New man Finland February 2021 Session 1

The church of Jesus Christ is supposed to be a strong church. Not to be bullied and manipulated and put in the corner. God has always intended the church to be a mighty force on ethe earth. Jesus said to Peter that he would build his church and the gates of hell would not prevail. I don't mean a building I mean the people of God. The body of Christ.

Some of you may be familiar with John G Lake Ministry's, to some of you it may be new. Our main office is based in Dallas brother curry Blake is the overseer of the ministry. If you go on line and type curry Blake, or divine healing training or john g lake ministry's you will find good teaching that will help you.

All our teachings are to equip believers to do the works of Christ. the way we will change the world is by hearing and doing. It is time to hear and obey. These next three days will revolutionise your life. these truths if received and applied will change your life and the life of your nation. God's word is what changes lives and a nation. He said I have sent my word; he speaks and his word does not return void.

As you hear have an open heart, take notes, check what is said with scripture.

We are going to be looking at the new creation life. the new man. It will bring a freedom in your life that the death burial and resurrection of Christ what that did and how it changes us. he didn't go through all that he went through just to give us a ticket to heaven. Many are living in the place of ticket to heaven. We are going to be looking at that there is more to the Christian life than just going to heaven. We are on the earth as God's representatives and sons. We can make a big difference on this planet and we are.

I became a believer and received Jesus as Lord on the 11th June 1994 I was a young boy at that time, it was the upper room experience. Some members of our family had become believers and they started doing these strange things that made me start to read the bible. They would pray in the spirit they were loud; they were what you would call Pentecostal. I wanted to show them that they were wrong and I started to read the bible. As I started reading, I fell in love with Jesus. whilst reading the gospels I saw something different about this man Jesus.

I kept reading to have points to argue with my family members. This lasted a little while, and I ended up in a house bible study and I was in the upstairs room and that's why I called it the upper room. There was a missionary that had come from the foothills of the Himalayas, for me it was just another meeting, when this meeting finished, he said "young man you need to surrender your life to Jesus" and he said it quite firm and I looked up and said "your right" and he said for me to get on my knees and lift my hands, he said "close your eyes and say this prayer". and during that prayer I felt something leave my body and something new come into me. at that time, I didn't know any of this, about the new creation, 2 Corinthians 5:17 but I had an experience. When I got off my knees and stood up everything was different. That was my experience, yours may be different. At that moment I knew that I knew that I was a son of God. I knew at that moment that he had called me to be his spokesman and to speak his word.

At that moment I was handed a book and, in this book, there was examples of praying in the Spirit and being baptised in the spirit that really developed a hunger in me that I said this is something I

need. 3 days later I was filled with the Holy Spirit and was speaking in tongues and about a week later was baptised in water.

What we are going to be speaking about in the next 3 days I was first introduced to in 1997 I was at a convention by Kenneth Copeland, I was about 18 or 19, he taught on 'in Christ' in Birmingham uk. This was the first time I started to see some truth of being in Christ and some revelation from Pauls letters. I remember coming back from that believer's convention and everything changed. The way I prayed and the way I saw scripture was different. I first saw Jesus in the word of God, I saw him in the gospels and at this convention I saw Jesus in the speaker. I was sitting way back in the stadium, really young and fresh in the Lord. Brother Kenneth came on the stage and a lady who was demon possessed came to the stage, ran to the front and started screaming. Brother Kenneth stood there with his hands in his pockets, he strolled toward the lady and said "how dare you come before my presence like that, come out" and she fell to the floor, and was there throughout the whole meeting. That was the first time in my life I saw the power of God in operation. First, I saw Jesus in the word of God, now I saw Jesus in a man. I had never seen such authority. When I went home after that conference, I started seeing Jesus in me. That was the beginning of understanding these truths. In 2009 I came into contact with JGLM. I came in contact with the Divine healing technician training and then after I came in contact with the new man teaching. So, I could really see that God had been showing me little things and when I heard brother Curry teaching the new man, my Spirit started dancing, every thing was connected. This is one of my favourite seminars to teach because I know that this will change everything. What we are going to look at; it is going to change the way you talk, change the way you think, the way you pray, the way you represent God. Jesus didn't do what he did just to change our life a little bit, he came so that our life can be completely changed.

This is the truth, this is what God is trying to get into his people, before we can walk as Christ walked, we need to start thinking as Christ thought, speaking as Christ spoke.

John 16:12-14

¹² I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

¹³ Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. ¹⁴ He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

This is Jesus speaking in what we called the upper room discourse, he said that he had many things to say to them but they couldn't bare them yet, but when the Spirit comes, he will show them. Jesus wanted to share some truths with the disciples but said you aren't able to bare them but when the Spirit comes he will show them.

Spiritual things are spiritually discerned

So when the Holy Spirit came, he came and revealed these truths that Jesus wanted to share to the apostle Paul.

John 8:12

¹² Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Say "Jesus is the light of the world."

Matthew 5:14

¹⁴ Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

Jesus first said he is the light of the world and then he said that you are the light of the world. We can see here that Jesus is telling us to identify with him. he calls himself the light of the world and then he calls us the light of the world.

When the bible says that you are the light of the world, think of that. The song, "this little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine." There is no little light. If we are going to be the light Jesus expects us to be the light of the world and we are to be a light to the world. That is Jesus' light at work in us. that is Jesus' life at work in us. the bible says in him was life and the life was the light of men.

Session 2

The word new means new in kind and new in quality. The new creation is new in kind and new in quality. A new class of being. Actually, a new race of people. Amen. Totally different from anything that has existed before. A new covenant for a new creation for a new race

2 Corinthians 5:17-18

¹⁷ Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

¹⁸ And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

Nothing in us now is of from us it is from God. God has reconciled us back to him by Jesus Christ and has, past tense, given us the ministry of reconciliation and reconciled us back to himself.

If you are in Christ, a new creature, whatever Christ has we have that is why it says we have his ministry. The ministry of reconciliation. That is Jesus' ministry. Ministry to reconcile the world to God.

V19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

V²⁰ Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

²¹ For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

We see that we are ambassadors for Christ, we are sent as legal representatives for Christ. we see that God uses us to literally beg men to be reconciled to God.

We are now doing the beseeching for Christ in his place

V21 now we see how God reconciled us back to himself through the substitution. Christ became what we were so we might become what he was. Now our righteousness is of and from God and nothing to do with how good we might be. Aren't you grateful for that? I am. our righteousness is like filthy rags, but Christ gave us his righteousness, not just gave us, but we become, the righteous of God. He became sin that we might become the righteousness of God. Did Jesus Christ become sin? That is what the verse says. Did he commit sin? We know that he didn't but yet he became sin,

So, Jesus Christ did not commit sin but he became sin the same way that we didn't commit righteousness in order to become righteous. He took our sin and gave us his righteousness. The new creation is the righteousness of God.

I want to make this statement; the new creation teaching is not a religious doctrine, it is the son of God living through us. Say "living through me." It isn't just him living in us. Many are happy with Christ living in them. It gives them peace and joy knowing that he is in there. We aren't looking at just Christ in us, but Christ living his life through us. Say "Christ is living his life through me." When Christ is living through us, things around you becomes different. When Christ is living through you things change, love dominates where hatred was operating. Joy comes where there was sadness and where there is misery, peace comes and manifests. That is Christ living through us. This is amazing truth. It is isn't truth because I am declaring it, it is truth because it is the word of God! If you are saved you are a new creation. If you are not a new creation then you are not saved.

If you want to be saved, God the Father loves you and he has made provision that you can receive the life of his son. Eternal life. you can receive that right now.

Galatians 6

¹⁵ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

When you discover who you are, you will also realise who you are not. We don't need to keep listening to the voices who tell us who we were because who we were is no longer around. You are completely brand new in Christ. If you are in Christ all things in you are of God. You have become one with him. It's the only thing that matters. This is what Jesus died for. This is why Jesus came. Not just to give us lessons or to forgive our sins. The new Covenant isn't just about forgiveness of sin but remission of sin. The removal of sin and a new life which is the life of Jesus Christ. There is a saying that "I am just a sinner saved by grace." That is a contradiction. You are either a sinner or you are saved. If you are a sinner you are a sinner, but if you are saved you are saved and if you are saved you are completely saved. say "I am saved. I am in Christ. I am reconciled to God, made one with Christ. I now have his ministry."

When you are in Christ everything that is in Christ is in you. What is not in Christ Is not in you. There is no fear in Christ so there is not fear in me, no hatred etc

We are in Christ

The only thing that matters is the new creation.

Ephesians 2:15

¹⁵ Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

We are made one new man. Jesus, you and me are one new man.

Ephesians 4:22

²² That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

Notice that Paul is writing this to the church at Ephesus. We know that at the beginning of chapter one he tells them that they are blessed with many things. but now he is telling them that they 'put

off.' We know that they were believers, we know that they were saved, we know that they were in Christ, they were new creations in Christ Jesus, but they still lived like the old man. He is telling them to put off the old ways of doing things which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts and tells them to be renewed in the Spirit of the mind

Notice you put off the old man and put on the new man.

How do you put off and put on? by changing the way that we think. By renewing the mind to the new creation.

Most believers are born again and the miracle of the new birth, the new creation has already taken place, but what is happened on the inside isn't evident on the outside. The new man is free, healed delivered but often it isn't seen on the outside. What Paul was saying is that what has happened on the inside needs to be worn on the outside. You are in Christ and Christ is in you. You have become one, and now the way that we renew our mind is now put on the outside.

Colossians 3:9

⁹Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

¹⁰ And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

¹¹ Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.

Paul is writing put on the new man, that is renewed in the image of him that created him. When you got born again, some things changed straight away but other things you need to make a conscious decision to believe and act on the word and then things will change. So, you come into an agreement with who you are.

I am showing you who you are, what you have, and enable you to put that new creation on the outside.

This teaching is to show you that Jesus isn't just in you, but in you to live through you. If these truths are diligently applied and acted upon what is on the inside will start to come out

Sessions 3

The writings of Paul are the things that Jesus wanted to speak about his union with man

Ephesians 4

²² That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

That word conversation isn't just about the way that we previously used to speak. It is about our whole being. The neew creatin life doesn't just change our thinking The new creation reality changes everything about us.

²³ And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

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²⁴ And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Being 'renewed in the Spirit of the mind' this phrase isn't just about quoting scripture. There are many people that can quote scripture, It is talking about the overall nature of your mind. It isn't just about how many scripters you can quote but how this life is lived in and through us.

We looked at Colossians 3 ¹⁰ And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

The new creation life is supposed to not just change your words but your mind and in turn your whole life

Sometimes it seems that people receive Lord and then he comes in them and then God is doing a life sentence. John G lake said don't imprison Christ in you. He came in us to unite in us. It will change our thinking, our speaking and our entire being

Romans 6:3-4

³ Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

⁴ Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

There is a new life that is to be lived by the new creation. Galatians 2:20 I am crucified with Christ.

1 john 4:17

King James Version

¹⁷ Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

Not fearful, boldness. It says as he is so are we in this world say "as he is, so am I this world" that is the word of God. as he is right now. This is what heaven sees. Heaven knows this and hell recognises it. as Christ is so are we In the world. Heaven sees Christ and the believer as one because we are

The reason we can have boldness in the day of judgement is because as he is so are we. It doesn't say as he is we will become. it says so are we. Not one day you are going to become. right now, present tense reality for the believer is as Christ is, so is the believer.

This is an introduction; God is showing us who we really are.

There is a religious way of thinking. How can you spot a religious type of spriit? It is always In the past they told about revivals of the past, 'the good ol days' they say.

Mary martha said 'if you were here my brother would not have died'

Some say that one day things are going to be good but what We are talking about a present tense reality. Right now, we are the sons of God. right now, we are the new creation. we are the new man. As he is so are, we. These truths create victory in your life when it is applied. If we make a habit of saying as he is so am I in this world. What he has I have. what he can do I can do. Christ will start to live through us

When you were born again you were made complete in him. The believer that is in Christ he is an identical twin of Jesus Christ. There is nothing in him that is not in Christ. And everything in Christ is in him.

John 14:10

- ¹⁰ Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.
- ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.
- ¹² Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.
- ¹³ And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

Notice that Jesus said that they shall do greater works. And he says that whatever we ask in his name he will do it. if we demand anything in his name, he shall do it

Say in my name

This is a religious tag amongst believers, its like a magic tag that believers add. He says that we will do greater works and whatever we demand in his name he will do it. we can say that that whatever we demand in his stead. It isn't just saying in Jesus name. It is acting in his stead. As he is, so are we in the world. Jesus is in heaven in our stead representing us to the Father. we are on earth in his stead representing him to the world. The world is waiting for Jesus. when you show up. Jesus shows up. Because you are in his stead. In Jesus name means in his stead. We can see this in acts 3 peter and john going to the temple to pray they see a lame man and they said that they had no silver and gold but they gave what they have in the name of Jesus get up and walk. They were acting in Jesus stead. Discovering our union with Christ just like Jesus was acknowledging our union with the Father will enable us to walk in his stead. When you show up, Jesus shows up. If you don't show up, Jesus doesn't show up. Paul said I beseech you in Christ stead.

John 14

- ¹⁶ And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;
- ¹⁷ Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
- ¹⁸ I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.
- ¹⁹ Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.
- ²⁰ At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

In that day when the Holy Spirit comes. The Holy Spirit will reveal the man things that Jesus wanted to share but couldn't they were revealed to the apostle Paul. It wasn't the present day but a coming day, you will know that I am in the Father I in you and you in me

How can we ever be depressed, we have everything that God is, Father son Holy Spirit, all in you. them in you, you in them, we are in complete union. This truth needs to be really strong in the body of Christ.

A great day of victory was when I started learning these truths. I stopped waiting for God. I was a professional Holy Spirit inviter. If you are always inviting the Holy Spirit to come, you have to one day accept that the Holy Spirit has just come to visit but come to dwell in you. the Holy Spirit is abiding within me. Jesus made it clear, he came to stay and not just visit and if you have the Holy ghost you have Jesus and if you have Jesus you have the Father

²¹ He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

I have looked through the writings of Paul and everywhere that I saw in Christ, in whom etc I underlined because they refer to our union with Christ.

These scriptures reveal who we are in Christ and who Christ is in us

Romans 3:24

²⁴ Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

If you are saved you are a new creation, and if you are a new creation you are in Christ and if you are in Christ you are justified. You are justified, declared righteous, heaven has declared you righteous and it is free. B his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, the believer is justified and the believer is completely redeemed. That means that Satan has no more right to control and dominate the believer's life.

The devil has no right to interfere effect and dominate the believer's life, any more than he has the right to affect Jesus' life. we have been redeemed. If we are in Christ we have been redeemed What does redeem mean? It means that you have been taken out of satans kingdom, he no longer has any hold on your life because you are in Christ

Romans 5:2

² By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:11

¹¹ And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <u>by whom</u> we have now received the atonement.

It says that we have now received, this is a present reality. Not going to receive atonement and Jesus was our atonement

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are <u>in Christ Jesus</u>, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

If you are in Christ, there is no condemnation, Satan has no right to condemn you

² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

Say "In Christ there Is no condemnation. Heaven doesn't condemn me, my saviour doesn't. In Christ I am free from the law of sin and death. The law of sin and death cannot affect my life. I am free just as Christ is free. because I am joined to him there is no condemnation to me. The law of sin and death can't affect Christ so therefore it can't affect me."

³⁹ Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Nothing will be able to separate us, that is in Christ Jesus

If you are in Christ Jesus the love of God is at work in your life and nothing will be able to separate you from that love.

Romans 12:5

⁵So we, being many, are one body <u>in Christ</u>, and every one members one of another.

We are each a member of the body of Christ. The head and the body are connected. If we invited someone for lunch. We don't say to the head "Can you bring your body also" because the head and the body are connected. We are the head and he is the body. where we go, he Go's. We are united with Christ. Paul is showing us how united we are with Christ. Just as the body and the head are connected. When Jesus wants to bless someone, he blesses them through his body. Jesus stretched forth his body.

Jesus doesn't work independently from his body. it is essential to discover that we are in union with Christ

1 Corinthians 1:2, 30

² Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and our's:

Paul is writing and saying that you are sanctified in Christ. There were some crazy things going on in that church but he always brought it back to their union in Christ. He says that you are sanctified in Christ and that you are called to be saints.

Say "In Christ I am called to be a saint."

³⁰ But of him are ye <u>in Christ Jesus</u>, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

Notice that you are in Christ Jesus. it means that you are in union with Christ Jesus. Every time you see him writing 'in Christ' it is the believers union with Christ. That means that in Christ, Jesus was made to us wisdom. That means that the wisdom that Jesus has is with and in the believer. Righteousness. The righteousness of Jesus is the believers righteous, the sanctification of Jesus is the believers sanctification. Everything that Jesus is; glorified, resurrected, is in the believer ready to flow through the believer. When you discover who you are in Christ...

It isn't only showing you who you are, each time you see who you are you see who you are not. He called them saints.

There is sometimes a false humility, they used to sing a song 'I am just a worm and just a nobody.' I asked him "Why do you sing this song you know that it isn't true?" He said "I really like the song even though I agree it's not true I just like the song." That is crazy, you would sing a song that dishonours God. That is exactly what Jesus said that your traditions make the word of God of none effect. What people call revival is the church waking and seeing what they have. Their union in Christ. When you discover that, your wisdom, you will see that his righteous, wisdom, sanctification, redemption is ours. We are not just wisdom saved by grace. We are who Jesus is on this earth. This world needs a manifestation of Christ, which is Christ working through you.

Session 4

1 Corinthians 2:9-12, 14-16

- ⁹ But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
- ¹⁰ But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.
- ¹¹ For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.
- ¹² Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

One of the purposes of having the Spirit of God is that he reveals the things that were freely given to us

¹⁴ But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Notice natural man. Paul is saying that the natural man can't receive the things of God because they are foolishness to him because they are spiritually discerned. We can see that natural man is unable to understand the things of the spirit. Jesus said that there were many things he wanted to tell them but couldn't tell them, this is because he was speaking to natural men. They were his followers, disciples, companions and fellow workers but they were unable to understand this union.

- ¹⁵ But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.
- ¹⁶ For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ.

We have a natural man and then we have a spiritual man. A natural man is a man that isn't born again. In this world but is not born again, is not recreated; he is not a new creation. Understand your union with Christ and live your life based on this union.

The spiritual man is operating out of the mind of Christ it says that we have the mind of Christ. many say that "We have head knowledge that needs to become heart knowledge," the bible says that we have the mind of Christ. If you have the Spirit of God you have the mind of Christ. The correct way to say this is that "We have heart knowledge that needs to become head knowledge." Say "I have the mind of Christ. we have the mind of Christ. The way to get head knowledge is by renewing our mind to the word of God."

When this book was written chapter and verses wasn't in there. They came in later on. when Paul wrote this there was no chapter and verse so verse 1 of chapter 3 is continuing the train of thought from what he has been speaking in chapter 2

He has spoken about the natural man, a man that isn't born again, spiritually dead, separated from God. Then we have a spiritual man, who operates out of the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 3

And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ.

He is saying I know that you are not natural men because you have been born again, but I couldn't speak to you as spiritual men, I had to speak to you as babes in Christ

We see they were saved, but not Spiritual. He said unto carnal as even babes unto Christ. What carnal means, it means sense ruled. He is saying you guys are saved but you are still ruled by your senses. They are led, not by the written word of God, but by there senses.

According to the word of God, a baby in Christ, there is nothing wrong with being a baby but there is a problem when the baby is supposed to grow up and is still a baby. So, we are supposed to grow and mature. What is a baby in Christ? A baby in Christ is a believer that Is governed by their senses, has to feel God, has to see some kind of physical manifestation. That is how baby's operate in Christ. God expects us to grow into Christ. The way that you grow into Christ is that you are no longer led by your senses but by the word of God.

This is why we say that God's word is final authority. What God's word says Is more real to me than what I can see with my eyes. Psalms 119:89 says *forever o Lord your word is settled in heaven*. We know that God's word is forever settled. The word says *the grass withers the flowers fade but God's word stands forever*Say God's word is forever settled
Say God's word is final authority

A sign of maturity is that you don't need any physical evidence to know what God is doing but you take his word at face value, the word of God is prevailing in your life. We need to clarify this, we may think that we are spiritual, not many would admit they are a baby in Christ. The way you can see if your maturity is where it should be; is it what you see, touch smell taste or the word of God. Some think that if they get an angelic visit every day it makes them more spiritual. That may not be the case, it may be the opposite. Maturity is taking God's word, accessing the mind of Christ Is a sign of maturity

Being spiritual is operating out of the mind of Christ. being a baby in Christ means that you are being governed by your senses or sense ruled. There is nothing wrong with being a baby but babies must grow. God expects his church to grow. This world is waiting for the revealing of the sons of God, where God's people will grow up and show up and demonstrate the love of God

Ephesians 4:11-15

¹¹ And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

¹² For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: ¹³ Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

The reason that God has appointed these gifts is for the perfecting of the saints. Notice that it is the perfecting of the saints. Perfecting, not defecting. Defecting means that they still need something. It is not the infecting of the saints either with your own doctrines and traditions. These leaders are to equip and perfect the saints for the work of ministry. If a leader is doing his job correctly the people will not be dependant on him, people can come into any gathering and be at a stage of growth. We are here to perfect the saints.

What is the knowledge of the son of God? The knowledge that the son of God operated in is the same knowledge that the five fold ministry is to equip the body to walk in. It was the mind of Christ.

We are going to be able to grow up into him. Just because you can quote some scriptures and say a few prayers that doesn't mean that you have grown up into him. We are to act, think and speak like him.

The reason that God has put these leaders in the body is so leaders can be equipped to do the work of the ministry and function out of the knowledge of the son of God, become mature to the statue and fullness of Christ

¹⁴ That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;
¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, may <u>arow up into him</u> in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

Not just grow up, God isn't interested that we just grow. It isn't just growing. But growing up into him. we have his mind, we have his Spirit, his life, his righteousness. God expects us to grow up into him in our world. So that what has happened on the inside will be on the outside. Say "Grow up into him."

These truths will enable us to grow up into him. To be like him on this earth

Facts vs truth

Reality is perceived and it differs according to view point. Truth can never change. Facts can change.

Psalm 138:2

² I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name

He has magnified his word above all thy name. notice the connection between truth and the word of God

John 8:31-32

³¹ Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye <u>continue in my word, then are ye my</u> disciples indeed;

³² And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Continue in the word and then we shall know the truth and it shall set us free.

John 17:17

¹⁷ Sanctify them through thy truth: <u>thy word is truth.</u>

These scriptures show that God's word is truth. Truth always trumps true. Whatever you may going through. It may be true but truth is more solid and settled than something that is true. If we are going to start walking into the realities of God's word, we need to takes God's reality as above all else. God's word must govern everything. Daniel 12:4

Daniel 12:4

⁴ But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

Hosea 4:6

⁶ My people are <u>destroyed for lack of knowledge:</u> because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

It doesn't say my people are destroyed because the devil is powerful, it says that it is because they lack knowledge. Then it goes on to say because they have rejected truth.

Hosea 6:6

⁶ For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

The importance of the word of God. reality is something that we perceive and it can differ according to view point but facts can change. Facts can change but truth will never change. Truth is eternal, when we look at the realities of the new creation these are not just ideas, or a philosophy or a cute doctrine but they are the truth of the word of God. Jesus said if we continue in his word the truth will set us free.

If there was ever a time that God's people need to rise up in being equipped in who they are in Christ and who Christ is in them. Recognising this as the truth, they will start functioning as spiritual men and women of God, they will grow up into Christ and operate as a son of God

2 Corinthians 10

- ³ For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
- (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
- ⁵ Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Notice that the weapons are to pull down the strongholds, and this isn't strongholds in the heavens, we used to go to all night prayer meeting. And being young and enthusiastic and all they were doing was pulling down these imaginary strong holds from the heaven. For you to pull down something you need to be below it, but according the word of God you are seated with Christ far above all principality and power. We are not pulling down imaginary strongholds, the strongholds here spoken of are the strongholds of the mind.

The armour of God, it can be looked at as defensive except the sword of the spirit. Satan has no defence against the weapons of God, the word of God,

Session 5

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

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⁵ Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

What is a strong hold? It is strong hold. It is a hold that is on your life that is strong. It says the pulling down of strong holds. It says casting down.

Strong holds are thoughts and wrong knowledge. Truth doesn't change. It is forever settled. It is false knowledge. Strong holds can be where you have separated yourself from Christ. You are down here and Christ is up there. The bible mentions that by one spirit we are joined to the Lord. If you are a believer you are joined to the Lord. The bible says let no man separate what God has joined. If you are joined with the Lord, you are one Spirit with him. Strongholds will be information or knowledge that says you are separated. A lot of Christians, live their whole life believing that they are separated from God.

Take your hands, take one and say "Christ", take the other and say "Me", bring them together rand says one Spirit.

Strongholds are thoughts, false knowledge, that has a hold on you, that Is holding you back from experiencing who you really are in Christ. Holding you back from you experiencing the fullness of what Jesus has paid for. Jesus paid a big price. Not just to change our life and make a few adjustments and make a few tweaks. The sacrifice of Jesus, the work of the cross changes us from the inside out. Strongholds are to be pulled down.

Do you see yourself as no good for nothing? Those are imaginations you need to cast down.

Bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.

The challenge isn't in our Spirit. In our Spirit we are a new creature with the same righteousness of Jesus Christ, with the life of God, with the mind of Christ. The bible Says that we are complete in him. For what is inside to consistently manifest we need to acknowledge what is in the inside

Mind renewal. At times you need to force yourself to believe the word of God above what you can see and feel. Believe the word of God above and beyond the drs report. Above human reasoning and statistics. That would be putting on the new man.

Ephesians chapter 1

¹⁷That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

¹⁸ The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

What Paul was praying was that they would discover their inheritance of them. All the things that Paul could have prayed for. Think about all the things that pastors pray for their church, church growth, signs and wonders, finances, all these things are what most leaders are praying for, Paul didn't pray for these things. Paul prayed for revelation that they would see what God has placed in them. Why? Because once you discover who you are, everything else is natural. Once you discover what you have become then you can start living the life you are called to live. Once you have discovered who you are, no one needs to get you to be more motivated, or where finances are coming from. We need to get this right. What Paul prayed for, that the church of Ephesus would be able to see that they have been joined to the Lord. Once this thing is clear and you start acting on

these bible truths, many of the things that you are praying for will just come. We see with our eyes; God wants his people to see the hope of their calling. A lot of people get stuck on what is my calling? The first thing is that he has called you to grow up into him.

He wants you to see your calling and that your inheritance is in you. The inheritance that is in us. Not an inheritance when we die and go to heaven. Church has taught us that we are to suffer and the good times are when we go to heaven. They have made it sound that our inheritance is only when we get to heaven. When do we get our earthly inheritance? We get it when our relative dies. So why do we think we don't get our heavenly inheritance until we die. Our relative died, his name was Jesus Christ and he left us an inheritance to make sure that we get and walk out in our inheritance whilst one earth. Paul wanted the church to see the inheritance that every person in Christ has.

¹⁹ And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

²⁰ Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

God wants you to see the exceeding greatness of his power towards you. It is the same power that raised Christ.

²¹ Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

This is still Paul praying. He is praying that the church may see their calling and their calling to be a son of God. he is showing them and praying that they may see that they have an inheritance, he wants them to see the greatness of God's power that was displayed in Christ towards them. He wants them to see that Christ is above every power might and dominion.

²² And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, ²³ Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

He wanted them to see that all things are under their feet. God wants his people to see. He wants them to see the greatness of their power. He wants them to see that they are seated with Christ. that all things are under Christ.

V 23 the church which is his body. We are the body. We are the church. The fullness of him that fills all in all. What is he saying? If Jesus is seated far above and we are his body, we are seated far above. So, anything on this planet we are far above. The believer is far above, just as Christ is far above because Christ and the believer are one. And the head is far above, so is the believer. How can the believer be dictated by the devil? Have you noticed that if you have ever flown in an aeroplane something big could be on the road? There could be a big stadium, but the higher you go the smaller the stadium will become. It is all about perspective. You are seated with Christ in heavenly perspective. The believer is far above. As far as the believer is concerned the devil is not a problem. As far as the believer is concerned the believer in Christ is not a problem. The problem is discovering who we are in Christ. We are his body. The fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reality is perceived, and it can differ according to view point. Facts can change but truth never changes and truth is what God has declared concerning you.

Romans 10:1-11

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.

² For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.

³ For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.

⁴ For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

The same way that Israel was going around trying to establish their own righteousness and they did not submit to the righteousness of God. This is what we need to be cautious of, we need to submit not only to his righteousness but to the whole plan of God. If God's word says that we are a new creation we need to submit to that.

⁵ For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them. ⁶ But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:) ⁷ Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.) ⁸ But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;

If someone wanted you to submit to them, and they pulled a weapon and tried to rob you, you could submit to them. You can easily submit to someone you can see. How do you submit to someone who you can't see? Submit yourself to God, resist the devil, and he will flee. Before you resist you first need to submit. How do you submit? The only way that you can submit to God is by submitting to the truth of the word of God. You submit to God by submitting to his word. If his word says you are a new creature, our job is to submit to his word. If his word says 'by his stripes you are healed' our job is to submit to his word because God and his word is one. Whatever God says is final authority. We have to submit to these and once we submit to the God the devil will flee. Many try to resist without submitting.

You may feel like an old creation but submit to the truth that you are a new creation. You may feel below, but submit that you are far above. You may feel that God is far away from you. but submit that God said that he will never leave you or forsake you. Submit that you are one with Christ and that oneness is similar to the oneness Jesus had with the father

⁸ But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;

⁹ That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

¹⁰ For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

¹¹ For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

This is real and can be applicable in your life. The miracle of the new birth. We agree that it is one of miracles. Born out of death and into life. how did that become a reality? How did the greatest miracle ever become a reality in your life? You believed in your heart and you confessed with your mouth and then you were a new creation. you can start walking in this by walking and declaring. Wake up and believe what God has said about you, believe that you are one with Christ. Speak these

truths to your self and you will start experiencing the life that Jesus paid for you. That is submitting to God, to his righteousness and us living out that life that has been provided. God's word doesn't change. One of the biggest things you can learn today is that there is nothing you can do to change God's mind or his plan concerning you. God has already declared and decreed that you are his Son, his righteousness, you and him are one, you are healed, you are free, there is no chains on you. The new creation has no chains. The new creation is as free as Jesus Christ. It is time for us to live these truths.

We look at great men and women of God and we admire them. We learn great things from them. You need to know that these great men and women of God, we often think that they were great because they were gifted. We think that God gave them a special gift. It wasn't that God gave them a special gift, it is that they realised they are a new creation in Christ and submitted to those truths, they accepted their inheritance that was in them. They accepted when God said I have seated you above. They started acting on these truths. It is time that we start acting on the word of God. This world is waiting for us. God's plans and purposes are to be revealed by us and through us. I am so thankful to have his life in me. I am so thankful that he believes in me and you so much. He believes in us more than we believe in our selves. Loves us more. He has already done more for us than we could ever do by ourselves. This is the message that God wants to bring to the body of Christ. There is no separation, no distinction. When the apostle Paul was persecuting the church and was on a mission to put the church in prison. Jesus visited him and said Saul why are you persecuting me. He could have said "why are you persecuting my people", but he said "Why are you persecuting me" he said 'me'. Jesus considered me and you, him. Jesus considers the church to be him. Jesus is not separating himself from the church and we cannot separate ourselves from him. Jesus and us, one.

Take your hand, everything Jesus has all that he is all that he can do, take your other hand and bring them together and say "We are now one." say "What he can do we can do. what he has we have. what he can accomplish on earth. So, can we."

Session 6 Understanding Spirit soul and body.

Man is a Spirit; he has a soul and he lives in a body. Man is not a body; man is not a soul but man is a Spirit. He is a spiritual being; he possesses a soul and he stays in a body. When you look at a Christian you are looking at the house that they live in. All these truths that we are looking at, this is all already something that has taken place in our Spirit. The real you is not your body. One day our body's will go 6 foot under. Our Spirit is eternal, our body is temporary, so when the bible speaks about these eternal truths, they are speaking about our Spirit man

Man is made of 3 parts but one person. The 3 Spirit soul and body are to interact and work together. they must function correctly and work together. Your soul must work with your spirit. Your body must work with your Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 5:23

²³ And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Spirit, soul and body and they are in the correct order.

Man is a Spirit. he has a soul and he lives in a body. With his spirit he contacts God. With his soul he is in contact with the intellectual world and his body with the physical world.

These truths we are looking at are a reality as far as God is concerned. The only way to distinguish between Spirit soul and body is the word of God

Hebrews 4:12

¹² For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

These are things that have already changed on the inside. There are things that have taken place in the life of the believer and what is inside must come out. Spirit soul and body must work together. Christ needs to be functioning in our mind and our body.

When doing the word of God, because God's word is Spirit and truth, Jesus said the words he speaks is Spirit and truth. When you do the word of God you are 'walking in Spirit'. We have made it mystical for what it means to 'walk in the Spirit'. When you are doing the word of God, you are walking in the Spirit. When you are doing something other than the word of God you are acting in the soul. You will never go wrong by doing the word of God. Any time in any place, you will be walking in the Spirit if you do the word of God.

We have made walking in the Spirit some spooky thing, we say things like "God told me this", "I am led by the Spirit." They point out how spiritual they are by always pointing things out.

The bible in Romans speaks about being led by the Spirit of God, the bible talks in romans 8 that those who are led by the Spirit are sons of God. That whole passage has nothing to do with being lead with what God has asked you to do. In context that is dealing with the dictates of the flesh, how your Spirit is lead to come against the dictates of the flesh and not to be governed by the flesh and the unrenewed mind. We have made this mystical that "ooo we need to beee lead by the Spirit," "oooo I was lead." "Oooo God's Spirit led me".

Watch this, God's word is God's will, instructions and thoughts for us to obey. Jesus said "I came not to do my will but the will of my Father." How do we do the will of God? by doing the will of the Father. The moment that we know God's will we have a duty to do his will. God doesn't need to send you an angel to tell you what he has already told you in his word.

Many have used the passage to say something other than it means. We are to submit ourselves to who we are and what we have become and become familiar with these words and act on what we have discovered, you will find that as you do the word of God you are walking in the Spirit.

We have become one and his Spirit is flowing 24 7 in our lives.

We were on a bible study around someone's house; as we were going there someone said that there is a child here who has not spoken in years. And he said could you pray for this child at the end? I said yes and I wasn't thinking much about it and we got there and the family came to greet and

I was shaking hands as each person greeted me just saying "hello, praise the Lord" and there was some kids and I greeted them and then said "Hello" to another child and he responded by saying "Hello" and when he said "hello" everyone was shocked and I took a step back thinking did I do something wrong? and they said this was the child that hadn't spoken.

I didn't feel something, I didn't feel lead, I was just being normal. That is the Spirit soul and body working together. God didn't say pray for that boy because I didn't know it was that boy. This

became a big thing that the boy was healed by someone saying "hello". God wants us to live the life that he has provided, Spirit soul and body working in line with each other. All that we need has already been provided.

What we have done in the church, we think that the sign is for God always to tell you what to do and when to do it. we have made that into a spiritual height that God is always telling us what to do and when to do. God doesn't want us to be controlled with a remote control.

If you have kids, I am sure you need to tell them to "clean your room, wash the dishes," etc as a child you may need to be told what to do and when to do it. As you grow you don't tell the child what to do and when you expect them to take responsibility. Contrary to popular believe to be constantly told what to do and how to do it is not maturity. It is actually immaturity. Maturity is discovering who you are, who Christ is in you and doing what he has told you to do.

Brother Curry explains it that 'most people are waiting for a phone call but God has already sent a letter.' We need to read the letter and decide to do it and as we do it, we are walking in the spirit. The church that is immature is always concerned about following the Spirit. No, we have to follow the word, and do the word. As we do the word we are walking in Spirit, because word and spirit agree. You will never do the word and spirit will say no. There will never be a wrong time to heal the sick. As long as there are sick people there will always be the right time.

God word is eternal, and doing God's word is walking in the Spirit. Maturity is walking naturally together. Jesus said about being yoked together, not behind, not in front but yoked together. Jesus said take my yoke its easy. We are yoked together. As you lay hands, you are yoked with Jesus. You go this way so is Jesus, you go that way so does he because you are yoked together.

We need to renew our minds to these truths.

First thing we look at you are a Spirit.

Spiritually dead or spiritually alive, if you are born again you are spiritually alive. If you are separated from God and not born again you are spiritually dead. In the Spirit there is no grey area it is always black and white. You are child of God or of the devil. We are spiritually alive we are born again, connected to God and have his life

The soul is the mind will and emotions and reasoning imaginations. There's are five functions for soul. Mind, will, emotions, imaginations and reasoning. This is the function of the soul. Your mind needs to be renewed to the word of God. Your will needs to be submitted to the word of God. Your emotions need to be managed. You can't let your emotions run you.

What does carnal mean? It is a believer that is sense ruled. A believer who is governed by his five senses. A believer that is governed by what he sees feels touches

Renewed in Spirit is governed by the Spirit. When I am governed by the word of God I am walking in the Spirit. When I do the word of God I am walking in the spirit.

Your body is the physical part of you that your spirit lives in. Think about this concerning racism. If we recognise that the body is just a house. You can't be racist. Its like me saying I have a problem with your because you live in this colour house. It isn't important what house you live in but you. The outside, this body, this is just the shell that that Spirit lives in.

Our body is never meant to control us. Your soul has five functions, mind, will, emotion, imaginings and reasoning. Your body has five senses touch taste smell see and hear. Your soul has five functions and so does your body.

The voice of your spirit is your conscious. The voice of your soul is reason. The voice of your body is your five senses.

Since your body is your house, I am sure that after we finish here you will go home, when you go home and get home you are going to put the key. No one is going to hear your house say "you can't come in today, you're not allowed." Your house isn't supposed to tell you how to live your life. Your senses are not to govern you, you are to govern your house. That is why when you go somewhere you decorate the house, the house doesn't decorate you.

You, as a believer, who is one with Christ, a new creature, should not be governed by the five senses. They are not to tell you when to do and how to do. Some people are so caught up with the five senses and when they feel God then God is there to them and when they don't feel God, God is absent to them. God is in you, one with you, whether you feel it or you don't. It is not what you feel, it is what you believe. That is your senses, your five senses. Your spirit knows all things. You can't educate your spirit. The Holy Spirit dwells in your Spirit. The bible says we know all things, we know the mind of Christ. God has made the new creation to live from the inside out and not the outside in.

Your Spirit is king,

Say "I am a Spirit, I am a king."

Your soul is a servant, the soul is meant to serve the king. The soul; the mind, the will, the emotions, imaginations, and reasoning does not tell the king what to do. It listens and obeys to the Spirit. Your Spirit is king, your soul is a servant and your body is a slave. Your body should not tell you what to do, any more than your house tells you what to do. The one living in the house is in charge. Say "The one living in the house is in charge." We have got it the other way around; we think when we feel God, he is there and when we don't, he isn't. When we feel like obeying the word then I will etc your body, your feelings are not to dictate your life.

Doing declarations help us to see us how God sees us. Many have a distorted image of their selves. Words produce images.

Say these declarations;

I am a new creation Old things have passed away All things in me are new

I am reconciled to God by Jesus Christ

God has given me the ministry of reconciliation

God made Christ to be sin for me that I might be made the righteousness of God in Christ

I am the righteousness of God in Christ

I am a worker together with him

In Christ only the new creation means anything

Jesus has created one new man and that one man is in union with Jesus Christ

I have put off the old man and his lifestyle

I am a new man in complete union with Jesus Christ

I am renewed in the spirit of my mind

I have put on the new man which is created in righteous and true holiness after God himself

Day two

Session 1

We finished yesterday looking at the spirt soul and body. Man is a Spirit; he has a soul and he lives in a body. We think that our body is us and we think that our emotions are us. if you think like this it can cause some problems. The real you is a Spirit. You possess a soul and live in a body. The work that has taken place is dealing with the Spirit of a man. We can see this in genesis. We see that God formed man's body and he breathed into him the breath of life and it says that man was made in the image and likeness of God. We know that in john's gospel it says that God is a Spirit. When man was made in the image and likeness of God, he was made a Spirit being. What happened after man fell is that his spirit was separated from God and then Jesus came to restore us back to God. We know that God was dealing with man's spirit. When we talk about being recreated or the new creation. When we talk about being born again, it isn't the outside or your soul but your Spirit that is born again. In Hebrews it speaks about God is the Father of spirits. All that we are looking at is what has happened on the inside. That is why in 2 Corinthians 5:17 it says that *if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature, old things are passed away, behold all things are made new.*2 Corinthians 5:18 says that *all things are of God*. 'All things are of God.' Think about that

2 Corinthians 5:18 says that *all things are of God*. 'All things are of God.' Think about that who has reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ and given unto us the ministry of reconciliation. #

We know that our Spirit has been made completely new and we know that the real you, is your Spirit and all things are of God. what is in to come out, the mind must be renewed

Romans 12:1-2

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

² And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

It says you present your body's. 'You' present your body. So, the 'you' has to present your body. It is correct to say that the 'you' isn't your body. It is your spirit. Your spirit is to present your body. This is life coming from the inside out. Once we are born again. Once we become a new creation we are to live from the inside out. Prior to being born again we were led by our mind and senses but now that we are born again, we are to live from the inside out.

Romans 12:2

² And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Notice that Paul is writing to the church at Rome so they were believers. They would have made Jesus Lord of their life. So, he is telling them that the way to be transformed is by the renewing of the mind. the change has already taken place in the inside now the change needs to be in the mind. The change needs to come from your Spirit through your soul and into your body. You can get help by someone praying for you. You can he healed, blessed, encouraged but you can only be

transformed by the renewing of the mind. The Spirit of God that is in us can then start flowing into our mind

It is important that we get this because many are stuck. Born again, sons of God, but what is in them is not going forth.

I am reminded of a story, many years ago on my summer holidays when I was in school my dad said to me, when I come home from work, I want you to water the garden, so I went into the shed to get the hose pipe and it was stiff and it was old. I was looking to do it quickly and I put it in the tap and turned it on full and rushed out to see the water and there was nothing coming out, just little drops. But the tap was on full. The problem was that the pipe was all knotted up and no water was coming out the end. This is similar to mind renewal. I had to turn the tap off and undo the knots and then the force and water came forth. It is the same with mind renewal. When we renew our mind more of the life of God can flow through us. That is the key to having our mind renewed. To renew your mind, you have to decide that this is something that you want to do. It isn't automatic. You make a decision to renew your mind to the word of God and then there is transformation.

The devil can only work in you to the degree that your mind is renewed.

If all this space is your mind, but only 5 percent is renewed then the devil has 95 percent to be able to function with. The more that your mind is renewed the less area that the devil has to work in. The same principle with the Holy ghost. The more your mind is renewed the more he can flow through your life.

It is important to know that you are renewing your mind to the word of God, which reveals the will of God. You have the mind of Christ but what is in us must come forth.

God's Spirit and your Spirit are one. Joined to the Lord. The Spirit knows God, knows the things of God, the Spirit dwells within the recreated Spirit of the believer

God intends that believers function out of their Spirit. The Spirit should be in control and the soul is a filter in how the Spirit contacts the world and expresses its desires and the body should conform to the will of God. This is not automatic or there would be no reason for Paul to write to be conformed to the word and transformed. I believe that you want to walk in what Jesus has paid for, we need to make clear that God isn't holding anything back, the work that God has accomplished, he sent Jesus Christ to be our substitute to pay the price and redeem mankind making it possible for man to be born again become a son of God and be filled with the Spirit and be united and it says in romans 8 when he gave his son, he freely gave us all things. say "God isn't holding anything back from me." The bible is very clear that since God gave us his son, with him shall he not freely give us all things.

Ephesians says we have been blessed with every spiritual blessing. You may have noticed that many prayers are trying to convince God to give them something, to do something. Really it puts you in a place that God is holding something back and then somehow you asking and pleading, then he will do. The truth is this, since God gave us his son, when he gave us his son, with him, everything was already provided. So that we can walk and live as a manifested son of God. It isn't us trying to convince God to do something. He is already convinced. That is why he sent his son. Now it is what is inside needs to come out. So that we can start living the life that Jesus paid for us to live.

Facts about the new birth

It is a moral and spiritual change, not a physical one. When it says that you are a new creature in Christ that is speaking about the inside, change of heart will motive desires and not organism.

It is a change of masters. An adoption from the satanic family into the family of God. The reality is this, there is only two types of children. Of God and of the devil. God is looking at the inside of man and that is why man needs to be born again. When you make Jesus Lord, you change Lords, he becomes Lord and we obey him in all matters.

it is a change of nature, it is a change of favour, it is a change of character, state and service. You have been completely changed. That is what the word of God says. What has changed has to start reflecting on the outside. There is nothing that needs to be added. These are some of the challenges we face in the church world, we are being told that we need more, more of this and more of that. we don't need more of anything. We actually need less of us, of our thinking, we need our mind renewed to the word of God, so that what is in us can start flowing out of us.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

¹⁷ Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Notice the term in Christ. All things are become new. The word new, is new in kind and quality. One translation says a new species of being that has never existed before. You have never existed before. You don't have a past. You are a new type of person. Jesus was the first of this new type of race and you are part of this new race.

¹⁸ And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

¹⁹To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

²⁰ Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

Notice that you become a new creation, you have been given the ministry of reconciliation and you become an ambassador. This is God's plan. You have a ministry, to reconcile mankind back to God and he has given us the word of reconciliation and that you are ambassadors for Christ.

²¹ For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

The new creation is made righteous, with the righteousness of Jesus Christ.

You can grow in faith, you can grow in grace; you can grow in love but you cannot grow in righteousness. This is the righteousness of Jesus Christ. This is the great exchange. He took our sicknesses to give us our health. He took our curse to give us his blessing, our sin for his righteousness, the cross of Christ, was the great exchange. These things have already taken place. Say "nothing more needs to be added."

Look at the first creation, he made everything and then he made man and rested. He didn't rest because he was tired but because he was finished.

Imagine that he had made man first and then made everything else, that would be crazy. He made a home suitable for man first. In the new creation he did the same, everything is already prepared for the new creation and then God rested. Man had to take the responsibility that was given to him in the first creation and the same with the new.

Ephesians 1:3

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ

Think about this, 'who has blessed us with all' with 'all' nothing is left out. So, God has blessed us with all, every spiritual blessing. Technically God can not bless you. If he can still bless you that means that he hasn't blessed you with 'all'.

Now its realising what God has already done, accepting his will, receiving what he has already done. acknowledging what he has done and that will enable us to walk in the reality of the new creation.

It isn't the devil that gets Christians defeated, we like to blame him but we saw that 'my people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge.' The devil would love the church to be ignorant of what has taken place. Everything that God could do has been done in this great plan of redemption. The moment that we discover that everything has been accomplished and provided we can start living out this life. Our problem is the past tenses. We aren't understanding the past tenses of God's word. It is always put in the future that we need to wait until we get to heaven to experience this. When we read the bible especially the letters of Paul, it is important that we understand the past tenses

Ephesians 1:3 who has blessed us. He 'has' blessed us. Notice, it doesn't say 'who is going to bless you. one day if you are good enough.' It says who has blessed you. It is already done. Technically you cannot be anymore blessed. I remember listening to a prayer and he was saying 'Lord send me your power, give me your power' and the Lord said 'where would I get it from, all the power I have is in you because I am in you' this teaching will show you that everything has already been provided. We can never point the finger at God and say you never did it. God has finished his work, given us his Spirit to help us. What is in us needs to start coming out.

Day two Session 2

John 16:12

¹² I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

¹³ Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

¹⁴ He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

¹⁵ All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

This is Jesus speaking. This is what they call the upper room discourse. Jesus chapter 13-17 Jesus is speaking to his disciples and having conversation before he was crucified. We could say before the end of his earthy ministry. He said there was many things he wanted to share but couldn't. These things were revealed to the apostle Paul. God gave apostle Paul revelation. Pauls letters are the advanced teaching of Jesus, they carry the thoughts of Jesus which he carried out of this world unspoken. Pauls teachings are the advanced teachings of Jesus Christ. Matthew mark Luke and john, Jesus was speaking to his disciples from galilee, Pauls letters is Jesus speaking to the church from heaven. We can say that Pauls letters are also Jesus' words. they are words that Jesus wanted to say but did not say. They contain a revealing of the mystery that was hidden. Matthew Mark Luke and

John reveal what happened 'to' Christ. The letters of Paul reveal what happened 'In' Christ. when you look at the gospels you see Jesus, you see his followers, he was their rabbi, their leader, they were following him, they gave up everything to follow him but they did not understand what was really going on. We can say that the gospels are a picture, the letters of Paul are an x ray. They show us what the natural eye did not see. What was exactly taking place. As far as they were concerned this was their leader a good man and he was going to establish a kind of kingdom. They didn't understand what we do now. They didn't see what God, and the angels saw. It was hidden from the devil. It was a mystery. The first Adam became sin. When he obeyed the devil, he took upon himself the nature of the devil, he became spiritually dead. And when I say spiritually dead, I don't mean that he stopped existing because death doesn't mean stop existing. God is life so when you are separated from God you are spiritually dead. Like a tree when a branch is cut from a tree, little by little death starts taking over, that is what happened to Adam. As a result of separation, he died physically. Man was beyond repair, he was in sin he needed to be crucified and when he was crucified, he could be resurrected and he could become born again and one with God

Romans 16:25

²⁵ Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,

Paul is calling his writings his gospel. We say the gospel according to Matthew, mark, Luke and John and this is according to Paul. The gospels show the physical and Pauls shows us behind the scenes. According to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began. It was kept secret not from us, but for us. He said when the spirit of truth comes, he will show you things.

²⁶ But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

1 Corinthians 2

And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

- ² For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.
- ³ And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.
- ⁴ And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:
- ⁵ That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.
- ⁶ Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:
- ⁷But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:
- ⁸ Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.
- ⁹ But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
- ¹⁰ But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

That is what Jesus said that the spirit of God was going to come and he would show us things

We have received the Spirit of God. Why? That we might know the things that are freely given to us. One of the main purposes is that the Spirit of God reveals to us the things that are freely given to us of God.

- ¹³ Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.
- ¹⁴ But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.
- ¹⁵ But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.
- ¹⁶ For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ.

The Spirit of God reveals to us the things that are freely given to us. Paul says that he didn't come with human wisdom, he said that he declared the things that the Lord had revealed not just with words but with demonstration of Spirit. Pauls letters is God's power for the new creation. Paul spent most of his life telling what happened when Jesus gave his life. They show us what was happening behind the scenes. Smith Wigglesworth said that we must have God's latest revelation, the marvellous truth of Christ in us. There has to come a point in our life when this becomes real. Not just a theory and not just a doctrine but this becomes real. Then we can have impact on the world around us.

Ephesians 1

⁶ To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

⁷In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Notice that he has made us accepted. I think that's glorious. He has made us accepted. Say "He has made us accepted. I am accepted in the beloved." If this becomes reality to you, it doesn't matter who rejects you because God has accepted you. If you read the life of the apostle Paul many places that he went he was rejected. There is no record of him crying and saying "Lord why me?" he understood that he was accepted in the beloved and he understood redemption, that we have been taken out from satans kingdom and authority.

- ⁸ Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
- ⁹ Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:
- ¹⁰ That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:
- ¹¹ In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:
- ¹² That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.
- ¹³ In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

¹¹ For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

¹² Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

¹⁴ Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

V9 says *made unto the mystery of his will.* So, Paul was revealing the mystery. There is a saying that God is so mysterious. Once we catch these truths, we see the mystery that has been revealed.

Ephesians 3

For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

- ² If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:
- ³ How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,
- ⁴ Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
- ⁵ Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

Paul was writing and said when you read my letters you will understand the mystery.

- ⁶ That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:
- ⁷ Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.
- ⁸ Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

Paul is saying this is his assignment to reveal this to all people

- ⁹ And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:
- ¹⁰ To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

He is saying that when the church of Jesus Christ, see this, when believers discover what God accomplished through the death burial resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ they will start walking as sons of God and will reveal the manifold wisdom of God to the principality's and powers. Think about that they will step back and say "wow." For the church to operate in this it comes from a revealing and understanding of the mystery.

- ¹¹ According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:
- ¹² In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

Do you see how important this is to understand this? Once we understand this it will cause principalities to go "wow." This is our time, this is the time for the church of Jesus Christ to stand up, not to be controlled and manipulated, God has placed us here and he wants us to see what he saw, he wants us to know what he knows, and our role on earth.

Ephesians 5:22

King James Version

- ²² Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
- ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

- ²⁴ Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.
- ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;
- ²⁶ That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,
- ²⁷That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.
- ²⁸ So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.
- ²⁹ For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:
- ³⁰ For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.
- ³¹ For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.
- ³² This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

He is using this example, showing that the husband and wife is as us; Him and us becoming one.

1 Corinthians 6

¹⁷ But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.

This is the great mystery that we are joined unto the Lord and we are one Spirit. When we move, he moves, think about that. We become one. If I don't move, he is not moved. One joined to the Lord.

Ephesians 6:19

King James Version

- ¹⁹ And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,
- ²⁰ For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Paul is saying that he wants to make the mystery of the gospel known, that two have become one. Christ and the church have become one.

Colossians 1:25

King James Version

- ²⁵ Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;
- ²⁶ Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:
- ²⁷To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

If we really believed that, it would change a lot of things. Christ in you, the hope of glory. That is what Paul was getting across, what he wanted the church to know, that Christ isn't just in heaven or the great preacher but he is in you.

²⁸ Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:

This is what we read yesterday that God gave these ministry gifts to perfect the saints to equip them to do the work of the ministry that they no longer be tossed to and fro and then it goes on to say that they may grow up into him

²⁹ Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

He said that he is labouring, he wants everyone to know this. If you look at the life of Paul. He was unstoppable. Stoning, stripes on his back, shipwrecks, famine didn't stop him. Why? The mystery was revealed to him and he wanted every tone to know that we have become one Spirit and this is the power of God unto salvation. This is the very thing that will reveal the principality's and powers the manifold wisdom of God so we can walk as he walk

Say

"Christ in me, the hope of glory."

Day two Session 3

The mystery that was revealed to the apostle Paul. These were the things that Jesus wanted to say but couldn't because he was talking to men that were spiritually dead. These things were revealed to the apostle Paul and he went everywhere sharing these truths. He gave the example how husband and wife became one and how we have become one with Christ.

We are so united with God that we cannot be separated. If I have a drink in my hand that is mixed it cannot be separated and we are joined to the Lord. We are one Spirit and not two and not three but one Spirit. This truth will change the church. Most of the church is dependent on other people, the truth is that whilst we are joined to the Lord, we are also joined to each other but once this truth comes alive, Christ is not just over there in some revival, he isn't just in some other man. Christ is in us. where we go, he goes. When we don't go, he's not going. He works with and through us. When we lay hands, he is laying hands, when we speak, Christ is speaking. Think in these terms. Make a habit of thinking like this, of your union with Christ.

Colossians 2

2 For I would that ye knew what great conflict I have for you, and for them at Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh;

² That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ;

³ In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

⁴ And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.

Any man that is trying to separate you from Christ, would be leading you astray.

⁵ For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ.

⁶ As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:

⁷Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

Walking this out is connected to understanding what has happened. It is the acknowledgement of the mystery. Many are trying to live things out without fully understanding the mystery that has been revealed, we have become one.

They were taught their union; they were taught that they were joined to the Lord. Everywhere Paul went this was his teaching he was teaching the mystery that was revealed. You be established in the faith, you be rooted and built up in him

⁸ Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

This is likely to change your life.

⁹ For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

In Christ dwells the fullness of God boldly. All that God is, dwells in Jesus.

10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

In him dwells the fullness of God, and the believer is complete in him. Think about that. *complete in him.* There is nothing missing if you are complete. There is nothing missing in you. You are complete. Let no man deceive you, beguile you, entice you, take you away from this, that you are complete in him.

Which is the head of all principality and power. You need this verse underlined in your bible. Put sticky notes around your house reminding you that you are complete in him. When the devil tells you that you are lacking and incomplete you need to respond saying 'nope, I am complete in him' praise God we are complete, nothing lacking, we are joined to him, as he is so are, we in this world, what is in him is in us, everything we have.

He takes our union serious, do we? When we do, things change.

¹¹ In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

He is saying this isn't about the old covenant that somehow circumcision made them connected to God. This isn't that type of circumcision

¹² Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

Paul is saying that we were immersed with him in baptism, and we are risen with him, through faith of the operation of God. This was God's operation; he was doing a work in Christ. The gospels show the work on Christ, there was a work being done in Christ

¹³ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

¹⁴ Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

- ¹⁵ And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.
- ¹⁶Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days:
- ¹⁷ Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ.

The importance of not being taken from this. It is hard enough that we have the devil trying to separate us, and what is worse is that we have leaders within the church trying to separate us. We need to be rooted and grounded of our union with Christ.

1 Timothy 3:16

¹⁶ And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

Colossians 2:13

King James Version

¹³ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

What you will find in the letters of Paul. You will find these terms 'with Christ' it says that we were buried with Christ, seated with Christ. these are truths that reveal this mystery.

- ¹⁴ Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;
- ¹⁵ And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Say "Having spoiled principality's and powers."

When we were dead in sins, we were quickened together, made alive, with him.

Galatians 2:20

²⁰I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Some translations say I was crucified with Christ.

The gospels are a picture, the letters of Paul, the revelation of the mystery, what Paul saw, that the Holy Spirit revealed to Paul was like an x ray. The disciples saw their friend, their master being crucified. God, angels and demons saw us being crucified. That is why Paul said I was crucified with Christ. This passage has confused a lot of scholars because they think Paul was even in Jerusalem when he was crucified.

Man was sin, a bad condition because of sin and Christ became our substitute, on our behalf for us, so when Jesus was crucified, we were crucified with him. Our old man was crucified with him. Say "I have been crucified with Christ. the old man was crucified when Jesus was crucified"

Colossians 2:12

¹² Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

This is what we would call, identification. Identifying with Jesus Christ. When Jesus was crucified, we were crucified with him. Here it says that we were buried with him. So, we were crucified with him.

When he was buried our old man was buried with him, buried with him in baptism and we are also risen with him. say with me. "I was crucified with Christ. I was crucified with Christ, I was buried with Christ, and I was risen with him"

Ephesians 2

- ⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,
- ⁵ Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)
- ⁶ And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:
- ⁷That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

Notice 'quickened' v5, meaning made alive. We read that he spoiled principality's and powers and he made a show of them openly triumphing over them. Paul was saying that when Jesus was crucified, we must identify with that. because when Christ was crucified, so were we. When he was buried so was, we. We know that when we were buried, he disarmed principalities and powers and when he was resurrected, we were resurrected with him and when he sat in heaven, we sat with him. This is the mystery revealed, heaven has a record that we were crucified, buried and risen with Christ.

Before Christ was risen, he disarmed principalities and powers. We can say that "When Jesus was crucified, I was crucified, when Jesus was buried, I was buried with him, when Jesus defeated the devil, I defeated the devil with him, and when Jesus sat down at the right hand of the Father we sat down at the right hand of the Father, far above all principality and power."

This is why the devil doesn't want the message to go forth. This reveals that we in Christ have totally destroyed the devil, he did it for us on our behalf so that we can have his victory and his triumph, this is what our saviour did for us, not just made a way for us to go to heaven. He made it possible that we be made totally new and have complete victory over Satan and his works. This isn't something we are trying to convince God. This has already happened. It is a bible truth. Everything Jesus did, he did for us and set to our account as if we did it. Everything Jesus did he did for me and for you and he set it to our account as if we did it. Heaven has a record that we rose with him victorious triumph over the enemy and now seated at the right hand of the Father. This is who we are in Christ. If you are not impressed with who you are Christ you haven't seen him lately. This is very impressive. He became one with us so that we can become one with him. All that the devil did in Adam, Jesus reversed it. We are no longer in Adam. In Adam all died but in Christ all be made alive. This is who we are we are in Christ. This is the truth of Pauls letters. This is what our savour accomplished for us. this is Pauls revelation; it is the greatest of all revelations. God sees us in Christ. We were in Adam but now we are in Christ and we identify with that.

Identify, identical. It is your identification that will take you to your destination. You need your identification, when you were born in the natural, in order to go to school you need identification, you needed your birth certificate, to identify who you are and then you go to school. Then when you are a little older you need identification to start driving. Then when you get older and you want to travel you need a passport. Your passport is your identity. In other words, your identity will take you to your destiny. What is our destiny? It is to be a manifested son of God. Understanding our identity will cause us to live out our destiny. We identify with what Jesus has done, so we can fulfil the plan of God on earth. We are in Christ

²⁰I am crucified <u>with Christ</u>: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth <u>in me</u>: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

This one verse reveals so much of Pauls revelation. Every place you see 'with Christ' underline it; it speaks of our identification with him.

'In me,' speaks of our union with Christ. Who gave himself 'for me,' is substitution Make a note of 'in me', 'with me' and 'for me.'

If you understand these, they unpack the revelation of Paul. When we say 'in Christ', you will find terms like 'therefore if any man be in Christ' could be read as 'if any man be <u>in union</u> with Christ, he is a new creature a new species a new race'

when you see 'in Christ' it speaks of our union. 'in Christ' is the power of your position. Christ 'in me' is the power of his presence. 'in Christ' is our position. Your position in Christ can change any condition. Christ in, is the power of his presence.

Say "Christ is in me, I am in him, we are one. nothing can separate us."

This is life, victory and triumph for the believer. These truths will change your life, your family, community and nation. These truths were revealed to Paul to strengthen us, cause us to be unmoveable rooted and grounded. It is no surprise that God is bringing out these truths clearer and clearer in these days. An unstoppable force on planet earth.

Lift you hands and thank the Father for the operation he had, the plan of redemption, the great accomplishment that Jesus accomplished.

Father we bless you, thank you that we will rise up to be the people you have called us to be that we identify with Jesus Christ that we walk in union with him and that we understand our union with him. father I thank you, Holy Spirit I thank you that It is a new day, that we will go forth as a mighty army bringing you glory throughout the land

Day two Session 4

"Father we thank you for the living word of God. Thank you that your word is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword. Father I thank you for open hearts and for revelation to flow. Thank you that as your word goes forth your Spirit confirms these truths for your people. Thank you it is a new day for your people to rise and be all that you called them to be. Father we love you bless you and thank you for your word. Thank you that by word we are strengthened that by your word we are lifted. We have light, the entrance of your word brings light and understanding."

We are looking at Pauls revelation. Keep in mind that Jesus said there are many things that he wanted to tell you, but when the Spirit comes then he will guide you to see these things. The things that Jesus wanted to say but could not were later revealed to the apostle Paul. We read Matthew Mark Luke and John; they are the words of Jesus from galilee to his people. The writings of Paul are

also the words of Jesus Christ and we said that Pauls letters contains the thoughts of Pauls letters during his earth walk. We can say the writings of Paul are the red letters of Jesus.

In Galatians, this is one of Pauls churches, Judea's came in and were trying to take people away from the liberty of Christ and bring people into legalism and Jewish customs.

Galatians 1

⁶I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

Paul called his writings 'my gospel'

Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.
 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

This is a serious matter. We know that Pauls gospel, the gospel of grace; it deals with our union, our identification, and also the substitutionary work on our behalf. This is what he was sharing, what the Lord revealed to him.

⁹ As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

We can see Paul making the same statement twice. This seems as though we need to take heed to this.

- ¹⁰ For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.
- ¹¹ But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.
- ¹² For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

He said that no one taught him this, no man gave it to him. He got it directly by revelation.

- ¹³ For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:
- ¹⁴ And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.

We could say Paul had a lot of sacred cows but the revelation came and brought light. The bible says the entrance of your word brings light. Your word is a lamp to my feet and light to my path.

¹⁵ But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, ¹⁶ To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood:

Say "To reveal his son in me."

¹⁷ Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

At that time Jerusalem was the headquarters of the church, he says that when he got this he never went to Jerusalem.

- ¹⁸ Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.
- ¹⁹ But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.
- ²⁰ Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.
- ²¹ Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;
- ²² And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:
- ²³ But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.
- ²⁴ And they glorified God in me.

You can see he was quite conscious of the fact that God was in him. He is using the language of his union with God. Paul is saying that what he received he never got it from Peter or James or any of the apostles. The Lord revealed it to him. some people would say that Jesus said this but Paul said this. some say I follow Jesus and some say I follow Paul. If you look at the bible the words that Paul writes are the words of Jesus.

Paul believed that his writings were the commandments of the Lord

1 Corinthians 14:37

³⁷ If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.

Paul said himself that his writings were the commandments of the Lord

1 Thessalonians 2:13

¹³ For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

Paul is saying his message is the word of God

It isn't just to say that is just what Paul said. Paul himself believed that he was writing the commandments of the Lord. Paul said that his message was the word of God

Let's see what peter said

2 Peter 3:15

¹⁵ And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

Peter is saying that Paul is writing according the wisdom given to him

¹⁶ As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

Peter said Paul was speaking in wisdom but some of the things are hard to understand. He is comparing the writings of Paul to other scriptures.

So, Paul believed that his writings were the word of God. Peter wrote that Pauls writings were as scripture and what Paul wrote down was the revelation that he received, it was our revelation with Christ, a revelation that was hidden but is now revealed to the church by the Spirit. To enable believers to be rooted and grounded. To enable believers to be rooted and grounded and what they have become and what they can do and accomplish since Christ is in them, the hope of glory. No church has any business being open if they aren't reading and referring to the letters of Paul. The writings of Paul are for the church and they are centred on who Christ is in us. Many want to only read from the old testament and never go into the letters of Paul. If you are looking to help and disciple people encourage them to go through the letters of Paul. Encourage them to underline, in Christ, in the Lord, in whom, by whom. These words, the connecting words, reveal God's plan for the church.

The new covenant

Says "There is a new covenant for the new creation"

Hebrews 8:6-7

⁶ But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

⁷ For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

Better covenant, better promises. The new creation is to function under the new covenant. It is a better covenant with better promises

John 9:28

²⁸ Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples.

At some point you need to make up your mind; are you Moses disciple or Jesus's? Moses have sin consciousness and try to do to earn favour. Everything they do, try to earn God's favour. They go to church to win his favour, they pray to earn God's favour, they give to earn God's favour. Every thing we do under the new covenant is not to be approved by God, we do because we are approved. We don't worship to win his favour but because we have been approved and to show gratitude. We give because we are so grateful what our Lord and saviour has done for us. You need to know whose disciple are you

Matthew 26

²⁶ And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

²⁷ And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

²⁸ For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

We see the same passage in mark and Luke. We see that it started at that point

There are many good things in Hebrews 8 and 9 we are going to go through some of them.

Hebrews 8

Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such a high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

So, Jesus is a high priest, who is at the right hand of the throne. And he is set on the right hand of the throne of the majesty in the heavens

² A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.

Just as Moses had a tabernacle there is a tabernacle in heaven, of which Jesus is the high priest.

- ³ For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer.
- ⁴ For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law:
- ⁵ Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.

This is saying just as Moses was instructed to build the tabernacle, he was given a pattern of how to build and it was a shadow of heavenly things.

The original was in heaven and the duplicate was on earth.

- ⁶ But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.
- ⁷ For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

 ⁸ For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:
- ⁹ Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.
- ¹⁰ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:
- ¹¹ And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.
- ¹² For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

Their sins will be remembered no more under the covenant.

¹³ In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Hebrews 9

¹¹ But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;

Christ is the priest of another tabernacle, the tabernacle in heaven. Because Moses made a copy of the one in heaven.

- ¹² Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.
- ¹³ For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:
- ¹⁴ How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

The word atonement, really means covering. In the old covenant they had atonement, when the priest would go in and they would offer the blood of animals and take the blood into the Holy of Holy and it will cover them. It is like when you have some marks on your table and you have visitors coming so you put a nice table cloth so no one can see the marks. In the old covenant the marks were never removed they were just covered and had to be done year by year.

Jesus is another priest of the tabernacle in heaven and he went in not with the blood of animals but with his own blood and he obtained an eternal redemption for us. The old covenant had a

Under the old covenant you would have taken your animal. The priest would have sacrificed the animal but when you left the tabernacle you still have a conscious of sin that could not be removed. It was only the blood of Christ that he went into heaven and sacrificed his blood, that by that, our conscious could be purged. We could be freed from a sin consciousness; we can have a righteousness consciousness.

²² And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

temporary thing going on. Jesus' blood obtained an eternal redemption once and for all.

- ²³ It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.
- ²⁴ For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:
- ²⁵ Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;
- ²⁶ For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.
- ²⁷ And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:
- ²⁸ So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

This new covenant is totally different the old covenant was by the blood of the animals. The new covenant is by the blood of God's Son. The old couldn't deal with the consciousness of sin. The new deals and purges our consciouses

Hebrews 10:10

 10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Jesus' sacrifice accomplished this great work, and it says once and for all. Jesus defeated the devil so badly he only had to do it once. He gave him such a beating for all time, for all people, anywhere, at

all time of the world that they can receive him and by receiving him their conscious can be purged. We no longer need to have a sin conscious. We can be free and recognise that we are one We need a righteous conscious, a freedom conscious. The blood of Jesus dealt with it all. Jesus did it for all time, for all sin, for all sickness for all eternity. And when the devil shows up tell the devil a bedtime story and say "Once upon a time"

Day two Session 4

We have been looking at who are in Christ. Who Christ is in us and what Jesus' sacrifice has accomplished. I believe that once we start applying these bible truths your lives will never be the same. your family will never be the same. your community won't stay the same.

There are many ideas of what will happen to the church in the last days. God's plan remains the same. He said he will build his church and the gates of hell will not prevail. That will not change just because there is a pandemic. These are the days for the church to rise up, big and strong and take advantage of this situation, whilst people are confused and hurting, this is our time to manifest and bring in the harvest, become a sign and a wonder, not just do signs and wonders. God wants your life to become a sign and wonder. It is the same Christ, same word, same revelation, same Spirit in us right now as in the early church. We have an advantage. They didn't have the revelation that we have in the writings of Paul. What the early church had we see in the book of acts; they were growing in these truths. How much more we today. Get ready, gird up your loins, great days are ahead, we will not be silence, we will not be bullied or manipulated, we will rise big and strong and glorify our father. If there was ever a time to rise big it is now and it is time that we become effective. So, we are going to look at how to be effective with these truths

let's look at Philemon. This is Paul writing to Philemon

Philemon

⁶ That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

It says that the communication of your faith becomes effectual. One translation says that your faith becomes contagious. How many want contagious faith that the devil wears a mask. How does it become effective? by acknowledging every good thing that is in you, in Jesus Christ. your faith becomes effective when you acknowledge, recognise every good thing in you. By acknowledging every good thing in you, your faith becomes effective. But if you acknowledge the negative your faith becomes ineffective. When you acknowledge every good thing in you, it doesn't stop there. It says 'acknowledge every good thing in you in Christ'. We acknowledge every good thing in us in Christ.

Once translation says to acknowledge your identification.

When you acknowledge who you are in Christ your faith becomes effective

One way to acknowledge is by readying the writings of Paul and declare these truths over your life daily.

Declarations are a very powerful tool against the enemy. By making declarations our faith becomes effective, we renew our minds. We speak to ourselves; we tell the devil what we believe and we stir up the gift of God in us. this is how we live ready by making declarations daily. faith declarations

should be spoken daily, clearly, slowly loudly, forcefully believing every word you speak. You will start to see yourself how God sees you. you will start to see yourself as a son of God. created in the image and likeness of God.

Acknowledge means accept. By acknowledging you are accepting. Admitting the existence of. When you make declarations, you acknowledge who you are and what you have in Christ Jesus

Say "I am a new creation I am a new species of being"

You are recognising admitting, recognising the importance of. You may think that you are lying. You may say you don't feel like a new creation. This isn't about how you feel but what God's word has declared about you. It doesn't say that any man in Christ is a new creation if they feel like it. This is God's truth.

This is nothing to do with how you feel. This is who you are. You have become a new creation. You can't let your body dictate to you. That wasn't God's plan in the beginning. Even in the beginning man was created to live from his spirit and when he separated from God his soul and his body began to dominate and he developed a wrong image. We are not conformed to this world but we are to be transformed and conformed to the image of Jesus Christ

Say "I am new creation, old things have passed away, all things in me are new, all things in me are of God. I am reconciled to God though Jesus Christ, God has given me the misty of reconciliation. God made Christ sin for me that I might be made the righteousness of God in Christ. I am the righteousness of God in Christ. I am a worker together with him."

When you acknowledge your faith becomes contagious, y0ou become like a tree that is planted by the rivers that shall not be moved and you produce fruit.

Say "I will glory only in the cross of Christ and what it has accomplished. By the cross the world is crucified to me and I to the world In Christ only the new creation means anything"

Think about that, only the new creation matters, nothing else matters.

Say "Jesus has created one new man and that man is in union with Christ I am a new man in complete union with Christ"

I dare you to say this for 21 days, and your life will change. Even your spouse won't recognise you, pets won't recognise you, because there will be something different about you

Say

"I have put of the old man and his lifestyle

I am renewed in the spirit of my mind

I have put on the new man which is created in righteousness and true holiness after God him self There is neither Greek nor Jew bond nor free but Christ is all and in all

I am buried with him by baptism into death and therefore I walk in the newness of life because he was raised in the newness of life

I serve in the newness of the Spirit, not the oldness of the letter

My love is made perfect and I have boldness in the day of judgment because as he is so am I in this world"

Notice boldness in the day of judgment, many Christians are fearful of the of judgment. As he is so are, we in this world. Notice it says because, we will have boldness because as he is so are we. If you can have boldness in the day of judgment, surly you can have boldness on earth. And the way you can have boldness on earth is by acknowledging daily 'as he is so am I in this world.'

Don't believe the devils propaganda, believe the truth. When they went to war, they were going to find weapons of mass destruction and what sadam Hussain did was that he made videos of him winning the war and celebrating. And we had news that they have gone in and pulled down the statue and taken ground. but he had made videos previously, and whilst he was hiding, he released the videos. So, when they came on tv every one was confused. One minute people though one side won the war, then the videos were saying the other side was wining.

The devil also has propaganda that pretends he is winning but he is in a hole. These truths will eradicate all the lies and propagandas

Say "I abound in everything, In faith.

I walk in the flesh but do not war after the flesh

My weapons are not carnal but mighty through God for pulling down strongholds, casting down imaginations, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ."

Yesterday we looked at the word's strongholds, imaginations and thoughts.

Thoughts become imaginations and imaginations become strongholds. Thoughts become imaginations and imaginations become strongholds. What is a stronghold? Its a strong hold. Most people fight thoughts with thoughts, most people are trying to fight strongholds with thoughts. You can't fight negative thoughts with a positive thought. You have to fight thoughts with words.

The way you stop thoughts is by speaking. You deal with thoughts by words. words are stronger than words. thoughts become imagines, imagination, that become strongholds. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God to pull down strongholds.

When the enemy tries to bombard your thoughts that go against the word of God don't sit down with a cup of coffee and meditate on them. The best thing you can do the moment they come is not just let them continue but to speak the word of God by acknowledging who you are in Christ . Slowly, clearly, forcefully, believing every word you speak. When your mind tells you that you are crazy, you are not good enough, you can't accomplish something. That is the time to speak and counter and speak

"I am a new creation
I win every battle I faced
I am in Christ
Christ is in me"

The devil will run with his tail in between his legs. Remember that the devil came to Jesus questioned his identity saying if you are the son of God. what did Jesus do? it said Jesus said. Jesus spoke, the power and the life is in you speaking and acknowledging who you are in Christ.

Say

"God has given me the spirit of wisdom and revelation in him
He has already blessed me with every spiritual blessing in heavenly places
The eyes of my understanding are enlightened and I know the hope of his calling
I know what the riches of his glory of his inheritance in the saints
I know the exceeding of his power according to us who believe"

This is the prayer of Paul in Ephesians. You can turn that into declaring

Say "The same power that God exercised when he raised Jesus from the dead, and sat him at his right hand, above principality and power and might and dominion and every name that is named, and he seated me far above every power might and dominion and everything that has a name."

That is your position that is where you are seated. Far above everything that has a name. If it has a name you are far above. He has put all things under his feet. And gave him to be head above the church

Say "I am his body and all things are under me

His name is my name

Everything that has a name has to bow its knee when I use that name that Is above all names I am his body

The fullness that fills all in all

Say all of him in all of me. full of him"

Do you believe that? That is what God said. Wall to wall Holy ghost. Ceiling to floor, full of him. You may think that you are only human. No, you are also human.

Say

"Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to me because I believe.

The word is near me, it is in my mouth, it is in my heart, it is the word of faith, it is what I speak, because I am righteous by the work of Jesus Christ, I speak faith. Faith that God has accomplished his will in my life by the cross of Jesus Christ

I am in a better covenant with better promises

I am Jesus' disciple

Jesus has put his laws in my heart and I know the Lord

He is my God and I am his child

I will walk in him

And he walks in me

He calls me child and I call him father

The new covenant is in force and the old is gone"

We should make declarations because we are acknowledging every good thing in us. this is how our faith becomes effective. For our faith to be ineffective is not God's fault. We can have our faith as effective as we want it. The key to having contagious faith is by acknowledging these truths.

Speak declarations daily, there is a 100 in the manual, made from scriptures. Speak declarations daily, forcefully. You may think it is too hard work. Well then you won't be winning battles for yourself or others. the choice is ours God has made a way for our faith to be effective

Say

"I am a son of God
I am filled with the life of God
I am anointed by the Spirit of God
I am walking in the light of God
I am walking in the grace of God
I am experiencing the power of God
I am doing the will of God
I am demonstrating the power of God
I am bringing the hope of god
I am being the voice of God"

Day two Session 6

four principles of the new man

These are easy to remember and you can share them easily with others.

A couple years ago brother Curry came to uk and we had a leader's summit. He is the overseer of John G Lake Ministries.

These truths will help you share with others

1 If you are a new creation, you are a new creation.

Let me ask you; do you believe everything that God has said about himself in the word of God? if you believe everything that God has said about himself in the word of God you will also have to believe everything that God has said about you in the word of God.

Most people don't have a problem believing what God has said about him self but they struggle with what God has said about you. If you believe that every thing he has said about himself is true you will have to believe that everything he said about you is true also

2 Corinthians 5:17

¹⁷Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new

You may say I don't feel like a new creation. Feeling comes after believing. Not the other way around. you don't feel like a new creation and then you believe you're a new creation. say feeling comes before believing.

You are a new species of being. You are a new race on planet earth. There is no one that has ever existed like you ever before. A new breed, a new type of people. the real super men and super women. Born of God

1 Peter 1:23

²³ Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

We may say we are born like this or born like that. We say okay well you can be born again. The word of God is the seed of God. The word seed in the Greek is sperma. We are born of God, by God's seed. As a new creation you have your father's DNA. You are a partaker of his divine nature. God has birthed you. You are in his family. The same material God is made from, the same substance that makes God, God. is now in you. God has birthed you. we are born again by the incorruptible seed of the word of God.

Remember Mary, the angel came to Mary and gave the word to Mary. Mary believed the word and she gave birth to Jesus Christ. The word of God became flesh. Dwelt among us. That same word is what recreates us. The word once again becomes flesh.

Colossians 1:15

¹⁵ Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

Jesus here is referred to as the first born. In order for there to be a first born. There would need to be at least a second or third born. Identical to the first born.

Hebrews says that Jesus is not ashamed to call us brother. We call him Lord and he calls us brother. We call him lord and he call us brother; it is the same family; he is our older brother. We are made from the same substance

When we say "As he is so am I" It isn't just a nice idea, this isn't mind over matter. This is a reality; this is the truth.

2 If you are a new creation, old things have passed away

They are gone they are no longer there. It has passed away and it has been buried. Don't resurrect the old man. I know you want to resurrected the dead, but that isn't the dead you want to resurrect. It is gone forever. It is never coming back. The old man has gone. The old you has gone. don't let the devil accuse you, lie to you and bring up your past. You have no past. You only have a future.

Romans 6:10-11

¹⁰ For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

¹¹Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

If you are a new creation old things have passed away. Remind your self of that. The old is gone. I was out doing evangelism with a brother and and he was going through this teaching and as we were out evangelising someone said to my friend who "ooh your so and so." They were telling him who he was before Christ He said "No who's that?" he denied who he was. I was surprised but its true. He was living in the reality that the old him was gone. That is why you have to disconnect from people who remind you constantly of your BC days. Before Christ . You love them from a distance. It costs too much time to renew my mind and then entertain those who within a few minutes is going to bring back all that condemnation and shame.

Say

"I am a new condemnation Old things have passed away Rest in peace stay there don't get up"

You can't be a new creation and still have the old. If you are a new creation that means that the old has passed away. So as far as you are concerned the old is no longer there. If the old is there you are no longer a new creation. If the old has not passed away then the new has not come

3 If you are a new creation all things have become new

Let's look at 2 Corinthians 5:17 yes, we have looked at this many times already but never become to familiar with scriptures. I have been reading this scripture for 20 years but only about 3 years ago I saw something fresh here

2 Corinthians 5:17

¹⁷ Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

There was a word that I kept missing out. I was missing out the word 'behold' until one day this word jumped off the page. Behold, look, all things have become new.

God is telling us to look. Look at all things have become new. New family, new Father, new joy, new peace, new victory, new covenant.

Hebrews 10

⁹ Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

²⁰ By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; New brand new. All things have become new. Get familiar with the new. Some of you need a house clearance. Get rid of the old and make room for the new.

Hebrews 9:15

¹⁵ And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

New testament, new covenant.

4 If you are a new creation that means you are complete in him, but we must grow up into him

The bible says that you are complete in him. Like a baby being born. Brother Curry gives this example. You check the baby, that it has all the fingers and toes, and see that they are complete. We are complete in Christ; however, we must grow up into him. The way we grow up is by learning the word and applying the word.

Growing is not just learning. It's a part of growing but it is not sitting under seminar after seminar. You can become a seminar junkie. A professional seminar attendee. Growth doesn't come just by listening to seminars. Growth happens when you put into practice what you have learnt. We are complete in him but we must grow up. You grow up into Jesus Christ to look like him in speech in action, in all that you do.

Jesus had loads of opportunity's to be offended. He had everyone come against him. The guy on his staff was against him. That is a sign of maturity. Weak people easily get offended. Strong people, secure people that are strong and secure in their faith do not get offended. It is like water off a duck back.

You can measure how mature you are by how easily you get offended. Be secure in God. life is such that people come against you. those closet to you will betray you. Life is such. I never said it was easy. But we have a choice whether we take offence and love and forgive. If we are going to grow up into Jesus. It isn't just in signs and wonders and raising the dead. It is good to desire these things but let's grow up in his character, his love, patience and self-control. That is growing up into him. Let that excite you when you see the fruit of the spirit in someone's life. Not just the power and gifts of God. They are there, you can't boast on those, because they are gifts. You did nothing to have them. They are a gift. Gifts are given, fruit is developed. Gifts of the Spirit, does not excite me as much as the fruit of the Spirit in someone's life. For me it isn't you can heal the sick and cure a headache but can you come on time. Do you keep your word?

If you are a new creation you are a new creation, if you are a new creation old thing have passed away. If you are a new creation all things have become new. If you are a new creation you are complete in him, we must grow up into him. we don't just grow up, but grow up into him, we become one with him. our communion with him a result of our union with him. fellowship, interaction. Our communion with him is a result of our union with him. Praise the Lord

Day 3 session 1

We are very excited about God's word because God's word brings freedom into peoples lives and we are thankful for his word. We know that God's word doesn't return void. I believe it isn't just us speaking, it is God speaking to his people. God's word doesn't return void. We are believing that these truths will become real to you. When they become real to you and we act on these truths. Like Paul said we are seated far above and we will live far above sin, sickness, bondage and disease. We are thankful for God's word.

I remember when I first got hold of this message I went through the new testament and highlighted all the phrases that said 'in Christ.' I was told that when it says 'in Christ' translate and meditate. We know it speaks of our union. I would translate as in the anointed and his anointing in the early days. That Is what I was taught and I was a new Christian at the time.

Do you know that Christ isn't Jesus' surname? It is a title and its translated from the Hebrew word messiah which is 'the anointed one' Jesus is the anointed one, with the anointing, the anointing is a position and he is anointed with the Spirit of God.

I was told that in Christ is in the anointed one and his anointing. I would encourage you that every time you see 'in Christ'

There fore if any man be in Christ and in his anointing

I am in the anointed one and his anointing

We can translate and meditate on these verse

Think about this you are in the anointed one and the anointed one is Jesus Christ. You can't be in the anointed one and not be anointed. If you are in the anointed one you are anointed, with burden removing, yoke destroying power of God. The truth is this the moment you came into Christ every

burden was removed and every yoke of the enemy was destroyed. Think about that; every burden has been removed and every yoke has been destroyed so being in Christ brings freedom.

We looked how everything Jesus said of himself he also said of his followers, then he also said there are many things that he wanted to tell but he couldn't, he said when the spirit of truth comes, he would tell the things.

The writings of Paul are the words that Jesus wanted to say that he carried away unuttered. They were revealed to the apostle Paul and he documented them for our benefit. Matthew mark Luke and John are the words of Jesus from galilee to his people and the words of Paul are the words of Jesus from the right hand of the Father. They reveal who we are who we really are. You are more than the colour of your skin, you are a born-again man, you are a new creation. The letters of Paul show us what God sees. God sees you as a new creation. a new species of being, a child of God a son of God. That is how God sees you. The idea here is this, that we see ourselves as God sees us

We have looked at fact's, reality and truth. Facts can change, it may be a fact that you have been diagnosed with something but that isn't the truth, truth never changes. Jesus said 'sanctify them with your truth, for your word is truth.' Truth doesn't change it is constant, facts can change. It can be a fact that is raining outside but it isn't the truth because it might be sunny tomorrow. A way of looking at truth is truth is our reality. We should be established in truth. We should be governed by truth. We should walk in truth. All that we look at in the letters of Paul are truth. Are our reality.

I heard a story that there were two grandmas and one of these grandmas died of cancer and her friend kept saying 'I am going to go the same way' her family said to her, 'stop saying this because words are powerful' guess what happened, she got cancer the same way. She started treated and in the middle of her treatment, she got dementia and she forgot that she had cancer and when she forgot she had cancer the cancer left her body.

Her reality was that she had cancer and she got it, and the moment she forgot, it left Our reality must be the word of God and what God sees. We are a product of what Jesus accomplished. What he accomplished wasn't just to improve our lives a little bit but to transform our lives. You need to be cautious about what is your reality. My reality is the word of God. We walk by faith and not by sight. Faith begins where the will and word of God is known. We can say I walk by the word of God and not by what I see or feel, I walk according to the truth of the word of God. The word is a lamp and a light. These words are not just a doctrine or theory, when they are applied, they will enable you to live far above defeat, far above sickness, far above fear and confusion.

We have looked at spirit soul and body. say "I am a Spirit I have a soul and I live in a body." The real you is a spirit and the real you has been born again. The real you is no longer who you used to be. Paul said "It is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me", why? Because we are in union with Christ. Paul said "The life I live in the flesh I live by faith in the son of God"

The real you has been completely changed. You may not feel that you have been changed, there may be little change on the outside but if you have received Jesus as your Lord according to the word of God you are saved and born again, you need to accept that. That is our reality. We aren't to live according to our senses.

I was born again 11 June 1994. I first came into this teaching in 1997. God has permitted me to be around certain people and see certain things. I have noticed that very few people in the body of Christ are living out of the spirit, out of the new life. The majority are living by the senses., living by what can be felt or seen. So, if they feel God, God is there. If they don't feel God, they don't

acknowledge him being there. The truth is this, Jesus said this 'I will never leaver you nor forsake you' feelings are irrelevant. The sad thing is that some of us are programmed to live by feelings. Our services sometimes are based on goosebumps and feelings. Sometimes this goes against what we are teaching here, we are teaching people to walk by faith, truth, the will of God, the word of God. Some places are all about feelings and we are trying to help people move forward and not go by feelings. At some point you need to make a decision that I will walk by faith. When I say walk by faith I am saying walk by the word of God and walk by what God has declared. Not walk by what you feel or what you are sensing. A Good study on spirit soul and body will really help you

We looked at Pauls revelation. Paul said that he received the revelation from the Lord, he said 'I never got this from peter or James 'he said God gave it to him. he used the words 'the mystery that has been revealed', the mystery hidden through the ages but is now revealed. Smith Wigglesworth said that the letters of Paul, Christ in us is God's latest revelation. It is God's latest revelation. Let's take this. let's apply these truths in our lives and be stubborn and refuse to be removed from God's word. I don't see Pauls letters as just Pauls letters, if you see them that way that is all they will ever be. I see them as the words of God, God revealing to his people who they are, who they really are, what they have, where they are and what they can do. Take note of that, and do a study on that. Who you are in Christ? we all know who you are in the natural. You all know your date of birth, let me ask you, do you know your date of birth? You will say yes. How do you know? you will say I have a certificate, my parents told me. So, a certificate has told you that this was the day you were born and you have accepted it and every year you celebrate your birthday based on a certificate. Why don't we base our lives on the bible as well and take what God has said? The grass withers and the flowers fade but the word of God remains forever. This is surer than any certificate from a government office

'I am a new creation'; we have to take that. These are truths revealed in the letters of Paul

You can take someone's bible and go through it; you notice all the places that are underlined and sometimes all the places that are underlined are all the sad places of the bible. Like job. People identify with job. If you want to grow up into Christ, go to the letters of Paul in the new testament. Be established in these truths and it will affect your life. You will become and unstoppable force. You come out of being weak and you become strong. You just have to see the life of Paul. This word was at work in him. we can see that nothing was able to stop him. My goodness what a man. Looking forward to the day I meet the apostle Paul, what an inspiration, nothing was able to stop him, they stoned him and threw him out the city. When they did that, they would have thought that he was dead and it says that the believers gathered around him and he rose up and the next day he was preaching. What a man. Why? Because these truths were real to him. He was shipwrecked and beating with rods and he carried on. Read the book of acts, don't say your church is persecuting you, you don't know what persecution is. Paul faced persecution but what did he do. The word was at work in him causing him to live above all that was happening to him

The words are the word of God and they will strengthen the church and cause them to live higher. God is saying my people live higher, take your place in Christ.

When you take your place in Christ and see what you have become and who you are things will change

Say 'That is my reality, thank you Lord'

We looked at the difference the new covenant makes, we are in a new covenant, the new covenant is for the new creation. The old covenant was between God and man. The new covenant is between God and Jesus. Technically we don't have a covenant with God, Jesus does. But we are in Christ and

so we become beneficiaries of this. We are a new covenant with better promises. The old convent could never deal with the consciousness of sin. Continual sacrifices needed to be made. Year by year a covering was made. The new covenant by the blood of Christ, doesn't just cover sin, removes it and purges our conscious. Giving us a righteous conscious.

Say 'I am the righteousness of God.' That is what we have become. The way you need to look at it is Jesus righteous? Yes. We have become one with him, united with him. we have now become the righteousness of God and it's his righteousness.

Say this "I am just as righteous as Jesus Christ. just as righteous because we are one with him. God sees us just as righteous as Jesus. not less, just as righteous. Because it's his righteousness. We can only approach the Father through the righteousness of Jesus Christ. There is no other grounds but the grounds of Jesus Christ. It is a gift for us and we can not boast. Our position of righteousness." Since we have become righteous, knowing that we have becoming righteous and knowing that we are righteous, will enable you to walk in righteousness. It is a work of grace. Because we are righteous, we can do righteous. For the church to walk in righteousness if for them to know that they are righteous. If we are always told that we are sinners, how will the church walk? Even when the apostle Paul corrected the church, he always reminded them of who they were. He reminded them 'listen this isn't you; you are the temple of God, the spirit of God dwells in you' he corrected the Corinthians, some crazy things were going on and he corrected them and went on to say you are the temple of the Holy Spirit. That showed them who they were and empowered them

I encourage you to study these truths take off the glasses of religion and read Pauls letters. Take highlighters and highlight in Christ, in him, through him etc and things will start changing.

We looked at the importance of acknowledging who you are in Christ and how it affects your faith. the communication of your faith becomes effectual by acknowledging every good thing in you in Christ

Day 3 Session 2

to live that way

Let's go to the book of Galatians, I will give you some facts about Galatians.

It was written by the apostle Paul. It was written to correct the fickle Galatians who were further backsliding by following the legalistic Judea teachers. These legaliser judaers were coming and trying to take people back to the law. Paul is addressing this issue and setting them straight regarding the Christians of the new covenant to the Jews of the old covenant. In addressing this he highlights the revelation that God has given and says that it is the new creation that matters.

In chapter one we looked at, Paul clarified the message that he has. He calls it 'my gospel' he says that he didn't receive it from anyone, but from the Lord, and he said that he had a duty to share this with others. he called it the revelation of Jesus Christ. I v15, 16 who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace,

¹⁶ To reveal his Son in me, God has also called you to reveal the son in you

Galatians 2

Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.

- ² And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.
- ³ But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:
- ⁴ And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:

They were trying to come in and put rules and regulations, notice what Paul says. Liberty in Christ Jesus. If you are in Christ Jesus you have liberty you are free. Its not a set of rules, its not the law of Moses that justifies you, you are free in Christ because Christ is free.

- ⁵ To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.
- ⁶ But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: God accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed to be somewhat in conference added nothing to me:

He said they seemed to be something, but they added nothing.

- ⁷ But contrariwise, when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed unto me, as the gospel of the circumcision was unto Peter;
- ⁸ (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)
- ⁹ And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

At that time Jerusalem was the headquarters. Paul went there You can see that Paul was confident in what God had given him. He wasn't intimidated by those at head office in Jerusalem.

 10 Only they would that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward to do.

They said to him, to remember the poor and make sure you help them.

¹¹ But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.
¹² For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

Notice that he says he was eating with the gentiles and when the Jews came, he separated himself. I love Paul. He said that he withstood peter to his face. This revelation that he received, even though he wasn't one of the originals, it produced a confidence and boldness that he could go to head office and speak to Peter face to face

- ¹³ And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.
- ¹⁴ But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?
- ¹⁵ We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,

- ¹⁶ Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.
- ¹⁷ But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.
- ¹⁸ For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.
- ¹⁹ For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.
- ²⁰I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.
- ²¹I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

We are dead to the law. When Jesus was on the cross. He cried out 'it is finished' what was finished? Think about that. The plan of redemption was not finished because we know he still went into hell, 3 days later he rose, he took his blood into heaven, he died as a lamb, rose a high priest and took his blood into heaven to obtain an eternal redemption for us. When Jesus said it is finished. The plan of redemption was not finished, it had just started so what was finished? The law and its requirements was finished. That is why the curtain was ripped from top to bottom. We can say that all can come in, and God can come out. No longer would God be contained in a box in the desert and the law had finished and the curtain had ripped. Say "The curtain had ripped." These Judairs what they were doing since the curtain was ripped, they were sowing up the curtain. That is what religion does, it sows up the curtain with its religious thread and says you can have a peak but can't experience the fullness. The curtain is ripped.

If righteousness came by observing and doing the law, then Christ died in vain.

Galatians 3

O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

² This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

³ Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

⁴ Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain.

⁵ He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

⁶ Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

He was saying it wasn't things that you did that made your righteous, even Abraham, he believed God and it was counted to him as righteousness.

⁷ Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.

⁸ And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

⁹So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

¹⁰ For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

He is bringing the truths because the judaers are trying to bring people back into the law.

- ¹¹ But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.
- ¹² And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.
- ¹³ Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, <u>being made a curse for us</u>: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

With Christ, is our identification, in Christ is our union, for me is our substitution. Christ for us in our place. In our name. on our behalf.

If you believe that Christ died and he died for you, you must also believe that he died for you as your substitute, in your place, on your behalf.

- ¹⁴ That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.
- ¹⁵ Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.
- ¹⁶ Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.
- ¹⁷ And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

 ¹⁸ For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise.
- ¹⁹ Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.
- ²⁰ Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one.
- ²¹ Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.

The law could not give life. say the law could not give life.

- ²² But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.
- ²³ But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

The just shall live by faith, faith has replaced the law. Faith in what Jesus has accomplished.

- ²⁴ Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.
- ²⁵ But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.
- ²⁶ For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.
- ²⁷ For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
- ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.
- ²⁹ And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

We are one. God only sees one in Christ Jesus. sometimes it is good to read through the whole letter and see what is going on. the promise was made to Abraham,

Galatians 4

Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

He is saying even though you're an heir, it is no different from being a servant, even though Lord of all. Jesus is king of kings, Lord of Lords. The believer is the king and the believer is the Lord that Jesus is king of kings and Lord of lords.

- ³ Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:
- ⁴But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,
- ⁵ To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.
- ⁶ And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

Notice that you are sons.

⁷ Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

We have a saying, I believe it came from John G Lake, he said in Christ, we are God's sons, man's servant and the devil's master. In Christ we are God's sons, mans servant, and the devil's master. We are here to serve man. We serve man by removing sickness off man. We serve man by helping and assisting mankind. We serve man by revealing and showing them God's love and heart. We are masters of the devil, masters over sickness and disease. Be familiar with this. know that the work that Jesus accomplished the plan of redemption that work makes us sons. Get familiar with that, that you are a son of God. because Jesus is a son of God, you are joined to Jesus, identify with Jesus the son of God.

It says through Christ, it says in other translations in Christ.

⁸ Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.

⁹ But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?

Look at what Paul is calling the law.

- ¹⁰ Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.
- ¹¹I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour in vain.
- ¹² Brethren, I beseech you, be as I am; for I am as ye are: ye have not injured me at all.
- 13 Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first.
- ¹⁴ And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected; but received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus.

You can see how Paul is bringing them back to the place that you can't be justified by the law. In Christ there is liberty and freedom. In Christ we are sons of God. In Christ we are heirs of God. What the law could not do, Jesus Christ did on our behalf. Christ had redeemed us from the curse of the

law having been made a curse for us, that we might receive the blessing of Abraham, the blessing of the spirit.

Day 3

session 3

We are going through the epistles, when I first heard, epistle, I hadn't heard the term before I thought epistle was the apostle's wife. An epistle is more than a letter, an epistle is something that is written to a group of people that is to be read out. When Paul wrote this epistle, they were to be read out to the churches.

Galatians 5

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

Notice Pauls language. He is calling observation of the law, applying the law to be justified, he said Christ has made us free and don't be entangled with the yoke of bondage.

- ² Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.
- ³ For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.
- ⁴Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

We would say that someone who has committed sin has fallen from grace. We see articles saying things like preacher fallen from grace, even in that sense, grace will lift you up. Paul is saying that if you are trying to be justified by the law you have fallen from grace.

⁵ For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.

⁶ For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.

⁷Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?

⁸ This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you.

⁹A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

¹⁰I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

Remember in chapter one it said whoever preaches another gospel let him be cursed. What was the other gospels? Going back to the law in order to be justified. The law did not justify us. The law can not justify us. Faith in what Jesus what Jesus has done for us, justifies us. What does justify mean? It means declared righteous. God has declared you righteous because you are in Christ. Christ became sin for us.

2 Corinthians 5:21 he who knew no sin became sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God

By becoming one with Christ, we are declared righteous, because Jesus was declared righteous, when Jesus was resurrected, he was declared righteous, he was declared righteous and because he was declared righteous, we are righteous Say "I am the righteousness of God"

Heaven, God our Father in heaven, looked at us and declared us righteous. Because we are declared righteous, we can do righteousness.

Do you know why a cat meows? Because it's a cat, why does a dog woof woof. We do righteous because we are made righteous. We don't do righteous and then become righteous, we understand that we are righteous and because we are righteous, we can do righteous.

¹¹ And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.

- ¹² I would they were even cut off which trouble you.
- ¹³ For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.
- ¹⁴ For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
- ¹⁵ But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.
- ¹⁶ This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

What does it mean to walk in the Spirit? Walk in the new creation life. Walk in righteousness. We have the reverse in church we say if you don't fulfil the lusts of the flesh then you're in the Spirit. here it is saying if you start walking in the Spirit you won't fulfil the lust if the flesh. If you just live by faith, believing what Christ has done you will not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

¹⁷ For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

¹⁸ But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

Walking in the Spirit is walking in the new creation life and being led by the Spirit is being led by the new creation life. it isn't mystical, know who you are and who you have become, know what has happened and who you are united with, be a doer of those things and you are being led by the spirit and are not under the law

- ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
- ²⁰ Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
- ²¹ Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
- ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
- ²³ Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

The fruit of the Spirit, this is the fruit of the born-again recreated Spirit. This is the nature of Christ being lived out from you. The new creation. It is the character of the new creation. the first fruit, love. We are united with Christ. Jesus demonstrated love. That same love that Jesus demonstrated to us, is in me and you. We have the ability to love like God. People say they don't have love, they can't do it. Those are two lies. If you are a believer and born again, united with life, the new creation has the ability to love like God. You think that love is a feeling. You think that is a Holly wood type of thing. As long as someone keeps agreeing with you, liking you, pampering you, then you're in love. That's holly wood. Love will grow as you apply. We can love, "Father forgive them for they know not what they do", that was love. Life is such that people are going to come against you. Life is such that those close to you will come against you. That is an opportunity to love. It is an opportunity to be like Christ. Smile big praise the Lord.

Let me share something. My wife and I had a bit of an argument and the Lord made it clear to me, "how she treats you is none of your business, how you treat her is all of your business." Straight away I got up, went and gave her a kiss and we moved on. This is how we love, quick to forgive say "I love, I have the ability to love, like Jesus Christ, it's in me, I'm not waiting for a feeling or an angel to tell me or a prophecy to come saying thou shall love." The new creation is a lover

The second fruit is joy. You can often tell a person that is living out the new creation life by the joy in their life. Phillip went to Samaria and it says that there was great joy in the city.

Romans 14:17

¹⁷ For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

The fruit of the Spirit. The fruit of the born-again Spirit. The fruit of the recreated sprit. The fruit of the new man.

Peace, it is there. The moment you step out and make a decision, I will be in peace and stay in peace. The world is going through a pandemic and it's a difficult time for a lot of people. Do you know that the new creation isn't panicking? If you are panicking you are in your soul and in the flesh. Panic is not a fruit of the Holy Spirit. Do you know why the new creation isn't panicking because Jesus isn't panicking. The new creation can sleep through a storm and when he has woken, will speak to the storm and there will be peace.

All of these fruit are the born-again Spirit. We can't blame the Holy Spirit and say the Holy Spirit never gave me love faith or joy. If you are alive and listening to this born again. These things are in, so you can't say that the Holy Spirit never gave you love because they are the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

We can do these as much as we want and can never over do them.

There is no law there. as much as we want, we can do

- ²⁴ And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
- ²⁵ If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
- ²⁶Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

Galatians 6

6 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

²Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

It doesn't say that you bear your own burdens. You bear one another burdens and by doing so you are fulfilling the law of Christ.

- ³ For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.
- ⁴ But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.
- ⁵ For every man shall bear his own burden.
- ⁶ Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.
- ⁷Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

- ⁸ For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.
- ⁹ And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.
- ¹⁰ As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.
- ¹¹ Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.
- ¹² As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.
- ¹³ For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.
- ¹⁴ But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.
- ¹⁵ For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

Being circumcised won't be anything, not being circumcised won't mean anything. What matters is are you are new creature. He was saying look, these guys have crept in and are trying to take you back to the law. It wasn't the law that got you saved. It was the hearing of faith of the gospel and if you're going to keep the law, you need to keep the whole law, and if you go from grace to law you have fallen from grace. Now you're depending on your own works and tells them the works of the flesh and then shows them the fruit of the Spirit. The fruit of the new creation and then says circumcision doesn't mean anything or uncircumcision

- ¹⁶ And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.
- ¹⁷ From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.
- ¹⁸ Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Isn't that good. I encourage you in your own time go through the letters of Paul. Spend time there. you will see your union and how this new creation is to be lived out.

1 John 4:17

¹⁷ Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

As he is, so are we in this world. That is truth. That is God saying that. That is God showing us 'as he is so are, we in this world'. Make a habit of saying that. Especially when you sense pressure coming against you. I have come out of many situations by standing firm on this. "as he is so am I this world." Jesus is not panicking. If you are panicking it is a sign that you are not operating out the new creation because Jesus is not confused, panicking afraid or fearful. As he is so are, we in this world.

When reading the whole bible, you will see many characters, you will see some good characters, some crazy characters, we as believers, there is only one person the whole person we are to identify with. We can learn many good things, the bible says *follow those who with faith and patience inherit the promises of God* but there is only one person in the whole bible that we are to identify with, and that is Jesus Christ. We call him the patten son. He is the pattern we are to follow. Paul said imitate me as I follow Christ. That is how we disciple others. You follow the pattern of Christ and those you are discipling follow the pattern you are following. The only person we can follow is Jesus Christ.

Many want to identity with Elijah or Elisha they want a double portion anointing. People will offer you a double portion and then next week offer a triple portion. I was this person. I was going from meeting to meeting collecting portions. They want Elijah's mantle, all these different mantles. We aren't to identify with Elijah or Elisha or even Moses. They said to Jesus they were Moses disciples. Jesus did not need a double portion. He that speaks the word of God has the Spirit without measure. This is what Jesus said, *come to me if you are thirsty and drink and out of your innermost being will flow rivers of living water*. That destroys the portions. If there is a river flowing out of your, there is not portion. How are you going to measure the portion of the river?

All that Jesus had, all that he is, we are together joined with him. nothing less. This is what we should be teaching our people. Not, come to the front let me blow on you, lay hands, you fall on the floor roll like a fish and then I have given you my anointing.

If you want a strong church where people are doing the works of Jesus Christ come out the old convent, there is only one we should identify with. Teach the people the fullness of God dwells in Jesus Christ and they are complete in Jesus Christ.

One of the greatest days in my life was this when I realised that I am in Christ. I am in the anointed one and the anointed one is anointed with the Holy ghost so if I am in Christ, I am in the Holy one and his anointing. what a glorious day that was for me, I stopped collecting anointings and that enabled time to step out sand to do something. To help somebody, to love, to lift, to assist. Why? Because there is more than enough in me, I never lack, I am never empty. I am empty if I do it in my body and soul. But I am not to live from my body and soul but from the new creation, the body perish but the inner man is renewed day by day, if you live by the spirit there is more than enough. Jesus said I have come that you may have life and have it more abundantly say "I am never dry, there is enough in me to help everyone around me and even more left over"

day 3 session 4

we are going to be looking in the letters of Paul. I would encourage you to go through each letter at a time and the books aren't big, many can be read in 15 minutes. Never come to a place where you think that you know it all. Always believe that there is more to learn. Sometimes we think we are so familiar with a passage that we stop the Lord revealing new truths to us.

We are going to be going through one of my favourite books, the book of Ephesians which is sometimes called the triumphant church, the victorious church and the end times church This is one of my favourite books because this book is loaded.

Ephesians was written by Paul, was written to the saints at Ephesus and the faithful in Christ Jesus. we could say also it was written to the saints in Finland. To the saints in Sweden, in Estonia, in Israel

We are going to read through the book and see what the Lord brings

Ephesians 1

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:

Paul is an apostle of Christ by the will of God. he is telling them from the front his authority. Notice he was by the will of God not by the voting of men, and he said this is to saints at Ephesus and the faithful in Christ Jesus.

Individuals in the church are called saints.

² Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

He is saying that you are blessed, noticed 'has blessed us' God has already blessed us. So that is the past tense. Looking at these truths, and looking at the revelation of Paul. One thing that has to be made clear is the past tense of God's word. The language of faith is always past tense. The language of faith is always past tense. God has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in union with Christ. The word in Christ speaks of our union.

⁴According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

Notice, 'has chosen us.'

This is how God is seeing us, as already blessed, he is saying that he has chosen us, not going to choose,

You are blessed, with all spiritual blessing in Christ, you are chosen in Christ and you are Holy and without blame before him in Christ.

Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

This was his idea, that we be adopted as children of God to himself.

⁶To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

We are accepted in our union with him. You are accepted. You are accepted. There may be those around you that do not accept you, you may even feel rejected, but the truth is this, you are accepted, God accepts you, he has already accepted you.

⁷ In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Notice the past tense here. We have redemption. That is a legal word 'redemption' in order for there to be redemption, Satan had to be defeated. If Satan is not defeated there is no redemption. Since there is redemption that means that Satan is defeated. Jesus has delivered us, made payment and taken us out. Out of satans kingdom.

The word forgiveness, It is remission. The word remission means a total removal of sin. You had forgiveness in the old testament, In the new covenant we have a remission of sins, a total removal of sin and its consequences.

We have the redemption, and we have the remission of sins, and it is according to the riches of his grace.

⁸ Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

- ⁹ Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:
- ¹⁰ That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:
- ¹¹ In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

We have, in Christ, in our union with him. we have obtained an inheritance.

- ¹² That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.
- ¹³ In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

In whom, in union

- ¹⁴ Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.
- ¹⁵ Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,
- ¹⁶ Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;

We see him praying for the church at Ephesus. This is what Is commonly called the Ephesians one prayer. Let's see what he prayed for the church at Ephesus

- ¹⁷ That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- ¹⁸ The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

He was praying that they would clearly see something. Most are obsessed with hearing. They want to hear God; many books are written about hearing. Paul said that he is going to pray for wisdom and understanding that your eyes of understanding are enlightened. God wants you to see what he saw, see what he sees. Paul wanted the church at Ephesus to see what God had showed him

What was he saying? That you may see what is the hope of your calling, that you may see the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints. To see what is in them. Not in heaven but in the saints. This reminded me of a man who wanted to be rich and famous, and wealthy, he had a farm and nothing seemed to be going right, so he sold his farm looking for riches, he went all around Europe disappointment after disappointment. One day he said that he was going to go back and see the farm where he used to live and when he got there, he saw big machines and fences there only to find out, the farm that he sold was a gold mine. The people that brought his farm discovered gold and while he had sold it in search of riches. In you is a gold mine, and many believers go searching here, there, and everywhere and what Paul prayed that the eyes of your understanding be enlightened that the glory of his inheritance would be seen by the church

- ¹⁹ And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
- ²⁰ Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

He was praying that they see the exceeding power towards them. That was the same power that realised Jesus from the dead and sat Jesus at his own right hand in heavenly places.

²¹ Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

Paul wanted the church to see, that Jesus was placed far above all principality and power and every name that is named, not only in this world and the one to come. he wanted them to know that God has put all things under his feet. Say Jesus's' feet, has put all things under his feet. No one has a problem with that

²² And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, ²³ Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

He was saying I want you to see that God has raised Jesus and put him at his own right hand, put everything under his feet, he is the head over all the kings to the church and the church is his body because his body fills all in all. So as Jesus is the head and we are the body, the feet are a part of the body, and if all things are under the feet all things are under the feet of the church. That is what God wants us to see, that is what Paul was praying that we wouldn't just hear about this, but we would actually see this, because that is what revelation is. Revelation is seeing something, or something being revealed.

I put a ruler on the table and I cover it with a piece of paper, the paper is a veil. You can't see the ruler but it is there. Revelation is the removal of the veil so you can see what is there. The ruler has always been there but the church has failed to see that we are the body of Christ and if Jesus is far above, we are far above, he wanted them to see what was already there. Revelation isn't God putting something there. Revelation is you seeing what has always been there. This is what Paul prayed.

God is not going to seat you in heaven. You are already seated in heaven. The fact that we are reading this is a revelation to us of where we are already seated

Ephesians 2

And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

² Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

He was saying that God has made you alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins.

³ Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

As far as God is concerned, he made us alive even when we were dead in trespasses and sins because when Jesus was made alive, we were made alive.

⁴ But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

⁵ Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

Notice with Christ. Even when we were dead in sin, the mind of God and the plan of redemption, this is what God saw, when Jesus was quickened up, we were quickened with him. It is a work of grace that we are saved. When we accept Jesus as Lord that becomes a reality in our life. It was grace that made it happen, we just responded

⁶ And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

We were quickened together, we were raised up together and we are seated together in heavenly places, in union with Christ Jesus.

Even though right now, you might be sitting on your sofa, at your desk. Not only are you seated where you are seated you are also seated in heavenly places with Christ. In union with Christ, when Christ was raised you were raised with him.

⁷ That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

 8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

God wants us to see this. that when Jesus was raised, we were raised, When Jesus sat down, because we are in union with him, we sat down.

It is a work of God's grace, nothing to do with our good works. God responds to us based on the good work of his son.

⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast.

¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Another translation says that we are his master piece,

We were created in Christ Jesus

We were created in union in Christ Jesus.

Good works do not get you saved but if you are saved you will do good works.

We should walk in them. Not just talk about the good works but walk in them

¹¹ Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;

He told them who they were and now he is telling them who they were

¹² That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

¹³ But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

But now in our union in Christ Jesus.

¹⁴ For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

¹⁵ Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

Day 3 session 5

We have read that Paul prayed that the eyes of their understanding be Enlighted that they would see. God wants you to see What has taken place, in the death burial and resurrection and assession of Jesus Christ and how the finished work of Jesus affects our life. It is far more than a ticket to heaven. Far more than having your sins together. he was praying that as Jesus rose, we rose with Jesus, and when Jesus sat down, we sat down in union with him. and since Jesus is far above, he is the head, we're the body, we are far above all principality and power, and he goes on to saw who we were. First, he was praying they would see who we are then who they are, they were without Christ, alienated, and by the work of Christ that wall, that division was restored and we have become one new man.

Continuing in Ephesians 2

- ¹⁶ And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:
- ¹⁷ And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.
- ¹⁸ For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.
- ¹⁹Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

You are not a stranger or a foreigner so let's not act like it.

Say

"I am a fellow citizen

I am a saint

I am of the house hold of God"

That is our family. God has a big family; we are a part of that family.

- ²⁰ And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;
- ²¹ In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:
- ²² In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

Habitation, meaning a place where God comes to dwell. Whilst most of the church is waiting for a visitation God wants us to realise that we are to be a habitation, a dwelling place for God through the Spirit

Not just a visitation, most are waiting for a visitation because they haven't realised, they are a habitation. God has already come inside by the spirit and God is waiting on them.

Ephesians 3

For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

² If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:

- ³ How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,
- ⁴ Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

The writings of Paul, the letters, the epistles, reveal the mystery that was hidden.

- ⁵ Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;
- ⁶ That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:
- Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.
- ⁸ Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;
- ⁹ And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:
- ¹⁰ To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,
- ¹¹ According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

That was God's eternal purpose, which he purposed in Christ that we might be united with him, that we would reveal the manifold wisdom of God

¹² In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

In union In Christ, we have his boldness In union with him we have his access

- ¹³ Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.
- ¹⁴ For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- ¹⁵ Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,

Because we are one with him, his name has now become our name. That is why as we go; we go in his name. The whole family in whole of heaven and earth is named

- ¹⁶ That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;
- ¹⁷ That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
- ¹⁸ May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;
- ¹⁹ And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
- ²⁰ Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,
- ²¹ Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

This is Paul praying the second prayer, praying that these would be a reality in the church.

Ephesians 4

- **4** I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,
- ² With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;
- ³ Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- ⁴There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
- ⁵One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- ⁶One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

There is a lot of all's in that verse. All all all all

- ⁷But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.
- ⁸ Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.
- ⁹ (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰ He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)
- ¹¹ And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
- ¹² For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: ¹³ Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

God gave ministry gifts so that the believers could be equipped so that they become mature, to the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

Signs of children is one minute here, the next over there. wherever the wave comes they go with the wave. Tossed to and fro.

- ¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

 ¹⁶ From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.
- ¹⁷ This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

He said, get a revelation of this of what took place in the plan of redemption, start seeing what took place and where you are and who you are, so you don't walk as the world walks

- ¹⁸ Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:
- ¹⁹ Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.
- ²⁰ But ye have not so learned Christ;
- ²¹ If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

²² That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

²³ And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

Be renewed in the attitude of your mind. he says put off

²⁴ And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Put on, how do you put on the new man, by renewing the spirit of your mind. this new man, this new creation is created in righteousness and true holiness

- ²⁵ Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.
- ²⁶ Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:
- ²⁷ Neither give place to the devil.
- ²⁸Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.
- ²⁹Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.
- ³⁰ And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
- ³¹Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:
- ³² And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

Paul is telling them, what has happened what has taken place, who they are and he is telling them now live this out

You all know of Ephesians 6. The chapter that speaks about spiritual warfare. Notice that Paul said to put on the new man. Say put on the new man.

Ephesians 6

¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

¹¹ Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

When I was young, I asked my pastor how to put on the armour of God. He said this is what you do, you wake up in the morning and he made the actions along with the parts of the armour so I started to do this, every day and I was still getting attacked and beaten. That was what he knew to tell me. then I stated asking the Lord how to put on the armour of God

If you have to put it on every morning, but I never took it off? What does it mean to put it on? Putting on the armour of God is the same as Paul said 'put on the new man' what is the amour? The armour is Jesus. Jesus is the author of our salvation so he is the helmet of our salvation. Jesus is our righteousness so he is our breastplate of righteousness, Jesus is the way the truth and the life so he is the belt of truth. Jesus is the prince of peace so he is the shoes of peace, Jesus of the author and finisher of our faith so he is our shield of faith. Jesus is the sword of the spirit because he is the word of God

What it means to put on the armour of God is to renew our mind to our union with Christ

Jesus is our amour. Hallelujah, thank you Jesus. We start renewing our mind to who we are in Christ and who Christ is in us.

Wiles of the devil, means lies of the devil

- ¹² For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
- ¹³ Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evilday, and having done all, to stand.
- ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;
- ¹⁵ And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;
- ¹⁶ Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.
- ¹⁷ And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

When we renew our minds to our union with Christ to truth, righteousness salvation faith peace the word of God when we put on the new man, and renew our mind to Jesus himself, we will be able to walk in complete victory

Absolute complete victory 100% of the time, not 25% not 50, but 100% all the time but you have to identify and renew your mind to who you are in Christ and who Christ is in you. Thank you, Lord. I don't know about you but I want to walk in complete victory and Jesus is in complete victory

¹⁸ Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Notice the order renewing your mind, putting on the armour, who Christ is in you, praying always

¹⁹ And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,

He said put on the amour and pray for me That he may have utterance that when he opens his mouth, he would reveal the mystery

- ²⁰ For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.
- ²¹ But that ye also may know my affairs, and how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things:
- ²² Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that ye might know our affairs, and that he might comfort your hearts.
- ²³ Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- ²⁴ Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.

What a letter, that he is praying for this church, he is writing to this church they may see. I pray every one of you may see; See How the work of God affects there life not just in theory but in practice, affects how they live. We must renew our minds to our union with Christ that we may see. God wants us to see, not just hear, God wants you to see that when Jesus died our old man died with him. When Jesus was buried our old man was buried with him. When he defeated the devil, we defeated the devil and when Jesus sat down at the right hand of God, we sat down in him. We need

to see this. Start renewing you mind, putting on the new man, putting on the amour of God. When we put on the new man. The church of Jesus Christ will walk in complete victory over the enemy. That is why it is important, that is why we need to hear this message, that Why we need to read the letters of Paul. Discover who you are, as we renew our minds it will flow out our lives, just like he is the vine and we are the branches and as branches we will produce much fruit. This is God's plan for the church. These are our days to manifest Christ. To be a son of God that is revealing Christ to the world. Living epistles read by all men

Day 3 Session 6

In 1997 I first started hearing these truths and they were being watered over time, the seed of God's word started growing. Some practical things that we can do. If you are a believer and have received Jesus as Lord of your life you are born again. You are recreated in Christ Jesus; you have become one with Christ. These truths have to be not just theory not just a nice idea of wow that's nice, when these truths are applied things happen change takes place. Start to see yourself as one with Christ. I want you to start going through the letters of Paul you will find terms like;

In Christ Jesus

In Christ

In him

In whom

In the Lord

In the beloved,

Get something to highlight them, underline them, read them, think on them, dwell on them and speak them. These terms unpack the mystery that was hidden. The spirit of God will start working and bringing further light in these areas. Let me tell you brothers and sisters, this changes everything. That isn't just a naive saying, this is truth. You will be walking differently, talking differently, everything will be different and the work of Jesus Christ is supposed to change us radically and completely. Think this way, you are one with your Lord. As he is so are, we so is he in this world. Where you go here goes with you. I don't need to prayer for him to come because he never left. By telling him to come I am telling him that he left which is a lie because Jesus said I will never leave you. He isn't going to come because when he came, he had no intention to leave. He is completely committed to this union, lets be completely committed to him. Identify with him just as he identified with us. This is the message that makes the church strong and powerful in these days. We are not waiting for him; he is waiting for us to come in line with his word. He is the vine. And we are the branches. And we produce much fruit. Fruit that remains. We are the fruit baring part of the vine.