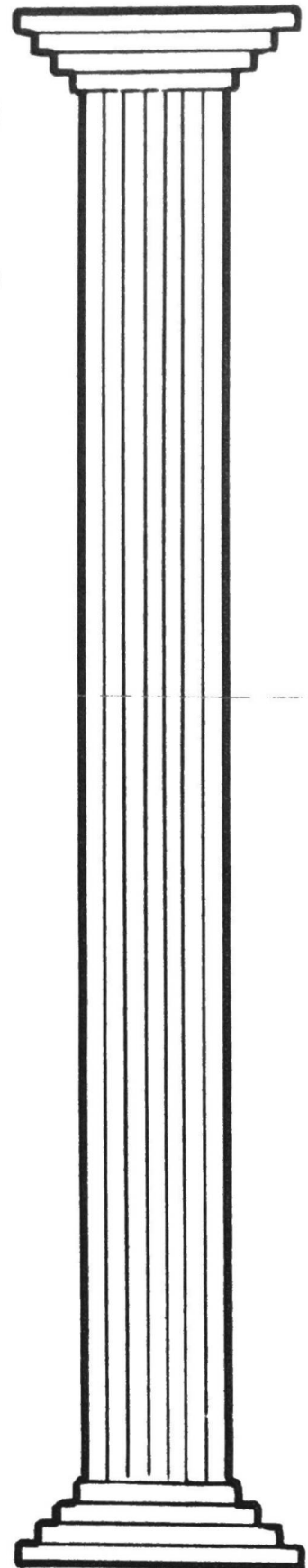


BIBLE STUDIES

for
Faithful
Men

By Maurice Hammond



"HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH?"

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We live in an era of abundances and excesses. We *have* TOO MUCH. Our every waking moment is bombarded by vendors who seek to create a desire for "MORE." Charities, Churches, and Missions plead with us to *give* MORE. And we just never get enough money to buy the things *we* "need" nor to help meet the "needs" of *others*. In desperation and frustration we cry. "It is *Too Much!*" I'm sure all of us have "spent too Much," have "Paid too Much," but how many of us have really "GIVEN Too Much?" "HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH?"

People sometimes think that it costs too much to carry on the Lord's work and so they recommend that the church and missions retrench, that the preacher's salary be cut, that missionaries or fields be dropped from the roll. They selfishly lose sight of the fact that "We are Ambassadors for Christ", that "We are not our own, that we are bought with a price" and are therefore to "glorify God in our body, and in our spirit, which are God's." (I Cor. 6:19, 20) And that "God has committed unto us the ministry of reconciliation" — something which God has placed before us as a MEANS OF OUR BLESSING! So we can be blessed *only* as we GIVE Him back a portion of that which He has given to us. We can only have the blessing of God as we come to know something of the JOY OF SACRIFICE. The idea of "cost-cutting" comes from a LACK OF LOVE for the Lord Jesus Christ. A person who LOVES, never thinks of the cost.

WE HAVE ENOUGH TIME AND MONEY FOR THE THINGS WE LOVE! The consumption of liquor, cigarettes, gourmet foods and luxury items of all kinds are at an all-time high. Spending for vacations, automobiles, boats, etc. is seemingly limitless. But *church giving* is not keeping pace! HUMANITY IS IN THE RED — Personal income is at a record high in the U.S., but gifts to churches and benevolences are down. It has been said that there are THREE KINDS OF GIVERS IN THE WORLD: "The Flint Giver"—Where you have to hammer and hammer to get a little spark out of the person:

"The Sponge Giver"—He will give a little if squeezed hard enough. "The Honey Giver" — He gives as a bee gives — naturally, and exudes sweetness.

Let us note God's order in His Word: God's people are exhorted and commanded to give *proportionately* of their income. When God asks something of His people. He does *not* ask TOO MUCH! As we come to the Word, we find God's immutable laws are for proportionate giving from THE BEGINNING:

1. ADAM AND EVE (Gen. 2:16, 17) — God teaches the first man that a PORTION of the Garden belonged to God and that man could have all the rest. But that ONE THING belonged to *God*, and man could not pluck of it without bringing judgment upon himself.

2. CAIN AND ABEL (Gen. 4:3, 4) — God teaches that a PORTION of the flock belonged unto Him. Both men *understood* that an offering BELONGED to the Lord!

3. ABRAHAM (Gen. 14:18-20) — Five hundred years BEFORE the "Law" was given, Abram gave a tenth of all he had obtained to Melchizedek, Priest of the Most High God, who was typical of the Lord Jesus Christ.

4. JACOB (Gen. 28:20-22) — fled home, was friendless and penniless and now he says: "God, if you will feed me and clothe me and keep the wild animals from me and preserve me and bless me and bring me back to my father's house, Lord, I will give you a tenth." We smile at this, but remember — "God blessed this man because he KEPT HIS WORD!" You say: "Didn't God give it all to Jacob? He could well afford it." But, what have YOU today that you did not receive from God?

5. MOSES (Lev. 27:30) — The law of the Tithe was incorporated into the Law given by God to Moses on the Mount.

6. THE ISRAELITES (II Chron. 31:5) — Tithed in abundance ALL THINGS. (Mal. 3:8-10) They were

exhorted to prove God's promises by practicing tithing. HE did not ask TOO MUCH!

7. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (Luke 11:42) — commanded the law of tithes. Men should have tithed, He taught, but along with their tithing they should also have loved and have had judgment that was right in the sight of God. Much of the teaching of Christ had to do with the matter of *giving*. He Himself PRACTICED TITHING!

8. PAUL (I Cor. 16:1, 2) — believed in PROPORTIONATE GIVING. He steps out of the realm of the tithe and does not say it should be one-tenth because he evidently felt that was NOT ENOUGH under GRACE! In I Cor. 15:58 Paul writes those transcendent truths, speaking of the coming of the Lord and resurrection and how the church is to go on, "Always abounding in the work of the Lord." Then in I Cor. 16 he writes: "Now concerning the COLLECTION." What is in mind here? As the resurrection has been brought about for our deliverance, so also the collection can be used to blessing the hearts of God's people and to bring blessing to the heart of God. IN OTHER WORDS: "Silver and Gold fit in very nicely with a message of resurrection." But most people say: "Let that go. I want to think about the Resurrection and the time when this mortal shall put on immortality, but I do not care to hear about the collection." THE TITHE IS NOT A GIFT, BUT INTEREST ON A DEBT! If you bought some Bonds at interest and were told by the seller: "We like you. We are going to give you something. We had a meeting and decided to give you this interest check." You would say: "Listen, you are not *giving* me anything, this is the interest on what you OWE me." SO WITH GOD! Many people think of the tithe as being a GIFT to God. But the tithe is simply INTEREST ON THAT WHICH GOD HAS PLACED IN YOUR HANDS FOR YOUR USE! One tenth BELONGS to God and whatever is given *after*

Philippians 4

By Maurice Hammond

CONTEXT: Phil. 3:20,21 - "For our conversation (citizenship) is in heaven from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself."

In the light of these tremendous truths, the Apostle Paul writes:

Phil. 4:1 - THEREFORE, my brethren:

- A. STAND FAST IN THE LORD - (4:1)** Christ is the center of the believer's life. Being IN CHRIST is not only a POSITION but likewise a CONDITION - a Divine Enablement.
- B. BE OF THE SAME MIND IN THE LORD - (4:2)** Not necessarily to see everything eye to eye - that would become monotonous. If we are not of the same mind in the Lord, then we are not enjoying fellowship with the Lord because we cannot be intimate with the Lord if we are estranged one from another. If there is a gap between the lives of believers, they can not be intimate with the Lord until that gap is closed up.
- C. REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS - (4:4)** Some can rejoice sometimes in some things, but how many can rejoice always in all things? Neh. 8:10 - If you are not happy in the Lord, you have no strength!
 - 1. LET YOUR GENTLENESS BE KNOWN UNTO ALL MEN - (4:5)** A condition of BEING. An OUTWARD manifestation. "The Lord is at hand to help."
 - 2. LET YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE KNOWN UNTO GOD - (4:6)** "By prayer and supplication with thanksgiving. Being anxious for nothing." An INWARD grace. A state of DOING.

1st PROMISE - (4:7) And **THE PEACE OF GOD** shall keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Note - The above five points give instructions for the obedience of every believer. The Peace of God shall keep the hearts and minds of only those who practice these things. Now, if the writer, the Apostle Paul, does not practice what he preaches, he is a hypocrite. In the following verses (8-19) Paul specifically testifies to having personally kept each command and boldly exhorts his hearers to "follow me, as I follow Christ." This outline is an 'inversion' - the following points being given in the 'inverse' order of those above.

Phil. 4:8 - FINALLY, brethren,

- 2. THINK ON WHATSOEVER THINGS ARE: (4:8)** True, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." A condition of BEING. An INWARD grace.
- 1. DO THOSE THINGS WHICH YE HAVE BOTH: (4:9)** learned and received and heard and seen in me. "Be ye imitators of me, as I am of Christ." (1 Cor. 11:1) A state of DOING. An OUTWARD manifestation.

2nd PROMISE - (4:9) And **THE GOD OF PEACE** shall be with you. A development from the 1st Promise - not just something (peace) emanating of or from God, but the very "God of Peace" Himself!

C. I REJOICED IN THE LORD GREATLY - (4:10)

B. I HAVE LEARNED, (OF THE SAME MIND) in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. (4:11)

A. I KNOW BOTH HOW TO BE ABASED (tested with adversity) and how to abound (tested with prosperity) (4:12) everywhere and in all things - to STAND FAST IN THE LORD! I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

Phil. 4:13 - THEREFORE - "Because I rejoiced in the Lord, because I have learned in whatsoever state I am to be content, because I have been tried and not found wanting in both adversity and prosperity- I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me!" The climactic lesson learned from the preceding! And unless we can testify to having successfully passed through steps C,B, and A, we cannot give this testimony.

3rd PROMISE - (4:19) MY GOD SHALL SUPPLY ALL YOUR NEED ACCORDING TO HIS RICHES IN GLORY IN CHRIST JESUS! Note a further development - not just THE GOD, but MY GOD, who hath wrought such miracles and accomplished such mighty things in and through me, Paul, shall also supply all YOUR NEED, even as He has mine.

"The Pattern Of Sound Words"

AN INDIVISABLE TRINITY 2 Tim. 1:13

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	WHAT?	HOW?	WHO?
THE:	MESSAGE	METHOD	MESSENGER
John 1:1	"THE WORD"	"WITH GOD"	"WAS GOD"
Rom. 10:14 15 17	"BELIEVE IN CHRIST" "THE GOSPEL OF PEACE" "THE FAITH"	"HEARING" "PREACHING" "HEARING"	"A PREACHER" "A SENT ONE" "THE WORD OF GOD"
1 Cor. 3:9-11	The Foundation - which is JESUS CHRIST - vrs. 11	"Let every man take heed HOW he buildeth thereupon." vrs. 10	"WE are laborers together with God." vrs. 9
2 Tim. 2:1 2	"The grace that is in Christ" "The things that thou hast heard of me..."	"Be strong" "The same COMMIT THOU"	"My son" "To faithful MEN who shall be able to teach others also."
MESSENGER:	A GOOD SOLDIER "who warreth" - 2 Tim. 2:3,4	AN ATHLETE "who strives in the games" - 2:5	A FARMER "who laboreth" - 2 Tim. 2:6
METHOD:	ENDURE 1- Must endure hardness. 2- Must not entangle himself with the affairs of this life. 3- Must please Him who hath cho- sen him to be a soldier. DISCIPLINED 2 Timothy 2:8-13 "Suffering Trouble" "Enduring all things"	STRIVE 1- Must strive lawfully. 2- Must keep the rules of the game in which engaged. 3- Must wrestle legally, honor- ably, and correctly. TRAINED 2 Timothy 2:14-18 "Strive not about words to no profit...study...rightly handling the WORD OF TRUTH...shun pro- fane and vain babblings."	PARTAKE 1- Must be first partaker of the fruits...first feeding himself with that which he would im- part to others. PREPARED 2 Timothy 2:19-26 "Let everyone that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniqu- ity....If a man purge himself.... flee...follow...avoid...etc."
MESSAGE:	For MY GOSPEL...the Word of God	the WORD OF TRUTH...shun pro- fane and vain babblings."	name of Christ depart from iniqu- ity....If a man purge himself.... flee...follow...avoid...etc."
THE NEED: (and Reward)	APPROPRIATION "To obtain the Salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory." 2:10 "If we suffer (for the message given thru. Paul) we shall also reign with Him." 2:12 REIGNING WITH CHRIST	APPROBATION "To shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." 2:15 UNASHAMED BEFORE CHRIST	ADAPTATION "To become a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and fit for the master's use, prepared unto every good work." 2:21 A FIT & PREPARED VESSEL
DESCRIPTION:	The Environment	The Engagement	The Enablement
WHEN? Is the Believer to:	Be a good soldier of Jesus Christ, suffering for the Gospel given through the Apostle Paul?	Rightly handle the word of truth, keeping the rules and command- ments of the Pauline Epistles?	Purge himself from self and sin, partaking first of the Word until it empowers him to impart it to others?
YOUR ANSWER?	() Right Now! Today! () Perhaps someday,	() Right Now! Today! () Perhaps someday.	() Right Now! Today! () Perhaps someday.

Three Abiding Things

1 Corinthians 13

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	G O D		
	FAITH	HOPE	LOVE
	Cometh by HEARING	Demonstrated by LOOKING	Appropriated by SERVING
DEFINITION:	'Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the WORD of God.' Rom. 10:13-17; Gal. 3:5,22-25 A vector from God to man.	'Looking for that blessed hope' Tit. 2:13; for that which is still unseen. Rom. 8:24,25 A vector from man to God.	'God so loved us - we ought also to love one another.' 1 John 4:7-11, 19-21. A circuit between God & man.
ONLY ONE TRUE:	FAITH - Eph. 4:5 THE Faith - The Word of God 2 Tim. 4:7; 1 Tim. 5:8	HOPE - Eph. 4:4 THE Hope - Christ Himself 1 Tim. 1:1; Col. 1:5	LOVE - 1 John 4:7 THE Love - which is of God 1 John 4:16
MAN'S RESPONSE:	Receiving God's WORD Believing God's Promises. WORSHIP	Expecting God's SON Looking for God's Promises WALK	Reciprocating God's LOVE 'Working out' God's Promises WITNESS
RESULTS:	SALVATION Eph. 2:8,9 'Justified by Faith' 'Access by Faith' Rom. 5:1-2	SANCTIFICATION 1 John 3:3 'Rejoice in Hope' 'Hope maketh not ashamed' Rom. 5:2-5	SERVICE 2 Cor. 5:14,15 'God commendeth his love toward us' - 'The love of God is shed abroad' Rom. 5:5,8
THE COUNTERFIT: 'Fiery darts of The Wicked'	Satan's word - The LIE 'Doctrines of demons' Ephesians 6:16 1 Timothy 4:1 2 Timothy 4:3,4	<p style="text-align: center;">MAN</p>	The love of money - self 'The lust of the Flesh' 1 Tim. 6:10 - Money 1 John 2:15,16 - The world 1 Cor. 10:6 - Evil things
DEFENSE:	'The Shield of Faith' Eph. 6:16	'Hope toward God' Acts 24:14-16	'Walking in love - as Christ' Eph. 5:1,2
MANIFESTATION:	'Your WORK of Faith, and 'The WORK of Faith with POWER' 2 Thess. 1:11,12 'Faith, if it hath not WORKS is dead' Jas. 2:17	PATIENCE of Hope, and 'Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as He is pure.' 1 John 3:3	LABOR of Love' - 1 Thes.1:3 'Lovest thou Me? - Feed my sheep!' John 21:16 John 13:35; 14:23,24; 15:8-17
THE INSTRUMENT:	The HEAD	The HEART	The HANDS

One God

IN THREE PERSONS - A Tri-Unity*

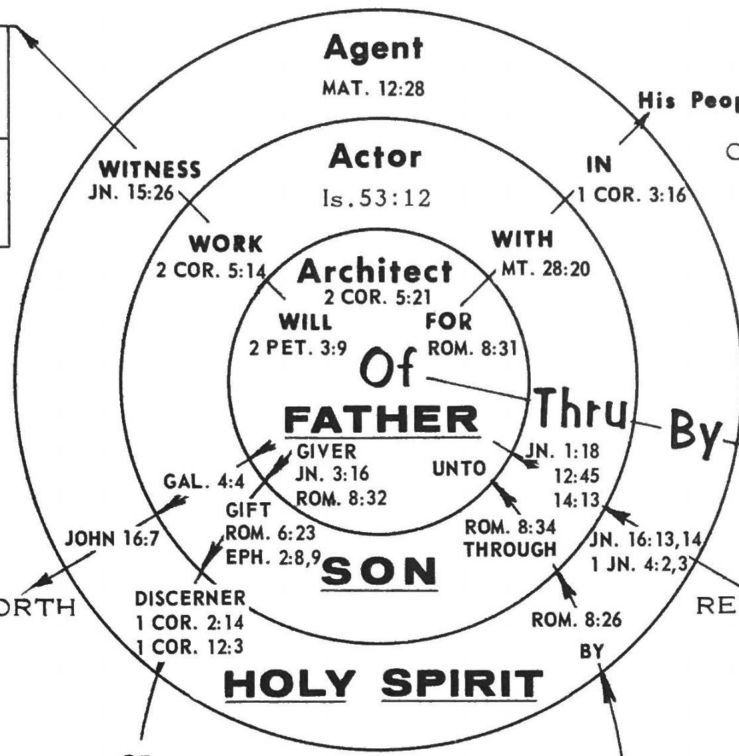
Matt. 28:19; John 14:26; II Cor. 13:14; Heb. 9:14; I Pet 1:2

* Is A Trinity = 1x1x1=1
Not: 1+1+1=3

FATHER - Determines
The Will - Purpose.
Acts 17:24-28

SON - Commands - as
"The Word of God."
Jn. 1:1-3; Col. 1:15-17

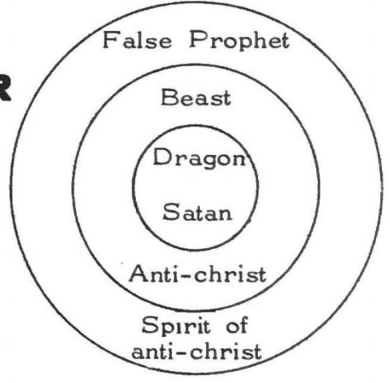
THE SPIRIT - Executes
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who created all things
and by whom they are
sustained. Psa. 104:30
Job 26:13; 33:4 Heb.
9:8; Acts 1:16; 28:25
I Cor. 3:16; 6:19



CREATION - A TRI-UNITY
TIME = Past, Present, Future.
SPACE = Length, Height, Breadth.
MATTER = Energy, Motion Phenomena.

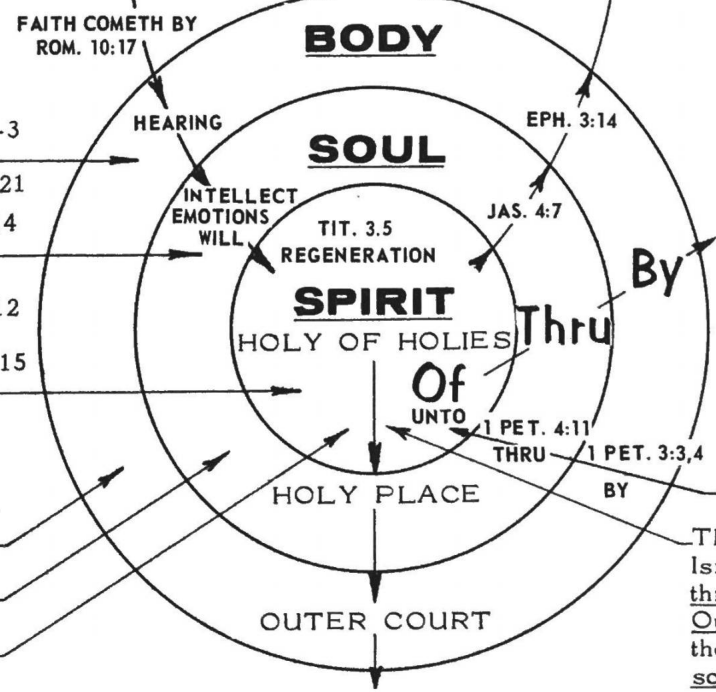
ARE ALL GOD'S WORKS
EPH. 2:18; TITUS 3:4-6

ANOTHER TRI-UNITY:



OF THE WORD (Inspiration) PRAYER (Expiration)

MAN - A Tri-Unity
I Thess. 5:23 Gen. 1:26



SHOULD BE all works of the Believer. In the Un-saved, the spirit is dead, so he is controlled by the Soul (Self). The Believer who is controlled by Self, Quenches & Grieves the H. Spirit. I Thes. 5:19; Eph. 4:30

The blessings of God came to Israel from the Holy of Holies through the Holy Place, to the Outer Court. So the spirit of the believer works through the soul & is seen in the works of the body.

The Tabernacle is typical of man.

CARNAL man - I Cor. 3:1-3
Is Motivated by the Un-Righteousness - Rom. 1:21

NATURAL man - I Cor. 2:14
Is Motivated by the Self-Righteousness - Prov. 12:15; 20:6; 30:12

SPIRITUAL man - I Cor. 2:15
Is Motivated by the True Righteousness - Phil. 1:11

TEMPTATION:
Gen. 3:4-6; I Jn. 2:15-17

- "Good for Food"
- "Lust of the Flesh"
- "Pleasant to the eyes"
- "Lust of the Eyes"
- "To make one Wise"
- "Pride of Life"

(Ye shall be as God)

THE TRIPARTITE BEING OF MAN

1 Thess. 5:23 – Heb. 4:12

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THE SPIRIT (Pneuma) (Spirit being) is the vessel of the Spirit of God, who renews & indwells. God dwells	THE SOUL (Psuche) (Immaterial being) is the vessel of the human spirit. Self dwells	THE BODY (Flesh – Sarx) (Physical being) is the body of the soul. Sense dwells
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How the Tripartite being was formed – ‘God moulded the senseless frame, and then breathed into it the breath of lives * (Gen. 2:7 The original is in the plural.) and this may refer to the fact that the inbreathing of God produced a two-fold life – sensual (pertaining to the senses) and spiritual.....’
 *‘Breath of lives’ – ‘The inbreathing of God became the spirit, and at the same time by its action upon the body, produced the soul.’ G. H. Pember

GOD-Consciousness Through the spirit, the highest part which came directly from God, man stands related to the spiritual world and by it alone he apprehends and worships Him.	SELF-Consciousness The soul was to be but the ‘mould or vessel’ into which the life of the spirit was to be received, but through the Fall it became ‘independent,’ self-centered and self-seeking.	SENSE-Consciousness Through the body, man - the living soul (Gen. 2:7) stood related to the external world of sense and able to investigate the material universe.
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<p>BY THE FALL the human spirit became severed from God, ‘dead’ to God and in darkness, alienated from His life (Eph. 4:18), ‘without God’ and incapable of fellowship with Him (Eph. 2:12). But it remains as full of activity as mind or body. In some cases, the spirit of the unregenerate may dominate soul & body. These seek intercourse with the spirit-world apart from the Holy Spirit and become ‘mediums’ capable of ‘occult powers’ bestowed by Satanic means, and governed by the prince of the power of the air. (Eph. 2:2,3)</p>	<p>BEFORE THE FALL, when Adam walked in the garden, the spirit dominated his soul, i.e. intellect, emotions, will - and through the vessel of the ‘soul’ shone out in and through the earthly tabernacle of clay - the body - making it luminous with light, impervious to cold & heat, and able to perfectly fulfil the object of its creation. Since the Fall, the soul, which is the personality of man (Luke 9:23) became a slave of the flesh and the earthly life with its 4 cornerstones: Self-will, Self-trust, Self-love, and Self-glory.</p>	<p>THROUGH THE FALL man sunk down into the flesh - so that the part of his tripartite nature which he had in common with the animal creation obtained the upper hand. (Gen. 6:3 - ‘My spirit shall not abide in man... for in their going astray they are flesh.’) So every man is of the earth, earthy and is dominated by the desires and appetites of the flesh, enslaving the soul, instead of being animated by the spirit.</p>
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The order of our being from GOD’S point of view, is SPIRIT, SOUL, & BODY, because God’s influence commences in the spirit, then lays hold of the emotions and the intellect of the soul, and lastly begins to curb the body. **From SATAN’S standpoint it is reversed.** ‘Earthy (body), Soulsh, Demoniactal (spirit)’ James 3:15. Because his influence enters by the clay-made body; then seizes upon the soul; and, whenever possible, gains entrance to the spirit.

FACULTIES

FAITH - - - - -	INTELLECT	Memory -	HEARING
HOPE - - - - -	EMOTIONS	Imagination -	SIGHT
LOVE - - - - -	WILL	Affections -	TOUCH
		Reason -	TASTE
		Conscience -	SMELL

THE MYSTERY OF GODLINESS: (1 Tim. 3:16)

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atonement - 1 Cor. 6:11; Eph. 1:20

N of Angels, (Creatureward)
rior existence - Luke 2:8-14; John 8:58; 17:5, 24

In His sinless & perfect humanity
THE LORD JESUS CHRIST
became the sole expression of
the Glory of God. Heb. 1:3

- 2 - **PREACHED** unto the Gentiles,
Acts 13:46; 1 John 4:2
- 3 - **BELIEVED** on in the world,
Acts 14:27; Rom. 10:9-13; 1 John 4:15
- 1 - **RECEIVED up into glory.**
Mark 16:19; John 3:13; Heb. 9:24; 1 Pe

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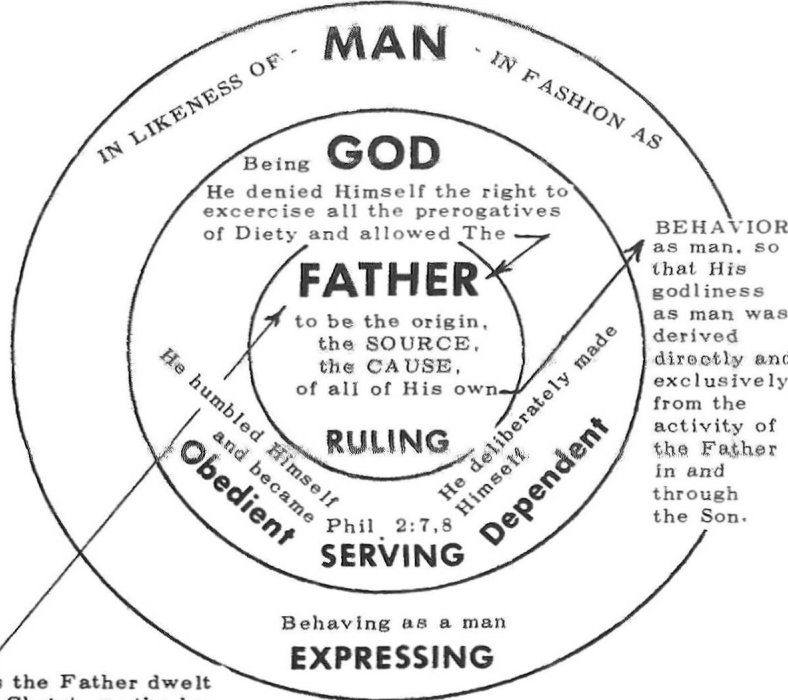
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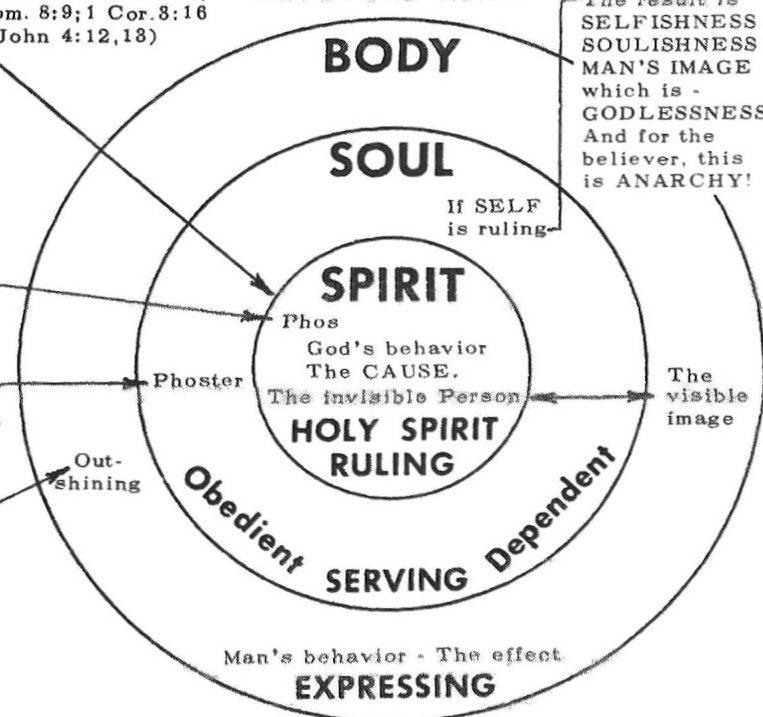


THE BULB
is the
"light-holder"
"light-giver"

As the Father dwelt
in Christ, so the be-
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the H.S. (Jn. 14:10;
Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 8:16
1 John 4:12,13)



BELIEVING MAN



The result is
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GODLESSNESS
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Three Tenses of Salvation

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TENSE:	Past	Present	Future
SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:	<u>Eph. 5:25</u> - Christ gave himself for the Church <u>Tit. 3:5,6</u> - He saved us <u>Tit. 2:11</u> - Salvation hath appeared unto all men. <u>Col. 3:3</u> - Ye are dead, & your life is hid.....	<u>Eph. 5:26</u> - That he might sanctify and cleanse it.. <u>Tit. 3:8</u> - That they might be careful to maintain... <u>Tit. 2:12</u> - That we should live..in this present age <u>Col. 3:1,2</u> - Seek those things which are above.	<u>Eph. 5:27</u> - That he might present it to himself.... <u>Tit. 3:7</u> - That we should be made heirs <u>Tit. 2:13</u> - Looking for that blessed hope & appearing <u>Col. 3:4</u> - Then shall ye also appear with him in...
SALVATION FROM THE:	<u>PENALTY</u> of Sin. <u>Rom. 6:23</u> - "wages of sin is death." Rom. 5:1,12 8:1,34 <u>Eph. 2:8,9</u> - "By grace are ye saved, thru faith NOT OF WORKS!..."	<u>POWER</u> of Sin. <u>Rom. 6:6-14</u> - "sin shall not have dominion over you." Col. 3:5 <u>Phil. 2:12-16</u> - "WORK OUT your own salvation with fear and trembling."	<u>PRESENCE</u> of Sin. <u>Phil. 3:20,21</u> - "our citizenship is in the heavens.." I Thess. 4:13-17 <u>Rom. 13:11</u> - "Now is our salvation NEARER than when we believed."
RESULTING IN OUR:	<u>REGENERATION</u> Titus 3:5 II Cor. 5:17	<u>RECONCILIATION</u> Rom. 5:10,11 II Cor. 5:18; Col. 1:20-23	<u>REDEMPTION</u> Rom. 8:23 Eph. 1:13,14; 4:30
INVOLVES OUR:	<u>SPIRIT</u> Rom. 2:29; 8:9,16 II Cor. 5:17 Col. 2:11,12	<u>SOUL</u> Rom. 8:12-14 Jas. 1:21,22	<u>BODY</u> Rom. 8:11,23 I Cor. 15:51-58 Phil. 3:20,21
		POWER to: 1- Defeat every foe - Eph. 1:19-23 2- Overcome every temptation - Jas. 1:12 3- "Bear much fruit" John 15:8,16	
	In the "PRESENT", each part of man must be nourished and exercised: I Thess. 5:23		
NOURISHMENT:	<u>The WORD of GOD</u> Deut. 8:3 Job 23:12 Psa. 119:103 Jer. 15:16 Col. 3:16	Fellowship, Art, Music, Literature, Science, <u>Crafts</u> Phil. 4:8 I Tim. 6:17 III John 2	<u>Food and Drink</u> Gen. 1:29 Gen. 9:3 Psa. 104:14 Psa. 136:25 I Tim. 6:8
OUR NEED - Daily Taking in & Giving out:	Inspiration Expiration	Stimulation Expression	Consumption Elimination

Two SPHERES

Two POSITIONS – Two CONDITIONS

Rom. 8:1-18

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1. The DOCTRINE – A. ADAM – We in him – Rom. 5:12

B. Our Inheritance in him – DEATH
Rom. 6:23; 1 Cor. 15:22

The UNBELIEVER'S STANDING before God – WHERE he is. His POSITION.

His relationship to God – 'alienated and an enemy' – Rom. 3:10-18
True of ALL unregenerate men – No degrees – Unconditional

In ADAM – Dead in sin

The Sphere of:

The FLESH

DARKNESS

John 3:18-20

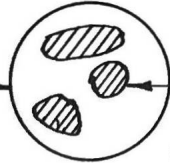
All that man is through the natural birth –
By his old fallen Adamic nature – Eccl. 7:20

Has the CARNAL MIND where the Satanic spirit rules.
Rom. 8:7

He is: 'Carnally minded' – habitually minds the things of the
FLESH. Rom. 8:5 (Though he may be very 'Religious' at times.)

He is subject to: 'The law of sin and death' – Rom. 8:2 Resulting in:
Both physical & spiritual 'sin & death' – Rom. 8:6

The Individual 'In Adam'
(In the sin-cursed world)



SINS 'In' the Individual.
(Proportional to the degree
of yieldedness to the world,
the flesh, and the devil.)

2. The PRACTICE – A. ADAM – He in us.

B. His inheritance in us – 'the works of
the flesh.' Gal. 5:19-21; Jas. 1:15

The Unbeliever's STATE – WHAT he is. His CONDITION.
as the result of his fellowship with sinners & participa-
tion in sin. VARIES with individuals – degrees –
Conditional: on quality & quantity of his
'evil works.'

1. The DOCTRINE – A. CHRIST – We in Him – Rom. 8:1

B. Our Inheritance in Him – LIFE
Eph. 1:11-14; 1 Cor. 15:22

The BELIEVER'S STANDING before God – WHERE he is. His POSITION.

His relationship to God – 'Now no Condemnation' – Rom. 5:1,2
True of ALL regenerate men – No degrees – Unconditional

In CHRIST – Alive in God

The Sphere of:

The SPIRIT

LIGHT

John 3:21

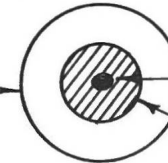
All that a man is made through the new birth –
By the imputing of the Divine Nature – 1 Cor. 1:30

Has the SPIRITUAL MIND where the Holy Spirit rules.
Rom. 8:6

He is: 'Spiritually minded' – habitually minds the things of the
SPIRIT. Rom. 8:6,9 (Though he may be very 'Carnal' at times.)

He is subject to: 'The law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus' – Rom.
8:2 – Resulting in: 'Life & peace' (Now & Eternally)

The Individual 'In Christ'



CHRIST in the Individual.
'FILLING by the Spirit is
proportional to the degree
of yieldedness to Christ.'

2. The PRACTICE – A. CHRIST – He in us. Rom. 8:10

B. His inheritance in us – 'the fruit of
the Spirit.' Gal. 5:22,23; Eph. 1:18

The Believer's STATE – WHAT he does. His CONDITION.
as the result of his fellowship with Christ & participa-
tion in His sufferings. VARIES with individuals –
degrees – Conditional: on quality & quantity
of his 'good works.'

JUDGMENT – At the 'GREAT WHITE THRONE' for all unregenerate
according to their WORKS, to determine the 'degree' of suffering in the
eternal 'Lake of Fire' – Rom. 2:5,6; Rev. 20:11-15

JUDGMENT – At the 'BEMA' (Judgment seat of Christ) for all regenerate
according to their WORKS, to determine the 'degree' of rewards in Heaven.
Rom. 14:10; 2 Cor. 5:10; 1 Cor. 3:9-15

Three Kinds Of Christians

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	The Spiritual Man – 1 Cor. 2:15	The Natural Man – 1 Cor. 2:14	The Carnal Man – 1 Cor. 3:1-3
He that is:	SPIRITUAL	SOULISH	FLESHLY
Definition:	PNEUMATIKOS – Spirit-ual, the human spirit renewed and fully animated by the Spirit of Life from above, the Last Adam.	PSYCHICAL – Soul-ish, living in the realm of the 'animal-soul' life, the fallen life of the 1st Adam – the life of Nature. 1 Cor. 15:45	SARKIKOS – Flesh-ly, living in the realm of the fleshly body. The appetites, habits, and desires of the senses of the physical body.
Controlled by:	The Holy Spirit indwelling, enlightening, and energizing the human spirit.	The Soul, which is earthy in its motives and aims, rules for Self-glory. Jude 19	The Flesh, the lowest element with its sensual desires, reigns paramount.
Relationship to sin:	Reckons himself - 'Dead to sin' & 'Alive unto God.' Makes to die the doings of the Body. Rom. 8:13	The Holy Spirit may indwell, enabling him to make to die the deeds of the body, but his intellect and emotions are still soulish.	Allows sin to reign in his body, his members are yielded to unrighteousness. Rom. 6:6,11,13
He walks:	'After the spirit' Rom. 8:4-6	After the life of Nature. 1 Cor. 3:3	'After the flesh' Rom. 8:4,5
Manifests:	'The Fruit of the Spirit' Gal. 5:22, 23. Partakes of the Divine Character, conforming to the image of God's Son. Rom. 8:29	Inordinate activity of the Soul, with power of mind & will. (The greatest danger which the church & individual has to dread.)	The works of the flesh. Gal. 5:19-21,24 The power of the flesh – animal magnetism.
His wisdom is:	'From Above' (Heavenly)	Earthy, Soulsh, Demoniacal! Jas. 3:15,16	Carnal – evil continually.
Resulting in:	Purity, peaceableness, gentleness, mercy, and good fruits. Jas. 3:17	Jealousy, factions, divisions, partizanship. 1 Cor. 3:3; Gal. 5:20	Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, drunkenness, revellings. Gal.5:19-
He is:	'Full-grown,' mature, stable, Perfect in Christ. 1 Cor.2:6; Eph. 4:13; Col. 1:9, 28	Unstable, 'cannot receive the things of the spirit' 1 Cor. 2:14 Self-Conscious, Self-opinionated.	'At enmity with God.' A babe in Christ. The preaching of the Cross is foolishness to him.
His need:	'Strong MEAT' 'The deep things of God' 1 Cor. 2:10-13; 3:2; Phil. 3:15; Heb. 5:14 To 'Labour together with God.' 1 Cor. 3:7-9	'The washing of WATER by the Word' Eph. 5:26 Appropriate the power of God to put the old Adamic nature subservient to the spirit.	'The MILK of the Word' 1 Cor. 3:1 Heb. 5:11-13; 1 Pet. 2:2. Apprehend his death with Christ to sin, Rom. 6:12,13; 8:13; Col. 3:5.
Discernment:	By the Holy Spirit, able to 'examine all things,' to penetrate to the inner spiritual source of all things. 1 Cor. 2:10-12, 15	Able to pierce no further than the natural intellect can go, can examine all things in the 'natural' sphere and no more.	He is able only to discern that which is of sense and sight.
He confesses:	Christianity as the Omnipotent power of God, bearing witness to the Name of His Son, as the only Saviour and Lord for a lost world.	Christianity as 'one of the Religions,' placing Christ on an equality with Mahomet, Confucious, & other 'prophets.'	Christianity as that which he 'has,' making him safe, satisfied, and equal or superior to others. 1 Cor. 10:12.
Relationship to others:	'Perfected into One' John 17:21-23. One with Christ and fellow believers. 1 John 1:3-7	Arrogant, setting himself up as having greater sanctity, a wisdom & peculiar doctrine distinct from others. Jude 19 'they who separate'	Fellowships with carnal men and participates in fleshly pleasures. Incapable of any spiritual ministry.
Religious experience:	'Walks in The Light' – Finds fellowship with God & with others who dwell in light. 1 John 1:7	Mixture of 'soul & spirit' in religious experiences, wants to FEEL the presence of God continually.	He is almost totally insensitive to spiritual values and blessings. Is pleasure seeking & materialistic.

A STUDY IN CONTRASTS - Eph. 5:1-21

EVERY MAN DEMONSTRATES

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	EITHER: CARNALITY	OR: SPIRITUALITY
	THE WORKS OF THE FLESH - Gal. 5:19-21	THE POWER OF GOD - 2 Cor. 10:3-6
HE IS: Eph.5:1	AN IMITATOR OF MEN - 2 Kings 17:15 (As a child, mimicing parents and playmates.) 2 Tim. 2:4; Rom. 12:2; 1 John 2:15	AN IMITATOR OF GOD - 1 Thes. 1:6 (As a dear child of God - following Him.) John 8:12; 10:27; 1 Pet. 2:21
5:2	WALKING IN LUST - Eph. 4:17-19; 5:3-5 (As the heathen walk) Eph. 2:2,3; Phil. 3:18,19; Jude 18; 1 Pet. 4:3; 2 Pet. 2:9,10; 3:3	WALKING IN LOVE - 3ph. 3:17-19 (As Christ hath given himself an offering and sacrifice, so ought we.) Gal. 5:6; Col. 3:14; 1 Jn.4:16
5:6	DECEIVED BY VAIN (EMPTY) WORDS (By the promises of carnal rewards: of luxury, ease, comfort, peace, pleasures, fame, & fortune.) 1 Cor. 6:9,10; 15:33; Gal. 6:7; 1 John 3:7	BELIEVING THE SURE PROMISES OF GOD (Regarding the Inheritance in heaven.) Rom. 8:17,18; 2 Cor. 4:17; Phil. 3:21; Col. 3:4
5:7	A CO-PARTAKER WITH MEN - 1 Cor. 10:21	A CO-PARTAKER WITH CHRIST - Eph. 3:6 (Suffering for Him.) Phil. 1:29; 2 Tim. 2:12
5:8	IN DARKNESS - John 3:19; 1 John 1:6 (Manifests the "Unfruitful works of darkness" - Eph. 5:12, "The works of the flesh"- Gal. 5:19-21	IN LIGHT IN THE LORD - Phil. 2:15 (Walking as a child of Light, manifesting the fruit of the Spirit: All goodness, righteousness, truth.)
5:11	APPROVING THE WORKS OF DARKNESS (Unfruitful works which are hidden, for a time, by darkness.) Isa. 29:15; 30:1; 1 Thess. 5:7.	REPROVING THE WORKS OF DARKNESS (Making them manifest by the Light.) Rom. 13:12; 1 Tim. 5:20; 2 Tim. 4:2; Titus 2:15
5:14	ASLEEP - TEMPORALLY DEAD (Insensitive, Indifferent, Indolent) Prov. 6:9,10; 10:5; 23:21; Isa. 56:10; 1 Cor. 15:34; 1 Thes. 5:6	AWAKE - TEMPORALLY ALIVE (Sensitive, concerned, active) 2 Cor. 3:18; 4:6; 1 John 1:7
5:15	A FOOL - Eccl. 10:1 (Walking Randomly) Prov. 28:26; Gal. 5:16	A WISE MAN - Eph. 4:1 (Walking Circumspectly) Rom. 6:4; 2 Cor. 5:7
5:16	SPENDING THE TIME - Eccl. 10:3 (Having unlimited capacity to waste time.)	REDEEMING THE TIME - Col. 4:5 (Having unlimited capital to 'buy up' the time.)
5:17	IGNORANT OF THE LORD'S WILL Jer. 5:4; Eph. 4:18; 2 Tim. 3:7	UNDERSTANDS THE LORD'S WILL Psa. 40:8; 143:10; Eph. 6:6
5:18	DRUNK WITH WINE Prov. 20:1; 23:20, 29-31; Isa. 5:11; Rom. 13:13	FILLED BY THE SPIRIT Eph. 3:19; 4:13; Col. 1:9, 19
5:19	SPEAKING OF CARNAL EXPERIENCES (Conceited, proudly boasting of self and sin.) Prov. 26:12; Isa. 5:21; Rom. 12:16; 1 Cor. 8:2	SPEAKING OF SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCES (Humbly witnessing of the abundance and blessings of the Lord.) Mal. 3:16; 2 Cor. 4:13; 1 Pet.3:15
5:20	GRIPING - UNGRATEFUL - Luke 17:17,18	GIVING THANKS - Col. 1:12; 3:15; 1 Th.5:18
5:21	SELF-WILLED (Fear of Circumstances. 2 Pet. 2:10)	SUBMISSIVE (Fear of God. Rom. 6:13; Jas. 4:7)

SPIRITUAL MATHEMATICS



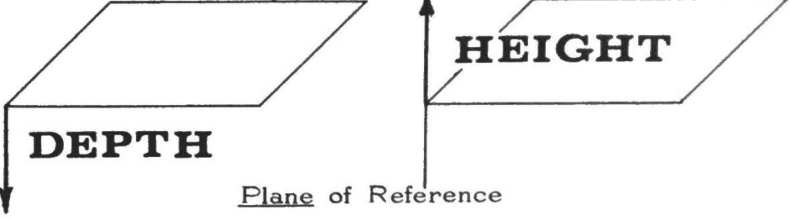
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OPERATION:	DIVISION	SUBTRACTION	ADDITION	MULTIPLICATION
KEY TEXT:	<u>Luke 12:49-53</u> - "I am come to bring <u>DIVISION</u> on earth."	<u>Eph. 4:21-32</u> - FIVE COUPLETS - each beginning with a command to <u>SUBTRACT</u> that which characterized the Old Nature of the individual, and then to <u>ADD</u> the corresponding virtue of the New Nature.		<u>II Cor. 9:6-10</u> - "Be fruitful and <u>MULTIPLY</u> " <u>Gen. 1:28</u>
CONCERNS:	SALVATION A DEFINITE ACT The Believer's Worship.	SANCTIFICATION A DAILY ATTITUDE The Believer's Walk.		SERVICE A DEDICATED ACTIVITY The Believer's Witness.
TEACHING:	<p><u>The FIRST COMING of Christ</u> resulted in the division of all men into TWO CAMPS concerning:</p> <p>"Whom say ye that I the Son of Man am?" <u>Matt.16:13-16</u></p> <p><u>SOME ANSWER:</u> "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." "He is a good man."</p> <p><u>OTHERS SAY:</u> "Nay, but he deceiveth the people." He is an impostor, a rock of offence." <u>John 7:12, 43; Rom. 9:30-33</u></p> <p>RESULT: Strife & division among men in every generation because of Christ.</p> <p><u>The SECOND COMING</u> will see Christ <u>UNITING</u> all people tongue, tribe, & nation.</p>	<p>These two operations are INSEPERABLE - you can not have the one without the other!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PUT OFF:</u> -</p> <p>1) The Old Man - vrs. 22 Which is corrupt.....lusts.</p> <p>2) Wherefore putting away lying, vrs. 25</p> <p>3) ...Neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more: vrs. 26-28</p> <p>4) Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, vrs. 29</p> <p>5) Grieve not the Holy Spirit of Cod....Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamour, evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: vrs.30</p>		<p>Multiplication is always accomplished by REPRODUCTION.</p> <p>1) <u>PHYSICALLY</u> - In nature, all creatures multiply by reproducing "after their kind."</p> <p>a) Vegetable - a plant is <u>mature</u> when it bears fruit (seed) to reproduce itself. <u>Gen. 1:11-12</u></p> <p>b) Animal - every creature, including man, is physically <u>mature</u> when he can reproduce himself. <u>Gen. 1:20-31</u></p> <p>2) <u>SPIRITUALLY</u> - Believers are to multiply by reproducing themselves as they are in the Lord Jesus Christ:</p> <p>a) By sowing the Word - <u>Psa. 126:6</u></p> <p>b) By sowing themselves - <u>John 12:24, 25</u></p>
ERROR:	Thinking that one may be a CHRISTIAN and remain a friend of the world, the flesh, and the devil!	SUBTRACTING ONLY - without the subsequent addition to fill the vacuum! <u>Phil. 4:8</u>	Trying to ADD virtue to the carnal, selfish, sin nature; which must be "put off" - <u>II Pet. 1:5</u>	Thinking that Spiritual MATURITY is something other than winning men to Christ to complete & edify the Body of Christ!
QUESTION:	What think <u>YOU</u> of Christ?	Are <u>YOU</u> subtracting these?	How does <u>YOUR</u> life add up?	Are <u>YOU</u> a <u>mature</u> Christian?

Spiritual Geometry

"The Dimensions Of Life" Eph. 3:18

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<p>DIMENSION:</p> <p>From a - - - -</p>	<p>(1) Longitudinal Axis</p>  <p>LENGTH</p> <p><u>Point</u> of Reference</p>	<p>(2) Lateral Axis</p>  <p>BREADTH</p> <p><u>Line</u> of Reference</p>	<p>(3) Vertical Axis</p>  <p>HEIGHT</p> <p>DEPTH</p> <p><u>Plane</u> of Reference</p>	
<p>The Dimensions of GOD: Job 11:7-10 "His measure is:</p>	<p>"<u>Longer</u> than the Earth" what "If He <u>cut off</u>" (God will "cut off" the earth. 2 Pet. 3:10)</p>	<p>"<u>Broader</u> than the Sea" what "If He <u>gather together</u>" ("There shall be no more sea" Rev. 21:1)</p>	<p>"<u>Deeper</u> than Sheol" "what canst thou <u>know</u>? - - "If He <u>shut up</u>" - (Communication with dead MEN impossible.)</p>	<p>"As <u>High</u> as Heaven" "what canst thou <u>do</u>? - (Heaven is "shut up" or "silent" now.)</p>
<p>MEASURES:</p>	<p><u>CHRONOLOGY</u> HOW LONG WE LIVE. Length of <u>Days</u> - Deut. 30:20 I Kings 3:14; Prov. 3:2</p>	<p><u>MENTALITY</u> HOW INTERESTINGLY WE LIVE. Breadth of <u>Experience</u> - Acts 7:22; Eccl. 1:12-2:11</p>	<p><u>SPIRITUALITY</u> HOW DEDICATEDLY WE LIVE. Depth of <u>Wisdom</u> - Romans 11:33-36; I Cor. 2:4-13</p>	<p><u>WHY WE LIVE - THE PURPOSE OF LIFE.</u> Height of <u>Love</u> - (shown by <u>servicing</u>) II Cor. 5:14-6:10</p>
<p>INVOLVES THE:</p>	<p><u>BODY</u></p>	<p><u>SOUL</u></p>	<p><u>SPIRIT</u></p>	
<p>Endowments - Gifts - Powers in the realm of the:</p>	<p><u>PHYSICAL</u> 1) <u>Food & Raiment</u> - Gen. 3:17-21 2) <u>Reproduction</u> - Gen. 5 <u>Longevity</u>, with great proliferation, was the <u>only</u> dimension to the lives of all save Enoch and Noah.</p>	<p><u>INTELLECTUAL</u> 1) <u>Culture</u> - Art, Literature, Music, Science, Crafts, Philosophy. I Tim. 6:17; Phil. 4:8 2) <u>Conduct</u> - Social, Political, Commercial, Religious. Rom. 13:1; Tit. 3:1</p>	<p><u>THOU CANST KNOW GOD!</u> 1) <u>Filling</u> - John 17:3 Eph. 3:19; 4:13; 5:18 Established on the Rock Psa. 18:2, 31; 27:5; 40:2 Rooted and grounded - Eph. 3:17; Isa. 37:31</p>	<p><u>THOU CANST LABOR TOGETHER WITH HIM!</u> 2) <u>Functioning</u> - I Cor. 3:9 Eph. 6:10-20; 2 Tim. 2:1-6 From His perspective - Psa. 102:19 Glorifying Him - Phil. 1:20-22</p>
<p>FRUIT - Repro- ducing One's-self:</p>	<p><u>PHYSICALLY</u> Begetting Sons & Daughters</p>	<p><u>INTELLECTUALLY & EMOTIONALLY</u> Teaching, by word & deed.</p>	<p><u>God's WORD</u> planted & grow- ing in your heart - transform- ing you. Mark 4:5-8</p>	<p><u>God's WORD</u> sown in the hearts of others - bringing salvation & edification. Psa. 126</p>
<p>DEDICATING to God our:</p>	<p><u>TIME</u> Eccl. 12:1; Psa. 90:12 Rom. 13:11; Eph. 5:15, 16 Col. 4:5; I Cor. 7:29-31 I Pet. 1:17-19</p>	<p><u>TALENTS</u> II Cor. 8:10-12; I Cor. 4:7 Ex. 35:30-35; Mat. 25:15; Acts 11:29</p>	<p><u>TREASURES</u> <u>Appropriating</u> - Phil. 4:9 - <u>Imparting</u> Prov. 10:22; 13:7; Hebrews 11:26; Jas. 2:5; Phil. 3:7-14 Col. 2:2, 3; Eph. 1:17-19 Prov. 10:20, 21; Eph. 3:7-12 I Cor. 9:19, 20; II Cor. 4:5-7 "To me to live is Christ!"</p>	

SPIRITUAL FULNESS

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Ephesians 3:9-19	Ephesians 4:7-16	Ephesians 5:1-21
1 - The FULNESS of <u>GOD</u> - 3:19	The FULNESS of <u>CHRIST</u> - 4:13	The FILLING of the <u>Holy Spirit</u> - 5:18
2 - By the <u>GIFTS</u> of The FATHER - 3:14-16	By the <u>GIFTS</u> of CHRIST - 4:7,8,11	By the <u>GIFTS</u> of the HOLY SPIRIT
3 - Involves: <u>CHRISTIANITY</u> A union with Christ - Sons of God - Gal. 4:7	Involves: <u>MATURITY</u> Conformity to the Image of Christ - Rom. 8:29 - Growth into the "Measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ" - Eph.4:13,	Involves: <u>SPIRITUALITY</u> Controlled by Christ - The Holy Spirit fills occupies, energizes my entire life! Rom. 15:13,14; II Cor. 10:3-6; Gal. 5:14-16
4 - Things that accompany: <u>SALVATION</u>	Things that accompany: <u>SANCTIFICATION</u>	Things that accompany: <u>SERVICE</u>
5 - The ENLIGHTENMENT concerning the <u>MESSAGE</u>	For the ENABLEMENT of the <u>MESSENGERS</u>	For the ENGAGEMENT in the <u>MINISTRY</u>
6 - Concerns the Believer's <u>STANDING</u> ("The whole family" - "All saints")	Concerns the Believer's <u>STABILITY</u> ("that we be no more children")	Concerns the Believer's <u>STEWARDSHIP</u> (Commands concerning Conduct.)
7 - The BAPTISM of the Spirit - I Cor.12:13 The INDWELLING of the Spirit - Rom.8:9 <u>ONE ACT</u>	The Holy Spirit TEACHING the Believer I Cor. 2:13 <u>CONTINUOUS PROCESS</u>	The Holy Spirit constantly FILLING the Believer - Eph. 5:18; Col.1:8-12 <u>MANY ACTS</u>
8 - A ministry TO the Believer, that he might UNDERSTAND his Position. Eph. 3:18, 19	A ministry TO the Believer that he might GROW UP into his Position. Eph. 4:15, 16	A ministry THROUGH the Believer that he might MANIFEST - UTILIZE his Potential and Position - Phil. 1:9-11
9 - <u>THE QUICKENING</u> (The lump of clay created.)	<u>THE CAPACITY</u> (The shaping of the vessel.)	<u>THE CONTENTS</u> (The vessel filled - that it might be poured out - and then filled again & again!)
10- <u>ABSOLUTES</u> - no differences between individual believers.	<u>RELATIVE</u> - There are Degrees of growth and variations in maturity.	<u>ABSOLUTES</u> - No degrees. One is either Spiritual (filled by God) or Carnal (full of SELF.)
11- CHARACTERISTICS: 1) Redeemed - no longer in slave-market of sin. 2) Reconciled to God because of what Christ did. 3) Regenerated - a "new creation" in Christ Jesus.	CHARACTERISTICS: 1) Maximum knowledge of the Word of God. 2) Wisdom - application of doctrine to experience. 3) Faith, Hope, Love in practice. 4) Discernment - emphasize important things. 5) Reproduction of the character of Christ.	CHARACTERISTICS: 1) Separation unto God. 2) Walking in the Light . 3) Redeeming the Time. 4) Unquenched, ungrieved Holy Spirit. 5) Spiritual power in service. 6) Reproduction - producing spiritual fruit on a maximum scale.
<p>EVERY PERSON is constantly FILLED TO HIS CAPACITY with one of the following:</p> <p>1) UNrighteousness - Rom. 1:29 - Glorifying SIN - Reproducing Sin. 2) SELF-righteousness - II Cor. 10:12 - Glorifying SELF - Reproducing the character of Self. 3) TRUE Righteousness - Phil. 1:11 - Glorifying The Saviour - Reproducing the character of Christ.</p>		

OUR THREE-FOLD SANCTIFICATION

I Thess. 5:23 - Heb. 4:12

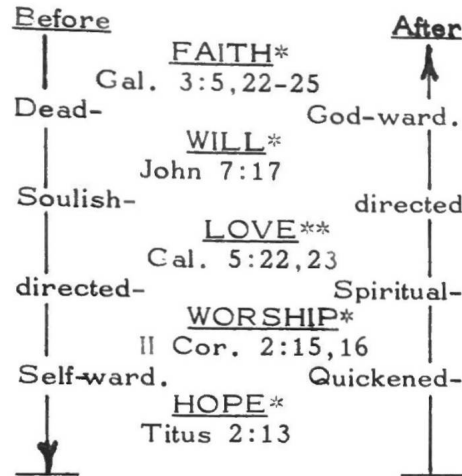
Spirit

(Pneuma)

GOD-consciousness

Through its 5 faculties, it may explore the phenomena of God. Communion with God thru. H.S.

Sanctified at SALVATION



Functions of the: *New Mind
**New Heart

A. Before Salvation:

- 1- SATAN is god!
- 2- United with the Soul. Cannot function independently.
- 3- Dead - Darkened - Not functioning, as result of Fall

B. At Salvation:

- 1- "Soul and Spirit divided asunder" (Heb. 4:12) By the Word of God = Christ (Rev. 19:13)
- 2- Quickened (made alive) Eph. 2:1; Gal. 2:20
- 3- Is the New Nature- Rom. 1:9; I Cor. 14:15 "New Creation"-II Cor.5:17 "New Mind" - Rom.7:23-25 "Inward Man"- Rom.7:22
- 4- We are to "Reckon alive" Rom.6:11; Eph.2:4-9
- 5- "Cannot sin" - I Jn. 3:9
- 6- The Holy Spirit is God's "down payment" to us - (II Cor.1:22; Eph.1:13,14)
- 7- Our "spirit" is a "down payment" to God - (Eph. 1:18; Rom. 8:16)

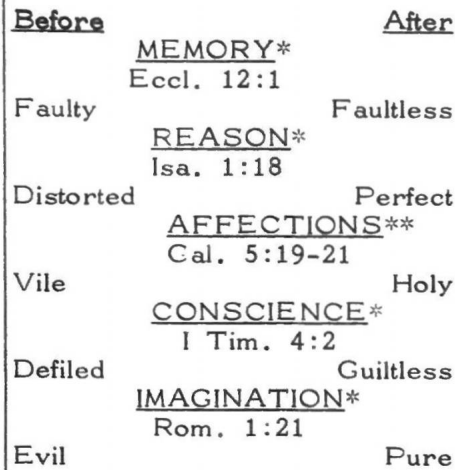
Soul

(Psuche)

SELF-consciousness

Through its 5 faculties, it may explore the phenomena of Self. Communion with inner world.

Sanctified at DEATH



Functions of the: *Old Mind
**Heart

A. Before Death:

- 1- SELF is god!
- 2- Is the "Old Nature" - the source of that which defiles a man - Mat. 15:11,18-20
- 3- Distorted by the Fall & Sin
- 4- "Receives not" spiritual things, though it may understand intellectually.
- 5- "Having not the Spirit" Jude 19
- 6- After Salvation - to be "Reckoned dead"-Rom.6:11 to self-gratification & pride.

B. At Death:

- 1- "The Thoughts and Intents of the Heart" to be judged by the Word of God - Heb. 4:12
- 2- The Soul = Old Nature is purged, leaving the 5 faculties perfect and undimmed or distorted by sin.
- 3- The believer will be judged as to what degree he let the "new creation" reign over & fill the soul and body in this life.

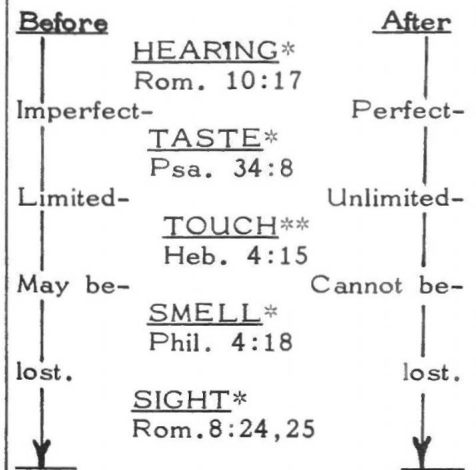
Body

(Soma)

MATTER-consciousness

Through its 5 faculties, it may explore the phenomena of Matter. Communion with outer world.

Sanctified at the RAPTURE



Functions in the: *Head -
**Whole Body.

A. Before the Rapture:

- 1- BELLY is god!
- 2- A mortal body - Rom.6:12 Natural body - I Cor.15:44 Corruptible - I Cor.15:52-54
- 3- Defiled (made naked) by the Fall - subject to: injury, disease, and weakness.
- 4- It is a TABERNACLE (II Cor. 6:19), so may:
 - a- Be defiled - members yielded as instruments of Unrighteousness. Rom.6:12-13,19. Sensual gratification: II Cor.6
 - b- Glorify God - members yielded as instruments of Righteousness. Rom. 12:1;

B. At the Rapture:

- 1- "Joints and Marrow divided asunder" by the Word of God. Heb. 4:12
(Note - Marrow is the "factory" of the blood, which is the life of our present bodies. Not needed with New Bodies of "flesh & bone")
- 2- Redemption of the Body - Rom. 8:23 - Phil. 3:21
- 3- A spiritual, immortal, incorruptible body - I Cor. 15:16-54

Man's Approach Unto God

Hebrews 11:1-7

By Maurice Hammond

As seen in the life of:	ABEL Heb. 11:4	ENOCH Heb. 11:5	NOAH Heb. 11:7
To come unto God for:	<u>SALVATION</u> I Tim. 2:4 Rom. 5:8-10	<u>SANCTIFICATION</u> I Thess. 4:3,4; 5:23 Rom. 6:12; John 17:17	<u>SERVICE</u> I Cor. 3:6-15 II Cor. 5:20-6:10
Demonstrates FAITH'S:	<u>WORSHIP</u> of God Gen. 4:4 John 4:24	<u>WALK</u> with God Gen. 5:21-24; Rom. 6:4 Gal. 5:16; Eph. 4:1; 5:2	<u>WITNESS</u> for God Gen. 6:8,9-14 Eph. 2:10; Tit. 2:7
Thus being:	At "Peace with God" Rom. 5:1	"Well-pleasing to God" II Cor. 5:9; I Thes. 4:1	"Obedient to God" Gen. 6:22; Acts 26:19
But there can be NO:	"Worship" without an <u>Acceptible Sacrifice</u> - Heb. 9:11-15,22 Jn. 1:29; I Pet. 1:18,19	"Walk" until there is first <u>"Peace" with God</u> - Gal. 5:22,23 Col. 3:15	"Witness" until there is <u>first a "Walk"</u> - Gen. 6:9 Heb. 13:16
VICTORY over:	<u>SIN</u> Prov. 20:9; Eccl. 7:20 Rom. 3:23-26	<u>DEATH</u> I Cor. 15:26,54 II Tim. 1:10	<u>JUDGMENT</u> Gen. 7:23 II Pet. 2:4-9
The RESULTS - God's <u>Testimony</u> of him:	"He was RIGHTEOUS" Sin is dealt with & right- eousness "imputed." I Cor. 1:30; Phil. 3:9 II Cor. 5:21; Heb. 2:9 I Pet. 3:18	"He PLEASSED GOD" Not <u>men</u> , or the <u>world</u> , I Thes. 2:4; Heb. 12:4 "Personal righteousness" thru. "growth" & "seper- ation." I Jn. 3:7-22	1. "He CONDEMNED the WORLD" - not by what he said, but Did! He "loved not the world" Eph. 5:11; II Thess. 3:6-13; I Jn. 2:15-17 2. "Became an HEIR of RIGHTEOUSNESS." Rewards for suffering & faithfulness in service. Rom. 8:17,18; Heb. 11:26 II Tim. 2:12; I Cor. 9:24
One Thing in COMMON:	Each STOOD ALONE with & for God in his day! So with the Apostle Paul: Heb. 10:34; II Tim. 4:16		
"He that cometh to God"	<u>PRAY</u> - Rom. 10:9-13	<u>PREPARE</u> - II Tim. 2:21	<u>PERFORM</u> - II Cor. 8:9-11

"Preaching Christ"

1 CORINTHIANS 1:17-24

BY MAURICE HAMMOND

There are six different aspects of the Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ clearly expressed and frequently mentioned in the Scriptures: His Death, Blood, Cross, Resurrection, Ascension, and His Name. The Holy Spirit most surely says what He means, and means what He says. Therefore it is very important for the Lord's people to discriminate between these words and terms, for there is much indiscriminate use of them. Confusion and misuse of these

words very often leads to doctrinal error and means spiritual weakness and failure. It is important when we, as good soldiers of Jesus Christ, go into war to know what weapons we need, and to be able to intelligently choose and use those weapons. It is also very important for un-saved people to know the true meaning of these terms if they are to be saved.

To the Unsaved for SALVATION (Dealing with SIN)	To the Believer for SANCTIFICATION (Dealing with SELF)	To the Believer for SERVICE (Dealing with SATAN)
(1) Reconciliation through His DEATH Col. 1:21,22	(3) Separation through His CROSS Rom. 6:3-8	(5) Preservation through His ASCENSION Eph. 1:20-23; Heb. 4:14-16
(a) His Death is sufficient for ALL MEN - Heb. 2:9 (b) Death deals with the PENALTY (wages) of sin. (Gen. 2:16, 17; Rom. 5:12; 6:23) It is therefore sufficient for the salvation of all, but there is NO salvation UNTIL the Blood of Christ is personally appropriated by the individual!	(a) His Cross is not for the unsaved, it is "foolishness to him" 1 Cor. 1:18 (b) The Cross deals with the MAN. Though it was the place where the Blood was shed, it has its own specific doctrinal meaning. It does not cleanse from sin, the Cross crucifies the flesh. Rom. 6:6	(a) His Ascension to "the right hand of the Majesty on high" (Heb. 1:3; 8:1,2) restored Christ's Glory with the Father, (Jn. 17:1,4,5) and initiated His eternal Intercession for His own. (Heb. 7:25,26; Rom. 8:34-39) (b) The post ascension ministry of Christ deals with the believer's sins (plural) as they are confessed to God. 1 Jn. 1:8-10
(c) "When we were enemies, we were RECONCILED to God by the DEATH of His Son." (Rom. 5:10) God has reconciled Himself to ALL men through the death of Christ, but not all men have been, nor will to be, reconciled to God. Therefore the call, "Be YE reconciled to God," oh man. (2 Cor. 5:18-21) (d) Illustration - Adjacent rooms in a hotel are often connected via double doors, each of which can be opened only from the inside. God has opened the door on His side and seeks a reconciliation with you. Will you open YOUR door and let Him in?	(c) The Cross is a NEGATIVE thing throughout: 1. It was the end of the Law - Col. 2:13,14 2. The end of the Old Man - Heb.12:1,2; Gal.2:20; 2 Cor.5:15 3. It separates us from the world - Gal. 6:12-14 (d) "Many walk...that are enemies of the cross." Phil. 3:18 Why? Because they are not separated from the world & the flesh.	(c) "We have an Advocate (One Who will intercede for us) with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He is the propitiation (the atoning sacrifice) for our sins." (1 Jn. 2:1,2; 4:10; Rom. 3:24-26) (d) It was necessary for Christ to offer Himself ONCE to put away SIN (Heb. 9:26), but He EVER liveth to make intercession as He now appears in the presence of God for us (Heb. 9:24), as Satan "accuses the brethren" before God. (Rev. 12:10)
(2) Justification through His BLOOD Rom. 3:25,26	(4) Identification through His RESURRECTION Rom. 6:5; 1 Pet. 1:3	(6) Authority through His NAME 1 Pet. 3:22; Rev. 19:16
(a) His Blood is effective for MANY - Mat. 26:28; Heb. 9:28 "As MANY as receive Him." (John 1:12) (b) The Blood deals with SIN - It has specifically and primarily to do with cleansing from sin and redemption unto life. Col. 1:14; Heb. 9:11-14,20,22; 1 John 1:7; Rev. 1:5	(a) It is only on a resurrection ground that the believer knows life in and by the Spirit. The Spirit-taught man will abandon all attempts to educate, refine, or improve the Old Nature. 1 Cor. 15:21 (b) The Resurrection deals with the weakness and insufficiency of the believer; it is for power in the Christian life. Phil. 3:10; Rom. 1:4 The power of His Res. is the Law of UNION with Christ from beginning to end. 1 Cor. 15:42,43	(a) His Name is the mighty AUTHORITY of Christ against the enemy for the believer mainly in the matter of service. (Acts 16:16-18) Paul did not plead the Blood, he came in the Name of Christ which is the mighty thing by which the authority of Satan in every realm is dealt with. (b) The Name brings us into union with an exalted, enthroned, authoritative Lord. (Eph. 1:21-23; Phil. 2:9-11)
(c) The Blood takes the enemy's legal ground away from accusation and condemnation. (Since the entrance of sin through Adam, all the creation is in bondage to the Devil.) If you do not know this experimentally and personally, come to Christ and you will discover how much you are in bondage, for it is only a prisoner who tries to escape who discovers that he is really a prisoner. Satan's power and authority is through man's sin against God and man's obedience to Satan. (d) Christ's Blood must be appropriated, applied to the individual's heart or else Satan will turn upon him. Rev. 12:11	(c) The Resurrection is a POSITIVE thing. The Old Man is "crucified with Christ" through the Cross and we EXCHANGE this old life for the New Life in Christ Jesus. This is the "New Creation," the "New Man," which is Christ Himself! (d) Being conformed to Christ's death on the cross, however costly it may be, is a necessary accompaniment to knowing the power of His Resurrection. Heb. 12:1,2	(c) There is nothing in a mere formula, (as the sons of Sceva discovered in Acts 19:13-16) but EVERYTHING in standing in the virtue of the Blood, on the ground of the Cross, bringing the believer into the authority of the NAME (d) The Name carries with it all the honour and glory of our Christ, and if He is to be glorified in us, sin must be dealt with, we must be set aside, and HE made preeminent, enthroned, predominant in all things for us! Eph. 5:20

A Triune Partnership

By Maurice Hammond

The Lord Jesus Christ informed His disciples, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit." (John 15:16) He said of the Apostle Paul, "...he is a chosen vessel unto me." (Acts 9:15) To all believers in this dispensation He states: "He hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world." (Eph. 1:4) "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ." (2 Cor. 5:20)

In God's providence He has limited Himself to man alone, as the exclusive instrumentality in the accomplishment of His purpose for this present dispensation. In former dispensations the Lord used Angel messengers. He will use them yet again after the Body of Christ is completed and raptured. During this present age, the heavens are silent, though God is most certainly not inactive, disinterested, nor powerless.

Lest we should become puffed up with this high calling, the Lord reminds us that, "not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: but God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and base things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not to bring to naught things that are: that no flesh should glory in his presence. (1 Cor. 1:26-29) With such weak and beggarly vessels it should be obvious to man that "without Me ye can do nothing." (John 15:5) "For we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." (2 Cor. 4:7)

We then are nothing, have nothing, and can do nothing good apart from the Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 7:18-25) Man's power for good is limited to (and yet is as infinite as) God's. On the other hand, God's power is limited to (and is as finite as) man's will. For the yielded believer however, "It is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure." (Phil. 2:13)

Therefore, for the realization of God's will in this dispensation, (the completion and edification of the Body of Christ) God and man are MUTUALLY DEPENDENT, are MUTUALLY INDISPENSIBLE to each other. The believer is in effect involved in a PARTNERSHIP with the Godhead. He is said to be: a co-laborer together with God, a co-sufferer together with Christ, and a co-witness together with the Holy Spirit.

I. A CO-LABORER TOGETHER WITH GOD (the Father) - 1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor. 6:1

The judgment of the believer is to be for his works to determine his rewards. (1 Cor. 3:8-15; Rom. 14:10; 2 Cor. 5:10) "The fire (God's judgment) shall try every man's

WORK of what sort it is." (1 Cor. 3:13) The believer's WORK (what he has accomplished, the fruit he has born) will be judged, not his knowledge, nor intentions. It is not a case of how much one knows of spiritual truths, but what has been done with what one does know. Also note that it is the QUALITY (of what sort it is) of the workmanship and not the QUANTITY which is to be judged.

Especially notice that the believer is to labor TOGETHER WITH God - not to labor FOR God. The Lord does not give man an assignment and then leave him to his own devices to "do the best he can in his own weak way." But He has promised, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." So that we may say, "The Lord is my helper." (Heb. 13:5,6) From other passages we learn that God has a specific TIME, (1 Tim. 2:6; Tit. 1:3) a specific PLACE, (Acts 16:7-10) and a specific MINISTRY (Heb. 9:24-26) for each of His ambassadors - those whom He has CALLED (Rom. 8:28-31) and GIFTED (Eph. 4:7,11) for the service to be rendered.

Following the record of Christ's Commission to His apostles in Mark 16:14-20, we are told in vrs. 20, "And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord WORKING WITH them, and confirming the word with signs following." In the period of the Acts, during which time all of these signs were manifested, it was not so much *The Acts of the Apostles*, as *The Acts of the Holy Spirit* as God WORKED WITH and through His human instrumentalities.

The need for the Gospel is everywhere, but one man cannot work everywhere nor do everything. However, he can do something, somewhere if he appropriates the power of the risen, ascended, and triumphant Saviour. And if he allows God to lead him to that one place, at that one time when He is doing that one thing for which he was called and talented.

Inasmuch as every working of God will be challenged and opposed by Satan through the carnal men and demon spirits which he controls, everyone who becomes a laborer together with God will soon discover that he has also been called to become:

II. A CO-SUFFERER TOGETHER WITH CHRIST Col. 1:24; Phil. 1:28-30; 2 Cor. 6:1-10; Rom. 8:17,18, 28,29; 1 Pet. 4:12-16; 5:10

In Col. 1:24 the Apostle Paul testifies that he was rejoicing in his sufferings for the believers, by which he was filling up that which was behind or lacking of the afflictions of Christ. It was not only necessary that the Lord Jesus Christ should die, ("for the wages of sin is death," Rom. 6:23 and therefore God "hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." 2 Cor. 5:21) but also that he should suffer. (Heb. 2:10; 5:8; 13:12)

Now inasmuch as "The servant is not greater than lord." (John 15:20) "Unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake; having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and I hear to be in me," (Phil. 1:29,30) says the Apostle Paul.

When we speak of suffering together with Christ we speak of that persecution, that estrangement from and rejection by the world, that defamation of character, that humiliation and mockery, which the good soldier of Jesus Christ bears because he has come out from among them and separated unto God to reveal the Lord Jesus Christ to a world controlled by "the prince of the power of the air." (1 John 3:8; 2 Cor. 4:4) We do not mean the suffering which will accrue as the natural consequence of sin and disobedience to God.

The teaching that, all suffering is the result of sin, and if the believer would confess his sin to God the suffering would be alleviated is one of the "doctrines of demons." (1 Tim. 4:1) All sin will bear its natural fruit, "corruption" (Gal. 6:7-9) which brings suffering and shame to the inner. But not all suffering is the consequence of unconfessed sin. The disciples "departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name." (Acts 5:41; 9:16) If you are a co-laborer together with God, you will positively not escape being a co-sufferer together with Christ!

III. A CO-WITNESS TOGETHER WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT - John 15:26,27; 2 Cor. 13:1; Rom. 8:16.

The Lord Jesus Christ informs His disciples, in the context of His speaking of the world's rejection of Him, (they hated me without a cause) that, "when the Comforter (the Holy Spirit) is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: AND YE ALSO SHALL BEAR WITNESS, because ye have been with me from the beginning." (John 15:26,27)

The express purpose of sending the Holy Spirit into the world was to BEAR WITNESS OF CHRIST. The Holy Spirit will ever and only reveal and glorify the Lord Jesus Christ. "Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every Spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of

God: and every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist," (1 John 4:2,3) Every spirit that denies, or even fails to confess Christ is of Satan.

Now inasmuch as it is necessary to establish every word IN THE MOUTH OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES, (2 Cor. 13:1) the Lord tells His disciples that "YE ALSO shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning." These twelve apostles bore witness to the children of Israel concerning their earthly kingdom hope. In this dispensation of Grace the members of the Body of Christ are to bear witness of Christ, TOGETHER WITH the Holy Spirit, concerning our heavenly hope. (Eph. 1:3) That hope of being "caught up together with them in the cloud, to meet the Lord in the air." (1 Thes. 4:13-17) Though our hope is different, salvation is the same, only through the Lord Jesus Christ and personal faith in Him.

In Rom. 8:16 we read, "The Spirit himself beareth witness WITH our spirit, (not TO our spirit) that we are the children of God." The Holy Spirit speaks to a man to reveal Christ, that is ONE witness. Then a believer also witnesses to that man concerning Christ - that is TWO witnesses. In some cases there may be many many human witnesses, and many workings of the Holy Spirit before an individual surrenders to the Lord Jesus Christ. But in every case, no man is saved without BOTH witnesses (the Divine and the Human). "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him." (John 6:44) "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." (John 12:32) This is the Divine side. On the human side "we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you BY US: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God." (2 Cor. 5:20)

Perhaps you have tried to witness to someone and had no success. The Holy Spirit was just not present. Yet on another occasion you had great liberty and it was obvious the Lord was present and working in power. Even when it seems that "nothing happens" we have the assurance that God's word "shall not return unto him void, but it shall accomplish that which he pleases." (Isa. 55:11) Paul says "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase." (1 Cor. 3:6,7) May all glory and praise redound to His Holy Name forever!

Five Kinds Of Human

LIFE

and

DEATH

<p>CONSCIOUSNESS, animation, energy, activity, existence, growth, reproduction.</p>	<p>DEFINITION:</p>	<p>SEPARATION from the sphere of life - Total inactivity.</p>
<p>THE GIFT OF GOD - Life in all its forms is the gift of the Creator. Life is NOT spontaneous, nor can it be created by man.</p>	<p>CAUSE:</p>	<p>THE PENALTY FOR SIN - Gen. 2:17 "Dying thou shalt die." The initial, single sin of Adam is the cause for death in all its forms.</p>
<p>1- TISSUE - CELLULAR - BODY LIFE. <i>Matter-Consciousness</i> Imparted by Conception Has both a beginning and an end.</p>	<p>THE LIFE PRINCIPLE "The life of the flesh is in <u>THE BLOOD.</u>" Lev. 17 11</p>	<p>1- TISSUE DEATH through cutting off of the blood supply. (Parts of the body may die while the person lives - or the person may die and body organs may live and be transplanted.)</p>
<p>2- PHYSICAL - NATURAL - ANIMAL LIFE. <i>Self-Consciousness</i> Imparted by Birth (Human generation) Has a beginning, but no end.</p>	<p><u>THE SOUL</u> "...the breath of life; and man became a living SOUL." Gen. 2:7 "The first man Adam was made a living SOUL." 1 Cor. 15:45</p>	<p>2- PHYSICAL DEATH - is the separation of soul & spirit from the body, which corrupts and returns to the dust of which it was formed. The soul, which gives sensation to the body and whereby all functions continue in their orchestration, remains in self-conscious existence.</p>
<p>3- SPIRITUAL LIFE - Life of the human spirit. <i>God-Consciousness</i> Imparted by the New Birth (Regeneration) Having a beginning, will have no end.</p>	<p><u>THE SPIRIT</u> Because of the Fall, the Holy Spirit must regenerate the human spirit. John 3:6,14,15, 36; 6:63; 14:6; 2 Cor 5:17; Gal. 6:8; 3ph. 2:1-5; Col.2:13</p>	<p>3- SPIRITUAL DEATH - is the separation of the soul & spirit from God. This occurred at the Fall in the Garden of Eden. Each person is therefore born spiritually dead, and if he never accepts Christ while physically alive, he will NEVER have spiritual life.</p>
<p>4- ETERNAL LIFE - Resurrection Life. <i>Involves the whole man:</i> The SPIRIT - Quickened eternally at Salvation. The SOUL - Released from the curse at death. The BODY - Redeemed and glorified at the Rapture or at the First Resurrection, and reunited with the soul and spirit. Is not the mere endless existence which all possess, but life added to that experienced before by itself.</p>	<p><u>THE GLORY</u> - Col. 3:4 A new life principle in the redeemed, glorified, new body of "Flesh and Bone" (no blood). John 5:24; 6:40 Rom, 5:21; 1 Cor. 15:19-22; 2 Cor. 4:14; 2 Tim. 1:10; 1 John 5:11,12.</p>	<p>4- THE SECOND DEATH - is unending separation from God, (Rev. 20:11-15) who restores the physical bodies of the spiritually unregenerate at the Second Resurrection. They are judged according to their works at the 'Great White Throne,' and then cast into 'the Lake of Fire' which consumes the body, leaving the soul & spirit in the <i>eternal perpetuation of spiritual death!</i></p>
<p>5- TEMPORAL LIFE - is being alive unto God and dead to "Self and Sin." Col. 3:1-25 This life is variously called the: ABUNDANT LIFE - John 10:10; 2 Cor. 9:8; Eph. 3:20 CRUCIFIED LIFE - Rom. 6:6; Col. 2:20; 3:3 DEEPER LIFE - 1 Cor. 2:10; Eph. 3:18,19; Phil. 4:8 SPIRIT-FILLED LIFE - Eph. 5:18; Col. 1:9 VICTORIOUS LIFE - John 16:33; Rom. 8:35; 1 John 5:4 It is not "I" that lives, manifesting my: Self-will, Self-love, and Self-trust, for Self-glory; but Christ, living in and through me in the terms of my personality. It is by His-will, His-love, His-faith (trust), and for His-Glory that I live day by day and moment by moment.</p>	<p><u>THE LORD JESUS CHRIST</u> "To me to live IS Christ." Phil. 1:21 "...Christ liveth in me." Gal. 2:20 "The life of Jesus manifest in our mortal flesh." 2 Cor. 4:11 By Maurice Hammond</p>	<p>5- TEMPORAL DEATH - is the temporary (temporal) separation of the Believer from the will of God and fellowship with Christ, which results in spiritual insensitivity and the quenching of the Holy Spirit. He is dead to God and alive unto sin. Rom. 6:1; Col. 3:3 Eph. 5:14-19 - "Awake thou that sleepest and ARISE FROM THE DEAD!" Rom. 13:11-14 - "Now it is high time to awake out of sleep." 1 Cor. 15:34 - "Awake to righteousness, and sin not." Luke 15:32 - "...thy brother was dead, and is alive again;" 1 Tim. 5:6 - "She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth." Rev. 3:1 - "...thou livest, and art dead." Phil. 3:7-16 - "If...I might attain unto the resurrection <i>out from among</i> the dead."</p>

Rephaim

The DEAD Who Have No Resurrection

A 6th KIND OF DEATH

KEY TEXTS

ISA. 26:13,14 - "O Lord our God (*Elohim*) OTHER LORDS (*owners - referring to the Canaanite oppressors of Israel and their false gods.*) beside Thee have had dominion over us; but by Thee only will we make mention of Thy name. **THEY ARE DEAD** (*The "other lords" - Heb. methim - adults as distinguished from children, and males as distinguished from females. Not dead men, as such, for ALL men shall rise again, Dan. 12:2; John 5:28,29; Acts 24:15; 1 Cor. 15:22; Rev. 20:4-6,13*)

THEY SHALL NOT LIVE

THEY ARE DECEASED (REPHAIM. *This is a proper name, and should not be translated. Where it is translated it is always rendered "giants" or "dead" - v. 19; Job 26:5; Psa. 88:10; Prov. 2:18; 9:18; 21:16; Isa. 14:9 - or transliterated, as it is in 17:5.*)

THEY SHALL NOT RISE: therefore hast Thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish." (*These REPHAIM will not rise. They were the progeny of the fallen angels: these latter are kept "in prison" - 1 Pet. 3:19, in "chains" - 2 Pet. 2:4; Jude 6, "reserved" unto judgment: but their progeny will "not rise" or be judged, for they have been "visited", "destroyed", and "perished". See Appendixes 23, 24, 25 of the Companion Bible, from which also these notes were taken.*)

ISA. 26:19. "Thy (*Jehovah's*) dead ones **SHALL LIVE,** (*These are very different from the dead in v. 14. They are Jehovah's dead. These shall rise.*) Together with my dead body shall they arise. (*All the dead bodies of Jehovah's people.*) Awake and sing, (*All these shall awake and sing. Psa. 17:15*) ye that dwell in dust (*lie in the dust of the earth.*) for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, (*like the dew upon herbs: i.e. revivifying them.*) and (*but - introducing the important contrast already expressed in v. 14*) The earth shall **CAST OUT** (*cast away. Not yield up in resurrection. WHOM?*) **THE DEAD (REPHAIM - These will "not rise."**)

WHO ARE THE REPHAIM?

GEN. 6:1-7 - THE GIANTS - the NEPHILIM (*fallen ones*) great in size and wickedness - superhuman, abnormal beings - the progeny of fallen angels.

GEN. 14:5 - A branch of the Nephilim, they are superhuman beings, so called after one Rapha: as the Anakim after Anak. See Gen. 15:18-21 where they are enumerated and named.

NUM. 13:33 - "And there we (*the 10 spies*) saw the giants (*Nephilim*) the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight."

DEUT. 2:10-11 - "THE EMIMS (*Terrible ones, a race of the Nephilim*) dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; which also were accounted **GIANTS**, (*REPHAIM - connected with healing, and with Egypt*) as the Anakims, but the Moabites call them Emims."

DEUT. 2:20,21 - "That also was accounted a land of Giants; giants dwelt therein in old time; and the Ammonites call them Zamzummims (*noisy ones.*)

DEUT. 3:11,13 - Their strength is seen in the giant cities of Bashan, which are associated with Egypt and may explain the building of the pyramids. " (For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of giants (REPHAIM) behold his bedstead (*bed or couch, but not the usual word which is MISHKAB. It is 'ERES, and is exactly the same measurement as the tomb of Marduk in Babylon. Probably therefore - his tomb.*) was a bedstead of iron; (*probably basalt*) is it not in Rabbath (*the capital of Ammon, where the temple of Milchom was; and where Og's tomb would naturally be.*) of the children of Ammon? Nine cubits was the length thereof, (*about 14 ft.*) and four cubits (*6 ft.*) the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.)"

JOB 16:14 - "He breaketh me with breach upon breach, He runneth upon me like a giant." (*mighty man. Heb. gibbor - heroes - "men of renown" - "men of the name" i.e. who got a name and were renowned for their ungodliness.*)

THE OBJECT OF THE FLOOD

GEN. 6:1-9 - The destruction of these Giants was necessary for the preservation of the human race and for the faithfulness of God's Word.

The cohabitation of fallen angels (*sons of God*) with the daughters of Adam was Satan's first attempt to prevent the coming of the "Seed of the woman" foretold in Gen. 3:15. If this could be accomplished, God's Word would have failed, and his own doom would be averted.

Note that the "Seed" was of the *woman*, not the man, as in natural generation, therefore the purpose was to contaminate her seed (*later we see the attack directed upon Sarah, Gen. 12:10-20; 20:1-18, when God reveals that it is through her that the seed, 'Isaac' was to come.*)

Only Noah and his family had preserved their pedigree pure from Adam - Gen. 6:9 - "Noah was a just man and perfect (*without blemish as to breed or pedigree, not moral perfection*) in his generations (*contemporaries*). All the rest had become "corrupt." The only remedy was to destroy these Nephilim and the human family which had become contaminated. The seed must be pure, not part human and part superhuman. The Nephilim were of ab-

normal size and character, monsters of iniquity, and had to be destroyed. This was why the Flood was brought "upon the world of the ungodly (2 Pet. 2:5) as prophesied by Enoch (Jude 14).

But we read of the Nephilim again after the Flood. How could this be? The answer is in Gen. 6:4 - "There were Nephilim in the earth in those days (*of Noah*); and also AFTER THAT." So after the Flood, there was a second irruption of these fallen angels, evidently smaller in number and more limited in area, for their progeny were confined to Canaan, and were known as "the nations of Canaan." It was for the destruction of these that the sword of Israel was necessary, as the Flood had been before.

Soon after it became known that the seed was to come through Abraham and Sarah, Satan tried to prevent their entering the promised land, for when he came out from Haran (Gen. 12:6) and entered Canaan, "The Canaanite was then (*already*) in the land." And in Gen. 14:5 they were already known as "Rephaim" and "Emim."

REPHAIM rendered DEAD seven times:

- (1) ISA. 26:19 - (considered above)
- (2) JOB 26:5 - "Dead things (*the Rephaim*) are formed (*remain*) from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof." (*The Ellipsis must be supplied thus. "The place where the Rephaim stay is beneath the waters, and the things that are therein." This place is thus contrasted with the other place, Sheol, in the next verse.*)
Thus the Rephaim, who were destroyed by the Flood, remain "under the waters," and are not in Sheol which is the "place of the dead" or abode of the disembodied souls of men.
- (3) PSA. 88:10 - "Wilt Thou shew wonders to the dead (*Rephaim*)? Shall the dead (*Rephaim, who have no resurrection*) arise and praise Thee?"

(4) PROV. 2:16-22 - In this passage, the STRANGE WOMAN, who is contrasted with Wisdom (*Christ*) is a prostitute priestess of Idolatrous religion. She is a stranger, therefore a foreigner (*Canaanite*) who has forsaken the guide of her youth, and forgotten the covenant of her God.
v. 18 - "For her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead (*Rephaim*).
v. 19 - "None that go unto her RETURN AGAIN....."
v. 22 - "But the wicked (*lawless*) shall be CUT OFF from the earth, and the transgressor shall be ROOTED OUT."

(5) PROV. 9:18 - In the context (*beginning with v. 1*) a FOOLISH WOMAN (*priestess prostitute*) is contrasted with Wisdom (*Christ*). She sits at the door of her house in the high places of the city (*Idol temples*) to call to those who pass on their way. "But he (*who passes*) knoweth not that the dead (*Rephaim*) are there; And that her guests are in the depths of hell (*Sheol*).

(6) PROV. 21:15,16 - "Destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity (*idolatry*). The man (*adam*) that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation (*assembly*) of the dead (*Rephaim*)."

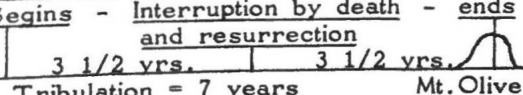
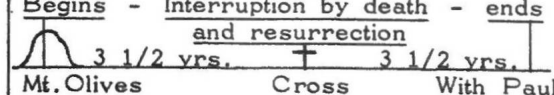
(7) ISA. 14:9 - "Hell (*Sheol*) from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee (*Lucifer, King of Babylon*) at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead (*Rephaim*) for thee...."

Note how the Rephaim are associated with Satan and his religions with all their idolatrous and immoral practices.

REPHAIM rendered as a proper name 10 times:

Gen. 14:5; 15:20; Josh. 12:15; 2 Sam. 5:18,22; 23:13; 1 Chron. 11:15; 14:9; 20:4; Isa. 17:5

The Conflict Of The Ages

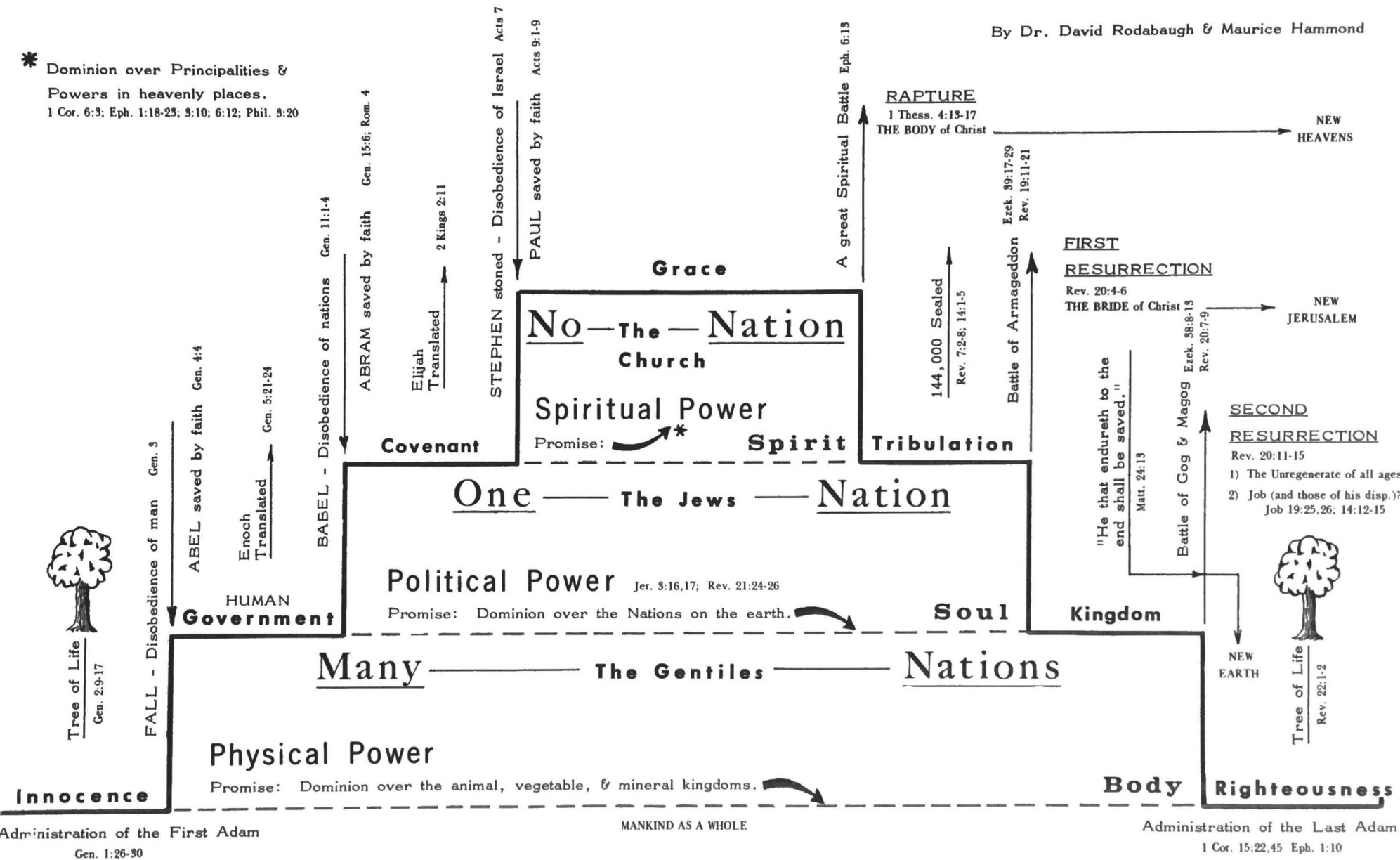
THE COUNTERFEIT	Between Two:	THE TRUE
Seed of the <u>SERPENT</u> - Gen. 3:15	SEEDS	Seed of the <u>WOMAN</u> - Gen. 3:15
<u>Dragon</u> , <u>Beast</u> , <u>False Prophet</u> Rev. 13:1-18; 19:20; 20:2	TRINITIES	<u>Father</u> , <u>Son</u> , <u>Holy Spirit</u> - Matt. 28:19; II Cor. 13:14; Heb. 9:14; I Pet. 1:2
Of <u>INIQUITY</u> - Satan incarnate in flesh. II Thess. 2:7	MYSTERIES	Of <u>GODLINESS</u> - God incarnate in flesh. I Tim. 3:16
<u>ANTICHRIST</u> The <u>son</u> of Perdition - II Thes. 2:3 That man of <u>SIN</u> - II Thes. 2:3 That <u>WICKED</u> one - II Th. 2:8; Isa. 11:4 The <u>LIE</u> (personified) II Th. 2:11; Jn. 8:44	MEN	<u>CHRIST</u> The <u>Son</u> of God - Luke 1:35; Matt. 3:17 The Man of <u>SORROWS</u> - Isa. 53:3 The <u>HOLY ONE</u> - Mark 1:24 <u>THE TRUTH</u> (Personified) John 14:6
Comes to do his <u>own will</u> - Dan. 11:36 Comes to <u>DESTROY</u> - Dan. 8:24 Comes in his <u>own name</u> - John 5:43 <u>EXALTEETH</u> himself - II Thes. 2:4	PURPOSES	Came to do His <u>Father's will</u> - John 6:38 Came to <u>SAVE</u> - Luke 19:10 Came in His <u>Father's Name</u> - John 5:43 <u>HUMBLED</u> Himself - Phil. 2:8
Ascends from the <u>PIT</u> - Rev. 11:7	ORIGINS	Descended from <u>ABOVE</u> - John 6:38
Of <u>Satan</u> with <u>LYING</u> power, signs, and wonders - All Unrighteousness - II Th. 2:8	WORKINGS	Of <u>God</u> with <u>TRUE</u> power, signs, and wonders - All Righteousness - Heb. 2:3,4
The people <u>ADMIRE</u> him - Rev. 13:3,4	ATTITUDES	The people <u>DESPISED</u> Him - Isa. 53:3
The <u>EVIL</u> Shepherd - Zech. 11:16,17	SHEPHERDS	The <u>GOOD</u> Shepherd - John 10:4-15
"The Anointed Cherub" - Ezek. 28:14-19	ANOINTED ONES	"God's Anointed" - Psa. 2:2,6
<u>Cast down</u> to hell - Isa. 14:14,15; Re. 19	DESTINIES	<u>Exhaulted</u> - Phil. 2:9; Isa. 9:6,7; Dan. 2:44
The <u>HARLOT</u> - Rev. 17:3	WOMEN	The <u>BRIDE</u> - Rev. 21:9
Synagogue of Satan - Rev. 2:9; 3:9	SYNAGOGUES	Synagogue of Israel - Matt. 16:18
Babel - <u>Babylon</u> - Gen. 10:8-10; Re. 14:8	CITIES	Salem - <u>Jerusalem</u> - Gen. 14:18; Isa. 52:1
"The Beast" = <u>666</u> - Rev. 13:18	MYSTIC NUMBERS	"Jesus" = <u>888</u> (from num. value of letters)
"His deadly wound healed" - Rev. 13:3	RESURRECTIONS	"Now is Christ risen" - I Cor. 15:20
The <u>Beast's name</u> in foreheads - Re. 13,16	SEALS	The <u>Father's Name</u> in foreheads - Rev. 14:1
<u>TARES</u> to "burn" - Rev. 14:15-20	HARVESTS	<u>WHEAT</u> to "Barn" - Mat. 13:24-30; 36-43
Satan and the Beast - Rev. 2:13; 16:10	THRONES	God and the Lamb - Rev. 22:1
The Cup of Demons - I Cor. 10:21	CUPS	The Cup of Christ - Matt. 26:26-29
False Covenant - Dan. 9:27	COVENANTS	The New Covenant - Heb. 12:24
<u>1st</u> - <u>Judas</u> (?) Jn. 17:12; II Thes. 2:3,9 John 6:70,71; Acts 1:25 <u>2nd</u> - The Beast - Rev. 17:8 (<u>Judas</u> ?)	TWO APPEARINGS	<u>1st</u> - <u>Christ</u> Incarnate - Matt. 1:23 <u>2nd</u> - <u>Christ</u> Returning - I Cor. 15:23
Of <u>ANTICHRIST</u> : <u>Begins</u> - <u>Interruption by death</u> - <u>ends</u> <u>and resurrection</u>  Tribulation = 7 years Mt. Olives	7 YEAR MINISTRIES *	Of <u>CHRIST</u> : <u>Begins</u> - <u>Interruption by death</u> - <u>ends</u> <u>and resurrection</u>  Mt. Olives Cross With Paul

*Note: Though Christ ascends 40 days after His resurrection, His ministry continues 3 1/2 years more while in His superhuman form - He pours out Holy Spirit at Pentecost (Luke 24:49); He is seen by Stephen (Ac. 7:56); He appears to Saul on Rd. to Damascus (Ac. 9:3-6); He sends Ananias (Ac. 9:10-16); and it is He who teaches Paul in the wilderness (Ac. 9:16; 26:15-18; Gal. 1:16,17). This 3 1/2 year period ended about the time Paul returned to Damascus to minister (Ac. 9:22). Antichrist also ministers in a superhuman form for 3 1/2 years following his death and resurrection in the middle of the Tribulation!

The Ages of God

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* **Dominion over Principalities & Powers in heavenly places.**
 1 Cor. 6:3; Eph. 1:18-23; 3:10; 6:12; Phil. 3:20



GOD'S PLAN OF THE AGES

- A. CHRIST - the Alpha, the Beginning, the First - Rev. 1:8,11; 21:6; 22:13
Dwelling alone - The Self-existent, Self-contained, Self-sufficient God.
- B. PRIMAL HEAVENS AND EARTH - Gen. 1:1; II Pet. 3:5,6a; Isa. 45:18
Lucifer, the "mediator" between God and His creation.
- C. DESECRATION of the Heavens and Earth - Isa. 14:12-17; Lk. 10:18
Consequence - Darkness, Chaos, Waters (sea) - Gen. 1:2; II Pet. 3:6b Disobedience of Lucifer!
- D. RENOVATION - Earth for man - Gen. 1:3-2:3; II Pet. 3:7a
Present Heavens and Earth - "Heavens and Earth which are now."
- E. ADMINISTRATION HEADSHIP - "First Adam" - Gen. 1:28-31
Adam in Paradise, the "mediator" between God and restored creation.

- F. SUBJECTION - First man to Satan - Gen. 3:1-7; II Cor. 4:4 Disobedience of Man!
The "FALL" - Paradise Lost.
- G. CONDEMNATION - Divine Curse upon the serpent, woman, man, and earth - Gen. 3:13-19 Fire (judgment) consumes Abel's sac.
- H. CONSIDERATION - Mankind universal - Gen. 4-11:26
The Earth filled with sin, violence, luxury of man's making.
- I. CONSTRUCTION of Babylon - Gen. 11:1-9 - One universal Political, Religious, Commercial system. Disobedience of Nations!

- J. SEPARATION - ONE Nation (Israel) called out - Gen. 12:1 - Mal. 4:6 - The Old Covenant made. Circumcision the "Seal"
- K. TRIBULATION - The Captivities. Inception of "The Times of the Gentiles" - II Kings 25:1-21 - The LAW "added." Gal. 3:19 Disobedience of The Nation!
- L. INCARNATION & OPERATION of CHRIST - Matt. thru. John His Death, Burial, Resurrection, and Ascension - New Covenant made in His Blood - Jer. 31:31; Mat. 26:28; Heb. 8:10 Obedience of SON of God!
Rom. 5:19
- M. INTRODUCTION - The Church, Christ's mystical Body, formed of both Jews & Gentiles - Rom. 3:23; Eph. 2:11-18 Obedience of Faith! Rom. 1:5; 16:26
Cal. 3:28; I Cor. 12:13; Eph. 3:1-9
- The HIDDEN PURPOSE - Revealed only in Pauline Epistles.
- M. CONSUMPTION - The Church called out at the Rapture I Thess. 4:13-18; I Cor. 15:51-55 - Judgment of Believers.
- L. INCARNATION & OPERATION OF Anti-christ - II Thes. 2:3-12 Disobedience of the Son of Perdition!
Rev. 13:1-8; Dan. 8:23-25; Rev. 17 - His death, burial, and resurrection, and "casting down" - False Covenant made.
- K. TRIBULATION - "Time of Jacob's Trouble" - Termination of "Times of the Gentiles" - Lk. 21:20-24; Mat. 24,25 Obedience of The Nation!
- J. SEPARATION - ONE Nation (Israel) recalled and blessed - Matt. 24:27-31 - The New Covenant Established. First Res.

- I. DESTRUCTION of Babylon - Rev. 17 - Judgment of NATIONS, "Sheep nations" enter Millennial Kingdom after Armageddon. Mat. 25 Obedience of Nations!
- H. CONSIDERATION - Mankind Universal - Rev. 14:6,7 - The earth filled with righteousness & knowledge of God - Luxury of God's doing.
- G. CONDEMNATION - Satan "loosed a little season" leads "the nations" against the "camp of the saints, the beloved city" - Rev. 20:7-9 - Fire from heaven consumes the sinners who have rejected The Sac.
- F. SUBJECTION - Satan to "Last Adam" (Christ)- Rev. 20:10; I Jn. 3:8 Obedience of Man!
Great White Throne Judgment of unregenerate - Rev. 20:11-15

- E. ADMINISTRATION HEADSHIP - The "Last Adam" reigning eternally in Paradise Restored (curse removed) as Prophet, Priest, and King. Luke 1:31-33; II Pet. 1:11; Isa. 9:6,7; Dan. 2:44; 7:13,14; Rev. 11:15
- D. RENOVATION - Earth for Man - II Pet. 3:6-13; Matt. 24:35; Rev. 20:11 Rev. 21:1; Psa. 102:25-26; Isa. 34:4; I Cor. 7:31; II Cor. 4:18
- C. RESTORATION of the Heavens and the Earth - Eph. 1:9,10; Heb. 9:22-24
Consequence - Light (Rev. 21:22-25) - Cosmos - "No more Sea" (Rev. 21:1)
- B. PERMANENT HEAVENS and EARTH, and Jerusalem - "wherein dwelleth Righteousness" - Heb. 1:8; II Pet. 3:13 - Christ the eternal Mediator.
- A. CHRIST - the Omega, the Ending, the Last - Rev. 1:8,11; 13:8; Mic. 5:2
Dwelling in the MIDST of His redeemed people forever.

Many Nations

One Nation

One Body

TWO SPHERES

In The Eternal State

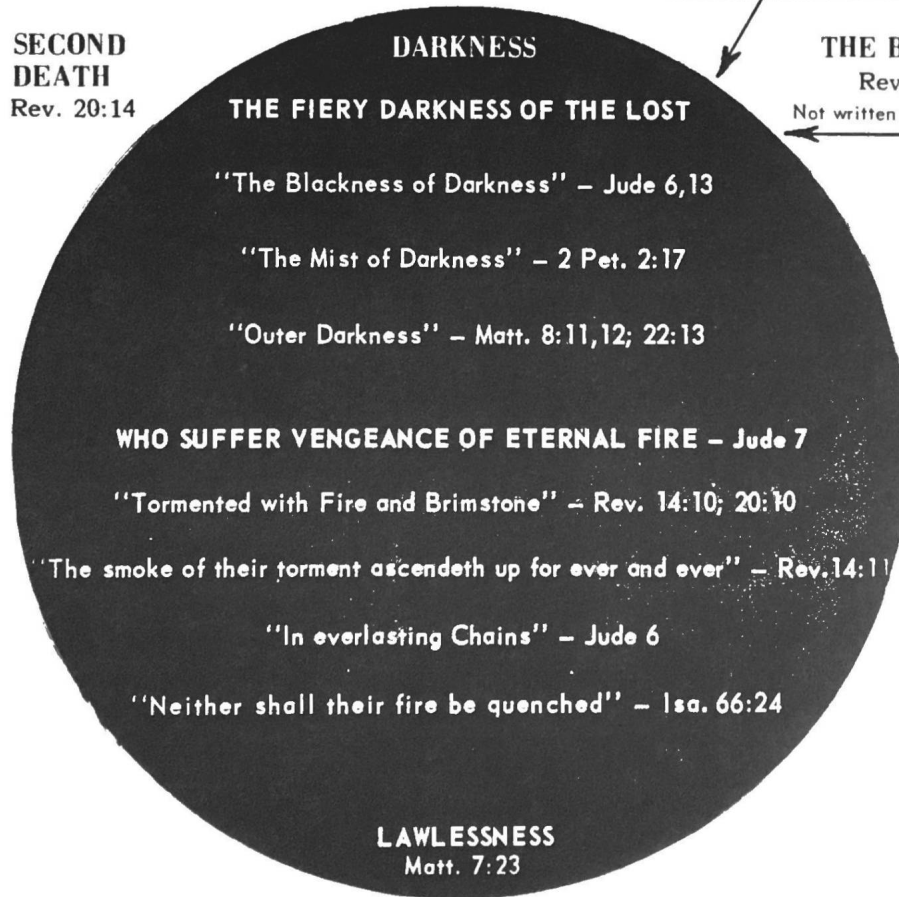
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THE LAKE OF FIRE – Rev. 20:14,15

Inhabited by: All Unbelievers, Idolaters, etc. – Rev. 21:8

- 1- Satan – Rev. 20:10; Matt. 25:41
- 2- The Antichrist – Rev. 19:20
- 3- The False Prophet – Rev. 19:20
- 4- The Fallen Angels – Jude 6; 2 Pet. 2:4
- 5- The unbelievers of Grace Dispensation
- 6- The unbelievers of the Jews (the One Nation)
- 7- The unbelievers of the Gentiles (many nations)

SECOND DEATH
Rev. 20:14



THE TABERNACLE OF THE WICKED – Job 18:5,6

THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD – Eph. 2:19

Inhabited by: The whole family in heaven and earth – Eph. 3:15

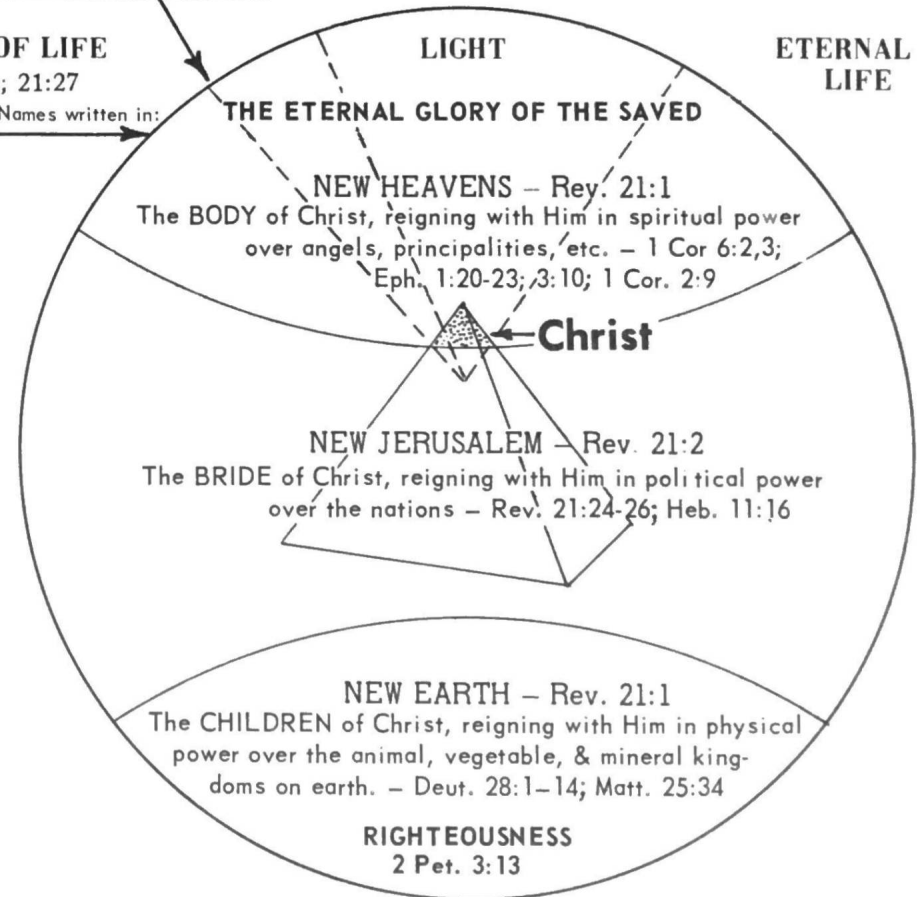
Inhabited by those who:

LOVED DARKNESS John 3:19,20	–	CAME TO THE LIGHT John 3:21
BELIEVED THE LIE 2 Thess. 2:11,12	–	BELIEVED THE TRUTH 2 Thess. 2:13
ARE IN ADAM 1 Cor. 15:22	–	ARE IN CHRIST 1 Cor. 15:22

- 1- The Father – 1 Cor. 15:24
- 2- The Son – Heb. 1:8
- 3- The Holy Spirit – Rev. 22:17
- 4- The Holy Angels – Heb. 12:22; Rev. 14:10
- 5- The Body of Christ – Eph. 2:6,7
- 6- The Bride of Christ (saved Jews) – Rev. 21:9,10
- 7- The redeemed nations – Rev. 21:24; Matt. 25:31-46

THE BOOK OF LIFE
Rev. 20:15; 21:27

Not written in: Names written in:



THE ETERNAL TABERNACLE OF GOD – Rev. 21:3

THE TEMPLE OF GOD

GOD'S ETERNAL PURPOSE - "To DWELL* in the midst of His people" (Exodus 25:8,9)

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* "TO DWELL" is the word "placed" in Gen. 3:24 which is the Hebrew word "shakan," meaning "to station" or "dwell in a tabernacle," from which the word "shekinah" (God's dwelling place among men) is derived. (Ex. 40:34,35; Lev. 16:2; 2 Sam. 6:2; 1 Kings 8:10,11) God has dwelt, or will dwell, in the midst of His people (both heavenly and earthly) in a succession of

eight tabernacles. The first and the eighth is the TRUE TABERNACLE in the heavens after which the Tabernacle in the Wilderness was patterned. (Heb. 8:2; 9:11,24) Note - God's House is ONE Tabernacle which is always a trinity of three parts or compartments, even as the Lord Himself is ONE GOD manifested in three Persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

	PRIMAL TEMPLE	PRESENT TEMPLE (Its various manifestations in Time)			PERMANENT TEMPLE	
<p>THE HOLY OF HOLIES (NAOS)</p> <p>God's Person (Presence)</p> <p>2 Chron. 2:4-6 Acts 7:44, 47-50 Acts 17:24</p>	<p>(1) THE ALPHA</p> <p>LUCIFER, "The anointed cherub that covereth" (Ezek. 28:14) was the High Priest and mediator between the Creator and His creation.</p> <p>Not being made in 'the Image of God,' he fell in that he was inferior - weak.</p> <p>God is to fill this place, occupied by Lucifer, with His Son,</p>	<p>(2) EDENIC TEMPLE</p> <p>The first three days of creation reveal the outline of this temple of which Adam is the King-Priest and mediator.</p> <p>FIRST DAY Light - (Phos) God's Glory, Gen. 1:3; 1 John 1:5. God's Presence in the Naos.</p>	<p>(3) TABERNACLE OF MOSES -</p> <p>Was made according to the pattern God showed Moses in the mount. (Ex. 25:8; Heb. 8:1-6; 9:1-24) Was the image (pattern) of things in the heavens.</p> <p>Made First - Ex. 25:10-22</p> <p>UNDERIVED LIGHT God dwelt in 'shekinah' Ex. 40:34</p> <p>Isa. 37:16</p> <p>Only the High Priest entered.</p>	<p>(5) CHRIST INCARNATE - John 1:1,2,14 - "The WORD was made flesh, and dwelt (tabernacling) among us." God dwelt in the midst of His people for 3 1/4 years in the Person of His Son who was not only the Temple but also the perfect Sacrifice and the High Priest. Heb. 9:11,12; 10:19-21. His flesh was the Veil which hid His Glory. This Glory is seen at His incarnation (Luke 2:8-15), His Transfiguration (Luke 9:28,29), and at His Second Coming. (Rev. 5:11-13)</p> <p>HEROD'S TEMPLE - (46 years in building and lasting 85 years until destroyed in 70 A.D.) was never indwelt by the "Shekinah" (God's presence) and therefore was never "God's House."</p>	<p>(8) THE OMEGA</p> <p>NEW HEAVENS</p> <p>"I make all things new"</p> <p>Occupied by: THE HIGH PRIEST Christ, the Head with the members of HIS BODY, the Church. (Eph. 1:20-23; Heb. 5:5,6; 6:20) Ruling over angels (1 Cor. 6:3) and all heavenly beings.</p> <p>4 DIMENSIONAL (Eph. 3:18) Completed & filled FIRST</p>	
	<p>THE HOLY PLACE</p> <p>God's Throne</p> <p>The Heavens</p> <p>Isa. 66:1,2 Gen. 1:1</p>	<p>Lucifer was in "the holy mountain of God" (Ezek. 28:14,16; Psa. 48:2; Isa. 14:12, 13) His fall has made our Solar System a wasteland. (Gen. 1:2)</p> <p>He desired to usurp the Messianic purpose and sit upon the throne of David in the city of Jerusalem. (Jer. 3:17)</p>	<p>SECOND DAY Firmament - the atmosphere, air. Gen. 1:6; Eph. 2:2</p> <p>Cain and Able brought their offerings to this Tab. From this 'presence of the Lord' Cain went out. Gen. 4:14-16</p>	<p>Made Next - Ex. 25:23-40</p> <p>Altar</p> <p>Table</p> <p>DERIVED LIGHT From combustion of oil in Candlestick.</p> <p>The Priests ministered.</p>	<p>(6) IN THE DISPENSATION OF GRACE - The Heavenly hosts are silent. Today redeemed man is to praise the Lord in His temple (Eph 5:19,20) The heavenly creatures are being taught by the Church the "manifold wisdom of God." (Eph. 3:9,10)</p> <p>A. THE MYSTICAL BODY OF CHRIST (The Church) IS GOD'S TEMPLE, the NAOS of the Eternal Tabernacle. (Eph. 2:19-22; 2 Cor. 6:16) The Naos must be completed and set right (as in Tab. 3) before God can finish the rest of the Temple. So the Kingdom blessings cannot come to Israel until the Church is Raptured.</p> <p>B. "For this cause." (Eph 3:1)</p> <p>C. The Parenthesis - THE MYSTERY - THE SECRET of what God is doing in this Dispensation of Grace. (Eph. 3:2-13) The purpose of the Church - "The praise of His glory." (Eph. 1:6 12 18)</p>	<p>NEW JERUSALEM</p> <p>Which is & is occupied by: THE BRIDE OF CHRIST (Rev. 21:1-12) Tribulation overcomers are to be pillars in the temple, the New Jer., which comes down out of heaven. (Rev. 3:12; 7:14) Ruling over the nations on the New Earth. (Rev. 21:24)</p> <p>3 DIMENSIONAL (Rev. 21:15-17) Completed second.</p>
	<p>THE OUTER COURT</p> <p>God's Footstool (The place for His feet)</p> <p>The Earth</p> <p>Matt. 5:34,35</p>	<p>Satan walked in "Eden the garden of God." (Ezek. 28:13) This was no doubt the Primal earth which became "empty and uninhabited" (without form and void) as the consequence of His fall.</p> <p>Satan was 1st cast out of the Naos and now operates from the 2nd sphere of the temple, 'the air'. In the Trib. he will be cast down to the earth (Rev. 12:12) then to the Abyss (Rev. 20:1-3) and finally to the 'Lake of Fire' (Rev. 20:10)</p>	<p>THIRD DAY Dry Land - the Garden placed 'Eastward in Eden' Gen. 2:8 Gen. 1:9-13</p> <p>God walked with Adam, in the garden, the court of the temple, in the cool of the day. Gen. 3:8</p> <p>Adam surrenders his Lordship to Satan and the Cherubim are placed East of the Garden to 'keep the way to the tree of life' Gen. 3:24.</p>	<p>Made Last - Ex. 27:1-8</p> <p>Laver</p> <p>NATURAL (SOLAR) LIGHT</p> <p>Brazen Altar</p> <p>The People worshipped</p> <p>(4) SOLOMON'S TEMPLE - Was 7 yrs. in building and lasted 400 years until destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar. The Glory of God filled the temple at its dedication. (1 Kings 8:11) but there is no record of the Glory departing. It was replaced by the temple rebuilt by ZERUBBABEL, which lasted 500 years until destroyed by Antiochus Epiphanes. (Ezra 4:1,2) There is no record of the "Glory" entering, thus making it the prolongation of Solomon's T. In Ezek. 9:3 and on, Ezekiel sees the Glory departing the temple.</p>	<p>B. "For this cause." (Eph. 3:14)</p> <p>A. THE INDIVIDUAL BELIEVER IS GOD'S TEMPLE - (Eph. 3:14-21; 1 Cor. 3:16,17; 6:19,20) Paul takes up the theme of 'A' above, a dwelling for Christ. All believers are indwelt by Christ, but He is not RICHLY indwelling ALL believers. (Col. 3:16) Only those who let His Word indwell them richly.</p>	<p>NEW EARTH</p> <p>Occupied by: THE BRETHERN of Christ (Israel and the Nations serving the Millennial Kingdom.) The curse is removed (Rev. 22:3) the earth is restored to Edenic conditions with the reappearance of the Tree and Water of Life, (Rev. 22:1,2) and men will enjoy great animal, vegetable and mineral wealth.</p> <p>2 DIMENSIONAL - Length and Breadth, Latitude and Longitude. (Gen. 13:14-18; Zeck 2:1,2)</p> <p>Thus, Redeemed men will fill the void left by the fall of heavenly beings.</p>

DISPENSATIONAL SYMMETRY

From the First to the Second Coming of Messiah

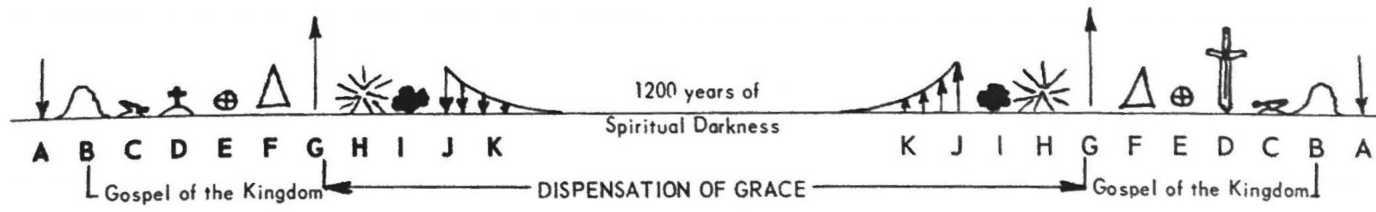
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- A. FIRST COMING** of Messiah to the earth. Matt. 1:23-25; 2:15,23; 4:14-17; 8:16,17; 12:14-21; 13:35; 21:4-9; etc.
- B. MESSIAH APPEARS** to Israel upon the Mt. of Olives. His 'Sermon on the Mount' setting forth His Kingdom program and laws. Matthew chapters 5 - 7.
- C. REPENTANCE and REBIRTH** preached to Israel by the Apostles chosen by Messiah for this ministry. Matthew 10:1-7; Luke 10:1-20; John 1:1-34.
- D. GOD'S WRATH** poured out upon Messiah. His death, burial, resurrection, and ascension. Isa. 50:6 Isa. 53; Zech. 13:6; Mark 15:33-39; Matt. 27:57 - 28:10; Acts 1:1-11.
- E. A HEBREW REMNANT** identified (baptized) with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. Acts 1:5 Acts 1:12-15; 2:1-18.
- F. LIMITED REVIVAL** of Jews and Proselytes under the ministry of Peter and the eleven apostles. Acts 2:36-47; 4:4; 5:14; 6:7; 9:31; 10:34-43.
- G. APOSTLE PAUL CALLED OUT** - The Church, which is Christ's (Messiah's) Body, begins. Acts 9:1-9, 19-22; 13:2, 44-47.
- H. GENTILE AWAKENING** through the worldwide missionary ministry of Paul and his co-laborers. Acts 13:46; 14:27; 28:23-29; Romans 9:22-24; 10:18.
- I. RELIGIOUS APOSTACY** - False cults, false signs & tongues - doctrines & works of demons. 1 Cor. 12 & 13; Gal. 1:6-12; 1 Tim. 4:1-7; 2 Tim. 3:13.
- J. THE PAULINE MESSAGE** rejected and lost, before Paul dies. 2 Tim. 1:15; 2:18; 3:8; 4:4.
- K. OTHER TRUTHS** successively rejected and lost.
- DISPENSATION OF GRACE** From Emperor Constantine (300 A.D.) to the Reformation, there were approximately 1200 years of almost total spiritual darkness throughout the world!
- K. BIBLE TRUTHS** successively reclaimed and accepted from the Reformation to present.
- J. THE PAULINE MESSAGE** reclaimed and accepted. By 'Grace' believers of 20th Century.
- I. RELIGIOUS APOSTACY** - False cults, false signs & tongues - doctrines & works of demons. 1 Tim. 4:1-7; 2 Tim. 3:1-13; 4:1.
- H. GENTILE AWAKENING** - through the worldwide missionary ministration of the Pauline message of Grace by labourers employing Pauline methods. Rom. 8:17,36; 2 Cor. 1:7;11:23.
- G. THE CHURCH CALLED OUT** - The 'Body of Christ' completed and Raptured. 1 Thes. 4:13-18.
- F. LIMITED REVIVAL** of Jews, leading to the reconstruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and the restoration of the offerings and worship. Amos 9:9-15; Acts 15:16; Isa. 61:2-3; Zech. 12:10.
- E. A HEBREW REMNANT (144,000)** identified (sealed) with the Name of God, prior to the pouring out of God's wrath in the Great Tribulation. Rev. 7:1-10; 9:4; 14:1.
- D. GOD'S WRATH** poured out upon Antichrist (and his followers) - His death & resurrection. The casting-down of Satan. Eph. 5:6; Rev. 6:12-17; 14:6-11
- C. REPENTANCE and REBIRTH** of the Nation Israel. Isa. 66:8; Zech. 12:9-11; Ezek. 11:17-20; Rev. 19.
- B. MESSIAH APPEARS** to Israel upon the Mt. of Olives! Zech. 14:4; Acts 1:9-12.
- A. SECOND COMING** of Messiah to the earth. (Rev. 19:11-16) The Millennial Kingdom Reign. Rev. 20:4-6.

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DISPENSATIONAL DIFFERENCES

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LAW

KINGDOM

GRACE

ENVOLVES MAINLY:	Physical Acts	Mental Attitudes - Intents of the heart.	Spiritual Accomplishments *
Dispensational BEGINNING: Dispensational ENDING:	On Mt. Sinai - Exodus 19:1-25 On Mt. Calvary - Col. 2:14	With Mt. of Olives removed. Zech. 14:4 Every mountain removed. Ezek. 38:20 Isa. 40:4; 54:10; Rev. 16:20	With Paul caught up to Heaven - 2 Cor. 12 The whole Church caught up to Heaven. 1 Thess 4:13-18
MURDER - 6th Commandment	Ex. 20:13 - The murder of man - "Thou shalt not kill."	Matt. 5:21-24 - The intent or desire to murder man "Whosoever is angry..."	1 Thes. 5:19 - The attempt to murder the Holy Spirit. "Quench not the Holy S."
ADULTERY - 7th Com.	Ex. 20:14 - he that "commiteth"	Matt. 5:27-32 - he that "thinketh"	2 Cor. 19:5 - Every thought in obedience.
PERJURY - 3rd Com.	Ex. 20:7; Lev. 19:12; Num. 30:2 - "Thou shalt not swear by my name falsely,"	Matt. 5:33-37; Jas. 5:12 - "Swear not at all" just answer 'yes' or 'no.'	Eph. 5:19; Col. 4:6 - "Let your speech be always with grace," Positive virtue.
RETALIATION:	Ex. 21:22-25 - "Evil for evil."	Matt 5:38-42 - "Good for evil."	Eph. 4:31,32 - "Forgiving - as God..."
LOVE:	Lev. 19:18 - "Love thy neighbor as thyself" (only human love)	Matt. 5:43-48 - "Love your enemies," Be ye perfect as your Father is perfect.	Eph. 5:1,2 - "Walk in love as Christ..." 1 Cor. 13; John 13:34; 15:12; 1 Jn. 3:16
HOLY SPIRIT:	Psa 51:11; John 14:17 - The Spirit came upon only certain individuals for a particular purpose. NO abiding character.	Joel 2:28-32; Acts 2:16-21 - The Spirit is to come upon all flesh. The individual will prophecy, but no abiding presence	Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 3:16; John 14:16 - The Holy Spirit indwells every believer. He never withdraws.
JESUS CHRIST:	Isa 9:7 - Expected in the future. His "coming" was prophesied.	Matt 28:19,20 - Present on the earth. "Lo I am with you always .."	Eph. 3:17, Col 1:27 - "Christ in you" God is not just with, but in His people.
SALVATION:	Rom 3:19-20 - The Law was given to condemn the sinner - brought the knowledge of sin Gal. 3:23-25 - was our "schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ."	Matt. 24:13-14 - Abiding faithful unto the end of the Millennium. No Divine provision for personal enablement in daily life.	Rom. 3:21-28, Eph. 2:8,9 - "The righteousness of God by faith of Jesus Christ unto all...them that believe:" "Not of works, lest any man should boast."
WORKS:	Gal. 2:16; 3:10-25; Heb. 7:19 - "The law made nothing perfect," Individuals had to rely upon the natural resources of the "flesh," which was weak - and failed!	Rev 19:15 - Individuals are obliged to submit to the "Rod of Iron" of the then present and reigning Messiah, or be cast out of the kingdom into "hell"	Rom 8:2 Eph. 2:10. Col 3 The entrance and abiding presence of the Holy Spirit is part of the saving, keeping and enabling power of God for walk & witness.
ENABLEMENT:	HUMAN strength and faithfulness Rom. 8:3 - Eph. 2:15	HUMAN strength and faithfulness. "Whosoever is -, shall be cast into hell"	DIVINE strength and faithfulness. Phil. 1:21; 2:12-16; Gal. 2:20

* With the beginning of the dispensation of Grace and the formation of the Mystical Body of Christ, all believers are obliged to "Walk worthy" - a superhuman manner of life is proposed. (Eph. 4:1) A supernatural power is provided in the indwelling Holy Spirit. (Eph. 5:18) The standard of conduct prescribed is immeasurably more difficult to maintain than that prescribed by

either the law of Moses or the law of the kingdom. (Higher as heaven is higher than the earth.) Grace teachings are addressed only to the supernaturally endowed man, who is 'born of the Spirit' and 'Indwelt by the Spirit.' These teachings belong to 'citizens of heaven' - and the walk should become such citizens!

Dispensational Differences

as to PRAYER

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Kingdom - Christ on EARTH in the midst of the nation Israel - when He was Incarnate & when He will be reigning.

Grace - Christ in HEAVEN. The Holy Spirit indwelling the individual members of Christ's mystical Body - the Church

ASK WHAT YE WILL

John 15:7,16 - "Ye shall ask what ye will...."
 John 14:12-14 - "If ye shall ask any thing...."
 Matt. 18:19,20 - "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven."
 Mark 11:24 - "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray..."

WHAT HE WILLS

Rom. 8:26-27 - "For we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God."

YE RECEIVE WHAT YE ASK

Matt. 21:18-22 - "All things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."
 Mark 9:23 - "All things are possible to him that believeth."

YE RECEIVE WHAT IS GOOD

Rom. 8:28,29 - "...and all things work together for good to them that love God... (that the individual may) be conformed to the image of his Son."

SEEK YOUR WAY

Matt. 7:7-11 - "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth"

GOD WILL PROVIDE HIS WAY

I Cor. 10:13 - "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who...will also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

NOTHING SHALL HURT YOU

Luke 10:19 - "...and nothing shall by any means hurt you."
 Mark 16:15-20 - "...and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover...."
 James 5:13-15 - "... And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."

THOUGH OUR OUTWARD MAN PERISH -

II Cor. 4:16-18 - "...yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."
 II Cor. 12:8-19 - "...I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said, My grace is sufficient...my strength is made perfect in weakness."

PRAY FOR GIFT OF TONGUES, etc.

Luke 11:9-13 - "...the Father will give the holy spirit (His power, or gifts) to them that ask." See also: Luke 24:49
 Acts 1:8; 2:2, 38; 4:31; 6:8; 19:11,12; etc.

PRAY FOR UTTERANCE

Eph. 6:18,19 - "...And for me, that utterance may be given..."
 Col. 4:2-4 - "...Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ,"

PURPOSE - The manifestation of God's power and glory on the EARTH (John 14:13; 15:7) among the nations, through the nation Israel restored and blessed. These promises regarding prayer were fulfilled during the preaching of the Kingdom Gospel and will be fulfilled again during the Millennial Kingdom Reign of Messiah on the earth.

PURPOSE - The manifestation of God's power and glory in the HEAVENS (Eph. 1:3-6 - 9-14 - 18-23) to the principalities and powers in the ages to come. These promises regarding prayer are for the maturing and perfecting of the individual members of the Body of Christ unto "the praise of his glory" in "Heaven Itself."

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	The WIFE of Jehovah	The BRIDE of the Lamb	The BODY of Christ
DESIGNATION	'GUNE' (Greek word) – Rev. 19:7	'NUMPHE' (Greek) – Rev. 21:2,9,10	'SOMA' (Greek) – Eph. 1:23; 4:12
ORIGNATION	From the 'Old Covenant.' Jer. 31:31,32; Isa. 54:5–10.	From Abraham – before the Covenant was made. Heb. 11:8-10,16	From 'Before the foundation of the world.' Eph. 1:4
COMPOSITION	A NATION – God's chosen people, Israel. Isa. 54:1–8; Zech. 12:1–14.	A CITY – A mystic Israelitish FEMALE company of individuals. Rev. 21:1,2,9–11	A BODY – The mystical Denationalized MALE Body of Christ. Eph. 2:15; 5:30
DISTINCTION	THE NATION, as the unfaithful wife of God is revealed in the Old Testament and her restoration is predicted. Jer. 3:11-20 Hosea 2.	THE BRIDE is prefigured, predicted, and typified in the Old Testament, a secret hid, but ready for discovery by spiritual minds. Gen. 24; Psalms; Song of Solomon.	THE BODY of Christ is never predicted in the Old Test.; it is a secret 'hid in God,' concealed from all until revealed to the apostle Paul. Eph. 3:1-11; Col. 1:24-26.
CLARIFICATION	A Nation is composed of LIVING persons. When the individual persons die, they lose their national identity. So, it will be living, mortal persons of the Jewish race who will be restored and regathered, NOT dead saints resurrected!	The Secret: Those Jews and proselytes who DIED in faith, not having received the promise of the earthly kingdom, would become members of the 'Bride' and inherit a CELESTIAL CITY in resurrection life and glorified bodies. John 14:1-4; Rev. 21:21-27	The Secret: Those individual believers of the dispensation of Grace are made members of the mystical 'Body of Christ' and will reign with Him in the 'Heaven above the heavens' in resurrection life and glorified bodies. Eph. 1:9-23; 2:6,7.
PREPARATION	'Makes herself ready' – Rev. 19:7	Prepared by God – Heb. 11:10	'Made meet' by God – Eph. 1:6; 2:6,13
DESTINATION	Christ as 'KING' of redeemed Israel – seated on His father David's throne in the earthly Jerusalem during the Millennium. Luke 1:31–33	Christ as the 'CORNER-STONE' of the completed Heavenly Temple – seated in the New Jerusalem forever. Isa. 28:16; 1 Pet. 2:4-10; Rev. 21:22.	Christ as the 'HEAD' of His completed Body – seated together in 'Heavenly places' Eph. 4:15; 5:23; Col. 1:18; 2:19.
HABITATION	'THE LAND' of Palestine – An inheritance on the earth. Isa. 2:2–4	A glorious CITY from Heaven - Rev. 21:1-11 An inheritance 'reserved IN Heaven' 1 Pet.1.	HEAVEN ITSELF – Col. 3:1-4; Eph. 1:3. The Inheritance of 'all things.' Eph. 1:13-18
CORRELATION	The Consort of the KING – A temporal relationship of 1000 years duration, beginning with Messiah's return to the earth. Isa. 62:1–5	The Complement of the BRIDEGROOM. His companion in the New Jerusalem. An unending, heavenly relationship beginning with the NEW Heavens & Earth. Rev. 21,22.	CHRIST, HIMSELF – The Fulness, Completeness, Perfection of Christ beginning with the Rapture of the Body and continuing eternally. 1 Cor. 12:27
POSSESSION	The Millennial EARTH, Israel's longed-for Canaan land. Isa. 11:1–10; 14:1–7	The Eternal CITY, The New Jerusalem in a sphere over the New Earth. Abraham's longed-for city.	The Eternal GLORY, reigning with Christ over the universe, far above all Heavens. 1 Tim. 3:16. Paul's longed-for sphere. Phil. 1:23; 3:10-14, 20, 21.

DISPENSATIONAL DIFFERENCES

THE COMMISSIONS GIVEN BY CHRIST

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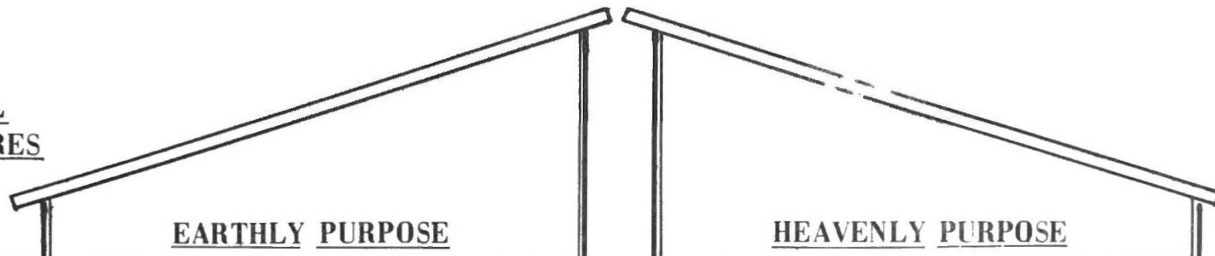
PASSAGE	Matt. 28:16-20	Mark 16:14-20	Luke 24:36-53	Acts 26:13-20	Eph. 3:1-12
Spoken to:	'The Eleven Apostles'	'The Eleven Apostles'	'The Eleven Apostles'	Saul (Paul)	Paul (and the Church)
Where:	A mountain in Galilee.	As they sat at meat.	In Jerusalem (Luke 24:33)	On the Road to Damascus.	In prison.
When:	Following the Resurrection	Preceding the Ascension	Preceding the Ascension	After the Ascension	After the Ascension
The Reason:	'All POWER is given unto Me in heaven and in earth' Rev. 4:11; 5:9-13; 19:1,2, 11-16.	Their unbelief & hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen Him after the Resurrection.	ALL THINGS must be fulfilled which are written concerning me.	To bear MY NAME before: 1. The Gentiles 2. Kings and 3. The children of Israel.	The stewardship of the GRACE OF GOD is given me to youward: How that by revelation He made known unto me the mystery
Commission:	'Go ye therefore'	Go ye into all the world.	Ye are witnesses -	Ye are a minister & witness	Made a Minister -
TO:	TEACH all NATIONS, Baptizing them - Zech. 2:10-13; 8:22,23.	And PREACH the Gospel to every creature.	PREACH among all Nations beginning at Jerusalem.	OPEN their eyes and turn them from darkness to light & from the power of Satan -	PREACH among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ.
The Formula:	IN THE NAME of the: Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *	He that believeth and is Baptized, shall be saved.	In HIS name, repentance & remission of sins should be preached.	That they may receive: 1. Forgiveness of sins & 2. Inheritance among them....	According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ....
The Conditions:	Teaching them to observe ALL THINGS whatsoever I HAVE commanded you - Matt. 5,6,7,10, etc.	These signs SHALL follow them that believe: In MY NAME they shall: 1. Cast out demons. 2. Speak with new tongues 3. Take up serpents.	Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. Acts 1:8; 2:2-4, 16-19, 33, 38.	Minister and witness both: 1. Of these things which thou hast seen. 2. And of those things in the which I will appear unto thee.	To make ALL MEN see what is the dispensation of the mystery.
The Promise:	Lo, I am WITH you always, even unto the end of the world (age). Matt. 24:14; 13:36-43; 1 Cor. 15:22-28	4. Drink ANY deadly thing without harm. 5. Lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. Acts 3:6,16	Behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you. Isa. 32:15; 59:20,21; Ezek. 39:29; Joel 2:38; Zech. 12:10	Delivering thee from the people (the Jews), and from the Gentiles.	In Christ Jesus our Lord we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of Him.
Its Fulfillment:	FUTURE - In the Kingdom (Millennium) age. * 'THE NEW NAME' - Isa. 62:2; Zech. 14:9; Mal. 1:11; Rev. 3:12.	PAST - 'They went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the Word with signs following.'	PAST & FUTURE - The fulfillment began on Pentecost, was interrupted by the blinding of Israel, and is to be completed during the Tribulation period.	PAST - during the Acts period while the Gospel was 'to the Jew FIRST.' Rom. 1:16	CURRENT - Beginning with the blinding of Israel and continuing until the church is completed and Raptured.

“The Household Of Faith”

GALATIANS 6:10

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**THE
DISPENSATIONAL
SUPERSTRUCTURES**



	<u>EARTHLY PURPOSE</u>	<u>HEAVENLY PURPOSE</u>
THE GOSPEL OF: TEACHING (To Saints)	THE KINGDOM - Matt. 10:1-23; Lu. 9:1-6 THE CIRCUMCISION - Acts 3:19-26	THE MYSTERY - Eph. 3:1-10; Col. 1:15-27 THE UNCIRCUMCISION - Gal. 2:7-9
A CALLING:	“FROM the foundation of the world.” Matthew 25:34	“BEFORE the foundation of the world.” Ephesians 1:4
THE HOPE:	EARTHLY - Christ coming back down to the earth to reign. Acts 1:11; Mat. 24:42-46	HEAVENLY - The Church being caught up to meet the Lord. 1 Thess. 4:15-18
GIVEN THROUGH:	PETER - Matt. 16:13-19 (Peter’s foundation, a ‘stone’ on ‘The Rock’ - Christ Jesus)	PAUL - 1 Cor. 3:10 (‘as a wise master-builder, I have laid the foundation...’)
<u>THE FOUNDATION:</u>	JESUS CHRIST, “THE ROCK,” “THE CORNER-STONE” Psa. 118:22; Matt. 21:42; Acts 4:11; 1 Cor. 3:11; Eph. 2:20; 1 Pet. 2:6	
DOCTRINAL PLATFORM	1 Cor. 15:1-4 - (1) Christ DIED for our sins, (2) That He was BURIED, (3) That He ROSE AGAIN the third day, (4) And He was SEEN.	
PREACHING: (To Sinners)	“OF THE CROSS” - 1 Cor. 1:17-24 - To the JEWS, “a stumbling stone.” To the GREEKS, “foolishness” To the SAVED, “the power of God unto salvation.”	
THE COMMON:	SALVATION - Jude 3.....FAITH - Titus 1:4	
Preached by BOTH:	PETER - (Acts 2:31,32; 3:15; 4:10-12; 10:39,40) and PAUL - (Acts 13:28-31; 17:3; 26:23)	
THE GOSPEL OF:	GOD - Romans 1:1; 15:16 - as to the AUTHOR - The GIVER. CHRIST - Romans 1:16; 15:19,29 - as to the SUBJECT - The GIFT. PEACE - Romans 10:15,16 - as to the RESULTS (Peace with God, through Christ Jesus) By Faith, to “whosoever will,” the GROUP.	
Special Note:	Though the Way of Salvation (through Christ) is the same in every dispensation, the hope and calling are different. To avoid confusing the saints, the Apostle Paul states that he sought to preach where Christ was not named, lest he build upon another man’s (Peter’s) foundation. Romans 15:20; 2 Cor. 10:16.	

THE APOSTLES

THEIR HOPE AND CALLING

“Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.”
 (1 Cor. 7:17-24) “Even as ye are called in ONE HOPE of your calling,”
 (Eph. 4:4) because “The gifts and calling of God are without repentance.”
 (Rom. 11:29) *God does not change His mind about His callings - There is*

*no such thing as a TRANSFER from one calling and hope to another -
 One's hope is not a matter of personal choice, faith, or knowledge, but
 of the will of God!*

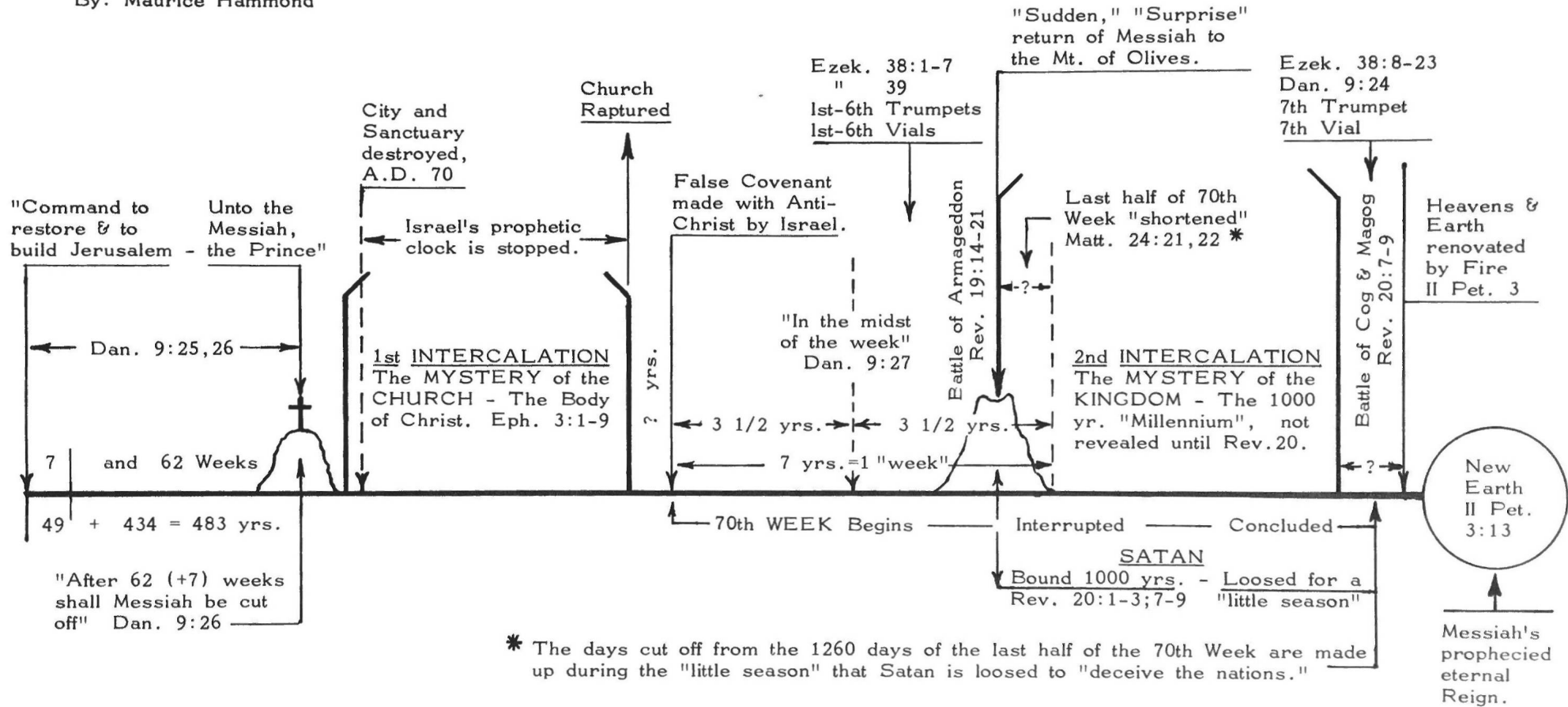
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TWO DISTINCT →	PETER and the Eleven	PAUL
CALLINGS: (Two Periods)	“FROM the foundation of the world” -Mat. 25:34; 13:34,35; Lu.11:50	“BEFORE the foundation of the world” -Eph.1:4; Tit.1:2; 2 Tim.1:9
MINISTRIES: (Two Preachers)	TO THE JEWS, the Circumcision (Lu. 22:31,32; Gal. 2:7-9) Note - Peter states, “The Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the Gospel.” (Acts 15:7) This was fulfilled when he goes to the house of Cornelius and preaches “he that feareth God and WORK-ETH righteousness, is accepted with him.” (Acts 10:34,35)	TO THE GENTILES, the Uncircumcision (Rom. 11:13; Col. 1:23-25; Gal. 2:7-9; 1 Tim. 2:7; 2 Tim. 1:11) Note - Paul went to the “Jew first,” but when they reject Christ, he turns to the Gentiles (Acts 13:46) and preaches “NOT BY WORKS of righteousness which we have done,...” (Titus 3:5; Eph. 2:8,9)
PROCLAMATIONS: (Two Messages)	The GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM (Mat. 24:14; 10:1-23; Lu. 9:1-6)	The Gospel of RECONCILIATION and the Mystery (Eph. 3:1-10)
APPOINTMENTS:	By CHRIST AFTER THE FLESH (Mat. 10:1-6) as a minister of the Circumcision (Rom. 15:8).	By CHRIST AFTER HIS ASCENSION (Eph. 4:11) and was NOT “to know Christ after the flesh.” (2 Cor. 5:16)
SEPARATED AT HIS:	COMMISSION - “And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits...and to heal all manner of sickness and disease.” (Mat. 10:1-15) CONFESSION - “I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven...” (Mat. 16:15-19)	CONCEPTION - Paul separated from mother's womb. (Gal. 1:11-18) CONVERSION - “I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.” (Acts 22:20,21; 9:15; 26:16) COMMISSION - “Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.” (Acts 13:2)
EXPECTATIONS: (Two Prospects)	TO AWAIT CHRIST'S RETURN to the earth to reign (Acts 1:11; Mat. 24:42-46) A prophesied hope (Zech. 14:1-4; Ezek. 43:1-7)	TO BE CAUGHT UP to meet the Lord in the air (1 Thess. 4:15-18; Col. 3:1-4; Phil. 3:20) An unprophesied hope.
ADMINISTRATIONS: (Two spheres of authority)	“To sit upon twelve thrones, JUDGING THE TWELVE TRIBES of Israel.” (Mat. 19:27-28; Luke 22:20-30; 1 Pet. 2:9)	TO JUDGE ANGELS (1 Cor. 6:3) Principalities, powers, mights, & dominion, and every name that is named, with Christ. Eph.1:19-23
REALIZATIONS: (Two spheres of operation)	Blessed on THE MILLENNIAL EARTH when Christ is seated upon “the throne of His glory,” ruling the nations for 1000 years with a “Rod of Iron.” (Psa. 37:11,22; Mat. 5:5; Rev. 2:27; 19:15)	“Blessed with all spiritual blessings IN HEAVENLY PLACES in Christ (Eph. 1:3) “to the praise of His glory” (Eph. 1:6,12,14,18)
ETERNAL REWARDS:	TO INHERIT THE FATHER'S HOUSE with its many habitations, (John 13:36-38; 14:1-3) That HOLY CITY, the New Jerusalem, the Bride of Christ, on who's twelve foundations the names of the 12 apostles are written. (Rev. 21:9-14)	TO INHERIT ALL THINGS as an “heir of God and joint heir with Christ” in the Glory of the New Heavens. (Rom. 8:17,18,32; 2 Cor. 4:17; Col. 3:4)

The 70th Week

An Interrupted Week

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Dan. 9:24 - The 70 WEEKS were to accomplish these things:

1. To FINISH THE TRANSGRESSION (of Satan) - Not finished until his final loosing and rebellion.
2. MAKE AN END OF SINS (of men) - Not ended until battle of Gog & Magog, after the Millennium.
3. MAKE RECONCILIATION FOR INIQUITY (curse removed?) - not until Renovation & New Earth.
4. BRING IN EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS - "New heavens & earth wherein dwelleth Righteousness."
5. SEAL UP THE VISION & PROPHECY - Rev. 10:7 "The mystery of God should be finished."
6. ANOINT THE MOST HOLY - Heb. 1:8 "Christ...the priest forever, after the order of Melchizedec."

The Seven Mysteries of the Millennium

MATTHEW 13

Old Testament prophecies contained many descriptions of the reign of Christ upon this earth - the main outlines were well known to the prophets and righteous men of old.

But in Matthew 13 we find the Lord speaking seven parables of that Kingdom. When asked why He speaks in parables, He answers; "Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven...for whosoever hath (*the old things of the Old Testament prophecies*) to him shall be given (*the new things or mysteries of the kingdom of heaven*). Matt. 13:10-13

Many had desired to see and hear these mysteries of the Kingdom, but they had remained SECRET until the Lord Jesus Christ uttered these seven parables.(13:17)

Isaiah foretells that in that kingdom the Word shall go forth from Jerusalem until the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. Isa. 2:2-3; 11:9

THE SEVEN PARABLES

(1) "But, let me tell you a secret," saith the Lord, in THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER. "All of this seed will not grow, nor all that does grow will become fruitful." Matt. 13:3-23

Many a righteous man wondered as he pondered over the 38th and 39th chapters of Ezekiel, saying to himself, "Yes, I understand this FIRST uprising of Gog & Magog against Israel. (Ezek. 38:1-7; 39:1-29) Zechariah 14 speaks of that time, telling us that the Lord will come to the Mt. of Olives just in time to save us. We shall overcome our enemies and give their flesh to the birds, and it will take us seven months to bury the bones (Ezek. 39:12,13) and it will be a great renown to us. But what about this SECOND VISTATION IN THE LATTER YEARS? (Ezek. 38:8-23) When Gog comes AGAIN upon Israel AFTER she has been brought back from the sword, and is dwelling safely...without walls...bars or gates. How can such a thing as that happen?"

(2) "Listen to this mystery of the kingdom," saith the Lord in the PARABLE OF THE TARES - Matt. 13:24-30. Although all outwardly appears to be good in the kingdom, there will be tares growing secretly with the wheat. These are unbelievers at heart, who, though outwardly obliged to obey, will render but feigned obedience (Psa. 18:44; 66:3; 81:15) until at the end of the Millennium, when Satan is let loose, these tares will manifest themselves as such, and will gather themselves together in

bands (Ezek. 38:22) against Israel (Ezek. 38:16) only to become bundles for the burning." Matt. 13:30; Rev. 20:9

(3) "Let me reveal still another secret," saith the Lord. "In the kingdom there will be A MUSTARD SEED - Matt. 13:31,32 - small to begin with, but growing greatly, even into a tree, until it becomes ready for a lodging place for the birds of the air (THE WICKED ONE) when Satan is released from the Abyss at the end of the thousand years.

(4) Zech. 5:5-11 - How prophets and righteous men must have desired to understand the mystery of Zechariah's vision of the woman sitting in the ephah - which is then sealed up with lead - yet afterward going into the land of Shinar where a house is built for the ephah.

Now Christ reveals this secret by stating that in the kingdom there will be a woman (the woman is Babylon) secretly hiding LEAVEN (corruption) IN THE MEAL until three measures become leavened. Matt. 13:33

It will be the same old Woman Babylon whom the ten kings (under the Antichrist in the middle of the WEEK) so hated and judged, and thus sealed up with lead (symbol of man's judgment) in an ephah (symbol of commerce). Rev. 17:12-18

In the Millennium this ephah (with the woman hidden inside) will appear. The woman is NOT riding any Beast, as in the Tribulation Week, but is sealed in a house in the land of Shinar, the old site of the city of Babylon. Rev. 18:1-7; Isa. 47

Outwardly, the city of Babylon will gradually grow as simply ONE of the great commercial centers of that prosperous Millennial time. TYRE also will be there in the kingdom as another great center of trade (Psa. 45:12) and Judah and the Land of Israel will trade in her markets. Ezek. 27:17

The Lord's people (true kingdom saints) also seem to trade in the city of Babylon. But at the end of the Millennium, Satan is loosed out of his prison, and goes to the great city Babylon to make it his headquarters. He then arouses his great company of Nations to march against Jerusalem the second time. Babylon the Great becomes filled with iniquity and becomes the habitation of demons and the hold of every foul spirit and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. Rev. 18:2 (See the parable of The Mustard Seed.)

Then the Lord, before pouring out His final judgment upon her, calls His people out. (Rev. 18:4) Note that it is the Lord God Himself who judges the City Babylon at

the close of the Millennium (Rev. 18:8) and not the ten kings who kill her and eat her flesh before the Millennium (Rev. 17:16).

This time, instead of hating this COMMERCIAL FORM of Babylon (this woman hidden in the ephah in its house in the land of Shinar) as the ten kings hated the RELIGIOUS FORM of Babylon when she rode the Beast in Tribulation Times, they shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning. Rev. 18:9

During the Millennium, when the Lord once more has a city, the Holy Jerusalem, the counterfeit, Babylon will also take the form of a city. (Rev. 18) Yet, hidden within the ephah (commercialism), will be the same old woman that the kings thought they had destroyed with their "lead" judgment

(5) If the Millennial kingdom is to end in so great a rebellion, why bother about having such a kingdom at all? Why such a worthless field?

"Let me tell you another secret," answers the Lord. There is HIDDEN TREASURE IN THIS FIELD - Matt. 13:44. "I have such joy over it that I have sold all I have to buy the field that I may have this treasure, even Israel (Seed of Abraham, chosen Nation)."

(6) "Yes, and more than that, I have found a pearl that saved Gentiles of the Millennial times. (Matt. 13:45,46) It is a goodly pearl and worth a great price to me. (Zeph. 3:17, Isa. 11:10) I have sold all that I have to buy that pearl."

(7) Then He tells the final secret - "There will be a

final rebellion of the nations. However, ALL ISRAEL shall be saved in the Millennial Kingdom. (Rom. 11:26) They shall be the seed of the blessed of the Lord, and their offspring with them, and never again shall they depart from the Lord their God" (Isa. 65:23)

But the Gentiles, THE FISH FROM THE GREAT SEA (Matt. 13:47-50), when that net is pulled in at the end of the Millennial age, will contain bad fish as well as good fish, wicked as well as just. This shows that there will be a rebellion at the end of the Millennium, not of Israel, but of the nations (Gentiles) which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog. Rev. 20:8.

SUMMATION

Thus we have in these seven parables a complete unfolding of the secrets or mysteries of that Millennial Kingdom, which until then had been kept secret, unuttered, even to prophets and righteous men, much as they had desired to know them. How blessed then those that see and hear them!

Such scribes, thus instructed unto the Kingdom of Heaven, are like AN HOUSEHOLDER which bringeth forth out of his treasure THINGS NEW (the mysteries revealed by the Lord) as well as THINGS OLD (the things told by the Old Testament prophets). Only such scribes have the perfect understanding of the Millennial Kingdom that the Lord desires His people to have

For this very purpose He lighted this candle, and set it on a candlestick, for there was nothing hid (as in Old Testament times) which shall not be manifested, as the Lord had just manifested them in these parables. Mark 4:22.

Bible Baptisms

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The word BAPTISM has as a basic meaning "to become identified with." The original root, BAPTO, means to dip or to stain with dye, i.e., a material becomes permanently identified with the dye by taking on its color or character. The word BAPTISM does not mean immersion, although an immersion could be a baptism. An object could be immersed without being baptized, and it could be baptized without being immersed.

PASSAGE	BAPTIZER	CANDIDATE	ELEMENT	MODE	PURPOSE	RESULT
RITUAL BAPTISMS						
Ex. 30:17-21 Heb. 9:10	The Priest himself	The Priest	Water	Washing - Sprinkling	Both physical and ceremonial cleansing	Prerequisite to ministry in Tabernacle and Temple
Mat. 3:13-17	John	Christ	Water	Same as Baptisms in the Tabernacle*	'To fulfill all righteousness' (meet demands of the Law)	A unique baptism for the unique, sinless Son of God.
Mat. 3:11a	John	Israelites	Water	"	'Unto Repentance'	The remission of sins (Luke 3:3)
Mk. 16:16	The Apostles	Believers	Water	"	The prerequisite to salvation	Signs followed ALL who believed
Acts 2:38	Peter and the Apostles	Believers	Water	"	A necessary accompaniment to salvation	Remission of sins - Gift of Holy Spirit
Acts 10:47-48	Peter	Cornelius	Water	"	To receive the gift of the Holy Spirit	Power to speak in tongues.
Acts 22:16	Ananias	Saul (Paul)	Water	"	To 'wash away' his sins	Paul NOT commissioned to baptize - 1 Cor. 1:17
Mat. 28:19,20	The Apostles	The Nations	Water (?)	"(?)	To identify the Father and Holy Spirit with the Son to Whom all power is given.	Power to observe 'all things' commanded in Mat. 5
SPIRIT BAPTISMS						
Mat. 3:11b	Christ	Believers	Holy Spirit	Poured out	Power - miracles	Acts 1:4-8; 2:15-18; 11:15,16; Luke 24:49
	Christ	Unbelievers	Fire	Poured out	Judgment - Mat. 3:12	2 Thes. 1:7,8 - Chaff burned Wheat gathered into garner.
1 Cor. 12:13	Holy Spirit	Believers	Christ	Immersion - 'placed into' & never removed	SALVATION	ETERNAL LIFE
Rom. 6:3,4	Holy Spirit	Believers	Christ (His Death)	Immersion - 'buried with Him'	Identification with Christ in an organic unity.	Believer walks 'in newness of Life.'
Col. 2:11,12 Gal. 3:27	God	Believers	Christ	'without hands'	Believer is made complete in Christ. Col. 2:10	Believer 'puts on Christ'
FIGURATIVE BAPTISMS						
Lk. 12:50	God the Father	Christ	Death	The Cross	To cause division (of believers and unbelievers) and bring judgment on the earth.	His body 'cut off' without hands.
1 Cor. 10:2	The Cloud (God's presence)	Israel	Moses	'Dry shod' (no water touched them)	National unity, and identification with Moses.	National salvation - from death by Pharaoh's army.
1 Pet. 3:18:21	God	Those in the Ark	The Flood	Poured out	Judgment of world - Salvation of 8 souls	Anti-type Baptism - Noah's salvation in Ark is:
	God	Believers	The Ark - Christ	Christ 'poured out' in death	Christ endures judgment for sinners.	Typical of believer's salvation in Christ.

*Note - If John the Baptist had employed a mode of baptism (i.e. immersion) which was unfamiliar to the Jews, he would have been rejected at once as a heretic. But inasmuch as no objection is ever raised to his mode, it must have been the same washing or sprinkling employed by the priest at the Laver in the Tabernacle and Temple.

THREE TREES

ISRAEL'S HISTORY IN THREE DIMENSIONS - Judges 9:8-15

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	THE VINE	THE OLIVE	THE FIG
PROBABLE 1st APPEARANCE:	Gen. 2:9 - "The tree of the knowledge of good & evil."	Rev. 22:2 - "The Tree of Life" Olive oil is the symbol of the Holy Spirit in the Bible.	Gen. 3:6,7 - The Fig leaves used to cover nakedness of Adam and Eve.
ADAM:	Upon partaking of the vine (knowledge of good & evil) He MISUSED his right as the lord of the earth by yielding his authority to another, and by eating of the fruit of the vine, surrendered God's vineyard to Satan.	forsook the Olive (Tree of Life)-----> He REJECTED his privilege to eat of the "Tree of Life," thereby losing his spiritual contact and fellowship with God.	and clung to the outward form of religion, the Fig. He LOST his covering of light in innocence and, taking only the outward form and not the fruit of righteousness, covered himself with Fig LEAVES.
SHOWS ISRAEL'S PRIVILEGES:	NATIONALLY Psa. 80:8-19 - "Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt." Israel's national birth. Isa. 5:1-7 - "The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, & the men of Judah his pleasant plant."	SPIRITUALLY Psa. 52:8 - David calls himself a "green Olive tree in the house of God." Zech. 4:11-14 - The two Olive trees are the two anointed ones that stand by the Lord. Rev. 11:4 - symbolize the two witnesses (spiritually anointed ones.)	RELIGIOUSLY John 1:45-51 - Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him and said OF him: 'An Israelite indeed, in whom there is no guile' (Fruit) He said TO him: 'when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee.' (Leaves) - religious ceremony covered him.
ITS FRUIT:	WINE - which cheereth God & man. Jud. 9:13; Psa. 104:15	FATNESS - wherewith they honour God & man. Jud. 9:9	SWEETNESS - and good fruit. Jud. 9:11
CHARACTERISTIC:	HORIZONTAL - runs along the ground. Requires artificial support, walls and hedges for protection, and constant pruning.	VERTICAL - Towards Heaven. The prophets foretold the cutting down of the Vine and Fig, but never of the Olive.	UNIQUE - Bears fruit before leaves appear Mat 21:18-20 The only thing Christ ever cursed while on earth - because it had a profession, (leaves) but no fruit.
ISRAEL'S PRIVILEGES REVOKED:	FIRST - Political (blindness) - The Times of the Gentiles starts. 2 Kings 17:18-23; 24:11-17; 25:6-10, 18-21	NEXT - Spiritual (insensitivity) During period of Acts.	LAST - Religious (worship ceased) The Temple destroyed in 70 A.D.
PRESENT CONDITION OF ISRAEL	An empty (unfruitful) vine. Hos. 9:17-10:1	Natural branches (Israel) 'broken off' Rom. 11:17-27	Cursed - no fruit - only leaves. Mat. 21:18-20
PRESENT REPLACEMENT:	NONE	Wild Olive branches (Gentiles) grafted in. The Gentiles are never said to have any part in the Vine or the Fig. Gentiles now receiving spiritual blessings. Rom. 15:27	NONE
PRIVILEGES RESTORED:	LAST - Rom. 11:26 - At the close of the 70th Week - the Second Advent. Isa. 59:15-21 Times of Gentiles ends politically.	NEXT - Rom. 11:23-25 - At the Beginning of the 70th Week of Daniel. Times of the Gentiles ends spiritually.	FIRST - Luke 21:29-31 - Before the start of the 70th Week. Religion revived - The Kingdom is 'at hand'
FUTURE CONDITION OF ISRAEL:	To become the Head of the Nations. (Deut. 28:13) The Gentiles come to her light. Isa. 60:1-12; Lu. 21:20-27; Rom. 11:12; Rev. 11:1-2	The Natural branches are 'grafted in'. Israel becomes the source of spiritual blessings to all.	The Temple is rebuilt in Jerusalem and religious worship is re-established.
TYPICAL SIGNIFICANCE:	Christ is the 'True Vine' (Jn. 15:1-2) When Israel rejected Him and 'abode not in the Vine,' she committed 'National Suicide' Mat. 21:33-43	Christ is the 'Root and Trunk' (Rom. 11:16-24) When Israel rejected Him, they were 'cut out' and lost their Root and Fatness.	The Fig Tree pictured the Temple. Lu. 13:6-9 - Christ visited it 3 years - the 4th year it was fertilized and 'dug about,' but still no fruit, so it was cut down 70 AD

Apostasy

There are three similar terms often confused with one another: Heresy, Backsliding, and Apostasy. We shall define each one:

HERESY - refers to a belief which is held in variance with standards or accepted features of doctrine. "Heretic" does not imply having embraced doctrine from which one has finally departed. That which is branded as heretical may have been an unaltered conviction or contention.

The criterion for judging "heresy" is the Word of God, but inasmuch as man's interpretation of what the Word teaches varies widely, one church's "heretic" may be another's "true apostle."

BACKSLIDING - is retreating gradually, voluntarily, or insensibly from the knowledge, faith, love, and profession of God, after having once entered into a covenant relationship with Him.

As a Biblical term it is used *only* of the nation Israel. (13 times in Jer. - 3 times in Hosea - once in Isa.) It is therefore a *national sin*, which God will forgive and heal for the *nation*, but not for the *individual*. In the "tribulation," the "latter days," individual Jews will believe and then be martyred for their faith. But these are not the individuals who "backslid" in the O.T. When the *nation* is called upon to repent and return to the Lord, (2 Chron. 7:14 and Jer. 3:12,22) it will be an altogether different generation of *living Jews* and not resurrected backsliders.

APOSTASY - is a "falling away from," a "withdrawal." It describes one who first embraced some creed or doctrine and afterwards turned away from it. A total departure from one's faith or religion, abandonment of creed and renunciation of religious obligations.

Either the individual or a group, (i.e., a church, denomination, nation, or organization) or both, may apostatize. It is therefore possible that a pure individual may be found within an apostate group, or a group which is not itself apostate may have apostate individuals as members.

EXAMPLES OF APOSTASY:

(1) **FALLEN ANGELS** - Jude 6; 1 Pet. 3:19,20.

(2) **SATAN** - John 8:44 - "he abode not in the truth." Isa.14:13-14; Ezek. 28:15 - "Iniquity was found in him." Note that there is NO REMEDY for either Satan or his angels who withdrew from God. (Matt. 25:41) They shall spend eternity in the Lake of Fire!

(3) **ADAM** - Gen. 2:16,17 - He became an apostate by his one sin. There was NO REMEDY provided for him, no way of restoration to blessing with God, either in time or eternity. The following are some proofs:

a. The "Coat of skins" was applied to Adam's naked **BODY**, not to either his soul or spirit.

b. No mention is made of blood in this so-called "atonement work" of God.

c. If God intended to show Adam that it was "by the shedding of blood" that there is remission of sins, he never got the message, because we have no record that he ever offered a sacrifice on his own by faith.

d. Adam is not mentioned in the "faith chapter," Heb. 11, where God starts with Abel - and mentions his GIFTS (plural). Abel offered repeatedly upon God's altar.

e. In Gen. 6 God says He will not always strive with man (Adam), "for that he also is flesh; yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years." Up to 120 years before his death, Adam was still an enemy of God!

f. "In Adam all die" (1 Cor. 15:22) - he is the head of all unregenerate men who finally inhabit the Lake of Fire.

(4) **ESAU** - "found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears." He could never recoup his birthright - it was lost to him for time and eternity.

(5) **THE NATION ISRAEL** - Backsliding with some degree of restoration was the constant experience of the nation, which stood on covenant ground and was covered by the blood of the atonement (which was for the "nation" as a whole, and not for the individual members who had to daily bring their own sacrifices for sins). In every case, the individual Israelites who apostatized always died before the Lord. Jude 5 - In the apostasy at Kadish-Barea, not one of the apostates entered into the Land.

Israel is now in her last apostasy, there will never be another after she is restored from the present separation from Covenant blessings. (Deut. 28:15-68; 30:1-8; Isa. 1:4-6; 5:5-7) Note Isaiah 1:4 - (Outline below)

WHAT ISRAEL IS (State of BEING)

- A SINFUL NATION** - To miss the mark, falling short in act or thought, word, or deed, not a condition.
- A PEOPLE LADEN WITH INIQUITY** - heavily burdened with perverseness (bent or crooked).
- A SEED OF EVILDOERS**
- CHILDREN THAT ARE CORRUPTERS**

WHAT ISRAEL HAD DONE (State of DOING),

- "They have forsaken the Lord" (Jehovah Himself) Apostasy in Disposition.
- "They have provoked (despised, blasphemed) the Holy One of Israel unto anger." Apostasy in Words.
- "They are gone away backward" Apostasy in Act.

Note - There was NO REMEDY for the individual apostate of the Nation. The blasphemy against the Holy Spirit is never forgiven! (Mk. 3:29; Isa. 63:10; Matt. 12:31; Acts 5:3)

(6) **CHRISTENDOM** - The "Christian Church" which was pure in its beginning, (under Paul and the apostles) has turned away from God and the Word as seen in the early "sects" and "cults," and with Constantine and the church

of Rome, we see the extent of apostasy to which "Christendom" can go.

Through the centuries God has raised up REFORMERS. But these have never reformed the "Church" or denomination as a whole, but only became the rallying point for INDIVIDUAL BELIEVERS, who then united to form new denominations. These groups all in turn apostatized - never to be revived, or brought back, but only to be superseded by yet newer groups, churches, and denominations, all of which in their turn apostatized.

In the "last days" all of these apostate groups will unite ecumenically into the one great world church which will enthrone the antichrist. (Rev. 13:11-18)

There is NO REMEDY for the apostate church!

(7) INDIVIDUAL APOSTATES - When we get to the dispensation of "Grace" wherein the believers are "sealed unto the day of redemption." by the Holy Spirit, there is no possibility that an apostate will lose his salvation, but he will lose his rewards. In any case, it is ONLY a believer, one who has stood before God in Truth and Light, who can apostatize. An unbeliever has nothing to turn or withdraw from. He is merely "dead in trespasses and sins" (Eph. 2:1). In every other period but the age of Grace, the apostate lost both his blessings and/or life in time and his soul for all eternity. But, as we shall see below, the one who is a member of the Mystical Body of Christ will retain his position in eternity, but upon apostatizing loses his spiritual blessings in time and his rewards in eternity. Examples four through ten below involve this dispensation of Grace.

1) Luke 17:32 - "Remember Lot's wife." She was "saved" from Sodom, but lost her life when she "looked back," apostatized. No remedy for her.

2) Luke 9:62 - "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

3) John 6:66-71 - "From that time many of his disciples (and Judas) went back, and walked no more with him."

4) 1 Tim. 1:19 - Hymanaeus and Alexander -
having put away THE FAITH
have made shipwreck ↓
and I have delivered to Satan

5) 1 Tim. 4:1 - "In the latter times SOME SHALL -
depart from THE FAITH
giving heed to ↓
doctrines of demons and seducing spirits."

6) 2 Tim. 4:3,4 - "And they shall -
turn away their ears from the TRUTH,
and shall be turned unto ↓
FABLES."

7) Heb. 3:12-13 - some "partakers of Christ" -
in departing from the Living God
are hardened (irreparably) ↓
through the deceitfulness of SIN

8) Heb. 6:4-6 - "For it is IMPOSSIBLE for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, and have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come. IF THEY SHALL FALL AWAY, TO RENEW them again unto repentance:..." This is speaking of believers

who are saved, and not unbelievers who almost go saved.

It states that REPENTANCE is IMPOSSIBLE (in this life), not that the soul is lost in hell." Such apostates "put Him to an open shame" and God will not permit such an one to make a mockery of Christ by repeatedly repenting and "coming back to God" after apostatizing. All spiritual power and blessing is lost in this life, though there may be a "form of godliness," and all "rewards" are lost for eternity. Instead of "redeeming the time" and "laying up treasures in heaven," the apostate is merely "spending the time" until he is called into judgment and his works burned, "but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire." (1 Cor. 3:9-15)

9) Heb. 10:23-31 - "For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries." This passage is referring to believers (we) who's works are to be "tried by fire," the same fire which "shall devour the adversaries," (themselves, i.e. Satan and his followers) but which will destroy only the WORKS of the believer. The unbeliever himself is burned in the fire of God's judgment, whereas only the works of the believer are burned up. A terrifying thing none the less - as Paul comments, in speaking of the judgment seat of Christ (for believers), "knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men."

10) 2 Thess. 2:1-3 - The coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and our gathering together unto Him, (at the Rapture, 1 Thess. 4:13-18) will be preceded by the "great apostasy," the "falling away," which in turn will precede and prepare the way for the revealing of the "man of sin," the Antichrist.

CONCLUSIONS

AN INFIDEL (UNBELIEVER) - may be overcome by a revelation of the Truth, and believe.

A HERETIC - may hold some error and be subject to correction in love. One may embrace some "heretical" doctrine or teaching and yet not apostatize.

A BACKSLIDER - Biblically refers only to the nation Israel. However, as the term is applied, it may refer to one who, though conceivably still "looking to the Lord" and not having turned away from Him unto Satan, has cooled off or "slidden back" from a former spiritual condition. Or one who has failed to "go on with the Lord." Presumably he could be restored at the great price which God exacted of the individual Jew in Israel - DEATH. In this dispensation of Grace however, it would mean "death to self" (Rom. 6:6,11; 2 Tim. 2:21) and "total commitment to Christ." (Rom. 6:13; 12:1,2) He must return to the point from which he departed, () retracing with enfeebled steps the road down which he has slidden. Chastening, tribulation, and repentance will be his lot. (Heb. 12:5-17)

BUT AN APOSTATE - is one who once stood: "In Christ, in the Way, the Truth, the Light, the Faith, the Living God, sound doctrine, etc." and has turned away. One who apostatizes is said to have turned unto: "Satan, the doctrine of demons, fables, sin, the error of Satan, other gods, etc.," and there is no hope that he will ever be restored!