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## Introduction

We greet you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We would like to take this great opportunity to express to you our feelings toward our Savior and to His people. We are very grateful for the people of God who are showing such a great concern towards His work. Having found ourselves in a frontier work of God, we seek to make a full proof of our ministry as the Apostle Paul exhorted us to do in his epistle that was written to the church.

Our goal is to preach the gospel to every creature as much as lies within us. This, of course, should be every Christian's vision: to go into all the world in some manner or way with the gospel. The Bible tells us that God is not forgetful of our labor in the Lord. Inasmuch as we have ministered and do minister to the saints or the needy, the writer exhorted us that true and undefiled religion before the Father was this: to visit the widows and orphans in their afflictions, and to keep ourselves unspotted from the world.

Remember, that the early church did not say that anything that God had given them was their own, but they all came together in the unity of the faith, as one body of Christ in strength and spirit. They honored the Lord with their substance and the firstfruits of their increase; yet, their barns were filled with plenty, and at Pentecost, their presses burst out with the new wine. Jesus said that you cannot put new wine into old bottles. To have this great revelation of Christ, you must be born again of the water and the Spirit. The Bible tells us that we have become a new creature in Christ.

If the love of the world is in you, the love of the Father is not there. Remember, they turned back into Egypt in their hearts and were lost. They murmured and complained, and were destroyed. Let us seek all things common, and He will commit unto our trust the true riches and the crown of life.

May the Lord bless you is our prayer, and we are praying for you.

## The Mystery Of Life

Let me say to you that, at this moment, we find ourselves within the hour of the unveiling of this last and most spectacular truth that will so inspire and enlighten the church, that the ultimate of its contents will translate the church of the living God, the one that Paul called the church of the firstborn, which is the ground and pillar of the truth, wherein the spirits of just men are made perfect.

Our first approach is of course, found in Genesis, for here we are told that God created man out of the dust of the earth. Afterwards, He breathed the breath of life into man's nostrils and he became a living soul.

The Scriptures do not tell us that He made the animals out of the dust of the earth. One thing of major significance in this expression is, I believe, that God, who understood that the earth was created to remain forever, made man's body relative to the earth so that it would be an everlasting creation, even though man's body may go through many changes and the earth likewise may pass through many changes, but one thing scientists have learned from their studies concerning the creation is that not one particle or element can be destroyed. What they refer to as "matter" may change forms but, even though it appears to have been destroyed when certain things happen to it, such as fire, explosions, etc., yet the elements of matter remain; and, although they are fragmental or perhaps ashes, these elements which constitute and form the images of creation continue and there is no loss.

In the light of this great discovery, let us examine more thoroughly the mystery of life and creation. We are told that Jesus is the beginning of the creation of God. This makes us to know and understand that first of all, He was in God's mind as a created being before the world ever was, for He said, "Father, restore unto Me the joy that I had with Thee before the foundation of the world."

Another thing that we see in this is that if Jesus was the beginning of the creation of God, therefore, it is evident that Adam was not the beginning of the creation of God. By this, we are made to know that real life and creation did not take place until the birth of Jesus, or at the place of the resurrection, when the firstfruits of them that slept came forth. As Jesus passed through the blood-chambers of fire, the womb of mother earth gave forth her firstborn.

We know that Adam had the breath of life, but here we see that Jesus hath life itself. We also know that Adam had access to the tree of life, but here we see Christ Jesus, who is born of life. What then, is the difference? We use the terms, a world of difference. It was truthfully two different worlds.

In what way? The answer is this: Adam was in the presence of the shekinah glory of God, but the shekinah glory of God was in Jesus. The first man, Adam was merely overshadowed by the shekinah, even as Job had the hedge built about him, but the second man, Adam was born of the shekinah glory of God. God, speaking through the mouth of the prophet said, "You cover with a covering, but it is not of Me."

The skin covering, which God gave to mankind after the fall, was symbolic of the beast body of flesh, which life tabernacles in; quite different from the shekinah covering of God's own divine presence or the body of Christ that covered Adam before the fall, and was restored through the second man, Adam at the resurrection of Christ.

We fail to realize that this was why Adam and Eve felt naked, but we can readily see that the covering of the Spirit of innocence was gone. The condemnation of guilt was calling for the fig leaf covering, but that covenant of feeding from the water world of fruits had been broken. They were now living on a different level of life. Their minds had been subdued by Satan, who had worked through beast life. Therefore, their covering must be skins which were relative to the beast. The woman's hair represented the shekinah covering or glory of the church, which shows the government upon our shoulders, that is so often taken away. We see this in the dark veil of intellectual covering which stems from the tree of knowledge, typically represented by the dark veil of covering which the Catholic nuns have used to cover their heads with after having been shaven.

Paul tells us that if the woman is going to reject the government of her husband, she has become a harlot; as Eve, she is naked. It is all as though she were shaven or shorn. This of course, speaks of Christ and the church. When the woman's hair is cut short and is not upon her shoulders, it shows that she hath rejected her husband's laws of governmental constraint. He, being her head; by this it is made evident that the woman (church), which is His body or members in particular, has lost her salvation, for when Zion travails, she brings forth her children from the seed of her husband. Thus, Paul said, "She shall be saved in child-bearing if she continues in holiness and sobriety."

Let's take even a closer look, as the veil is rent in twain. It is evident, from what we already have seen, that the control or government of the family has been lost from Adam to Eve.

What is meant by this statement? We are simply stating that the beast, who informed Eve, endowed her with the mind to subdue Adam. So then, rather than Eve following Adam in his obedience to Christ, when the voice said, "Thou shalt not eat thereof," Adam followed Eve by heeding the voice of Satan, which said "Eat thereof." Thus the black widow swallowed up her companion, for the veil of darkness (intellectual death) had brought carnality, for to be carnally minded is death. This means that Christ, who was in control through the shekinah mind of righteousness, had withdrawn from Adam, and Adam, who is the body (feminine part), having rejected his head (the Lord and Savior), was now left to his own human or beastly reasoning.

The command for Adam to rule over Eve merely insinuated that the beast was now in control of the body, and that reproduction of life would be through physical or organic means, following a serpentine course, as a passage from heaven to earth, through the means of a rent veil. Life therefore, being bathed in a bath of blood, would come forth to resurrection, to an Eve, or beginning of light, as a dayspring on high.

We spoke of the hair, which represented the glory; thus, the filters are formed. By this means there is no infiltration or contamination, as the hallowed state of bliss enraptures for the transitional purpose. So then, as God has said, so it was, and thus it has continued, even from the beginning of the creation of mankind.

Beloved friends and brethren in Christ, we can already tell, through the spiritual distance that we have traveled, that we are emerging

from the twilight zone, through which we have been passing since the time that God brought us out of darkness, or ever since He commanded the light to shine out of darkness, to bring forth His marvelous understanding into our hearts, so that the mystery of God could be unveiled and finished, and that He might make us to understand the meaning of the rent veil, when at Calvary, He declared, "It is finished."

As we pursue this subject, to continue our course by pilgrimage means of insight, of unveiling mysteries, let us remember that, even though the things of God have an end, yet the extensiveness of our views, beginning with the garden, reaches all the way to Calvary, not that it ends with Calvary, but rather that it is finished, so far as means of appropriation for future life, happiness and existence is concerned; or that is to say that eternal bliss and unending tranquility of the glorious inspiration of God begins with Calvary and extends throughout eternity.

Inasmuch as the breath of life was with Adam, and in that we know that Adam was made a living soul, this is positive proof that there was no mistake with God, and that the things which had occurred concerning the fall of man were not some haphazard uncertainty by which God was grieved or disillusioned.

Beloved of God, if we will seek and search for His profound meanings and great love toward us, immediately we can understand that Adam did not have anything to fall from, so far as the virtues of life or the greatness of life are concerned. He was of the dust to begin with, and he did not possess anything heavenly, but was only exposed to the heavenlies. He was only shown the beauty of its habitation. God exposed him to this great magnificence and only gave him opportunity to it, by offering unto his own sovereignty the power of decision and desire. By means of no constraint, Adam rejected the desire of God, by letting the desire of his companion, the woman, be closer to his heart. This weakness of Adam was illustrated through typical means, by saying that Eve, who of course was Mrs. Adam, his flesh and bone, yielded to the voice of the beast in her desire toward the serpent. The forbidden fruit or tree of death (intellectual reasoning), which produces carnality, then became preeminent.

Satan was now in rule through man (the beast), and life could continue no longer by God's Word; but now, existence by intellectual definition and a world of reasoning must begin. Thus, life went into the wilderness of human reasoning, and sin entered the world through lust. The human or beastly passions were awakened and aroused, and Christ, the tree of life, whom the man, Adam was, as the shekinah enveloped Son of God (this of course, being before Adam's fall, as we made reference to it), was now no longer the tree of life, because the shekinah covering had been lifted. So then, the man part was separated from the God or life part, for the Bible tells us that God's trees are full of sap (life). The root of life to all generations had been severed, which must be restored in the second man Adam for had He not left us a root, we would have been likened to Sodom and Gomorrah. Remember the thing that was said by John, "The axe is laid unto the root of the trees, and every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire."

As the early morning refreshing of the dewy mist is expelled by the approaching sunlight, so was the transforming from the environmental state of bliss to the earthly conditional abode of mankind. The flowers withered in the absence of His presence, and air of heaviness, sorrow and toil soon replaced the jubilation that had been lost because of disobedience and unbelief.

With the coming of the Messiah, this was restored at Calvary. The dewy mist which came up from the earth to water it was soon to be replaced by the rain that would fall from heaven, which from the flood, we might by this, understand the loss of man's inner ability to nourish himself and see the glorious blanket of grace which was to cover the world, that it might be kept alive until the time of the restoration of the garden (millennium); the atmosphere keeping the great light from literally scorching the earth's surface until no life remained; the bow of His covenant set in the clouds, saying that as long as the earth remained, there would be seed time and harvest. As the angel of Revelation 10, with the covenant about his head, he could give unto us the entirety of the little book, which is His will.

Even though it is bitter to the belly, even a generation of vipers that produce life from the belly, through means of the serpentine course. Yet the curse of travail has ended through Calvary and the feeding of the belly from the dusty elements of life, in that the serpent's meat was dust, means that there has been a change over from this depraved way of life into which Adam had fallen, back over to that celestial spring or fountain of living water, wherein is the habitation of angels. Jesus said that being equal to the angels, we cannot die.

Knowing that Adam had nothing to fall from, therefore we conceive the thought that from the very beginning the whole picture or transition was to depict the fall of Lucifer. As in Lucifer (Adam -- the tree of knowledge), all die. This answers to Mount Sinai, the law of sin and death, or Moses who led his people into a wilderness of destruction.

We are all dead by the body of Jesus unto sin. As in the days of Moses, the earth opening up and swallowing the elders (the first born), so it is in baptism; the old man is laid away (Pharaoh swallowed up in the Red Sea), and Satan our enemy cannot pursue the spiritual (Joshua) regime of youth and life, which is the tree of life, with the new law of grace and mercy, which nourishes us back to the manhood of the image that was lost in Adam's fall, the image of Christ Jesus, whereas He said, "Let us make man in our own image."

By this, we clearly see that Jesus Christ is the beginning of the creation of God; not the generation of Adam, but the regeneration of the second man Adam. We also see that Adam's generation are the fallen and rejected sons of God. As in Adam all die. By the disobedience of one man, all men were brought under the penalty of death. So, as in Christ all men are made alive by the obedience of one man wherein we all have access to eternal existence. So then, as we consider life within the veil, we know that the rent veil of Calvary was the end of the law; the death of the first Adam; Jesus being made sin as the serpent whose head was to be bruised by the crown of thorns. The brazen serpent of the wilderness made an end of all serpents or demon powers, and God's big brazen altar of Calvary where the force of His wrath is never quenched, neither can it go out, has at last consumed the evening time sacrifice of a Lamb without spot or blemish.

Here, Moses is seen atop the blazing mountain along with Joshua, who is typical of the Holy Spirit, as the law of the first covenant which, as an intellectual strength and definition is broken, as the old covenant (body of Jesus), is folded up and laid away.

We say covenant or covering; the elder (firstborn), as represented by the Jew, can no longer be the tabernacle of life. The beast body

is finished. Christ the second covenant, as Joshua emerges from the heart of the earth to cross the Jordan, being victorious over death, hell and the grave and the wilderness is left far behind. Aaron the high priest (Christ), is taking the blood of atonement, ascending up on high to place it on the mercy seat of redemption while the spiritual Jew (new man Adam), is now being led by the great Joshua of God, the Holy Spirit, Christ in you, the hope of glory.

The life within the blood pulp of the blood cells of our body is pictorially seen as Israel moves in the midst of the cloud and the pillar of fire, baptized in the waters of the Red Sea; the baptism of fire shown by the pillar of fire, which is a misty cloud by day, without fire (spirit baptism). All having been baptized unto Moses, both in the sea and in the cloud; again the doctrine of baptisms that Paul spoke of is shown by the transitional act of Mosaic procedure through the ordinance of the law, by the laver, the golden altar of hot coals, and the misty vapor of the sweet smelling incense as Aaron entered the holy of holies (water, blood and fire); the big brazen altar that ever burned (outer courts, inner courts, and innermost courts).

The baptisms are shown again by water at Pentecost, as they are baptized in Jesus' name for the remission of sin. The fire baptism, which is shown by the tongues of fire in the upper room, and the spiritual baptism which is shown by the mighty rushing wind that filled all of the house, for Jesus said that he that is born of the Spirit is like the wind.

Let us once again return to the original act of God, or the place where everything began. Adam was made of the dust and God said, "Unto the dust thou shalt return," but remember the statement of Jesus, "He that is born of the Spirit is spirit." Don't forget that there is yet another form of life, for Jesus also said, "That which is born of flesh is flesh."

Man was made out of the dust; the woman was made out of the flesh; the children, through human sensation were of the blissful state of energetic union (that which represents spiritual), born out of the state of ecstasy of life.

We must acknowledge that there were three covenants. The water covenant, the blood covenant, and the Spirit covenant. This of course brings us into the doctrine of baptisms. The earth in the first two thousand years had a water covenant, the age ending with a great water deluge of cleansing by baptism as the old world passed away.

The next two thousand years brought in the blood covenant and ended with a great blood deluge beginning with Jesus and moving down through the Dark Age, where the martyrs were so brutally killed out. Titus' blood bath in 70 AD brought another age to a close, and the apostle of that day stated, "Ye are the people upon whom the ends of the world have come."

The next two thousand years, with which you and I are somewhat acquainted, started with a spiritual covenant and must end with a great spiritual deluge of rapture at the end of this age just before the tribulation and the millennium, which is the restoring of all things.

Now, we see the age of vegetation (covenant of water), Adam and Eve living off of the fruits. When that covenant was broken, the beautiful world of vegetation passed away and the water, which is the life of all vegetation lost its radiance and preeminence as the garden diminished.

Adam, the animals, and the creation were still here, but the shekinah was gone. Everything had returned back into its dusty order, for the covenant of the body had been violated. So, the man that was taken from the elements of the ground was separated from life, in that the body is majorly composed of water. Let us remember that the three essential properties of creation are: element, oxygen and light. Now then, we can see what is meant by the statement, "We were naked," that is, we see that the emphasis is placed on the body.

The male covenant being over (the dust and the water), let us now examine the female part of the covenant (that which is born of the flesh), the second world of human anatomy or the beast realm (blood covenant that God made after the flood, giving man the right to eat meat). Remember, the life of all flesh is in the blood, whereas the life of all vegetation is in the water, while the life of all angelic existence is in the Spirit.

Let's keep in mind that it is in the realm of blood or beast (middle realm) that the covenant of God shows up, because Jesus came in the form of human anatomy. God did not have any trouble with Adam in the beginning, for Adam had no mind of his own, so far as intellectual reasoning or development is concerned. He only reflected God and His purity, but now that man is in the blood realm, having partaken of the tree of knowledge, there is instilled within him the mind of Satan and the enraged passions of the beast. This is why intellectual brilliance or science keeps tracing their ancestry or lineage back to a beast, while we trace ours back to God, for we are born of God.

We see in this also the Jewish people, who are traced back by lineage to the natural Adam and who feel like their only means of survival is contained within the possessing and keeping of their homeland or acreage of production, which will break forth as the land of Canaan in the millennium. Three kind of people herein are seen: The Israelite, the Gentile, and the Christian, which are religiously referred to as Jew, Catholic, and Protestant.

Now, let us say this, that even though Adam reflected God, this was not altogether pleasing to God, for the Lord desires that we be born of His Spirit, so that we will praise Him out of our own sovereignty, for while the Lord was away from Adam and Eve, in that the Bible tells us that He walked in the cool of the evening, they had betrayed Him. Neither is it stated that they could see Him, but rather that they had heard His voice in the garden and were afraid.

This denotes an unfinished work, in that no man hath seen God at any time; yet, in the finished work of God through Christ, we are told that the pure in heart shall see God. By faith God purifies our hearts. Thus the eyes of our understanding are enlightened to comprehend the heights, depths, length and breadth, for God is a Spirit.

The reflectors are referred to as fallen stars, in that Lucifer's intellectual powers of the old serpent's tail draws a third part down to earth to trample on them (dust realm).

Let's finish examining the second age, or blood covenant. Remember, the curse of the male (man) was the briars, the thorns and thistles, the toil of the ground, and the sweat of the face. Look at Jesus, sweat as drops of blood, the thorns upon the brow, His labor among

the wretched vines of mankind, the thorns and thistles, which were constant pricks in His side. Christ within Jesus rose up, took the body (brazen serpent), hung it on the tree and bruised its head at Calvary. Jesus having been made after the order of mankind (Adam), showed the headship or the first man Adam, the serpent head of sin that had to be bruised.

The resurrected Jesus, which is the Christ of the celestial body, the beginning of the creation of God, showed the seed of the woman as He came forth from mother earth's womb, having gallantly led the serpent to his death, which was the sinful body of all mankind (generation of vipers); Jesus being delivered for the offense of those that had sinned, carrying them to death at Calvary, whereas Christ was raised for justification of those who knew no sin, translating them into the kingdom of life by the virtue of His own works and blood.

Thus, the veil was rent in twain, for Christ the inner covenant as the child of the firstborn, had broken forth from the matrix. In the covenant of blood, the breath of life continues to be preserved as the oxygen continues to illuminate and activate the blood genetics. The blood, which is the life of all flesh (human anatomy), now makes us to know that the covering is by night, for the life is protected by the pillar of fire. The covering or baptism is no longer as the water that carried the little ark which protected Moses, the life, who was the promised son.

The reason we say that this is the pillar of fire in the night or the fire baptism, which is the covering of the blood for the soul, is because we are referring to intellectual darkness from the fall. Paul, turn My people from darkness unto light! Jesus said, "Gross darkness of intellectual reasoning is covering the people in the end time," whereas God commands light to shine out of darkness, saying that there shall be light in the evening time, which means the coming of the Lord or the revelation of Christ, which should spring forth in that season.

Remember now that this is the beast realm, the woman's bloody issue, or the female, which is that which is born of flesh, having been taken from the flesh of Adam. This covenant is not as the first covenant, which was made with the body, for the body cannot sin. It is only a reflector of life showing us that Adam was not in the transgression. It is the creature that waiteth for its redemption through its groaning, for it is the purchased possession.

Of the blood, representing the soul, it is said, "The soul that sinneth shall surely die." The soul is the realm of the power of decision, for Eve could have said yes or no to the beast. Adam was not privileged in this way because of environmental circumstances. His wife had sinned, and he had no choice but to follow her for her sake. So it is with Christ and the church.

It is therefore evident that Satan hath made his stronghold in the middle realm (second heaven), earth being the first heaven (shown by man), human anatomy being the second heaven (physical realm), as is depicted by the woman, and the galaxies being the third heaven, filled with the stars, as is shown by the children. Lucifer being a spirit (fallen angel), has come into the water realm of innermost life, and from that has entered into the blood realm of innermost life. His third attempt was to regain place in the angelic (spiritual) realms of the innermost life, but he hath failed in that he was cut off in the second realm of the blood life, where Jesus met him face to face. (The sun and the man -- the moon and the woman -- the stars and the children).

Lucifer evidently climbs into the heavens because of grace, and a third part of the angels are overthrown. Being the ruler of intellectual reasoning (darkness), he is the prince of the powers of the air. This may sound a little shocking to you, but when God said to Adam and Eve, "The day that thou eatest thereof, thou shalt surely die," they truthfully did die. We said that they died within a God-day, in that man's life span has never attained unto or exceeded a thousand years which is a day with God. We say that a man died spiritually, in that he lost his immediate fellowship with God, but the shocking reality of the whole thing is that it is more than you visualize. Man actually did die that day. Jesus said, "You are dead while you live, because of trespasses and sins." In reality, what happened was that God withdrew from Adam and Eve, or that is, Adam and Eve separated themselves from God.

When the Spirit of life departed, there was nothing left except the breath of life. The only thing that could be done now to preserve mankind, in that they had been switched over to a temporal existence, was to allow Satan (Lucifer), the ruler of intellectual reasoning, to set himself up a kingdom of schooling and government, thus making him the prince of this world, which was part of God's program from the beginning, in that God's plan is to make man from the dust and through the power of process, time, and transformation, change him into a god.

What must God do? There is only one thing left, inasmuch as Satan is not only the ruler of the demon powers or angelic forces that are in the air, but rather, the atomic particles by means of mind over matter. God must allow man to live by atomic means, man being a composition of atomic particles. He must then survive by means of the elements of creation.

Through water (vegetation), he takes these into his being; through meats (blood), he takes these into his body; by sunlight (spirit), he takes these into his being. He is a mass of nerves. In any place where nerves fail to function, his life is quenched. The only life that he has in the blood is the oxygen, which is taken in through the lungs. This is proven, in that if you hold man's nose and cover his mouth so that he cannot breathe, he immediately dies from suffocation. He is nothing more than a composition of elements which are relative to the earth, and not nearly so fortunate as a tree which can live for eight or nine hundred years because it has a taproot which can go so deep into the ground that it can continually nourish itself with elements that man has through greed used up, so far as surface is concerned. Instead of moving insects with prayer and clean living, he poisons and infiltrates the air with death, thus contaminating his substance. He will not let this body have the one day out of seven to recuperate. He will not allow the land to lay waste one year out of the seven to refertilize.

Look at the people before the flood, who lived to ages of eight and nine hundred years. Will this ever be again? Yes! God said, "The days of My people shall be as the years of a tree." Why? Because God has preserved beneath the ocean, by means of tilting the earth, the fertile and organic elements that will produce long life in the restoration. The salt water is a purifier. This again goes back to the water covenant or the restored garden, the bodily aspect or the Jew.

Let's look at the spiritual or third covenant which begins at Pentecost with the outpouring of the Spirit upon all flesh. You see, God has

left us a root who is the offspring of David, therefore we are not altogether cut off from the life that Adam had, for in the second man Adam, who was before Adam, we have our root. Every plant that the heavenly Father hath not planted shall be plucked up. It shall wither and die.

This covenant of the Spirit has to do with the children, for we are all children in Christ. Remember, this takes us into the innermost courts or the holy of holies. The last two thousand years brings us over to the coming of the Lord as we enter into the church ages. This is the covenant with the celestial realm, the place where the innermost secrets of the heart are revealed (angelic realm), the third heaven where God Himself dwells.

When God created, He created in three major steps: The heavens, the earth, and the seas: A heavenly world, an earthly world, and a water world of the darkness of the deep. Lucifer is the ruler of the darkness of the deep, for we are told that Leviathan, the piercing one, maketh the deep to boil like a pot.

Where the problem begins is that Lucifer hath left his first estate, climbed up into the middle realm of humanity (blood life), working through the beast to subdue the angelic host. Man therefore, being relative to the beast, Satan has not accomplished that which he has hoped to, for man being subjected to the kingdom of Satan, did not by any means hinder the plan of God.

Satan only claimed that which was his own, the seed of Cain, for there is a much higher order in God, which is son-ship in Christ. Angelic life, which is Son of God life, who do not live by intellect, but rather by faith; they are equal to the angels and cannot die, for that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

The fountain is open within the house of David -- Christ, within you, the hope of glory, which is the fountain of living waters; for out of your innermost being shall flow rivers of living water. For as the deep calleth unto the deep at the waterspout of God, whose waterspout ye are, we will draw water out of the wells of salvation with joy, for Zion shall return with everlasting joy. The joy of the Lord, being our strength, we should therefore be strong in the power of His might, for we do not place our faith or confidence in our own brilliance of ability or ingenuity. The spiritual rejuvenating or the innermost life, as a cloud by day (mind of Christ), makes you a child of light, for ye are not children of the intellectual darkness, but rather the children of the day.

So then, we know the day of the Lord, for this is the Lord's day, even His appearing to them that look for Him. Therefore, the thief in the night is to those who are in intellectual darkness. We, as children of the day have been, by His Spirit, transported into the day of the Lord, in that Christ said, "It is finished." The Lord, having rested from all of His labor, by faith it is no more works of the law; therefore, we have entered into His grace, the day of God's rest, having ceased from our own labor of ritualistics and formality.

Our religious desire and stride now is conformity to His will and image by the means and measures of His Word, as we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord, to the full measure of the full stature of Christ, for it is no more I that liveth, but Christ that liveth in me, for the life that I now live, I live by the Son of God.

The Spirit covenant, being made with the spirit (angel) of man, brings us to the part of justification, wherein the spirits of just men are made perfect, our justification and purification of heart being by faith. Everything in the act of creation has its means and measures of control and existence by virtue of the nature that God has given it. A cat's nature constrains and regulates the elements to a composure of a cat image. You cannot change that. The leopard cannot change his spots, neither can the Ethiopian change his skin, and they that are accustomed to do evil cannot do good. We were made for God's pleasure, but the wicked for the day of His wrath.

The nature of a plant will be to one end and size, while the nature of a tree is to another altogether different. The nature of a man takes him through so many years. With exception of a few, more or less, he dies; and even though scientists seek to change this, yet there is no way; for to change the nature, it would mean that you would automatically change the image. Therefore, mother nature is of one kind of life; human nature, another kind of life, and son-ship or God nature is of another kind of life, a much higher order of life.

Satan, being an angelic spirit, can get close to this life through the means of grace. He can also very easily enter into the life of mother nature, and also into human life, but the image of God in which man was made, which was lost in the fall from the garden, that is to say the image of Christ, the second Adam (restored image); Lucifer did not dare go near that, which is why he worked through the weakness of the woman. If the heavenly image of son-ship hath been restored to us by means of Calvary, therefore the world and all creation is groaning and waiting for the manifestation of our son-ship, which will be the celestial regime in our mortal bodies that will change us into immortality, whereas we will in return correct the disorder of the earth, releasing creation from the brutality or harshness of Satan, who is responsible for its groaning.

It is obviously seen within these statements, that through the covenant of the Spirit, which is the Holy Ghost Himself, who by faith doth purify our heart, hath even now at this time endowed us with power for a celestial regime.

There is a justification of spirit by faith; there is a sanctification of the soul by God's Word; there is a glorification of our bodies by means of baptism. We therefore have a justification of spirit by translation through believing, and we enjoy the sanctification of our soul by the power of God's Word which transforms us, while we enjoy glorification of our body by transfiguration. Though we wait to wit the redemption of our body, it is only because of the time element involved in the allowance of the spirit of iniquity which worketh as the prince of the powers of the air, being allowed to stimulate life by human passion, until the era is finished; whom the revelational mind destroys with the brightness of His coming. The spiritual covenant therefore is made with the angelic part of humanity, as it was said concerning Peter's angel.

The agreement with Egypt was broken by Pharaoh (vegetation, garlic and onions); the covenant in the wilderness was broken by the elders, but the covenant of Canaan was established by the children under the regime of Joshua, and so they received their inheritance.

Joseph, Moses, and Joshua: three great leaders, for major purposes, were of different perspectives. We do not live of the dust, but we live by faith. The serpent's meat was dust. A generation of vipers thrive on their belly. We must bruise the intellectual head of the serpent,

not leaning to our own understanding, by trusting in the Lord's Word with all our heart, for His words are Spirit and they are life.

The water covenant failed to offer an eternal covering or abode for the Spirit of life. Life by means of element couldn't do it. Blood life failed! As a covering, it could not do it, but the Spirit is uncontaminated by Satan, wherein the Lord, as the Spirit of life, shall eternally dwell.

What can we say to these things, other than to accept the fact that we are born of the divine nature, which is without end, for termination of life doth not exist in the Spirit, because the Spirit is not subject to tangible matter nor defilement of intellectual reasoning, whereas all manner of matter is subject to Spirit. So then, it is not Satan's intellectual, man-made mind over matter as the theory of science tries to prove. It is the mind of Christ over matter, the mind that has, by faith, created all forms of matter.

God allowed Satan to seize it through the fall of Adam, thus making him the prince of the powers of the air, giving him his dominion over human government and the intellectual powers of reasoning or definement, for the sole purpose of stimulating mankind by means of human passions and relation, and also through sports, eating, drinking, and wild excitement.

Man's physical activity and human resources have been inspired by Satan to great advantage and lofty achievement, reaching even unto the heavens, even as the tower of Babel, the Lord saying, "Though thou makest thy nest among the stars, and though thou climbest up to heaven, I shall cast thee down to hell."

By this, it is obviously seen that man's conquest among the galaxies will end in a waste of effort, whereas they will have accomplished nothing, for after all they have done, God will utterly confound them and reveal the mind of Christ, thus putting on exhibit the ignorance of Satan and all of his followers, while the children of God shine forth as the brightness of the firmament and the stars forever and ever. So let us rejoice forevermore and be thankful for all things, giving all praise and honor and glory to our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who hath purchased us with His own blood, having made us priests and kings unto His own glory. Unto Him, the everlasting Father, the omnipotent God, and His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, be praise, honor, and glory forevermore and without end. Amen.

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## The Prince Of Life

I want to pray that the Lord will bless us in all that we go to do. The Bible tells us that whatsoever a righteous man doeth shall prosper. It's like I have said so many times, that if you don't do anything, you can't prosper, because He said that whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. If we'll do something, then we can be sure that it will prosper. So, let's do something for God!

I think we will read a little something from the book of Revelation. If you've got your Bibles, you can turn over to the book of Revelation. I want you, first of all, to turn over to the very first chapter. We're always talking about the revelation of Jesus Christ. Paul said, "I've begotten you in the gospel," and just as God had a begotten Son, so have we, for I have begotten you in the gospel. Paul spoke of the revelation of Jesus Christ. Not very many men in the Bible refer to it because they did not understand it. They did not know about it, but John refers to it as the revelation of Jesus Christ. This is why we have it on the video. When the film first comes on, the only thing you see on the screen is, in big letters, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ."

Here, in the first chapter, the first verse, the first five words, it says, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ." That's why we talk about it like we do. John calls it the revelation of Jesus Christ. So then, that's what it is. Why should I call it something else if it is the revelation of Jesus Christ? A lot of people say, "Brother Pike, why do you refer to it as the revelation of Jesus Christ?" Why should I refer to it any other way? If that's what John called it when he saw it, then the only title or name that I know to give it is the biblical name, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ."

In the first chapter of the book of Revelation, notice the first five words: "The Revelation of Jesus Christ." Now, this is why we refer to it as we do, because we believe that there is a revelation of Jesus Christ, because the Bible says so. Now, if the Bible did not refer to it in those terms, then I would not declare it unto you in that way; but in that the Bible states it in such biblical terms, and it is outlined here as the last part of the New Testament, then I believe the teachings of the Scriptures concerning it. I also believe that there is such a thing as the Spirit of revelation, because I don't just have to read about it, I am personally acquainted with it. It has been made known unto me, showing He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. He made it known to Paul; He made it known to John; and He made it known to me. Because of that, it makes my heart happy. My heart was happy even when I served God many years ago, but my heart was not as happy then as it is now, because He has made known to me His will and the revelation of Jesus Christ, and it thrills me on the inside. My cup runs over! It's ever enlarging itself, and like the new wine that's put in the new bottles, it is ever stretching out. I really, from the bottom of my heart, thrill at the thoughts of the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Paul spoke to some of them that had been converted to Christ Jesus. He told them how magnificent and wonderful it was to be a Christian, but he said that what they needed to do was pray that God would grant unto them the Spirit of revelation. That's what you need to do, folks. If you don't have the Spirit of revelation, then you need to ask God to give it to you. Then the Spirit of revelation will talk with you and reveal to you the desire of God, the mind of God, and the ways of God. In receiving these things from God, you become greater and stronger and more powerful than ever.

I want to remind you that in the world to come, there are going to be people who are kings that will reign upon beautiful thrones. Somebody would say, "Well, I feel like that is wrong. There is one throne and Jesus is going to reign on it, and that's the only throne there is." That's wrong, because that isn't what He said. The disciples said, "Lord, we've forsaken all to follow Thee. What then shall we receive for this?" He said, "Because ye have forsaken all, when I sit upon My throne, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones beside Me." Isn't that right? There are twelve more that the Bible speaks of. Then the Bible speaks in the book of Revelation of the twenty-four elders. Not only did they sit upon thrones, but it is obvious that they were also kings, because the Bible says that they would fall down at the feet of Him that sitteth upon the throne and cast their crowns down at His feet.

I want to read just a little bit right here. "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John: Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw. Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophesy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."

Now, the signs of the times that we see all around us make it quite evident that these statements are true, so please, just listen to what I am saying. Listen real carefully and give the more earnest heed to things that you have heard, lest, at any time, you should let them slip. Pay close attention and put it down into your heart. The Bible says, concerning those things that were said to Mary and the others, that they put these things within their heart and held close to those things. They did not let them slip because they knew that every word of God had a positive meaning, and that God did not just say things to be saying it.

What God has said is very important. It's not like you or me, that might say something just talking and not having any meaning or specifics about it; but when God speaks, there is a specific meaning to it and a reason why He said it. When He said, "Let there be stars!" then there were stars; "Let there be a moon!" there was a moon; "Let there be sunshine!" and there was sunshine. God said, "Let there be a man!" and there was a man. When He said, "Let there be a child!" then there is a child in the world today. So then, when He speaks, there is a specific reason for saying the things that He says and for doing the things that He does, because He is God, and He does everything just right. Hallelujah!

As they walked on the way to Emmaus, the Bible says that they said one to another, "Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked with us by the way?" Somebody would say, "Well now, if God talked with me, my heart would also burn within me!" But, did you know, that when the minister is speaking, the Bible tells us that it is not the man speaking, but it is the voice of God? It is God speaking within us, and if He is the same yesterday, today, and forever, should not our hearts burn within us? His words are so great and mighty. That's why the songwriter said, "Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life." Jesus said that His words are not just words; not just as in

a book that someone has written. But, He said that His words are words of life. I like that! That does something to me every time I think about it. Words of life! When He speaks, I take His word and it's a word of life. It burns like a coal of fire on the inside of my heart. Don't you want life? Your body longs for life. Your mind, your spirit, your body — everything about you longs for life. It hungers and thirsts for the abundance of life. Peter said that He is the prince of life. There is no other prince of life but Jesus. There is no other person that has ever lived or ever shall be that can stand up before multitudes and say, "I am the prince of life." Isn't that wonderful? "I am the prince of life. My words are life. I am the prince." Hallelujah!

It's like the story about Cinderella and Prince Charming. He said, "I am the prince of life." It's one thing to be a Prince Charming and charm somebody, but He is the prince of life! The words that come forth from His lips are life. He said, in essence, "I am come that you might have life. That is My mission into the world. I am the prince of life. There is no other prince of life. All of them that came before Me were hirelings, but I am the good shepherd and I give My life for the sheep. The words that I speak unto you, children of men, are words of life. He that heareth My words and believeth on Him that sent Me, in the Spirit, he hath passed from death unto life by means of his conviction of faith in these words that I speak unto you. I am the prince of life, and I have a mission in this world to do the will of God. I have come that you might have life, and that more abundantly." What does the word "abundant" mean? It means filled up and overflowing. I am the prince of life. That's why John called this "The Revelation of Jesus Christ," because the revelation of Jesus is the coming of Jesus. It is the coming forth of the prince of life. That's why it thrills me so when I think about it.

John saw it here as God revealed it to him in types and shadows and allegoric means. He saw it! The Revelation of Jesus Christ! He saw what God was about to do. He saw the desire of God, and what God wanted to project to the minds of the people. Every bit of this comes from one thing, and that is where He hung at Calvary.

As He hung there at Calvary, the veil was opened. The book was opened. The Bible says that the veil was rent in twain. Up until that time, it had always been a concealed thing. God had been shut off from the world and from the people, in that He was a Spirit. There was no way that you could get to God. God is the great abundance of living; the great Spirit of life; the eternal fountain that everyone must drink from to stay alive. Though God is everything and was everything, there was no way to get to Him. There was no way to that fountain, but the prophet looked down through the telescope of time and saw Calvary. He saw the veil rent in twain, and the great door of heaven opened. John saw it in the revelation of Jesus Christ, when he said, "The heavens rolled back like a scroll." As the prophet looked back there toward it, he saw this thing and shouted, "Hallelujah!" He began to praise God and say, "There shall be a fountain opened to the house of David." From henceforth and forever, let him come and get water that hath no money. Let him come and drink freely from the fountain of life. Let whosoever will, come and partake of the waters of life freely. Just think about that! The blood oozing out of the body of Jesus, and Jesus said, "Drink My blood." It's a fountain of life.

The Bible says that the life is in the blood. He said, "Drink of My blood, for if you do not drink of My blood, you have no life in you." A lot of times when we take the wine, when we are at the Lord's Supper, this is the meaning of it. This is what we are trying to do. If we are conscientious and come together to love one another, to pray for one another, to ask God to forgive our sins, and to drink that wine, we are drinking it as unto the Lord. Then we are drinking the blood of Jesus Christ, and then the life, the royal life that is in that royal blood, goes into my body. I then have royal blood flowing through my body, flowing through my veins, and I then have the royal personality of God. I then am bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh. I then become as He is. I am the prince of life to them that are out in the world. God is good!

Wouldn't you like to be a member of the body of the prince of life? Wouldn't you like to be such a person, when you go out there in the world and see people dying and perishing, that all you've got to do is just open your mouth, and out of your innermost being will flow rivers of living water, the Spirit of God?

Wouldn't you like to be a person that would be a light like a city that is set on a hill that can't be hid? A light like we have on the church here, always going around and around, leading people to the fountain of living waters? How many of you would like to be like that? All you have to do is have the revelation of Jesus Christ. That's all it takes for you to become a well of living water.

John saw the radiance of it, and when he saw the heavens roll back, he didn't understand, because he was a man like I'm a man.

He was fascinated as he looked, and a voice shouted out at him and said, "John, come up hither, and I will show you things yet to come." The Bible says that the Holy Ghost will show you things to come. All of a sudden, John said, "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day," and he heard this voice behind him like many waters. He turned and saw one girt about the paps with a golden girdle. He was girt about, with His robe down to His feet. You know that's a good example for the ladies right there; with His robe all the way down to His feet. There He stood, in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks, having the seven stars in His hand. There was Jesus, standing in the midst of the church ages, someone that we could see, saying, "I was dead, yet I am resurrected from the dead, and I am alive forevermore." Here stands Jesus in the midst of the candlesticks, right in the midst of the church ages.

We know that the church ages are spiritual, and that the church never started until Pentecost, and that from Pentecost comes the church ages. There were no church ages until Pentecost. It is from Pentecost that we get our first church, where the Bible says that the first church is set up and 3,000 people enter into it. At Pentecost the church ages begin, because it is from Pentecost that the period begins which shows the priesthood (Catholic). It is from here that the candlesticks are seen, because they are found upon entering into the second court. The first court (outer court) comes up to Calvary, but when we enter the second court, then we come to the place of the candlesticks, for the showbread is found in the second court. What was the showbread? Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. The bread that I will give is My flesh." In the second dimension, as you come past Calvary, Jesus said, "I am the door." You come right into the doorway, into the second part of it, into the New Testament teachings. You leave the Old Testament teachings of the outer courts, where the beast

was slain, back on the outside where the body was to be burned, which was rejected of God. All through the Old Testament, they offered up beasts. They're always offering up beasts, which are slain from day to day as a sacrifice unto God; but then, when you enter the second courts, you don't slay beasts, you take the blood of the slain in. Do you understand what I am saying?

When we come to Calvary, we find that we have entered into the second heaven. When we go into that dimension, we take the blood of the lamb that was slain in the evening time. We take the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ, who is without spot, wrinkle, or blemish, and we enter boldly into the second courts. Even the sons of Aaron could go in there.

With the blood of Jesus Christ, we enter the second dimension, the Dark Age that the people went into, starting in 325 AD and extending on over to about 1520. During that period of time, that second part, which represents the church ages, it brings us to Pentecost, because Pentecost means that all of the sins are forgiven. Here we are with the blood, going past Calvary, into the second courts. When we enter into the second courts, there we stand where the showbread is; the table with the little stack of showbread, six here and six there, twelve of them. Over on the other side, there are the candlesticks, whose oil never gives out, which cast their light upon the showbread. As we come into this second dimension, there is one thing that we must realize: the light from these candlesticks represents the church ages.

God is the Spirit of oil; God is the one that keeps these candlesticks burning. "Repent," He said, "or else I will remove your candlestick." He speaks to you individually. He tells us that the spirit of man is the candle of the Lord, searching out the inward part. It's life! You've got a little candle of life.

These little candles are not like little wax candles, but they are candles where the oil goes up through them, and they burn by oil. We have to have the oil of the Spirit on the inside. The Bible speaks of the virgins that did not have the oil. They let the oil give out. The oil is the Spirit of life. It's God! When we come down to the midnight cry, if we have not done the things that God tells us to do, then the oil is going to be gone, and when we come down to die at the midnight cry, in the darkness, He will not be waiting there to receive us.

When we come into the second dimension, we have to recognize that it is a different dispensation from that of the Old Testament, and through that testimony, He sealed it with His own blood, because a testament is of none effect lest the testator be dead. It has to have blood atonement. It was sealed, not with the blood of animals, but with His own blood. There, He entered boldly into the second dimension and made way for the sons of Aaron.

Going into the second dimension, here are the church ages. The candlesticks are casting the light (your eyes being enlightened, the understanding) through that second dimension, all through the Dark Age, lit up at night, carrying humanity through it all; focusing their light upon the showbread. What is the showbread? There were twelve little cakes, which represent the twelve apostles. The light is shining upon the teachings of the apostolic church, and the showbread is the thing which sustains us through the Dark Age.

Look at David. Do you remember when David was being pursued, when he was running from Saul? He became very hungry. The one thing that David did during this pursuit was to realize that there was food in God's house. Like the prodigal when he would have filled his belly with the husks, all of a sudden, the Bible says that he rose up and said, in essence, "I'm about to fill my belly with the husks that the swine eat, whereas in my father's house, there is bread to spare." Then he rose up from the hog pens and went to his father. The father placed the ring upon his finger and the robe upon him and killed the fatted calf.

That's what we need to do. Don't go out and ally with the world. Don't go out with the swine! Jesus said that people are swine out there in the world who don't serve and obey God. Don't go out as the prodigal and fill your belly with the husks that the swine eat, but come over here, because Jesus said that His body is bread. Take His broken body and eat of it, because it is the bread of life. Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. That's the bread of life. The bread is for the children. When manna rained down from heaven over there in the wilderness, that was bread from heaven. It was tiny, like a little tiny pearl, like the hoary frost. It was everywhere, just glistening, laying all over the ground. They just scooped it up.

Jesus said, "Moses gave you not that bread!" I don't think some of the fellows I was talking to the other day from the Jewish faith would appreciate that, but the Bible says, "Moses gave you not that bread." Now, the first thing they would do is dispute with me and say that that is the New Testament. They don't believe in that. They just know the Old Testament. That is the way it happened, they say. But Moses of the Old Testament stood up and spoke of Him and said that it shall come to pass that God shall raise up a prophet like unto Himself, and it shall come to pass that everyone that faileth to hear that prophet shall be cut off from among the people. There He came and there He stood. He faced the Scribes and Pharisees and said unto them, "Moses gave you not that bread, but My Father, which is in heaven, gave you that bread from heaven. Unless you eat of My flesh and drink of My blood, you don't have any life in you." Hallelujah! They went away and left Him because they could not understand His spiritual mannerism.

He tried to get them into the revelation. He was trying to say, "I am the revelation. I am the Christ. Can you hear Me? Can you understand Me?"

Paul said, "I would speak unto you as spirituals." Pray that God would grant unto you the Spirit of revelation. Why the Spirit of revelation? It is because the things of God, the revelation, only know the Spirit of God, and do not know any man.

So then, in the second dimension, where do we find ourselves? In the church ages! That really tells us something, because when we come into the church ages, we're in the second courts. We're moving folks! We're being raptured; on our way to heaven, having moved up into the second part. There we are, in the second dimension, having now moved into the holy place; not the holy of holies, but the holy place in the second dimension (Pentecost). The blood has been spilt. Sins have been forgiven. Pentecost! Now, here in the second realm of the church ages, what do we see? The seven angelic messengers of God, and the seven candlesticks. The stars that He had in His hand represents the angels of the churches, and the seven candlesticks are those seven spiritual powers and messages that stand before the throne of Almighty God, who is personified in a human being.

What are the seven church ages? It is humanity. Humanity is the church, and starting from Pentecost are the church ages. God is dealing with humanity, this woman part of us, that we might, through the divinity of God, bring about a holy conception unto the reproduction of the image of the Almighty God, for He said that in the morning He would despise thine image, unless it be in the image of God. If it be a bastard child, then He will despise it, but if it be the image that is called by His name, then He will love it.

So then, in the second age, in the second dimension, where are we? Here we are, entering into the second courts, walking right on into that place that God spoke about. When we come in, there is the church. The church is in great travail and is about to be delivered. We get a picture here of the woman, standing on the moon. Toward the latter part, John saw this in the travail of Calvary. There is Calvary; there is the travail; there the headship is being born. There are the church ages, where the seven physicians work through the seven dispensations of the church ages for the delivery, so that in the days of the ten toes, at the very end of the church ages, the child can ride over the tribulation period to set down in the throne of David in the millennium to rule with a rod of iron. As the great mysteries of God come forth, then we see the child's appearance, for we see every part of the child through the rent veil and the expose or the exhibit of Christ Himself, revealed proportionately in each church dimension as it is presented to us by the messenger of that age.

Now, the star or angel that Jesus spoke of in that age was John, being a man sent from God. These are those that are sent from God to enlighten us, whereas John said that he looked, and another great angel came down from heaven, having the glory of God. The Bible says that his glory enlightened the earth. Paul said, "The eyes of your understanding being enlightened." You say, "How could an angel's message enlighten the earth? The world doesn't have anything to do with an angel's message." That's where you are wrong! Every bit of understanding that Satan ever had was a reflection from God. Did you know that? Every wandering star represents the people that are out in the darkness, and it is a reflector of you who are a true star. Every bit of government, every bit of power, every bit of functioning of the world has to be a reflector of you, my brothers and sisters.

Let's look at it just a little bit further. In this second dimension, or realm, which is so beautiful, the Bible speaks of that angel coming down from heaven, and how the glory of God enlightened the earth; first coming through the saints of God, because they are the light of the world; and after that, in the days of Paul, God delivered him up before the rulers, let him spend time in jail, took him before the great men; and then, after awhile, men like Constantine and others that had come from this great light which had come from Paul continued on, and soon the government became a religious government. Always you can see the Lord, working in such a way that this great angel's light enlightened those that dwelt out in the earth. So then, they began to understand better, they began to know more, they began to move in a greater way of life, because of the little precipitation of that light that comes through the "great bulb", as we would say, the great light, the light of the world, which is the church. In this body, as the feminine part or woman, Paul said, "I travail in birth again until Christ be formed within you." The child being formed from the garden of Eden all the way down through the church ages, then the child comes forth at the end of the church ages and is caught up to the throne to rule with a rod of iron.

The woman, being the church, where is she during this period? She is in heaven. What heaven is she in? She is in the second heaven. You say, "You can't prove that! That's just your idea and theory about it!" It's not my idea, nor is it my theory, it's the revelation of Jesus Christ. Paul said, "Neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ." The woman was in the second heaven, and if you get it today, it is going to be revealed to you. Did you know that? Only the heavenly Father can do it. I trust that you have the Spirit of revelation. Look at the woman. She is in heaven. Where is heaven? She is standing in the second heaven, like the Bible speaks of it in the book of Revelation, with her feet upon the moon, in great travail, waiting to be delivered. Now, that's pictorial of Calvary. There's Jesus, the feminine part. Israel shows the feminine part, the woman, the weaker part. Now, she's masculine as the male part. In the natural perspective of the world, she's the head, but to the spiritual Jew, she is the body, the feminine part, and we which live upon the throne of the heart as quickening spirits are the head of the nations. In this spiritual dimension of the second heaven, there she is, waiting to be delivered, but in that second realm Satan is there, waiting to strike the child. What is the red dragon? We say in the natural, "America," the natural woman, with her natural feet upon the moon, speaking of it typically, pictorially and allegorically. Then, we say "The Red Dragon," Communistic China. We see the powers of Communism laying in there to devour the man child, the ruler of the world. But, you see, really and truly, the red dragon is a spiritual power of Satan that cannot be seen with the eye that personifies himself in a human in what is called the bloodstream. What is the red dragon, as far as the physical part of it, and that which we are concerned with? It is the blood life that is waiting to devour the man child. Did you know that? Just as quick as Christ is born in your heart, then the other person, who has blood life from the blood birth, from the fall, the mankind of Satan; that person or life is trying its best, through educational powers, money, frolic, or prestige, to outwit, outsmart, and outtalk that man that's born of the Spirit. Jesus said, "A crooked and perverse generation." That red dragon, that old man, is trying to devour that little man child. Just as soon as he finds Him, he tries to discourage Him. Paul said, "We are illuminated with the flight of afflictions because of this." So then, where did Jesus defeat the red dragon? It was when He hung at Calvary. Why was the Old Testament a continual spilling of blood? It is because the life is in the blood. Now, you say, "The life is in the blood. The life of all humanity is in the blood," but Jesus said, "My words are Spirit and they are life." We are born of the Spirit, born of the seed, born of the Word of God. What was all of the spilling of the blood in the Old Testament for? It meant the end of the red dragon, the beast. The beast! That means that in this world, there are some people that are brute beasts, made to be taken and burned. The spilling of the blood of a beast was because the life of God went into a beastly form when Adam fell from the image of God. We've got a tape called "The Covering of His Glory" that expresses it.

The light of God went into a veil, because it was too bright for humanity, until it could grow and spread out and overtake the body; during that period that it was in the womb or within the veil of the beastly part that is referred to as the woman, the beast of the garden; during that time the formation of the child came.

God veils Himself in darkness, intellectual darkness. He dwells within the heart of mankind. That life, that spiritual life on the inside of the bloodstream, had to be released, and the only way to release it was to kill the beast. So God had them to kill the beast and spill the blood. When the blood was spilt, it was the red dragon, because Satan, the dragon, the old serpent, was in it. It was the natural birth that God was trying to get them away from because it brought death.

He that is born in this world is born to die, but he that is born of Christ is born to live. As the blood was spilt by the beast of the Old Testament, it signified that the life went back to God who gave it. It showed the coming of Jesus, that there would be a day when we would be as lambs led to the slaughter, killed all the day long for His sake; that this beastly part of the outer man that is in the image of the fall of the first man Adam must be killed and the blood must be spilt. We reckon this to have happened to us as we hung at Calvary through Jesus Christ, and that the spilling of the blood is the dying out of the old man, the natural blood life, denying ourselves, turning away from our own natural desires, spilling the blood. Dying!

Paul said, "I die daily," releasing the life to go back to God; for, at death, the spirit goeth back to God who gave it. I've been slain upon the altars of God; therefore, as a lamb without spot or blemish, in that I'm bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh, and the life within me went back to God, I'm am hid with Christ in God, whom the heavens have received until the time of the restitution of all things.

Now, in the second court, the blood must be spilt. The red dragon must be defeated. Where did Jesus see Satan fall from heaven? When He hung at Calvary, it was as a lamb. He overcame, with not one spot or blemish upon the bloodstream. Why couldn't that blood be atoning? Why did God use blood? It is because life is in the blood, and the life of Adam had become polluted with a spiritual power; therefore, God had to have another bloodstream that would carry the life, the royal life, the seed life of Christ. Therefore, He gave the blood that would carry another life, so that when it was spilt, it would release the life back to God; a holy, clean, upright life, a life that could be preserved, a life that could be kept, a life that could be hallowed, a life that God could take and put back into a human being and start another generation with.

So then, as the first fruits of them that slept, He came up out of the ground. The blood was spilt from His hands and from His brow. He said that He's graven you in the palms of His hands that He might not forget you.

You see there, that when the blood was spilt down through the church ages, that it was Satan on the rampage. He was ruthless, because he had been cast out of heaven by the body of Jesus Christ, for Jesus knew, when He spilt His blood at Calvary, that it was the end of Satan. He was made sin when He knew no sin, and He spilt His blood, which represented the blood of the beast, the red dragon, and out of the temple of God, the innermost parts of the heart, out of that which we call the kingdom of God within, went the blood; and when the blood went out, Satan went out. The red dragon went out. The life of God, the man child, the spiritual quickening of Christ was what rooted it out.

Jesus said, "Ye are the light of the world." The oil and the light are within you. He was the light of the world; now, you are the light of the world. You are the virgins! Trim your lamp that the world might see your light!

Here, in the second dimension, we find the priesthood, the candlesticks, and the showbread. Why? Because it is the spilling of the blood, where the blood is taken in. He ended the blood line at Calvary, and Lucifer was cast out of heaven. He could stay no longer. Where is the problem, children of God? If it has come that far, why don't we have the benefits of it? He has shortened the days for the elects sake. We are not supposed to wait until the end of the ages for the coming of the celestial. We are already bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh, with royal blood, and already the Spirit of life within us is the Spirit of God, which makes my blood royal and my body royal. I'm already in His image. I've already passed from death unto life. I've already come into this, because it is a revelation; a quickening Spirit, the coming of Christ in our life, Jesus Christ within you, the Spirit of revelation, the hope of glory. It is Christ, suddenly coming into His temple, by faith from your heart toward the things of God, that He might come in and take His place upon the throne of this heart. Here, we see Christ coming in, and the blood, or Satan, being cast out. The blood life, that old lustful passion of burning, is gone, and here on the inside is Christ.

Have you noticed in this age, that the hippies have a little saying? They say, "Keep cool! He's cool!" Do you know what this is? The spirit of burning has gone out. That dope that they are taking signifies the Spirit of Christ in its perverted form coming in. That does away with the spirit of burning, the aggravation, and the oppression. It's gone! They call it angel dust, you know like the bread from heaven. When it goes into their body, they are caught up into the spiritual realms, as we would say. Actually, it is just a hallucination to them, and they have gone on into the realms of the devil. Nevertheless, that's what happened to the spiritual children of God. They are caught up in that. We eat angel bread. Isn't that something? The Bible says that the serpent ate the dust. They eat angel dust, but we eat angel bread. Hallelujah! So, the bread is for the children, coming down from heaven.

We are the children of God. We're in the second realm or dimension, the church ages, and here is Jesus, the Word, right in the midst. Here, the red dragon is through. He didn't get the child! He was cast out at Calvary. John saw it and wrote it right after Calvary, but look how long it has taken us to comprehend the height, depth, width, and length.

Paul was right after Calvary. He said that it's out of season right now, but he saw it and knew it. Even before John wrote it, Paul said, "Such a one caught up into the third heaven." He said that he saw it, but he couldn't tell about it. It was out of season. He saw what happened at Calvary, and that it was a revelation. He saw those great things of God. He was so learned in the Old Testament that his mind just knew it letter by letter, and when the Spirit began to quicken those things to him, it just unveiled, and the heavens opened, and there he saw Christ in the midst of the candlesticks. Paul said, "I can't reveal it to you!" Then, God brought St. John the Divine, or love, because the revelation is in love. He wrote it in allegoric means and laid it there, saying, supposedly, "Someday, Brother Pike will discover it. Someday, the brethren will discover it, and my! What a day that shall be, when the Spirit of God begins to move upon the face of the waters and the earth begins to be wooed by the Holy Spirit, and the growth of the new world begins to come forth."

So then, as beholding our face, as in a glass, we are changed from glory to glory, into His image, from faith to faith.

In this second dimensional period of time from Pentecost to the Reformation in about 1500 AD, it was a harsh time of spilling of the blood, because the head of the serpent had been wounded at Calvary. All of his members must die. The Jews represented it. It must die, because that is what was represented by Adam, the head of it over there. The first man Adam, the Jew, represented it. Really, it was the bond child or the child of the world, but there had to be somebody that typed it in this life, that we might have an allegoric meaning, so it moved up a dimension from the first dimension, which really was of the Gentiles and those who had forsaken God, moving up to the Jews, coming, in a way, to show us the bond child of Sarah, earthly Jerusalem; the heavenly child moving up another dimension; whereas the Jews, the natural to the first dimension, show the heavenly child; but when they move up to the second dimension, the Jews show the bond child; and the church, the true child, is also there, which is the spiritual Jew. How many of you understand what I'm saying? We, the woman, standing on the moon (the child, the church, the natural part), then, the child is born.

You ask, "Why do you say that it is the revelation of Jesus Christ?" It's because that is what John called it. How do you know that it is another heaven, and that she was in heaven? Can you prove it? The Bible states that just as quick as the child was born, He was caught up unto God and to His throne (third heaven). Where is the throne? Look back there in the Old Testament. It is the holy of holies, because the throne was between the covering cherubs. So, it was in the second heaven.

What was the difference? The blood was spilled in the Old Testament, but when he got into the second dimension, then the blood was carried; but brethren, when he went into the third part, he would stop at the golden altar, get the hot coals, taking the blood. One time a year, he would go in there and mix those hot coals with that beautiful perfume that nobody else could mix, and it would vaporize.

That was the spiritual realm (the rapture). When he walked through there and touched that perfume with those hot coals, then shhh — that beautiful aroma, that beautiful, white misty cloud that led Israel by day came forth. The second court was the pillar of fire (the blood), but this was the third realm, and here was the cloud. What was it? It was Aaron, the high priest, standing in the midst of the cloud; Christ coming back in the heavens. As he walked out of that place, with the little bells jingling and the cloud about him and the smell of heaven on him, Christ (projected in His body as high priest) came back saying, "Peace on earth and good will toward man. Everything's all right! The heavenly Father has received the atonement!"

In the priesthood, we see the beauty of it: the water witness of the outer courts, the fire or blood witness of the second courts, and the spirit or vapor witness of the angelic third, holy of holies. The child was caught up there. Now, he that is born of the Spirit is spirit. Aaron's sons could come into the second court. See, the woman, the church, the preacher could come into the second, as long as they didn't mess with any strange fire. The people in the world out there can come into the first and offer their sacrifices. They can give their offerings and come to church. They can have all kinds of helps out there for the needy and for those that are having problems. They help with crippled children and all kinds of things, but the church (woman) comes into the second realm. Then, when the child is born (he that is born of the Spirit is spirit), he is born of the Spirit of revelation. Paul said to pray that God will give unto you the Spirit of revelation, that it might vaporize you into that angelic realm, transmute your mind and change this body, as a quickening spirit, that you might be received up into heaven in that cloud as Jesus was, or caught away as was the high priest. So then, we see a high calling.

The third realm is represented by America, which shows the land of Canaan; but actually, in reality, America and the Dark Age are but one age of 2,000 years, while from Calvary back to the garden there is one age of 4,000 years. One is allotted to the Jew for 4,000 years, one to the Gentiles for 2,000 years; but now we are on the verge of coming into the millennium, which is the 1,000 years allotted to the saints of God, which brings us into that third heaven in its natural type, one showing the kingdom of God. And though we will enjoy it in the greatest kind of way, it is for the Jewish people, because beyond that, the whole three dimensions will be turned into one by a glorification of God, personified within us as a revelation; as a spiritual understanding; a world that you would call a myth, and yet not a myth, but a great spiritual celestial reality to us, where we will enjoy that realm of the real third heaven.

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## The Seed Of Life

I want to read from the book of Ezekiel in the thirty-second chapter. The prophecies of Ezekiel along with all the other prophets, as a rule, always have to do with Israel and their enemies. Israel is a type of the spiritual Jew and the church, and the enemies of Israel are a type of the demon opposition that we face today as people war against us, and these evil powers work through the weakness of the flesh to cause us problems. Let's start reading in the thirty-first chapter.

And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Son of man, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude; Whom art thou like in thy greatness? Behold, the Assyrian was a cedar in Lebanon with fair branches, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs. The waters made him great, the deep set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent out her little rivers unto all the trees of the field. Therefore his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied, and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he shot forth. All the fowls of heaven made their nests in his boughs, and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great nations. Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great waters. The cedars in the garden of God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his boughs, and the chestnut trees were not like his branches; nor any tree in the garden of God was like unto him in his beauty. I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the garden of God, envied him. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and his heart is lifted up in his height; I have therefore delivered him into the hand of the mighty one of the heathen; he shall surely deal with him: I have driven him out for his wickedness. And strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him. Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches: To the end that none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height, neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs, neither their trees stand up in their height, all that drink water: for they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit. Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when he went down to the grave I caused a mourning: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the floods thereof, and the great waters were stayed: and I caused Lebanon to mourn for him, and all the trees of the field fainted for him. I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth. They also went down into hell with him unto them that be slain with the sword; and they that were his arm, that dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the heathen. To whom art thou thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden? yet shalt thou be brought down with the trees of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that be slain by the sword. This is Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

Now, if you'll notice the way this speaks, He uses the terms, "Son of man." That is to say, God speaks to the prophet saying, "Son of Man, cast her down," but when we think of the Son of Man, we know that the prophets were typical of the Son of Man, Jesus. The prophets had power, and they, being God among the people, he was fore-saying by a prophetic type, "Jesus Christ, the Son of Man, Thou who art all power, cast her down in Thy day." If you will also notice, the Lord speaks just like He has already done this. He tells us about how He cast her down. He talks about all of the mourning and what took place at that moment and in that hour. So then, He speaks as though it was already done, which is true. That is, what God is showing us is not what He is doing, for He hath already done it; therefore, He is just revealing to us what He has already done in His foreknowledge.

Let's look at it like this. When you go see a movie, you see what they are doing in that movie, but long before you saw that movie, they had already completed it. That is, the people were doing all these things and then the film recorded it and came over to show it to us. They bring the film to us to show what's already been done, and all we're looking at is what is recorded. It's a playback of that which has already been done.

That's the way that God works. This is so beautiful if a person can come to understand what God has done. God has already filmed the thing as we say, and all of these things took place in the foreknowledge of God. Jesus was with God in the foreknowledge. I was with God in the foreknowledge. Everything took place in the foreknowledge of God, and He recorded it in the mind of Lucifer, and then when He did that, the mind of Lucifer became the film which is a type of that which happened. God used that mind from the fall in the garden and the tree of knowledge to transfer what He had done over to His creature; therefore, in using this, He has something that mediates between man and God. The Bible says that there is one mediator, even Christ Jesus, but notice that God used Jesus according to the image of sin. Jesus came forth and was made in the image of sin because there was no way that God could transfer that life which was in the foreknowledge to the spiritual creature that He had made, that is, this man as we would say, there was no way God could get it to me except that He comes by way of the veil. I hope you understand what I'm saying.

When we examine this and look at it, we are made to realize that God has done a marvelous thing. Life comes from within. It comes from the blood genetics. It goes through the proper passages when God multiplies and replenishes the earth. God has to take the inner most seed of the blood cell of life, and He has to find a fertile field. If we go to sow a field, we take a grain of corn and drop it into the ground. Now, we're not interested in the field or the ground. That's just life passing through the veil. What we're interested in is the grain of corn that we put in there. We want the corn. We dropped the corn in there so the corn would multiply, and when the corn comes forth, we'd have more corn. That's all we're wanting. So then, God is not interested in the veil. He's not interested in the things of this world. That's why He said if you are carnal minded, then are you of Lucifer and of the veil. If you are carnally minded and you belong to these things,

then are you partakers of that which is of Lucifer, for he is the prince of this world. You're not eternal. You're not a god. You are not the seed of life. You're only a veil that the seed of life is passing through.

When we see this, we understand what God means when He says to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life. The mind of Christ is that seed of life that passes through that veil. It was with God before the world ever was, then it fell into the veil and passed through it, and then came up on the other side as the beginning of the creation of God, Jesus Christ. It came forth from the womb of Mary or out of the veil of humanity as a natural man, to show what God spiritually did as the seed of life went through. That is, the spiritual seed of life went through the transitional changes from glory to glory as it passed through the womb of the veil. That is to say, Paul made the statement, "I travail until Christ be formed within you." When we see this, it's such a wonderful thing. If we can understand this, it is to our benefit and it is so thrilling. Let's just examine it for a few minutes as we talk about it, and just see if this is right and if this is what God has done.

Life passes through the veil, but it has to come from the inner most being. It has to come from the blood because life is in the blood, and the blood cell has to pass through the body into the field. Life comes from God and then it goes through Lucifer. It goes through the serpent. It goes through the veil, and then as it comes through the veil, it falls into the fertile field that God has prepared for the seed of life, and then when it does, we understand that we have become the carrier of life, traveling until Christ be formed within you. Now, He uses this in types and shadows, but if you can understand and enlarge upon it in God, then you can see that this life had to pass through the veil, and there was only one way that it could get to that fertile field; it had to pass through those two stones that God gave on Mount Sinai. If you plant a seed out here in the field, it's going to fall and come forth from among the stones. It does that in the natural, it does that in the physical and it that does in the spiritual. That's why Jesus is referred to as the little stone that was hewn out of the mountain; the one that came rolling down through Babylon, tearing down the kingdoms of this world.

Have you ever noticed at Calvary when the veil was rent, referring back to the fertile field and to that where the Bible said that every first born that openeth the matrix shall be called holy unto God, what's the first thing you see? The rocks were rent in twain. When you look at Mount Sinai, you see the stones broken. In the Old Testament, it speaks of that individual whose stones are broken, and that he could not come into the congregation of God. In other words, God spoke against it because it has to be life. It has to be that which produces life; whereas, the Bible uses the terms, "This heart of stone." I will take out of you the heart of stone and place within you the fleshly heart of life. I will write My laws upon the table of your heart. Paul said that the love of God constrains me and causes me to walk in the ways of God. Look at the tomb; the first thing they had to do was roll the stone away. Take the time when Jacob went down there and met Rachel at the well, the first thing he had to do before he could water the animals, the stone had to be rolled away from the mouth of the well.

So then, we see a great thing in what God is trying to tell us. As life comes down from God in the foreknowledge, which is the angelic realm (the third heaven), then it has to come down to us who are in the first heaven, but it first has to pass through the veil which is in the second heaven. That's why Jesus was lifted up. He said, "If I be lifted up, I'll draw all men unto Me." As He was lifted up, it was to signify the head that is upon the shoulders, and that He was in a higher place than that which was in the first level. The body and the shoulders being down here as we say, in this world, but He was lifted up to the second level. Now, being lifted up to the second level, that's where the conflict was. That's where the cross was. The cross represented something. Why did God use a tree to begin with? He used it for this reason; where did the trouble start from? It started from the tree of knowledge. Why did God say, "Cursed is every man that hangeth upon a tree?" Because the tree was what caused the problem. In the Old Testament, if the ass was stubborn, God would have his neck broken because he was not a burden bearer, and He makes us to be the burden bearer. We're suppose to be like the ass, in being a burden bearer. We're suppose to carry the burden of the Lord until God breaks the yoke off of us. When the yoke is gone, then we are no longer a burden bearer.

God said, "Cursed is everyone that hangeth upon a tree." Using Calvary as a cross, He hung Jesus upon a tree. He lifted the curse that came from eating of the tree of knowledge. So then, there is the tree of life and there is the tree of knowledge. One of those trees goes up and reaches up into heaven. That is part of the cross. That was Jesus going from the earth to the Heavenly Father. The other one is the tree of knowledge which is in the second heaven, and it crosses this tree of life. Everything that Lucifer does in his intellectual reasoning, the trees of Lucifer or the sons of Satan (in that Jesus referred to people as trees), they cross every thing that's upright. That's why God lets people build houses out of stone and out of trees and out of all kind of things, to show us a type or shadow of this house that we're building for God. Even Solomon's house was a type of it. For the Bible says, "As it is written, I will return in the last days, saith God, and build up the fallen down house of David." Solomon, being the son of David, was called the house of David and there was to be a light in the house of David. So then, in this day, we're building a house. The Apostle Paul, as a wise master builder, used the revelation as a blueprint, even as Moses, who received those things on the mountain and did it all according to the pattern. Paul spoke of taking lively stones, and gathering them from the ends of the earth and cutting and shaping them and putting them together and laying them upon the twelve foundations of the Apostolic Church. For Jesus laid these foundations and then went away, and said that other foundations can no man lay. Take heed how you build on these foundations. We're laying stones upon these foundations, and sure enough, when we see the city of New Jerusalem in the book of Revelation, which city you are, the building of God as Paul said, we see that all of those stones are laid upon the twelve foundations, and within the twelve foundations, we find the names of the twelve Apostles.

I said all of that to say this: that life must pass through the veil. Now, we are not trying to get saved, and we're not trying to get eternal life. We're not trying to hold on until we find favor with God and then He is going to give us eternal life. We're not trying to do that. If we're trying to do that, then are we carnal and that is positive proof that we don't believe that we're what He says we are. If we're trying to do that, then that means that we have been intellectually indoctrinated to some religious doctrine where people believe you have to do that to get to heaven. It means that we are not programmed in the Word of God and our faith and mind is not given to the conviction of



God's Word. So then, we will be lost and turned into hell.

In the chapter that we just read, God shows the overthrowing of Lucifer. He tells how that things turned dark in the heavens. He says the stars went out. The light went out and there was no sunlight. Everything turned dark. That is to say, once Lucifer went out of heaven, there was no more need for the sun to shine on the earth. Because as long as the sun shines on the earth, it is the first heaven, but when Lucifer goes out of the second heaven and into the first heaven, then God from up in the third heaven does away with the gospel light. It doesn't shine anymore. That is to say, when the natural light shining on the natural earth goes out, it indicates that God's natural people have been raptured out of the earth, and God's image is gone. The reason for letting that light shine in the earth was so that God could give light to His people because Jesus went away saying that He was the light of the world, lighting the little candles that you might be the light of the world. When the light withdraws, that means that the world is in total darkness. Do you understand what I'm saying? There is no need for the stars and the moon and the sun to shine anymore, because this world will no longer be heaven. It will be the bottomless pit of infinity. It will be gross darkness. Lucifer will be cast out with his people and God's people will be taken out. Lucifer will come down to his people to dwell with them, and God's people will go up to dwell with Him. Therefore, there will be no more light in this world and everything will turn dark. For God to do that spiritually, then that means there has to be a natural thing take place also. There has to be a natural type of it because what it has to do with spiritually is that Lucifer can no longer reflect the light into the earth. The sunlight will not give its light into the earth anymore.

Look at Jesus as He hung at Calvary. God hung Him there and made Him Lucifer in His sight. He made Him sin. The great light had been shining down from heaven, and when God smote that body of Jesus, everything turned dark because the reflector of God was gone. Jesus said that he beheld Lucifer cast out. With God rejecting the Son of God, then it was the casting out of Lucifer. It was the casting out of blood life, the red dragon and the generation of vipers. He that knew no sin was made sin to show the fall of Lucifer, in that He was God. As He went out, then everything turned dark. We say, God turned His back on Him, so there was no more light. That is, when the reflector went out, that was all of it. Lucifer went out. When the moon turns to blood, which was Jesus at Calvary, that means its the end of it. It falls from its lofty state. It will not reflect light into the earth anymore, and all of the earth will go into total darkness.

In seeing the beauty of what God is doing, we see that as long as you are in this earth, you are a reflector. You relate to the people. You are a natural person. Jesus came to be a near kinsman. That is, He must be related to God in His Spirit, the great light. As that great light shines from within that made Moses' face, Jesus face, and Stephen's face to shine, as that light comes from heaven, it is reflected by the soul on the inside to this physical man. That's what happens to us in a one, two, three in our body, soul and spirit, if you just take the physical realm. But if you take the whole thing as an oversight all together, it is coming down from God to your inner man, and it is given to the natural man around you, which is a sinner, by means of your physical being. So then, as long as you are in that middle realm, then you are reflecting from God to the world, so are ye the light of the earth. The light that is inside of the lamp is shining through the little outer globe, and demons do not like that light so they smut the globe up and try to put it out. The reason for this is that people will smut your life up and make it look bad or they will try to pull your mind into what they are doing. They want to smut that globe up because that light blinds them. They are creatures of darkness. They can't see in the light, so they want darkness for the simple reason that their deeds are evil. This is the condemnation that has come into the world upon mankind, that the light has come and men love darkness rather than light because their deeds are evil. So then, they always want to put out the light.

They will do anything to get ball games in the church, parties in the church, education in the church, and get the carnal mind into the church because Lucifer is the prince of this world. He's got this world and the Bible says that this world is in gross darkness. That is to say, knowledge is increasing in the last days and it makes it even the more dark. Lucifer is the ruler of the darkness, therefore he is the prince of this world because this world is in darkness. God cast him out of light. He's not in the world of light anymore and he rules in darkness. So, every person that is educated by the tree of knowledge is in darkness. To be carnally minded is darkness. That is, to be car minded, land minded, clothes minded, fleshly minded, food minded, and pleasure minded, then you are in darkness. All that is darkness, for Satan is the prince of that. Somebody would say, "Well, Brother Pike, do you mean that I've got to just give up the entire world to belong to God?" You've got to do it! You say, "But how can I do that?" Just accept the fact that you died to it over there when Jesus hung at Calvary. Paul said, "I am dead to the world and the world is dead to me by the body of Jesus Christ." I left it, and at death they buried my body in a watery grave and my spirit went back to God who gave it. Now, I am they that dwell in heaven. I don't walk in the outer man. I am the inner man that dwells in heaven. This is what Nicodemus didn't understand when Jesus was talking to him.

When we rend this veil and go beyond the veil of our intellectual darkness, then we see the beauty of the revelation of Jesus Christ, which is the unveiled, the revealed and the innermost. We must rend this veil that fell over Calvary. When Jesus died, why did the veil fall over Calvary? Why did the darkness come when Jesus died? Because He was the light of the world, and when the reflector was killed, that outer part of Him, then the inner Christ could not penetrate anymore and give them light, so it went out. He resurrected again for our justification to show that we were children of light. He was delivered for my offenses and God smote Him. I esteemed Him smitten of God for my sake, bruised for my iniquities and the chastisement of my peace was laid upon His back. That's why I have this great peace.

So then, we see this cross between heaven and earth and we see the thing that God is doing. He is showing us by a symbol, that while one people is going up this way, another power that inhabits that second heaven is going in a horizontal direction and is fighting against them. The answer came down from God to Daniel, and the angels intercepted it because Lucifer is in that second heaven up there. God won't let him into the third heaven, so he's in the second heaven, but that puts him in power because man is in the first heaven. That is, man who is not born again, he's in the first heaven. Lucifer is in the second heaven, so he controls man and rules over him and keeps the church in bondage because he has taken the children of God into captivity, and he is blackmailing God, as we say. So, God can't do for us

the things He wants to do because everything He goes to do for us, Satan blackmails in the sense that he says, "I'll hurt these children if you don't bless my evil workers out here. If you don't let me go on with my pot and all this kind of stuff and give me grace, I'll kill them and you can't get to them." So, because of our immaturity and misunderstanding, and because we are born in the shape of sin and iniquity, God would have to do us the same way he did Jesus, except for the fact that He accepted Jesus in our behalf, and then gave us time to get programmed and get understanding and faith by the tutoring of the Word, to where we could come to the place to believe that Jesus came in our behalf. Then, if we come to that place and believe that Jesus was in our behalf, then He doesn't have to do us like Jesus anymore, and He can fellowship us through Jesus because we're dead. That iniquity part is dead and it's not living anymore, and the spirit went back to God who gave it; therefore, God being a Spirit, He can fellowship our spirit and the outer man is dead. While we are alive in this world, in the sense that there are people looking on the outward appearance, then that means that we are the moon realm which is in-between, and the light is coming down to the people through us. But the very day our outer man changes, that is, when this God light on the inside consumes our outer man, the perverted image of the bastard child that God has rejected and killed through Jesus Christ, then that old man will fade away into nothing and we will find ourselves standing there as the glorious resurrected Christ that came out of the grave. When we do that, then that means that everybody else is in darkness because that innermost light comes out of that veil and it can't shine to them anymore. It's with God, and heaven sets in and that means that light can't go to them anymore because the children of God are the light of this world. They are the salt of the earth. If they go out, then like Sodom and Gomorra, the meat spoils. So the fire, the consuming, and the consummation all happens when the children of God go out.

So then, when we look at these things, we see that life is passing through the veil. I say again, we're not interested in the veil, for what do you want with the shuck? What good is it? Somebody said, "Well, the farmer kept the shuck." Why did they keep it when they shucked the corn down? They kept it for one reason, and that was to feed it to the beasts because it belongs to them. Should I fill my belly with the husk that He made for the beast? Isn't ball games the husk? Aren't the things of this world the husk? If they are the types and shadows, and if the revelational life of that which is the grain is wrapped up tightly within the shuck, then what do I want with the shuck? Now, I understand that I must have the shuck to produce the grain, but what do I want with this old perverted image, even these old grave clothes that they wrap us up in? What do I want with that? I don't need that. I want to do like the butterfly. God said, "Thy worm Jacob, I will help thee," and we are in a worm condition. We are in the stages of the worm. Why are we a worm? Because Lucifer is the serpent. He's called the big worm, and we're in the worm condition because that's what Lucifer was. God let life fall into the worm, and when it did, it started a transitional change. Life is in that shuck and in that stalk. Life went into the fertile field, and it's coming up through the stalk. That life, which was the Son of God, fell from the Garden and went into the worm, and who was the worm? Adam was the worm. God made him out of the dust and he was a dust worm, an earthworm. In the sense of my first birth, I am an earthy dust worm, but I'm really not a dust worm, and if you are a child of God, then you're not an earthworm either. Do you understand what I'm saying?

Now, what was that life that came to Adam? It was Jesus Christ the Son of God. What happened to that life? That life fell into the veil. That is, when God moved the Shekinah glory or the covering from Adam, then that great overshadowing of God was gone. The Spirit of God overshadowed Mary and life came forth. It was divine conception! Have you ever heard the sermon that we preached on the covering of His glory? You cover with a covering but not of Me. If it's not God's covering, where is His covering? It pulled away in the Garden. It was the Shekinah that covered Adam's being. So, the Shekinah at that time covered a natural being, for Adam was made out of the dust, but when it withdrew, there came forth another covering. What kind of covering was it? It wasn't a covering of light. It was a covering of Satan's spirit. It was a covering of darkness. It became life within the veil. Life is caught within the mind of Lucifer, who is an angelic being that was in heaven and that got into the Garden; whereas, life at one time was in the radius of the mind of Christ. After that life fell into the veil, what was it? It was a worm, because it came from the dust. It was an earth worm. When the Shekinah lifted from Adam, then that part which related to God was gone, so there was nothing left but that part which related to the earth; therefore, he was the worm and life could only be produced by the worm after that. There was no way that life could come except that it passed through the worm. Now, if that be true, then Lucifer is that worm and that serpent that the Bible speaks of, even Lucifer the evil one. God let life fall into that, and it had to pass through the serpent to get to the church. There was no other way.

That's why God uses man as a type of God, and yet He also uses him as a type of Lucifer in his perverted stage of the worm. If life comes down through Satan who is the worm, and it comes down through the generation of vipers as John called it, how could it produce life? There is no way to produce life except through inspiration, whether it be a physical human inspiration or a natural inspiration of the sun and the rain on the seed in the fertile field, or whether it be spiritual inspiration in the relation to God. It has to be inspiration. We're changed from glory to glory by the inspiration. The inspiration is what drains the life out of the physical being. It's that which causes the little blood pulp, that blood cell to be filled with life and the quickening. That's what energizes and quickens the blood cell. It is the inspiration of the human senses that is gendered by the passions.

So then, God did this as a holy, godly, pure thing, but it has become degraded and it's only degraded when a person thinks of it as being degraded. It's no more than me going out here and plowing a field. It's not degraded because I produce a stalk of corn in the field. God makes things holy, virtuous and clean. When Mary produced Jesus, that was holy and clean. The Bible uses the terms like this, that Jesus was not born of the will of man. That is, He wasn't born of the inspiration of the passions of the body, but He was born of the inspiration of God. Mary was overshadowed, and the spiritual quickening that you feel in your blood genetics and your body is what brought forth the blood seed unto life. The same Spirit that brought forth inspiration, to the extent that a cell came forth and produced life and royal blood through Jesus Christ, was the same spiritual inspiration that was back there in the garden when He picked up a handful of dust and made it into life.

I say again, I am not a worm, though I am in the image of the worm. The Bible said that as you've born the image of the earthy, the earthworm, so shall you bear the image of the heavenly, the butterfly. That is, the resurrected Christ and I bear the image of the first man Adam, Jesus, who was made sin and went to Calvary. I died from that by the mercies of God through Jesus Christ, and I am now alive as the resurrected Christ, and my innermost is married to another. My life, my soul, they're not married to the image of the outer. That is, I am not married to Lucifer anymore who was my master through the weakness of my flesh. He is cast out and gone, and Paul said that we're married to another, even the Christ that lives in the new body. He is my husband. I'm resurrected from the dead. That is why the Bible uses the terms that a woman is married to her husband so long as he lives. How else could it be? If Lucifer lives in your body and you are alive in the body, isn't he your master as long as you are alive in the flesh? "How then can I be free from my husband," a woman would say? He's got to die! For if this outer man perish, yet the inner man is renewed day by day. If this outer man dies, then Lucifer has no control over my soul anymore. Isn't that right?

So then, if my soul is transferred to that new body and if I am changing generations by the washing of the water of the Word as I pass through the Spirit over to a new body, then I've got a new life. For when you are born again you get a new body, and I got a new life that brings forth a new body. In this new body there lives a new master. I have a new husband even Jesus Christ. So, I'm dead to the old and alive to the new.

When we think about this, we realize that we're not trying to get saved. We've always been the sons of God. When was there a day when I wasn't the son of God? There never has been such a day. Somebody would say, "But God said in the Bible that this day have I begotten Myself a Son." Yes, that's what the Scripture says, so you can say it. They would say, "Brother Pike, that's when Jesus came into the world." It is true that is when He came into the world. When I was born, that's when I came into the world, but that was not my beginning. Neither was that the beginning of Jesus, for the Bible said that Jesus was back there before the foundation of the world. Jesus even prayed, "Father, restore unto Me the joys I had with Thee before the foundation of the world." Then the question is asked, "Where were you when the sons of God leaped for joy, before God ever formed the earth?" Where were you? The foreknowledge of God made me a son of God. I was a son of God from the beginning. I've never been anything else but a son of God. Now, beloved, are ye the sons of God, not the day after tomorrow, or if I hold on. Somebody says, "Well, Brother Pike, it's like this. I know that I'm a son of God, but if I don't hold on, then I won't be a son of God anymore. So, if I hold on and make it to the end, I'll be a son of God." Now, you know that doesn't make any sense. How could you be like that? You know, you're holding a little baby in your arms and you say, "I'm holding my little baby, but if this little baby gets out of my arms, it isn't my little baby anymore unless I can pick it up again." That doesn't make any sense either. That little baby is your child even if you drop him and he dies and is put in the grave. So then, we are sons of God! I have always been a son of God. Before the world ever was, I was a son of God.

When we say, "In the beginning" we're not saying in the beginning of God or in the beginning God was or is. We're not saying that. We're saying in the beginning of the creation of God. In the beginning means the starting place of the origin of the creation, not in the beginning of God because God doesn't have any beginning and He doesn't have any end. God was there at the very moment that we call the beginning. He was there to begin you and me. You and I had a beginning in the natural, for God began us. We are begotten in the sense of the beginning, but when we are born of Christ we don't have a beginning because God didn't have a beginning. If I am a part of Adam, I have a beginning because Adam had a beginning; therefore, Adam must have an ending and he found his ending at Calvary. But if I'm born of Jesus Christ and if God doesn't have a beginning, then I don't have a beginning. My outer man has a beginning; therefore, he must have an end and that end was at Calvary. Everyone that does not have their end at Calvary, they have it in the Lake of Fire. But Jesus passed through the Lake of Fire and came back up to show that it had no power over me as a son of God. He was delivered for my offenses and raised again for my justification, but those that do not belong to Calvary and did not have their end at Calvary, they will not be buried because they are not dead to the flesh. But we're buried in the water, and that ended at Calvary in Jesus name. Those that won't come that route are still alive in the flesh, even though they're dead while they live because Calvary ended the flesh. They're back there before Calvary, and yet, they're alive in the flesh in the sense that God's grace is allowing that to continue on, and they're having these strong delusions, seeing lying vanities and things that they think that are when they are not at all.

That is why the Lord spoke through Paul concerning calling those things that are not as though they are, and calling those things that are as they are not. Jonah said that the belly of the whale is a lying vanity. Why did he say that? Because God's foreknowledge saw him over there in Nineveh. God said to go to Nineveh and that settled it. The Word of God said in essence, "You're in Nineveh, Jonah." So, when Jonah got straightened out over that situation when he found himself in the belly of the whale, he decided to use that other part of him. One part of him took him into trouble and caused him to go down into the deep. That's death to the old man, the sign of Jesus in the heart of the earth, doing it for you and me, but that other part of Jonah said that I'm not going to stay down here. I'm in Nineveh. All this is lying vanities. All of a sudden, there he was standing in Nineveh preaching.

Now, I shouldn't believe what I see. If I believe what I see, then I'm full of lies because I'm full of darkness. I know scientists say there is twenty-two conductive nerves from my eye to my brain, but these things are always telling me a bunch of lies. They continually tell me lies. All my eyes ever do is lie to me. The lies that come to me through my eyes, that's human senses and they are nerves. Just like my nerve passion in the rest of my body, my five human senses, all they do is lie to me. I go over here and I put my hand on the wall, and immediately a lie comes and says I can't pass through here. Jesus walks right through it because He doesn't believe in lies, but because I believe the lie, I stand there and can't get through the wall. Solomon said that all is vanity and vexation of my spirit because my spirit wants to get free from this prison. All is vanity! What kind of vanity? The writer said it was lying vanities. That's all it is. It's only a type and a shadow, and it's lying to me. It's just that film that you stick a match to and woosh! It's gone! There is nothing to that film.

Now, I'm looking at the film and I see all these things displayed. It's shown to me, but there is nothing to it. What is the film all about? The film is this, when Jesus and I were over there in the beginning with God, they took a movie of us and brought it down here to show to these people on earth. That's all it is. I'm down here looking after the movie, and I'm the one it belongs to. When we get through showing it, we're going to burn the thing up and do away with it, and we're going to move the squatters off of the land because we don't need the movies. The Hollywood that was over there, we'll have it over here. The reality is here. If you've got John Wayne standing around, you don't need a movie of John Wayne. Who wants to see a movie when you've got John Wayne? That's the way I understand it. All of it is lying vanities. I can call anything I want to a lying vanity. If sickness comes on me, it's a lying vanity because in Christ there is no sickness. Sickness is back before Calvary. If heartaches and sorrows come, I can go ahead and go through with the grief and I will feel it because my body reflects it, but my inner man who is the real me, it doesn't feel it. It isn't there. There is no sickness to my inner me because he never gets sick. That old fellow who's a trouble maker on the outside groans and moans, but so does an old tree when it dries up and the wind blows through it. So then, my inner me never gets sick or wearied. I'm never troubled. That fellow who's always troubled is the old trouble maker. That's the outer man who's always down there in the place he has no business being. You know, he goes to the barrooms and he goes to this and to that. He's drunk off of the cares of life, such as the football games. He's just an old trouble maker. If you'll let him stay dead over there, he'll be all right, but if you dig him up, he'll stink. You've become a grave robber.

Now, I'm not a worm. That man's dead, buried and gone. When I say the outer me, I'm speaking of that person that I used to be, because that me isn't around anymore, in that he isn't anymore in the sight of God. He put him out into the darkness at Calvary. That's what the Jews had to do with. When the Jews went out of God's presence, that was the worm dying. The head was gone! With life coming through the serpent, that's where circumcision comes in. That's why the Bible speaks of the removing of the veil. That is to say, Jesus was the head of the serpent. Jesus really wasn't the head of the serpent, for He was God, but being made in our outer image, the form of the worm so that He could relate to the earthy, then He was the serpent in the sight of God. So, God bruised his head, and circumcision took place. He took the veil of the flesh off of the inner Christ, put it behind us at Calvary and the head was revealed to produce life. Then came forth the wonderful life of God. The law which is the shadows is folded up and laid away.

David said, speaking of looking down from heaven, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of this death." That is, everything is lying vanities. Everything is types and shadows. God's looking down at me from the hilltops of heaven, and I'm walking through this valley. The shadows of the evil one are over me, even Lucifer, the floating clouds of darkness between me and the light. "I walk through this valley," David says, "but I'm not worried about it, for Thou art with me." I'm walking through this valley and I've got Christ on the inside of me. David said, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow, I don't fear any evil." Though evil is all around me, and I feel it oppressing my human senses as it tries to draw the life and the virtue out of me, but I don't fear any evil because He is with me. David said, "Thou art with me, and Thou preparest a table before me." That is, a feast of charity, and He does that in the presence of my enemies, even those that hate me and find fault with me. Yea, though I walk through the valley of these shadows of death, for I know that's what caused death. I know that fell on me after the garden experience, and I know it continues until I come over to the millennium and come out of it in the great light of God. I know that.

It's like when we were over in the Carolinas. We went through the valley of the shadows, and then went out to the mountain top and the sun shined down on us. "I know this," David said, "but the Holy Ghost, the Spirit, Thy rod and staff, they comfort me." That is, the rod of Your Word and the staff of Your Holy Spirit. So, He's my comforter. The staff that the shepherd uses in case that little lamb falls and lands on a ledge, He just reaches down there and curls it around his neck and picks him up and brings him back up with the flock. He starts running off somewhere, and the shepherd just reaches out there and gets a hold of him and turns him around. See? Thy rod and Thy staff comforts me and they won't let me go in the wrong direction and fall into the ravines.

Now, I walk through the valley of the shadow and a table is prepared before me, but I'm not afraid of the evil, Although I was under bondage all of my life to the fear of death as Paul said. But when Christ came and made me to know that I have passed from death unto life, I don't fear death anymore. Jesus said, "Fear not, for I am with you even until the end of the world. Lo, I am with you always, and I'll never leave you nor forsake you." So, David said, "I walk through this valley of the shadow of death, and I won't fear any evil, for Thou art with me. Thy rod and Thy staff comforts me, and Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies." He said, "Goodness and mercy is with me." The blessing of the Lord is always upon the house of the righteous. David said that goodness and mercy shall follow him all the days of his life, even here and in the world to come. He said, "Surely I'll dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

What is the house of the Lord? In My Father's house are many mansions, if it had not been so I would have told you. Peter said that if you have born the image of the earthly, there's another tabernacle, a house eternal in the heavens not made with hands, even the body of the Lord Jesus Christ whose image you are. I'm in His temple, the tabernacle in heaven. Somebody said, "Your body is His temple!" That's true, but not this wretched thing, and yet it is, in that we were made by God but without the infiltration. The Bible said not to let evil thoughts dwell in our minds. Charity thinks no evil. Don't give way to the passions of the body, but mortify the deeds of the flesh.

So then, I say again, life is in the worm. I will help thee, thou worm Jacob. I'm going through the transitional changes. My body relates to the serpent, and so did Jesus' body. I relate to Jesus in the sins, and I relate to Jesus in life and resurrection. My inner is Christ in the resurrection, and my outer is Jesus in death. So then, I am delivered all the day long, counted as sheep for the slaughter. In this, my inner man through the resurrection, is more than a conqueror over the body of sin and Lucifer, who lives in my flesh. My inner Christ is delivering my outer man to the cross to kill him. Everyday I do this. There is a cross affair. My spirit crosses my body, and I'm killing out my body. Life on the inside is breaking forth from the shell. The veil is being rent and the grain that went into the ground, which was the life of knowledge, has at last passed through the veil. It's coming out of the rent veil as the shuck opens up and here we are on this side of

Calvary, and what is it? It's not the shuck. Let the pigs have that, for it was made for the pigs. I'm not a pig, I'm a son of God. Why should I then, as the prodigal said, fill my belly with the husk that the pigs eat? Let the pigs eat it. We are that life, the grain that comes forth. Jesus is bread of life to us. We have meat to eat that they know not of.

Now, I know that I have to do what I can to keep this man alive on the outside, you know, to remain in this world as a human being, but it's like this; if you have a bunch of pigs, you have to feed them. You have to keep them alive, but I've got a better way. I buried that fellow and got rid of him so that he wouldn't be on me all the time in the sense that I have to feed him and have him on my meal ticket. I got rid of him. He wasn't anything but a parasite. He didn't want to do anything anyway. He doesn't want to work. He's a dope addict. He's drunk off of the cares of the world. He wants to wander up and down the streets. You know, he's in prison one day and out the next. He causes me to have to pay a big fine for him all the time, so I got rid of him. I put him in the grave and buried him. Do you understand what I'm saying?

The outer person is the trouble maker, and Lucifer is in that outer person. That is the one that causes the problems. The people of this world are the ones that are in the prison and they just don't realize it. So, the outer person must be killed and done away with. He's a trouble maker and he creates problems. He'll cause you to get in a spiritual prison and get chastised, and you won't be delivered from the tormentors until you pay the uttermost farthing. You have to put him behind you and walk over him. Put Lucifer under your feet! Calvary is behind you now and the shadows are gone. They are not in front of you anymore.

The law of the shadow that was shining behind you, giving strength to that shadow in front of you is gone. It was keeping you in darkness to where you couldn't see the light, but it's gone now. High noon has come and the shadows have passed over. Satan is behind you now, so keep him behind you. That's why the Bible said, "Get thee behind me, Satan." He's in the darkness, but I'm looking at the light. I'm walking in the light as He is in the light. That's why we have fellowship one with another. I know that I've passed from the body unto the spirit (death unto life), because I love the brethren. I want to be with the brethren. I don't want to be with the world. I don't get any good out of going up and down the road riding, and in the little ten cents stores with their tinkle, jingle and music. That's a bunch of junk to me. If I did that, then I wouldn't be passed from death unto life. If just eating, drinking, getting money, marrying, frolicking and passions is life to me, then I wouldn't be alive in God. Loving the brethren pulls me away from that. I want to talk to them and be with them. How many of you understand what I'm saying? So then, it is a true fact that we have passed from death unto life.

Now, Peter walked on the water. Why did God choose Peter to begin with? Because of the potentiality! Somebody says, "It was to give him that great faith that could raise the dead." No, that wasn't the reason. He chose Peter because he had that great faith. Courage shows faith in the natural. Peter had that courage to stand on the bow of that boat and face the waves and say, "Come on, fellows, we've got to make a living. We've got to go fishing."

I've been out there on the Sea of Galilee and preached on it. They say it's the most treacherous sea in the world. In that cove of mountains, the hot and cold air sweeps down through there and mixes, and it causes a great turbulence in just a few minutes. God looked at Peter and saw that faith. He saw Peter's bravery and strength. He looked at David and saw that courage when he faced the lion and the bear. It was faith! So, God just pulled David over there and developed that potentiality.

Look at it like this. We make a car out of metal. Now, if we have our metal, we've already got our car. People just can't see it, but you that know how to make a car, you know what the mold is going to do. Your plans and all of this that's already programmed in your minds, that is the blueprints. The car is already there and you see it, but it's got to go through the stages of developing and conforming before those around can see it. The Wright Brothers had an airplane long before they ever invented it, but the skeptics didn't believe it. So, they said, "We'll show you that we've got one," and so there it was and they looked at it. It's the same way with us. As I've said before, you are potentially a millionaire, a doctor or whatever, but you've got to prove it. Whatever you want to prove to the people, you prove it.

Let's examine it like this. That worm is potentially a butterfly. He's already a butterfly. He's not straining every muscle to be a butterfly. He's content to be a worm but the thing is, that inner part is not content to be a worm. It's moving! It's alive on the inside. My natural man is content to be down here and eat, drink and be merry, but my inner man is saying, No! That's a bunch of foolishness. Leave that to the children of the world. I'm a man and I'm putting away childish things. I want to set down in the council. I want to go up with the Ancient of Days. I want to set up there with those folks that know something. I'm tired of all of this kid's stuff. I'm tired of playing. You know the old saying that the difference between the men and the boys is the size of their toys. I'm just saying this; the worm is potentially a butterfly. So, all that he is doing is passing through his transitional stages to reveal his potentiality, and as quick as he does the old cocoon is broken. It goes through the stages of the metamorphosis, the old cocoon is broken and out comes the beautiful butterfly. Somebody said, "Well, he's no longer a worm." But if you'll pull his wings off and look at him, what have you got? It's just the raptured church. That's all. It's a beautiful thing! Jesus came out of the grave, and they said It is a spirit. Jesus said, "A spirit hath not flesh and bones as you see Me have." If it hadn't been the same Jesus, it wouldn't have been a true resurrection. Isn't that right?

So then, we see this wonderful thing that God has done. Life is passing through the veil. Why is God letting us know all of these things? Because we are the generation that is supposed to know it. If we know it and then believe it, then what does that mean? It means it's all over. You say, "What do you mean, Brother Pike, it's all over?" It means we made it! Somebody said, "Do you mean we held on?" No, I mean we were already "on" to start with. In the foreknowledge of God, we were the butterfly. We just passed through the stages of the cocoon and the veil, and now we're over here so that everybody can see our beauty. The manifestation of the sons of God! Somebody said, "But the thing is, Brother Pike, I'm trying to get to heaven." No, you'll never get up there. God said, "Though thou makest thy nest among the stars, Lucifer, from here I'll cast you out. Though you climb up to heaven, I'll cast you down to hell. Somebody said, "Now, what do you mean, Brother Pike?" I'm just telling you what God said. Somebody said, "Do you mean that I'm not supposed to try to get

to heaven?" If you're already in heaven, why are you supposed to try to get to heaven? If you sit down in a man's car and say, "Open the door and let me in," that man will think you're crazy. He'll think you've lost your mind. So, if I'm already in heaven, then what am I doing saying, "I've got to get there. I almost missed it. I've got to hold on. I don't know whether I'll ever make it or not. Woe is me." Why do I want to do that? I'm already in heaven. The writer said, "Rejoice, ye that dwell in heaven!"

Now, if we dwell in heaven, then what is all the fuss about? What's all the turmoil about? What's all the worry about? What's all the frustration about? Why the confusion? How could I be anywhere else but in heaven? If I was with God before the foundation of the world, where was that? That was heaven! Just because I am passing through a tunnel, does that mean I've left the world? There is light on this side of the tunnel and light on the other side, and I'm just passing through. I'm still in the same world. Now, if there's nothing but eternity to eternity, where does this little old tunnel of time come from? That's where the confusion is, because there never was anything like that until the worm had to pass through the mountain. So, he bored through the mountain so he could get through. You don't find a bird flying through the tunnel. He lives up here above the mountain. The worm did that. That is the fall from the garden. That's where the trouble started. Life went into the tunnel. That little old thing we call a span of time started over there with those shadows, and that's what caused the divisional thing. But there is no division in God. It was one eternal day from everlasting to everlasting. Before the tunnel was, "I Am," He said. The angel in Revelation 10 set one foot on the land and one foot on the sea and threw the clock into the ocean. Somebody says, "Why?" He did that to get us away from that foolishness and those kind of things. Children of God don't need to be mixed up with foolishness. Sons of God don't need to be in a hog pen. That prodigal said, "I am out here in the hog pen, and I am squandering my goods away. This is foolishness," he said. So, he got up and went to his father's house. Then the father put on him a beautiful robe and a ring on his finger, and he left the hogs behind.

Now, let's look at it like this: if that is true, then am I struggling to get to heaven? In all these years, have sons of God been struggling to get to heaven? No! All it has been is a development. Can you understand what I'm saying? Am I waiting on God or is God waiting on me? I'm not waiting on God, but God is waiting on me. Can Jesus do any more than what He has done? He said it was finished. If He comes down here, what more can He do? The only thing that He can do if He came down here is to tell me what He's already done. He can't come down here and tell me what He's going to do, because He said, "I've finished it." Now, if it's finished in my behalf and to my benefit, why should I look for something that God's going to do? Why not accept the fact in what He has done to my benefit and pleasure and rejoice in it? Why not get rid of this foolishness of the lying vanities and get it out of my system? I need to get the old filthy infiltration of hallucinations out of me. I don't want to see hallucinations. I want reality! Do you understand what I'm saying?

So then, I am passing through the dark tunnel of the veil. I'm going over here with God as we say, but Calvary did away with the veil. Look at it like this; I am under tutors until the time appointed of the Father. When is the time appointed of the Father? Whenever I learn my lesson and can believe what He says, and whenever I grow up to maturity and develop into what He gave me. He isn't waiting to give me something, because He gave all things to me in Calvary. I am complete in Him by Calvary. God's just waiting on me to develop and enjoy it so He can say, "Now, this is My son, and from now on He will be telling you what to do. I am resting now and My son will take care of it." That's what the millennium is for. Jesus will reign for a thousand years for the Father rested from His work. If that were true, then God is just waiting for the day of the Bar Mitzvah. That is to say He is waiting for me to mature and age and to understand. It has been that way from the foundation of the world. Ever since God brought this thing called salvation from Calvary, He has been waiting on you and me to mature. All of those people that died trying to get to heaven, they didn't understand. That's all it was, but we are over here and we understand. Why do we understand? Because in not understanding, it made them unable to enjoy heaven. That is what kept them out of the joys of heaven. God let that immaturity be there to finish multiplying and replenishing the earth. It took that transitional change of the church ages and the messengers to indoctrinate us to these wonderful turn of events and to tell us all about God, that we might see God proportionally speaking from glory to glory and change us into gods. In this, we become God. Did we actually change into God or were we always God? We were always God. I really hope you can understand what I'm saying.

When a man brings forth a little child, his wife (flesh) became one with him. So what did they do? They produced themselves. The man reproduced himself. When you throw a seed into the ground out there, what are you reproducing? You are reproducing your own thoughts because your thoughts wanted to put a grain of corn into the ground, so you're reproducing your own desire and satisfaction. If man reproduces his own image, then it is a man. So then, if I'm born of God, then God reproduced His Own image. The woman and the man are one. They are just reproducing their own image. God said, "Come and let us." Who was He talking to? He was talking to His wife! Come and let us produce ourselves a son. Let us make him in our own image. How could He say our own image? He wasn't talking, you know, about three Gods. He was simply talking about His companion. I can't do it without my companion. He said it to you and I, "You are My bride. Come and let us produce ourselves a son, and He will be in our own image." Won't that be wonderful? That's what marriage is all about. It's just a type of what God has done.

Somebody said, "God never married. Jesus never married." Well, that's what it's all about. You married just to show a type of Him and His great wife in marriage. So then, what I'm saying is this; the potentiality of the worm is the butterfly. It's always been a butterfly. It's just passing through the tunnel. This little old nothing of transition of time had to be that way. The shadows must be cast upon us, that God might through the weakness of the shadow reveal the potentialities of God. That is to say, it was for the purpose of putting us in a state of need as a child, so He could be a Father to us and reveal His great potentiality, His great power and benefits. It was for the purpose that God might be made known unto us that we might be recipients of His attributes. In doing this, what are we doing? We are recognizing our Father. Somebody said, "Every time I get a vision, a revelation, I change." That is true. Somebody said, "It's changing me into God." No, every time I see a little peak of God, there's something in me that wants to be like that. What is it in me that wants to be like that? It's

Him! The child has his dad's life, and every time he sees his dad, he wants to be just like him. Somebody said, "That little child is changing right into his dad." You don't believe that do you? That little child is his dad. Potentially speaking, He is his daddy. Give him a few more years and you can see that he's daddy. After awhile, he will be the same image and have his own family.

So then, we've always been sons of God. We have always been God. He is just revealing it a little bit at a time to us to show us as a child, being His creation and His little one, just how strong and how great He is. If God would have just taken us and put us out there and said, "There you are, you're multimillionaires. All of you are just what I am." Then we might could have looked around and said, "Now, wait a minute! I don't know whether I'm junior or you're junior." Isn't that right? If you're just exactly what God is or you were just exactly what God was, you could easily look at God and say, "Well, I don't know about this thing."

It's like a man one time, God sent me to him and told me what to tell him. He was a very religious businessman. I said, "Thus saith the Lord," and I told him what the Lord told me to say. It shook him for a minute and then he looked at me and said, "Well, I don't know about that. Maybe God sent me to tell you." He said, "How do you know?" I said, "When it comes to pass you'll know." It came to pass! Later, I met him and he said, "I know now, Brother Pike."

Now, here is the thing, we have always been alive. We've always been Christians. We've always been a god. We've always been eternal. Jesus said, "Ye are gods." John said, "Beloved, you're already the sons of God." All we're doing is coming out of the tunnel now. The light is beginning to break through and we're beginning to realize who we are and what we are. We are sons of God! We are heirs and joint heirs with our big brother Jesus, who is the first born among the brethren. Everything is ours and everybody in this world is a squatter. We've always been sons of God, and as this great light begins to withdraw, the pigs begin to grunt and suddenly realize that they never were sons of God. They've always been pigs. That's why they wallowed in the trough. Somebody say hallelujah! They are going to recognize who they are too. When this overshadowing of mercy and grace that was over Adam and made Eden look like a beautiful paradise, when this wonderful mind begins to lift, they're going to look around just like Adam did and say, "My! This is a pigpen full of briars. I've been having some hallucinations. What is this?" Then the reality is going to strike that they are children of darkness. They are going to realize that they are pigs, that you washed them from their wallowing in the mire and now they go back to it. You cleaned them up and made them pretty. You put a collar around their neck but they go back to licking their vomit because they are dogs. They are beasts, but folks, you and I are not beasts. Do you understand what I'm saying? We are children of God.

What are we doing over here with this kind of understanding? It is because we made it into heaven. At last, we heard the tutoring down through the years and the Bar Mitzvah has come. We have recognized it! It's time to take over our Father's business. It is the saints rising and taking the world. The Kingdom of God has been here all the time. It started over here with Calvary and it's come down through the transitional changes of time. We've been changed and translated into the marvelous Kingdom of God. I'm not waiting for the Kingdom of God to come. I'm not waiting to be translated into the Kingdom of God because it has already come. The law and the prophets were until John, and we are preaching this Kingdom message throughout the world so that the end (the shadows) can flee away. I'm not waiting to get into it, for God has already translated me into the Kingdom of God. I'm not waiting to go to heaven, for I'm not of this world. God has chosen me out of this world, and I am hid with Jesus Christ in God, Whom the heavens have received until the restoring of these things. That is, when the original image comes back with the garden.

It's like a film, but here I am in the reality. I'm not waiting for heaven. If I'm already a son of God, and I was in heaven to begin with, then why is it that I'm not in heaven right now? Where is heaven? Is heaven up there somewhere beyond the galaxies? Are they going to find heaven and the origin of mankind out there? You know it's not out there. Then, where is heaven? It's where all the concern and attraction is. It's where all of the activity is. Where is that? It's on earth! God made the earth to be inhabited. Where is heaven? It's this earth! Somebody said, "You're crazy, Brother Pike. Are you talking about heaven being over here at Bethlehem?" I'm talking about heaven being everywhere. Heaven is His throne and earth is His footstool. Would I sit down at my house and my footstool be out there in my barn? My footstool would be where I was sitting. Where would that be? That would be heaven. So then, earth is heaven. What is the difference then? The difference is, there are three dimensional steps of heaven. The footstool is where my feet are, where the souls are. The souls of my feet, the preparation of the gospel. That's why He uses the type like that. That's where the washing of the feet is. The walking across the dessert. You know, you come across the hot desert. Abraham said to get the water and wash the feet. So then, what are the second stages? If the footstool is the first stages (first heaven), then these people of the world are God's footstool. It's a religious thing. Where is the second heaven? It's the chair He's sitting in. That's His comforts and convenience. That's His throne part. He sits there. That's why Lucifer is in the second heaven; because he got past the footstool. Then we say, "Where is the third heaven? That's the man sitting in the chair. That's the life in the heart. That's the whole thing. That's the one that enjoys the chair and the footstool. That's the one that enjoys the eating and the drinking. That's why the Bible said that the Kingdom of God is within you. This is life and life is God. Life is the Kingdom of God. Wherever life is, it's heaven because life is everything. Life is heaven. Without life there is nothing. So then, people are in the first heaven, and the earth is heaven. It's just the footstool.

Now, are we trying to get to heaven? Somebody said, "I'm waiting for that rapture." Why are you waiting for the rapture? I've been changing all the time from the condition of the worm to the butterfly. I've been getting rid of the cocoon, going through the stages of metamorphosis. I've just been trying to get out of the tunnel of the darkness, out from under the shadows so the light can hit me. Here is what I'm saying: I'm already eternal. I've already passed from death unto life. I'm already in heaven. I'm already translated into the Kingdom of God. What am I doing then? I'm just praying, "Father, Thy will be done down here as it is up there." Let's get the footstool in harmony with the rest of it; that's all. Somebody is trying to steal your footstool. Thy will be done on earth as in heaven. I'm just massaging His feet; that's all. So then, here we are in heaven. Somebody said, "Is this heaven, the way I feel?" No, I'm not talking about the way you

feel. I'm talking about the way I feel, because you're not in heaven. You've got to be in heaven to have this feeling. Now, you say, "Brother Pike, do you mean to tell me this is heaven?" Wasn't that the garden before the briars came in? Somebody would say, "But Brother Pike, now wait a minute. Do you mean the briars came into the garden?" No, Adam dwelt in the garden and the briars were outside the garden. Didn't Jesus destroy the garden? My innermost me lives in the garden. All those briars were outside. If I stay out of the field, I don't get into problems. Jesus came down into the field. That's why they stuck the thorns in His head. He did that looking for me and you. He was looking for His wife down through the brambles. It's like one time my son got lost when he was a little boy. We went all through the darkness and all down through the woods looking for him. We ran into the holes, the ditches and into brambles that cut us, because we were looking for our son in the dark.

Look at it like this; am I in heaven? Most assuredly I am. Jesus said, "The Son of Man who was in heaven, the Son of Man who is in heaven." In the body He was in the earth, and in the spirit He was in heaven. Now, where is heaven? It's right here. It's not back there. It's not over yonder. It's not yesterday nor is it tomorrow. If you'll try to understand, you'll know what I'm saying. If heaven is tomorrow, where is tomorrow? Now, if you can find tomorrow and show it to me, and if you'll prove to me there is a tomorrow, then I'll accept the fact that heaven isn't here. I challenge anybody in the world to find tomorrow. There is no tomorrow! I challenge anybody in the world to find yesterday. If you can show me yesterday, then I'll admit that I'm all mixed up. Somebody says, "Heaven is up." If you can prove that to me, I'll change my preaching. If you can prove to me that's up or you can prove to me that's down, I'll change my preaching. How do you know what up is? How do you know what down is? If this is up, why is it when we get up so high, that up has suddenly become down? And if this is down, why is it when we get so far down that we find ourselves looking up? Do you understand what I'm saying? Where is the bottom? Where are the ends to this thing? Who is it that can set the standards of sanity? Somebody would say, "Well, he's insane and she's not insane." They said, "Paul, you're insane." So, they set the standards. How did they set the standards? By their own polluted way of thinking.

It's just like the psychiatrist of today. They say, "He doesn't believe in baseball and he doesn't believe in this and I do believe in it, so he's insane." Yet, on the other hand I can say, "You don't believe in it and I do, so you're insane. I mean, who sets the standards? Somebody sees one man with a long slender nose and another woman with long hair and says, "She's beautiful and he's handsome." Who set that standard? Why, an elephant with his snout could be just as handsome as they are. That's just his opinion of it. An elephant wouldn't look at you twice, as far as being handsome, but that male elephant will get over there near that female elephant and just rub his trunk all over her. She's beautiful to him. Your wife doesn't look like anything to him.

So then, what I am saying is this; who has the right, in their little old finite way of thinking, to set standards in this world? God is the one who made a black man and a white man and a yellow man and a red man. God made an eagle and a cormorant and a snake and a bird and an elephant and a giraffe. It is God who sets the standards of beauty. God says, "That beautiful long-neck giraffe, He pleases me well. That big old fat gaudy whale just flopping in the water; he's so beautiful." Now, that's the way I see it. Humanity is beautiful to me. Whales are beautiful to me. Birds are beautiful to me. Even the old hippopotamus is beautiful to me. There's something fascinating about him. That's the God part on the inside of me that relates to it.

I'm saying this, brethren; where is heaven? There's no tomorrow, no yesterday, no up, no down, and there's no over here and over there. Then what is this thing all about? God said, "I am" and that settles it. There's but one thing, and that's the I am. I am what I am by the grace of God. There's but one day and just because the sun slips over the hill and makes a circle around the earth and comes back up, it's still the same day. It hasn't anything to do with it. If you want to talk about day and night, you don't have to talk about that, just talk about the sun. Somebody said, "Well, Brother Pike, it's a day. Don't you understand? It's a yesterday and a today." All right, so I get on a plane and I follow the sun all around the earth. What happened to yesterday and tomorrow? See it never was there to start with. That was all in your mind, even lying vanities. That's what I'm talking about. So then, where is heaven? It's one seven years of bad government away. When the tribulation period sets in, it's going to reveal the old shadow of the evil government that you've got today. It's going to make the thing manifest when it heads up in that old horny looking thing called the Antichrist, and when seven years passes over, as it says, the tree of life will grow again. When it passes over, the Jews are coming back into power. That Adam is going to come back in.

Now, let me ask you a question. Is the millennium heaven? You know the millennium is heaven. What heaven is it? The second heaven! It is that which is clean and restored that goes back to the garden. You say, "Well then, we're part of the millennium." No, before the tribulation period, we change into a celestial body. We ride over the millennium and go into the celestial, in that great eternal city. The only thing is, we have access to the millennium just like we're heavenly right now. We're celestial right now, and we're just waiting on the change so everybody can see that we got rid of the cocoon. We're already in heaven right now and we're still enjoying this earth. Jesus was in heaven, but He enjoyed this earth. That means that heaven is right here on this earth. It's the millennium. It's just getting the briars away. When the briars or shadows are gone, it's heaven. The people in first heaven are out there because they don't see the briars. They've got the dentist to pop a shot in there to stop the pain. They've got somebody to curl the hair and perfume their body. They've got all the conveniences and money. They don't have too many interruptions; only a few to keep it from being the third heaven.

Now, heaven is just like it's always been when God created the garden. This is heaven! So then, why are we waiting for the rapture? Where is the rapture going to take us to? You say, "Well, it's going to take us to heaven." I say again, if you're in the car, why do you keep saying, "Open the door?" Jesus said, "I am the door, and you go in and out through Me." We have access to heaven and earth. So then, it is heaven. That means, brethren, that the millennium is heaven, and this earth is heaven. It's always been heaven. This little old interruption of foolishness and confusion called "time," God's going to get that thing out of the way and wind it up, and then He's going to take this dark veil of intellectual reasoning away, which is time, and you're going to find yourself where you've always been, as sons of God in heaven, and you're going to be right there in the middle of the millennium. When God gets through with the millennium, He's going to



go through the second stages of moving that away, in that the bright light will transfigure that whole thing. When the great light of the Ancient of Days comes, it will just go into nothing. That is to say, He won't just destroy it, He'll swallow it up and it will translate. First, He has to restore and get the briars away to show us that it is the garden and that it is heaven, and then He transfigures the thing. He translates it just like He did your innermost man, and then here comes New Jerusalem to set down on the new earth. So where is heaven? It's the earth! Why am I trying to get up there to New Jerusalem? I'm not trying to get up there to New Jerusalem. The New Jerusalem is suppose to come down here. Somebody said, "Come down here to us?" It's coming down here to us in the sense of our outer being relating to earth, but it isn't coming to me because I'm already up there with it. I am part of the New Jerusalem. I'll be one of those that's coming down here to them. Do you understand what I'm saying? So then, that settles it. We made it! Somebody say hallelujah! We made it! Welcome to heaven. Then what was the whole thing for? It was God putting us through school and college so we could take care of what He had. It was to reveal His greatness and wealth to us. It's like a millionaire sending his son out so that he won't be a spend thrift. So that we won't be like James and John, wanting to call fire down on somebody. Learning the infirmities of the weak, so that we can take care of the dogs, cats and pigs and not be kicking them around and killing them all the time.

So then, brethren, we made it. That's why God has let us know these things, because that was the rapture. Although there are no such terms as rapture in the Bible, it was a change from glory to glory until we came into the fullness of Jesus Christ. Enoch was translated by faith. That is, believing in what he heard, and believing in the knowledge that God spoke through human instrumentality and revealed to him. It was faith by the hearing of the Word. That's how Paul went up to the third heaven. He knew that and that's why he said, "Brethren, I've got a mystery. You're not going to all sleep. This thing is different from what you think." He said, "I can't tell you about it now because it's out of season, but it will come." So then, that's the way it is. We made it, and since we made it, then we need to enjoy it and start telling everybody else that we can about it. Let's say it like this; while they still have time to listen in that the change of the body hasn't happened yet, let's tell them about it.

This isn't meant to be comical, but let's say we are here waiting for the rapture. [Brother Pike snaps his finger - Ed.] Too late! It's over. When I snapped my finger it happened. Somebody said, "You're foolish." The foolish and abase things of the world to confound you smart folks. So, it happened. You say, "Brother Pike, what do you mean?" I mean it happened in a moment in the twinkling of an eye. Now, what could you do? What chance did you have? Who was it that was waiting to go? How did you know when to get ready? What happened to you when it snapped? Nothing! It just revealed what you've already been, what you've always been.

So then, they're waiting for the dead to get up out of the ground, but blessed and holy is he that's not dead, because he had part in the first resurrection. We passed from death unto life. Let's rejoice forevermore. Ye that dwell in heaven rejoice! Let's start rejoicing. Doesn't that make you feel good? It's real. The Lord let us know this because the end of the days of the Gentiles is here and the thing is all over. Time has passed away at Calvary and it is no more for you and I. That was the end of it. Peter said that was the end of the world. We went into heaven. So then, that ended it. Now, let's just enjoy life. Let's love the Lord and go on cleaning this mess up and get the streets clean for the King. The King is coming on His white horse, so let's clean up the streets and get the garbage out and let's get the perfume of the Holy Ghost all over this place. Let His will be done down here in this first heaven as it is in the third one because Satan has got everything smelling. Let's get it out. Get the infiltration out and put on your Sunday go-to-meeting garments as we say. Put on your beautiful garment because the King is coming. You've heard that song, "The King Is Coming." Let's be out there so we can meet Him at His coming. Praise God! That's what we want to do. Let's wash the smut off of the globes, light the lamp, and make sure the oil is in there because all of these creatures of darkness are around here. This world is full of darkness. Let's get the darkness out so that the light can shine down here in our world and we can enjoy our heaven.

You know, folks, if this isn't heaven, then what is God doing down here? He dwells in heaven, and yet the Bible says that if two or three of us come together in His name, there He is in the midst of us. It doesn't say that He will come and be in the midst of us, but there I am in the midst of you. When they talked about Him on the way to Emmaus, He appeared in their midst. If this isn't heaven, what are angels doing coming down here? Why did they come and talk to Abraham? Why did they come down to Sodom and Gomorra and those different places? Why did they come down there? Angels don't live in the earth, they dwell in heaven. Somebody said, "Well, they just run down here to look things over." If that were true, what does the Bible mean when it says that angels encamp around them that love the Lord? They don't run down here, they camp down here. Do you know why they are down here? It is because you're up there. There's no difference in being up there and down here because where is up there and where is down here? It is heaven, that's all. It's just God. It's what He has done. Why not enjoy it and forget about the lying vanities and this intellectual program that the devil has given us through the indoctrination of the tree of knowledge. Stop leaning to your own thinking. When you stop leaning to that up and down mind, you won't be up and down. You're up and down because you think up and down. As a man thinketh in his heart, so he is. You're over here and over there because you think over here and there. Isn't that right? You're in and out because you think in and out. Where is in and where is out? It's just one thing, and that is a state of mind. That's all it is. There isn't any more difference between you and the man that's in the padded cell; he's in one state of mind and you're in another. He damaged his brain somehow through a physical injury or a disease, and it caused his thinking to be different. That's all the devil did. He threw a shadow over the brain. Sometimes a little baby is born and they say that it's born with a veil over it. "It's got a meaning," somebody says. That's just a natural veil to show the type. That's why Isaac took that veil off of Rebecca. So then, God took the veil off of me. Why did He take the veil off of me? It was because I married Him. I went into the mother's chambers and it's sweet to Him. I'm away from that old burning desert and I'm home at last.

So then, it's a state of mind. It's mind over matter. It's God's mind. When you get God's mind and let it take control of your form of matter, that will be the end of it. It will be the end, but as long as you have Lucifer, his mind will be over the matter in this world. That

means it's going to be subjected to vanities, problems, raging waves, and storms, but when God puts him down to the bottom of the pit where he belongs, then the Bible says that all things will be at peace. That inner peace will be outer. Everything will be at peace.

By spiritual translation in our inner being, we have been translated into the Kingdom of God. If we can come through this gradual progressive change of transitional changes from glory to glory or from faith to faith, by the renewing of our mind from the tree of knowledge (Lucifer), to the tree of life, Christ, (all of this being during the time of our tutoring) then at our Bar Mitzvah, we can expect that instantaneous transfiguration of our body. This translation of spirit into the Kingdom of God has brought about, through transformation, a changing of my thinking from earthly thinking to heavenly thinking, and with this, I can expect the transfiguration of my body. As Jesus stood on the mountain, the same thing happened to Him. He appeared in glory.

I can expect that same transfiguration to happen to me. Then where will I be? I will be where I've always been. Jesus said, "Nicodemus, I am in heaven." What is heaven? Glory! When He transfigured before Peter and the others, where were they? They were on the earth. Where was Jesus? He was in glory. Where was glory? It was on the earth. Jesus was standing on the mountain. So, they had changed just like that. Isn't that right? The change of the atomic particles, mind over matter and the inner life revealed itself into these outer vessels. Heavenly treasure right now in these earthen vessels. The potentials of life all a sudden revealed, and we become that beautiful butterfly.

So then, it is a state of mind. If you don't have the mind of Christ in you, then let this mind be in you. If you don't have that mind, you can't make the change. What is that mind? It is a world, it's a sovereignty, it's a kingdom, and it's a treasure. What is it? It's Christ in you, the hope of that glory. That's why He appeared in glory. Your inner man is already in glory, and it's to be revealed through these earthen vessels that the world might see what you've always been. So then, where is glory? It was right there before Peter, James and John.

I tell you these things because I love you. Jesus said, "Many things I have to say unto you," but He said at that time they were hard of hearing. What we call the rapture, the translation, or the quickening, it is taking place. It has taken place and we're just waiting for a one, two, three dimensional change, and the last stages is that of putting off the cocoon so that you won't be sleeping. You have to go into your cocoon stages of sleeping to go through the metamorphosis, but behold, I show you a mystery; you don't need to go through the stages of metamorphosis so far as sleep. The night is far spent and it's over, past and gone. Joshua said let that sun stand still. This is the day that the Lord has made. We're going to rejoice and be glad in it. It's been ever since Calvary. We've ceased from our own works of ambitions, of getting worldly gain and education, and of having a career — that's over. We've entered into His rest. His works were finished in our behalf from the foundation of the world by foreknowledge, and it was manifested at Calvary. It's all finished and I'm His Son. I came out of that womb through the blood that was spilled at Calvary, and through the water that comes at the birth when I was buried in it, I came out of the whorish womb of the world, and by the quickening of the spirit, in that you received the Holy Ghost after you were baptized - water, blood and spirit. So then, who am I today? I'm bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh. I'm a son of God. It's not me living but Him. When did it happen? When the veil was rent and the matrix opened at Calvary, I came forth. It's just through the swaddling and the tutoring of the church age messenger over here, to the Revelation of Jesus Christ, which is my wonderful world of the mind of God, so that the scales can drop off of my eyes. They have already dropped off and it's over.

So, you are they that dwell in heaven. You're not waiting to be raptured and translated into heaven. You're not waiting to get into the kingdom. You've just been going through your tutoring to let you know who you are and that you already live in that great mansion, that it was already yours. Everything has always been yours, but your little child doesn't know whether he lives in a barn or a mansion. His little mind is immature. You just keep telling him the difference between a barn and a mansion as he matures. After awhile, he realizes that he's a millionaire's son. He's not a pauper's son. He doesn't live in a barn. It's from the manger to the cross, the cross being the door. Jesus said, "I'm the door." The cross is that realm of Satan, that second heaven. Now, we go right through into the third heaven. It is just like Jacob's ladder, with angels descending on the Son of Man, even on you and I. His body, His bone and His flesh. We're His sons. God has raptured us up into His arms. He's going to reveal His masterpiece to the world in a little while. He's going to slip the grave clothes off and let them see.

Enoch believed God and translated. As a man thinketh in his heart, so he is. He thinks himself into trouble or out of trouble. He thinks himself to be whatever. So, say what you will. Think it in your heart and don't doubt, but decree it in your heart and it'll come to pass. Ask what you will. It's yours anyway. Do what you will with it. Say it, so shall it be. Why can I say it and it'll be that way? Because it all belongs to me anyway. It's lawful for me to do what I will with that which belongs to me, the Bible said. "All things are yours," He said. Say what you will, just don't doubt it. God says that's the way you command Me concerning the works of My hands. You're My son. Just say it! You're a prince, even the Prince of Life, bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh. Say it, it'll happen. If there is any interruption in your kingdom, any deformities, any problems, correct it. Don't let it be there.

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