

## PATH TO FULLNESS

I'd like to share a little bit of my heart with you.

I am completely thankful to God for Christ's incredible sacrifice on the cross to forgive my sins and redeem me into His family.

Yet, I wake up every day asking God to increase my capacity to know and experience everything of His Life, that He's made available to me as my inheritance.

I also constantly ask His Holy Spirit to increase my capacity to manifest His abundant life to others and see many of His children redeemed into His family and His Kingdom.

I'm totally thankful for my salvation, but I'm continually crying out every day for His fullness.

Let's look at a few scriptures from the Amplified Bible, which are statements of reality from God that might show us how to obtain His fullness.

But to as many as did receive *and* welcome Him, He gave the right [the authority, the privilege] to become children of God, *that is*, to those who believe in (adhere to, trust in, and rely on) His name— who were born, not of blood [natural conception], nor of the will of the flesh [physical impulse], nor of the will of man [that of a natural father], but of God [that is, a divine and supernatural birth—they are born of God—spiritually transformed, renewed, sanctified] John 1.12

If you ask most anyone on the planet, what do you know about Jesus Christ, they will say that He was crucified for our sins. But His sacrifice did so much more!

By trusting in His sacrifice for us, we can be re-born of His supernatural nature and become the members of God's family that He originally created us to be.

Here's another one.

For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading again to fear [of God's judgment], but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons [the Spirit producing sonship] by which we [joyfully] cry, "Abba! Father!"

The Spirit Himself testifies *and* confirms together with our spirit [assuring us] that we [believers] are children of God. And if [we are His] children, [then we are His] heirs also: heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ [sharing His spiritual blessing and inheritance]..... Romans 8.15

By making us His children, He also qualified us to be His heirs and fellow heirs, sharing Christ's inheritance with Him.

Jesus, speaking with the Father said,

I have given to them the glory *and* honor which You have given Me, that they may be one, just as We are one; I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected *and* completed into one, so that the world may know [without any doubt] that You sent Me, and [that You] have loved them, just as You have loved Me. John 17.22

Christ's sacrifice for us gave us the same relationship with the Father that Jesus has, and allows us to be living testimonies of His love for us and the whole world.

These are the supernatural works of God's love. He is the only one in the universe who could do these things for us.

Jesus told His disciples.

But when He, the Spirit of Truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth [full and complete truth]. For He will not speak on His own initiative, but He will speak whatever He hears [from the Father], and He will disclose to you what is to come [in the future].

He will glorify *and* honor Me, because He (the Holy Spirit) will take from what is Mine and will disclose it to you. Everything that the Father has is Mine. Because of this I said that He [the Holy Spirit] will take from what is Mine and will reveal, declare, and transmit it to you. John 16.13

He hasmgiven us His Holy Spirit to make available "EVERYTHING THAT CHRIST POSESSES" to empower us to continue the Father's ministry of reconciliation for every people group and country on the planet.

The Apostle Paul reveals how we can lay hold of Christ's incredible provision of God's fullness in His prayer for the Ephesian believers in chapter 3.16

He prays,

May He grant you out of the riches of His glory, to be strengthened and spiritually energized with power through His Spirit in your inner self, [indwelling your innermost being and personality], so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through your faith. And may you, having been [deeply] rooted and [securely] grounded in love, be fully capable of comprehending with all the saints (God's people) the width and length and height and depth of His love [fully experiencing that amazing, endless love]; and [that you may come] to know [practically, through personal experience] the love of Christ which far surpasses [mere] knowledge [without experience], that you may be filled up [throughout your being] to all the fullness of God [so that you may have the richest experience of God's presence in your lives, completely filled and flooded with God Himself].

Now I confess, that I can't even comprehend all the fullness of God, but it appears that God intends for His children to possess it and be filled to overflowing with it.

I've shared these scriptures with you to allow the Holy Spirit the opportunity to reveal to us, like only He can, "THE LOVE OF CHRIST THAT SURPASSES MERE KNOWLEDGE WITHOUT EXPERIENCE."

A revelation from the Holy Spirit of how much God loves us and this entire world seems to be the prerequisite for us to experience "ALL THE FULLNESS OF GOD".

God bless you.

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