</i> choice they are beloved for the sake of the fathers;
Rom 11:29	for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.
Rom 11:30	For just as you once were disobedient to God , but now have been shown mercy because of their disobedience ,
Rom 11:31	so these also now have been disobedient, that because of the mercy shown to you they also may now be shown mercy .
Rom 11:32	For God has shut up all in disobedience so that He may show mercy to all.

The only way Israel will be saved is by accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.

- **Mystery of the Resurrection**
- **Mystery of One-ness** Eph. 1:9-10
- **Mystery of Christ and His Church** : Eph. 5:32
- **Mystery of the Gospel** : Eph. 6:19
(Billy Graham gave an incomplete gospel – it was about entrance into Heaven. The gospel is really about the gospel of the Kingdom of God.)
- **Mystery of Christ in You** : Col 1:26
- **Mystery of Lawlessness**:
2 Thess. 2:7. This mystery has been poorly unravelled. See previous school notes for this.
- **Mystery of Faith** 1 Tim 3:8-10
- **Mystery of the Seven Stars** :
- **Mystery of God/ Mystery of Christ** : Rev 10:7

The mystery of God is the mystery of Christ .

Col 2:2 that their hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love, and *attaining* to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, *resulting* in a true **knowledge of God's mystery, that is, Christ Himself**,

Eph. 3:3-12

- Eph 3:3 that by revelation there was made known to me **the mystery**, as I wrote before in brief.
- Eph 3:4 By referring to this, when you read you can understand **my insight into the mystery of Christ**,
- Eph 3:5 which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been **revealed to His holy apostles and prophets** in the Spirit;

- Eph 3:6 *to be specific*, that **the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body**, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel,
- Eph 3:7 of which I was made a minister, according to the gift of God's grace which was given to me according to the working of His power.
- Eph 3:8 To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, **to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ**,
- Eph 3:9 and to bring to light what is the **administration of the mystery** which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things;
- Eph 3:10 so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly *places*.
- Eph 3:11 *This was* in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord,
- Eph 3:12 in whom we have boldness and confident access through faith in Him.

The mystery of Christ is that Gentiles should be fellow heirs of the same Body of Christ. This mystery is given to Paul because of the grace given to him. Gentiles together with Jews form one body. There are no distinctions. The mystery is that there is one body made up of Jews and Gentiles – Jesus the angel is declaring this mystery.

This was accomplished on the cross. It was practiced in the household of Cornelius.

Jesus is presented not in His earthly form nor in His resurrected form – but in His ascended form in Rev. 10. Whatever we see of Christ must be seen in us on the earth. Also this is a picture of we, being the corporate son, must become like Him and grow up into Him in all things.

We too, as mega-sons:

- are the cloud;
- carry the rainbow on our head (grace);
- Have the face of the sun – clothed with the light of God. He will be able to stand in the baptism of fire;
- Carry **the burden of Jesus**;

A **mega-son understands that he has not been given the mystery of condemnation, but of reconciliation**. Jesus was rejected by both Gentiles and Jews, yet He stands on both domains. Paul was convinced that he was given the ministry of reconciliation. In the father-son wineskin, we must not become exclusive.

Even if you are treated badly, your anger must only last a few seconds. Then re-posture yourself. Do not promote divisions in the city.

If you don't love all your brothers, the mystery of God has not been revealed to you. Always remember – there is only one Body – be a catalyst to bring the Body of Christ together. Paul said to the Corinthians churches – YOU are the Temple. Do not encourage fragmentation. The temple in the city is the corporate son of God.

The Body must gather in the city. Cities that do not have the corporate temple are high risk locations.

In many cities it is difficult for pastors to come together. A **mega-son has the burden to see the corporate temple arise.**

Elijah on mount Carmel – the 7000 others did not gather with him. Elijah **was not discouraged** – he prophetically gathered twelve stones – signifying one-ness.

- **Mega-sons are unorthodox in methodology** – cf. Ehud – dagger on His right thigh = covenant. Israel was in bondage to Moab for 18 years. He killed Eglon the Moabite King – and shifted the entire nation into eighty years of rest. Mega-sons destroy the spirit of Moab.
- **Mephibosheth is a Mega-son.** He was lame at the age of 5. His nurse dropped him= Institutionalised church cannot carry grace – they drop grace. He was called to sit at David's table to eat David's bread. He knew how to receive grace from David. **He knows how to sit at the Father's table – the son must be present to sit at that table and eat the father's food. When you are absent regularly – you are no longer called a son. There is a lot of things you cannot capture on CD. You cannot treat the meetings lightly.**

To defile the temple = to treat the table as a common table – him will God destroy.

When David was attacked by Absalom, Mephibosheth did not shave and cut his nails. He identified with his father's shame and pain. He suffered false accusation about inheritance. **He prioritised the relationship above the inheritance.** The table covered his defect. He knew how to receive grace.

Elisha knew how to run after Elijah. **The spiritual father is to give himself to prayer and the Word. There is pain in knowing the Word.** Your mind needs energy – those who study the Word want to eat all the time. Learn how to fight this element. There are many perils.

Elijah tried to discourage Elisha from running after him. **Sons must not have unrealistic expectations on the fathers** (birthdays, anniversary, funerals, etc.).

The mega son – runs after the apostle. The son pursues the father. When you discern grace, pursue it. You will get double portion. What took your father ten years to do, you will do in one day. Elisha pursued Elijah for twenty years.

Do not become familiar – be near your father without tripping over him. In the context of familiarity there is the falling down of grace. In his own city, Jesus could not heal because they were too familiar with him – they could not perceive and value what He truly represented.

Mega-Sons

Part 5

Last night's thunderstorm was a sign that we are moving into a new season. We must speak through the storm.

More Characteristics of Mega-sons:

- A Solomonic son: These **walk into the position of their fathers.**
- Barnabas was a **son of encouragement.**
- Last night we dealt with the issue that mega-sons must **have the ministry of reconciliation.**

Rev. 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 our God day and night.
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 <i>only</i> 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.**

The preceding chapter:

Rev 11:19 And the **temple of God which is in heaven was opened**; and the ark of His covenant appeared in His temple, and there were **flashes of lightning** and **sounds and peals of thunder** and an **earthquake and a great hailstorm.**

The Temple of God is a picture of the mature church. The book of Revelation was written before the destruction of the temple on the earth. Historically, Rev. 12 has been fulfilled. Sun, moon and stars refers to natural Israel (Recall Joseph's dream where he saw sun, moon and stars bowing to him). But the **prophetic picture is one of the mature church, clothed in light – and she is pregnant giving birth to mature sons after the order of Heaven.**

- **Mature sons do not see themselves as earthlings.** We are in Heaven right now. We are seated with Him in heavenly places. This is how Jesus lived on the earth. To Nicodemus, Jesus said "the son of Man which is in heaven". Elijah said to Ahab, "The Lord God before whom I stand". If I am in heaven, then heaven is not my destination. Mega-sons understand this concept.

This is a man-child caught up into heaven. Phil 3:20 – our citizenship is in heaven. You must have a heavenly perspective to bring the will of God on the earth. The will of God on the earth must be imposed on the earth by sons.

Another son is spoken of in Rev 12:15-16. The dragon makes war with the woman's other children. The devil goes after this offspring. There are two kinds of son – one lives in heaven and one that is living on the earth. **Those on earth are subject to demonic attack. You will be covered by the dust of the earth - and satan's food is dust.** If you are heavenly minded - you will know how to live on the earth. **The devil could not touch the one who was caught up into heaven.**

What is on the earth? There are systems that micro-sons become contaminated with. They know that they are aliens in a 'strange land'. They find themselves in sitting positions by an inaccurate River - Babylon. They are in 'Egypt' – in bondage. The spirit of Egypt restricts your migration. Many enjoy being trapped in the system of this world. Daniel had a heavenly perspective in Babylon. You must RULE over yourself.

- **Mega-Sons do not Love the World Nor the Things in the World**

What is the spirit of the World? Post-modernism.

The **pre-modern world** prior to the 1500's was open to God. **There was yielded-ness to authority. God was the centre.**

Modern World: From 1500 – 1950 – the centralisation of governments, mass media. This was **MAN-centred. There was relativism. Man became materialistic. Man became dependant on his own intelligence.**

Post Modern Thought:

There is no centre! There is pro-environmentalism; Opposition to all authority; they oppose 'set-man'; there is **no distinction between truth and error**; they have relative truth – there is no absolute truth; failure to define rape and murder as crimes.

There are absolute truths!

Even **morals are relative** today. Homosexuality, abortion, feminism is defended. There is no demand to live righteously. There is no such thing as sin. There is mistrust for modern thinking and science.

Post-modernism believes in **equality of religion.**

Post-modernism is **guided by opinions** – they say, "opinion can show rational conclusion".

Even **Christian TV is beset by post-modernism**

Post-modernism is **form without substance.**

Status is determined by externals – right music, etc.

Post-modernism **tolerates all things.** Jezebel is in leadership here.

In Post modernism, there is no centre! This is a **spirit of insanity.** In the **spirit of animosity** there is the **governance of the BEAST** – here there **is carnality.** It says you must be **master of your own destiny.** But you have to die to this world. Love this world nor the things of this world – or else the love of the Father is not in you. **Do not love this world nor the things of this world.**

Jesus said, "Do you love me more than these". 'These' is a reference to fish, boat and fishing equipment. Peter had to FOLLOW Jesus – follow all the way to heaven – and live by a heavenly perspective. **What is legitimate for the earthling is not legitimate for the heaven-ling.**

Love not the 'things of this world'. There is a position above the things of this earth. It is a position of great joy. It gives you victory over the flesh. While you are on the earth you are subject to all kinds of sins.

You cannot have the love of the FATHER if you love the world.

In heaven, you are walking on a street of gold – Jesus is this street. Your walk must be accurate. Otherwise you will have problems – like Marriage, Money, Medical, Ministry, Mental problems.

If you have problems in your marriage - you will not step into what God has called you to do.

Be **careful as to what music you listen to**. Music is a powerful thing. Michael Jackson was a failure. He had identity issues. Same with Whitney Huston and Elvis Presley. Celebrities are lonely. They all started in the church. They were not fathered. Music often times is governed by the snake.

There is no such thing as innocent music. Your mind is sacred ground – the meeting place with God – the Eden of God in the cool of the day. Therefore guard your mind. Produce a pure mind. **Have the rainbow over your mind. Train your sons to cast down imaginations alien to Christ. He must become the master of his mind. He must become the spiritual mind.**

Music feeds the flesh and encourages the flesh. That which is born of the flesh is fleshly. Can a fountain send forth sweet and bitter water? The thunder in Rev. 10 is the Holy Spirit. On Sinai His voice sounded for them to sanctify themselves. **Young people must be given rules and regulations.**

Loving the world, you abort the capacity to having the love of the Father in you.

Rev 14:1 Then I looked, and behold, the **Lamb was 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.

- 144 000 is not a literal number – it is a metaphoric number (12X12X1000)
12 = **government, overcomer, dominion.**
10X10X10 =1000
10 = 5X2 = **double grace.** (Isaiah 61:7 – double honour)
- These are first fruits unto the Lord – i.e. the rest will look just like them.
- All Jews – the **true Jew is one that is circumcised in the heart.** After the destruction of the Temple, all records were destroyed.
- Name of the Father on their forehead – a **symbol of ownership**; Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost – you are not your own; 1 Cor. 3:23 – You are Christ's; Hence **you determine the condition of the people on the earth**; Rom. 9:25; Rev 18:11 – 'Come out of her my people'; Rom 14:8 – we are the Lord's.
- Name on our forehead: **Seal of protection**; Ezek. 9 – Mark their foreheads; 'Mark' = teau = name of the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet – it is a cross = prophetic of the '**in Christ position**'.
- Mark on the forehead = **character of God**; Priest had to wear a turban with '**Holiness to the Lord**' engraved. 'He who keeps himself, satan cannot touch him'
- Mark on the forehead is also a **seal of the overcomer.**

What must the sons of God overcome?

(1) **The Beast** – the system of carnality; overcome the beast in your marriage'; marriage is honourable; the beast in your children must be overcome; overcome the beast in your whole family – involve all of them in the work of the Lord; (wickedness is tied up in the heart of a child); **prompt discipline of sons is essential.** Prov. 23:13; 29:9; have rules for children, Examples :

- Impromptu inspect bags, wardrobes of your children regularly;
- Check out friends and choose them for your kids;

- No debs ball and proms;
- Sunday is the Lord's day;
- If caught with drugs - use disproportionate justice;
- Take grandchildren to church;
- Educate children to not blame parents for their mistakes.

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This was school number twenty three
 What could the meaning of this number be?
 Called to apostolic ministry?
 Or two plus three for grace, you see

To catch this message with your heart
 You have to shut down to restart
 So lay down your charismatic mentality
 Or you won't understand this family

We build a culture of fellowship
 With tea and snacks, a chip and a dip
 We stay together and tolerate snoring
 We seek God's voice in the lion's roaring

Thamo spoke about the second time
 When God revisits your paradigm
 It's like the book of Deuteronomy
 Where He gives you stronger lenses to see

Revelation will be shut down for a while
 Till the word already received, has altered
 your style
 But if you should not submit and agree
 You'll say "the grace does not work for me"

The things of Christ have been concealed
 And therefore have to be revealed
 But theology man learns and believes
 It's the knowledge that the flesh achieves

We have to process the things God has shown
 Before He will make any more secrets known
 Our teachings need to be redefined
 To ensure they still convey God's mind

We came to see God's awesome plan
 Man meant for light and light for man
 It's the reason for our spiritual birth
 It's the way God's glory will fill the earth

So God created the darkness of night
 Which really is the absence of light
 He also created calamity
 And man has lost his sanity

God is the future and also the past
 It's all one place - the first and the last
 What goes around will come around
 From light we get photo and also sound

While man is searching for vitality
 It's light that carries immortality
 But now there's still a cosmic groan
 Until the day God can be shown

Of this one thing you can be certain
 Each heaven is pictured as a curtain
 While light is wisdom and revelation
 Glory will be its manifestation

We heard of a super-abundance of grace
 Where God will be shown to the human race
 If grace is in you, people will know it
 For every part of your life will show it

It's really a substance that can be explained
 But you need to have an ear that is trained
 An essence that refers to a reality
 And also related to divinity

Because of this grace we will function
 Not from ourselves but with heavenly unction
 It's the imposition of the nature divine
 Into a body like yours and mine

In a system not properly constituted
 You'll see that grace is prostituted
 By sceptres, thrones and armour-bearers
 Short sermons, smoke rooms and signet-ring
 wearers

And then there is the doma grace
 Tailor-made for every face
 To study this you can look at the ark
 And the rod that blossomed in the dark

The grace that's really from above
 Will always show itself in love
 And it will overshadow all
 That we've kept over from the fall

There was a day when Saul of Tarsus
Came to know of hypostasis
It really speaks about the basis
Of all the different forms of graces

Peter's shadow has declared
This stuff in us can also be shared
We learnt what Jesus meant when He said
Ask your Father for your daily bread

It's God dispensing Himself to you
And that is why it is so true
We will become just what we eat
So the manna of grace must be our meat

It comes in quotas called dabar
It's not about your house or car
But if the rhema word is heeded
It carries everything that's needed

And so God uses your set man's voice
A method in which you have no choice
The law will come your desire to test
And lead you to a place of rest

Grace may be seen in the external
But is based upon the truth internal
So the inner man will be verified
By what he is on the outside

Whether it's daughter, son or spouse
There's only one way to build God's house
And come to a place where our labours cease
It's all locked up in the grace we release

This is not like primary school
It's only by the word we rule
But our conduct should also underline
That our authority is doing fine

If you are eating from the wrong man's field
Then death is all your pot will yield
But a pure apostolic stream will supply
The word of covering, and you won't die

And so the agent is Zerubbabel
Though in himself not capable
But the Holy Spirit through him will shout
And the grace will bring the capstone out

God has arranged something special
By dispensing His grace in a certain vessel
The agency of the apostle is used
For the bread of doctrine to be produced

When apostles' doctrine is received
Before by the church it can be believed
It has to be made into food
And then the people will say "It is good"

Apostles come to establish the saints
And help them break through their restraints
Now you can clearly see the reason
Why the sent one gives food in due season

So here is the answer for the nation
The hallmark of apostles is revelation
To go to heaven, the stuff to get
And set the house of God erect

The answer to your ability
Lies only in your humility
Then your preaching will pierce the heart
And bitterness won't play a part

Shaun did not take us for tea and crumpets
When he spoke on the two silver trumpets
He used the word to make us see
How nations will come to bended knee

It's not just some religious game
But all about using God's holy Name
This is the essence of the two-edged sword
You have to confess Jesus as Lord

So when you do that, allegiance you swear
How can you ever backslide from there
Your body becomes a living sacrifice
And you do what is right, not what is nice

God's voice is always activated
And heavenly order out of chaos created
When a son, mature, in the earth does stand
To represent Him in the land

So by this time you must have heard
God always creates by speaking a word
But for this word to bring faith to your heart
Connect to the preacher – that is your part

We head the Name of El-Shaddai
And also that of Adonai
But still the greatest of them all
"Abba Father" – that's our call

We had a look at Jacob's life
One that started with cheating and strife
So if you connect to the words God spoke
You too can become a pleasant bloke

The way for God to take the nations
Is that we build in generations
But if you don't become a leaning man
You will not have a part in this plan

So that which is in the father's heart
Will be built by a son if he is smart
The way to do it with kids and wife
Is to model it in their family life

You cannot journey in the night
But have to cross over when the time is right
The daybreak will end your wrestling match
You have an appointment with Esau to catch

We came to see the different conditions
Regarding the two end-time positions
On one side there is Babylon
Described by Jeremiah and John

And then there's Zion, the highest mount
It's not defined by an earthly account
It does not drink the harlot's wine
But salt, yeast and light will make it shine

Your only hope, in this parched, dry place
Is that of standing in His grace
Pouring out your life unto death
Willing to also give up your breath

Sagie took us on a fishing trip
And also gave us a useful tip
On how to catch a mega-son
The type you would call number one

There's something Augustine did see
It's got to do with the number 153
These mega-sons will come from the nations
They won't be "laaities" or cheap imitations

They represent a special kind
Who do not have a messed-up mind
The day of a clean catch is surely at hand
And only the culture this bargain can land

So in an apostolic gathering
That functions strong in fathering
There won't be any Canaanite
The enemy's roar will have no might

These mega-sons will freely give
'Cause this will be the way they live
Any pocket will be good enough
The Gun-Gum style will deliver the stuff

A baby without a milk urgency
Is always a medical emergency
But many Christians don't desire the Word
And never grow in the things they've heard

So in this move some people we greet
Because the pastor needs their seat
Creating space for the mega-sons
Then God can send the hungry ones

You cannot just go back to fish
If that is not the Father's wish
You won't catch a thing and you'll wonder
why
But you've satisfied the god called "I"

Now don't get superstitious and vote
For the left or right side of the boat
It's whether or not you did obey
The things the Master had to say

This is exactly the reason why
So many Christians have run dry
And later the fruit through suffering is earned
By then that's how obedience is learned

So after this you should not rush
To take a run into the bush
For the poison ivy might scratch your face
And you'll be treated in an unwanted place

There is a truth we learned afresh
 Our enemies are satan, the world and the
 flesh
 But sons will enforce Christ's victory
 For all the world the light to see

We have to produce sons with weight
 Those who the world and its system hate
 They'll give themselves to apostolic culture
 And not seek to score like a spiritual vulture

The blind man's life was rearranged
 And as a result his walk also changed
 These mega-sons will not only give
 But also be cautious how they live

And then we saw it once again
 Written by John in Revelation ten
 How Jesus Christ as a mega-son
 Made the Jew and Gentile one

While the world has seven wonders
 We thought we heard the seven thunders
 But through the storm we got the message
 From this wonderful Bible passage

Our only ministry in the nation
 Is that of reconciliation
 If we want an earth with glory filled
 The city church we have to build

The seven thunders have been sealed
 But the mystery of God and Christ revealed
 Apostles and prophets have caught the sound
 The "one new man" in Him is found

The mega-son will live from above
 His God will be his only love
 And though he had a natural birth
 He won't be subjected to the earth

Though stars might seem magnificent
 Their music is not innocent
 Like lady Kaka and the bikes of Beijing
 You'll have to watch with whom you sing

Because your children are no fools
 You'll have to guide them by some rules
 Or else God's truth, the "alethia"
 Will be overruled by Maria Caria

We have to exit from Babylon
 And there are battles to be won
 With the rod of correction you can at least
 Help to overcome the beast

We also had the wonderful chance
 Of getting a visit from apostle Frans
 He came one morning, the saints to greet
 And told us how he his Physician did meet

Early one morning, still in the night
 The Healer assured him it will be alright
 He said His word had to be spoken
 Over the body that still seems broken

The file contained his original design
 Of his medical history not one single line
 And this he also said to Frans
 The account has fully been paid in advance

We've come to the time to say good-bye
 But in seven months we will say hi
 So keep yourselves, be watchful and sober
 Until we see again in October

Let me just give you the golden rule
 For this and every other school
 That if, with this word, you disagree
 The Lord will make it plain to thee

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