KNOWING CREATES FAITH

I've said many times that the Gospel of the Kingdom that Jesus preached, is completely supernatural and God is the only one who can do it.

In all the religions around the world, people adopt many different teachings, many different rituals, many new habits, and behaviors.

But the Gospel of the Kingdom is not a religion. It's a relationship with the living God, through Jesus Christ, that only God can create.

Let's look at a few scriptures to see how He does it. The Bible is not a book of promises that we hope will come to pass some day. They are statements of reality that God has already spoken, already done and already committed His Holy Spirit to make our reality now.

You might want to write these references down and be aware of the phrases in Christ, in Him, and with Him as we read them.

But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption... 1 Corinthians 1.30

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. 2 Corinthians 5.17

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, and sanctified] John 1.12amp

But the one who joins himself to the Lord is one spirit with Him. 1 Corinthians 6.17

Jesus told the 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

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. Ephesians 1.3

For as many as are the promises of God, in Him they are yes; therefore also through Him is our Amen to the glory of God through us. 1 Corinthians 1.20

In Him we have obtained an inheritance...Ephesians 1.11

....giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light. Colossians 1.12

Being God's children is what qualifies us for this inheritance.

The Apostle Paul prayed for the Ephesian believers;

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 1.18

Paul wasn't praying for God to do something new for them. He was praying that they would get a revelation of what God had already done for them.

Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Matthew 4.17

Repent means, "change your mind, think about things differently."

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, Romans 12.2

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. John 14.6

Jesus continued,

"But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; "He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you. "All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.

The Apostle Paul declared to the Roman believers that;

You have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ. Romans 8.15-17

For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1.13

The Holy Spirit has not come to give us new teachings, new rituals, or new behaviors. But a revelation of our new life in Christ. Our new identity. Our new life in Christ, that only God can create.

The Apostle Paul explained to the Colossian believers how to think about this new reality.

Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory. Colosians 3.1

When we allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to us the reality of our being IN CHRIST and see ourselves as God sees us, then we can see other people as God created them to be, Sons and Daughters of the Living God.

2 Corinthians 5.18 explains that;

Now all *these* things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Faith comes from knowing that these things have already been done for us, and that He has qualified us to share in this inheritance with Christ.

Then faith, which is being fully persuaded that God's word is our reality, lives out this new identity in our lives to this entire world.

It's completely supernatural.

God bless you.

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