

IF WE ONLY KNEW

When man was originally created, God breathed His supernatural life into a pile of mud, and Adam became a living being. That's Genesis 2.7

From that day on God was Adam's reality. God was his life, his health, and the supply of everything that he needed to fulfill God's calling for his life.

Adam walked and talked with God in the garden. He was created into unbroken fellowship with God.

But Eve acted on Satan's lie, that independence from God was the thing that she really needed. He told her that if she just ate the forbidden fruit, she would become wise and be like God. Genesis 3.1-6

Their disobedience created the exact opposite of Satan's deceptive sales pitch.

Their spirits, the part of them that God breathed into them, died, exactly as God warned them, in the beginning.

They lost the knowledge and the reality of God's presence in their lives. They lost the knowledge of their identity as God's children, and their reality became whatever their 5 senses could perceive.

I've heard Man's thoughts, that originate from his senses, referred to as "sense knowledge."

God says that there is a massive difference between our thoughts and His.

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways," declares the Lord.

"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55.8

God sent Adam and Eve from the garden so that they would not stay in that spiritually dead state and remain separated from God's presence for ever, scuffling and struggling on this Earth by their own wits, their own wisdom, and their own 5 senses.

He sent Jesus to pay the penalty for their disobedience and redeem them back into His presence and re-created His eternal life in them.

God created man as His supreme creation to manifest His love, His eternal life and His Kingdom in this earth. He could not accept His greatest creation living under the curse, separated from Him, under Satan's authority.

I've said many times that the Gospel of the Kingdom, which Jesus preached, is God's plan to redeem us back into His family and into His kingdom. It's totally supernatural, and God is the only one who can do it.

Let's look at some scriptures to explain His plan.

This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord. I will put My laws in their minds and I will write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. And they shall not teach everyone his fellow citizen and everyone his brother, saying, "know the Lord."

For all will know Me, from the least to the greatest of them. Hebrews 8.10

Please note, the operative words in this covenant are, " I will, I will, and I will."

This covenant is supernatural, just like God. He's not asking us to struggle and strive with our own efforts to try and restore this broken fellowship.

He did everything necessary, that only He can do, to redeem us back into fellowship with Him.

The reality is, that He wants us way more than we ever wanted Him.

The Apostle Peter explains;

Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to His life and His godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust. 2 Peter 1.2

The Apostle Paul also shows that this is all accomplished by His efforts and not ours.

For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, GOD DID: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and *as an offering* for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. Romans 8.2

Jesus told His Father;

"The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me. John 17.22

We were helpless to bridge the chasm between us, so God took it upon Himself to do it for us, before we even asked, because of His relentless love for His creations.

But let me ask a question.

If this restoration of our oneness with God has already been accomplished by God's supernatural work for us, why is this reality so sparse and even non-existent in many of God's people?

Let's look at the scriptures.

Hosea 4.6 reads;

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.

And Jesus said, "I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from *the* wise and intelligent and have revealed them to babes.

Matthew 11.25

God was not saying that my people are not educated enough, He was saying that they lacked the supernatural revelation of the Holy Spirit.

Paul explained to the Corinthian believers that;

I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual *people* but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. Carnal means "controlled by the senses." 1 Corinthians 3.1

And he prayed;

that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will KNOW what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. Ephesians 1.17

He knew that "sense knowledge" would not give them the true revelation of what God had done for them and who they are now in Christ, by God's doing.

He continued;

The natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.

1 Corinthians 2.14

But to us, God revealed *them* through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God. verse 10

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God... verse 12

All of the 2.6 billion Christians on this planet believe that God is the creator of the universe and that He sent Jesus to earth to die on the cross, forgive our sins, and allow us to dwell with Him forever in Heaven.

But many of us are ignorant of the fact that Christ's supernatural sacrifice has NOW re-created us back into oneness with the Father as His children, His heirs, and joint heirs with Christ, sharing His inheritance with Him now.

Jesus said of His Holy Spirit;

"He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose *it* to you. "Everything that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose *it* to you.

John 16.14

God has re-created us back into oneness with Him as His children. Being His children is what qualifies us to share in Christ's inheritance. Colosians 1.12

Many of us have had our sins forgiven, but are still trying to serve God with the natural nature that Christ's sacrifice delivered us from, utilizing our sense knowledge, behavior modification, and religious activity to try to acquire this oneness and try to obtain His eternal life that is already ours by God's doing.

God emphatically, testifies, that His Gospel of the Kingdom has produced for us exactly what He wanted - His children filled with His life.

And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5.11

Many Christians have been taught to pray the sinner's prayer, to ask God to forgive their sins, so that they can receive eternal life after they die. God's testimony is not that we will have eternal life someday in the distant future, but that He has already given us His eternal life. We have been redeemed by being re-born into His life, adopted into His family and qualified to share His eternal life. NOW.

Many Christians today study the bible, memorize Christ's teachings, and quote the scriptures. They have become very familiar and comfortable with an academic understanding of the gospel. God's intention for sending Jesus to Earth was not to improve our theology.

He declares His intention for sending Jesus to Earth. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. John 1.1

God's Word was not given to expand our Bible knowledge. "He" has been given to become our life. God's Word is not a teaching. It's Jesus Christ, God's Living Word, Who is the expression of His love, His life, and His desire to get all of His children back into His family.

Jesus said, that His Holy Spirit would lead us into all truth. John 16.13
The greek word translated as "truth" actually meant reality.
He also said, I am the way, I am the truth (the reality), and I am the life. John 14.6

God has done everything, that only He can do, to make all of these things our reality. But if we keep struggling to improve our flesh, using our sense knowledge to try to understand and someday possess these things we will effectively, delay, postpone, and even nullify their effect in our lives.

We often look to our flesh, our "sense knowledge, to confirm the word to our heart. But they never do. God's words are Spirit. They are statements of reality from the God of heaven and earth who has all authority and power to make them our reality.

Here's what I believe that God is saying to me today.
He wants me to repent of this fallen human nature that I inherited from Adam and Eve.
He wants me to reject the authority of my five senses, and reject my identity as a natural man living in this natural world apart from God.

He wants me to trust Him like a little kid trusts his father, accepting His Word as the reality of my life and re-creating in me the identity of His son, who He qualified to share with Jesus the inheritance of God's life in me.

I was imagining today, what would happen if the 2.6 billion Christians on this planet actually experienced this as their identity.

What if they accepted that God's perfect work for them actually re-created them back into their original unbroken fellowship, and God became their reality, their life, their health, and every provision of God to fulfill their destiny, that He created them for.

This would fulfill God's ultimate desire, to fill the Earth and everyone in it with His glory as the scripture said, "as the waters cover the sea." Habakkuk 2.14

God bless you.

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