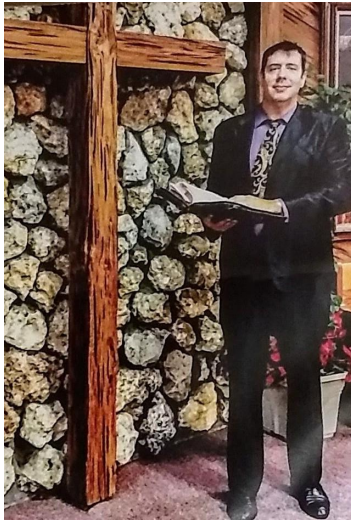


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ACTS 2:17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:



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HOW TO ENTER IN

By Pastor Troy Wiley

There is a principle that Jesus taught concerning how Christians can enter into the Presence of the Lord in this day. Jesus taught this principle in light of his resurrection. In other words, he taught this principle realizing himself, the difference that his resurrection would make. His resurrection would make possible the church. The church could not exist without his spiritual body. In order for his church to be his spiritual body, he would have to sacrifice his natural body, but he would have to do it spiritually by faith, without spot, wrinkle or blemish. This was in order for his church to obtain power.

Jesus said in Matthew chapter 18, verse 20, where two or three are gathered together in my name I will be in the midst. This is the definition of the church spiritually. A group of people that would be vessels for God to dwell in and work through. A group of people that would be commissioned to carry the gospel into all the world, and would have the power and the authority to do so. A group of people that would assemble together for the Divine Purpose of his Presence, Matthew 28:18-20.

In order for any human being to access the power of God, there must be the Spirit of the Lord present. Not by my nor by power but by my Spirit saith the Lord, Zechariah 4:6. Our own human spirit, has no real power outside of the Presence of the Lord. But where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty, 2 Corinthians 3:17.

As long as Adam fellowshiped the Presence of the Lord in the garden in the cool of the day, Genesis 3:8, he could have used his authority and dominion. But when he chose sin, and rejected the will of God, he lost his spiritual dominion, and sin entered into the flesh, 1 Corinthians 15:21-22.

Today we have this treasure in earthen vessels, 2 Corinthians 4:7, and believers assemble together to corporately worship the Lord. How pleasant and how good it is for brethren to dwell together in heavenly places, Psalms 133:1. When the people of God get

together the Lord is present in the midst. This means not only is he present within us, but his power and His glory can corporately flow out of us. This is the power of agreement. One can chase a thousand, two can chase ten thousand. Where two or three are gathered together in my name I will be in the midst, Matthew 18:20.

When the church comes together, they can enter into the Presence of the Lord as a body, Christ being the head. And in that atmosphere, and by the Spirit of the Lord, is the reality that all power in heaven and Earth has been given to the church by Christ. Then believers can enter into the spirit realm, and the anointing can break the yoke. The presence of the Lord can come on the scene and miracles and signs and wonders can take place, because the river of his presence is flowing out of his body.

The corporate anointing is very important and powerful, and it is to be in every Church where the body of Christ assembles. We are to gather together in his name. That is the means of access. Whatever you do, do it in the name of Jesus, Colossians 3:17. In his name is all dominion and power. It is because of his name, and faith in his name that we become saved. For there is no other name given among men whereby we must be saved, except the name of Jesus, Acts 4:12.

Two or three come together in his name, his power is present to minister to every need, that we will release our faith for. This is how miracles are obtained. This is how the Spirit is poured out, in the atmosphere of his name.



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This month, May 2025 is very special to me, both as a pastor and as a Christian. My birthday is the 9th of this month, and so is the birthday of a very special leader in God's kingdom, who is now yonder in glory. I am speaking of the late Bishop John Thomas McKeithan. He was born Wednesday, the 9th day of May 1894 in South Carolina. I am writing about him and his ministry to honor his extraordinary work for Christ Jesus our

Lord. Even though I was not alive when he was on the earth, I was born on his first birthday in heaven. In other words, the day he would have turned 81 years old, was the day I was born. He passed 10 days after his 80th birthday, which was Sunday, the 19th day of May 1974. How tremendous that he was born on a Wednesday, which is the day of the week that most churches hold prayer meeting. And it is tremendous to note that he died on the day of the week that the New Testament Church worships on, since the resurrection of Christ, it has been on Sunday. It is also striking to mention here that the well-known evangelist, the late Kathryn Kuhlman was also born on May 9th. And the day that I was born, Friday, the 9th of May 1975, was her last birthday. She would pass in February 1976, the following year.

When I read the final chapter of the letter of Saint Paul to the Christians at Rome, I consider Bishop J.T. McKeithan, somewhat in line with an individual that Paul references in verse 13. Romans 16:13 says, "Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord." Christ told us in John chapter 15, he chose us. And in the same mindset, we must believe that Christ has chosen us, and called us unto himself. This is necessary if we are to do a work for

him here on planet Earth, while we live. The Bible says, many are called but few are chosen.

Such a person was John Thomas McKeithan. Even though he is long gone, his works and his labor are still bearing fruit unto God in Christ. Like Rufus, who Paul said was chosen in Christ, Bishop McKeithan had a special call on his life, and he most definitely acted on that call, and committed himself to God's will concerning his life.

The following are just a few things that I have researched and discovered about the bishop's life and work in the last 20 years. I have met with some of his family members, and I have copied and recorded a great deal about him, documenting in county records and paperwork. He was way ahead of his time, and he lived a very accomplished life. He indeed had a very successful ministerial career, especially considering the time period in which he lived, and that he was an African American man in the South, born in the 1800s.

In 1935, he constructed his first church, meaning the first church that he would build that he would pastor. He was a member of the Holy Church of God in Christ, but by 1955, he was the pastor of several churches that he built himself. He would subsequently incorporate under the name, The Church of God which he purchased with his own blood. His corporate papers are filed both in Raleigh and in the courthouse at Carthage, North Carolina. This corporation is still in existence today. Bishop McKeithan built many houses and many churches. He is remembered as driving a dump truck that he worked out of during the week. And he also owned a black Cadillac that he would sometimes drive to church on Sundays. During his long career of preaching, he also took his family to church on a mule and wagon. And those that heard him preach will tell you, church lasted all day long.

As I mentioned, he built his first church, which is our church, in Carthage. This church was built on very rocky soil. The footing of this church must have been backbreaking to dig. The piece of property that the church sits on was part of what the deed calls the Barrett Old Field. This ground was and is full of rocks. Just take a shovel and make one strike, and the sparks fly even to this day. The church is located in what was partially a hog lot. I have been told that God instructed Bishop McKeithan to build churches where the poor folks lived. This reminds me of the scripture that says, the poor you have always, John 12:8. Many preachers will take a church once it is built and well established, but few preachers have what it takes to build a church where poor people are. Few preachers have what it takes to establish a church where there is practically no money. This definitely is an act of God.

Bishop McKeithan is remembered as holding church on people's front porches. He had people in his church who played horns and trumpets. If there was a need, he and his people would come to your house and shut in and pray. He is remembered as being a powerful shouting preacher, whose voice was loud and clear. He is remembered by both African American and Caucasian people as being an honorable steward and worker for Christ. He built the church in Aberdeen in 1940. I am privileged to Pastor both the church at Aberdeen and the church at Carthage. He built a total of seven churches that he was Bishop over. There are six of these churches still standing today. And five out of the original seven are still used as churches today. He had credentials with another organization as I mentioned before. But he eventually went independent so that he could fulfill the call of God in his life. He built churches in Carthage, Aberdeen, Vass, Lobelia, West End, Cameron, and Broadway. He also built churches in other places. He had a sawmill on his property near Vass, North Carolina. He cut the boards for the construction of the churches himself. He laid the block and drove the nails. He also built the pews. He made two trips to Jerusalem, to see the Holy Land. He preached every Sunday on AM station 990 out of Southern Pines. He recorded his own eulogy sermon, on a reel to reel, to be played at his funeral.

He was noted for a great powerful voice and very powerful preaching. He foot-raced his boys every year at their family reunion, and he is remembered as beating them on foot many times. He had a son named after him with special handicap needs. He prayed that God would not let him die without knowing that this son was cared for. The Lord took this son first, and later he took the Bishop. If we honor God, he will remember us. He is remembered as building the church in West End, North Carolina almost by himself. What a tremendous legacy. Rest in peace and happy birthday to Bishop John Thomas McKeithan.

BEYOND THE NATURAL

By Pastor Troy Wiley

From the beginning of man's existence, the Bible teaches that Adam was a living soul, Genesis 2:7. Beyond the natural is the true beginning of man, which is the origin of all creation, the supernatural, John 1:3. Many people live their life only in the

natural. They only believe what they see, and because they do not use their faith, their life is mostly based in the natural. There are supernatural things that flesh and blood cannot reveal. This is why we walk by faith and not by sight, 2 Corinthians 5:7.

The Bible says that which is revealed belongs unto you and your children, but the secret things belong unto the Lord, Deuteronomy 29:29. There are secret things that are supernatural. These things are not revealed. They are not revealed now, but the scripture teaches one day in the glory world, in the heavenlies we shall see Christ as he is. When that day comes, we will have the privilege to experience life in the supernatural beyond the flesh bodies that we live in now, 1 Corinthians 13:9-13.

There are many human beings that the Lord loves who never acknowledge the presence of the Lord. They are limited to the natural because only the flesh is real to them. Without faith it is impossible to please God. They never really experience the supernatural because the flesh has them bound. Faith in the Word of God will take us beyond the flesh. Faith in God's Word will take us beyond the natural and into the supernatural, Hebrews 11:6.

If we only have hope in the natural, our faith will never be activated. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen. We must believe in the supernatural beyond that which is visible in the natural. We walk by faith and not by sight. When we hear the Word of God preached, we must mix it with faith, Hebrews 4:2. This is the only way the Word of God can profit us spiritually. It is a blessing to hear the Word, it is a blessing to read the Word, but the only way to keep the Word is by faith. The just shall live by faith, Hebrews 10:38.

People ask for prayer and then hope to feel better. They ask for prayer then they hope to see things change in a positive way. This is not how faith works. The Bible says when you pray, believe that you receive the things you asked for, and you shall have them, Mark 11:23. This is the faith of God. There is no need to pray, if we do not believe. We do not pray and then believe, but we must pray the prayer of faith. This means that we believe that we receive what we ask for. Our faith must be more real than our senses.

Natural faith is based in our natural senses, spiritual faith is based in the Word of God. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God, Romans 10:17. Some people attempt to pray, and then they turn to their natural senses to see if prayer worked. Prayer is beyond the natural. Meaning that real prayer is the working of faith. Therefore, when we pray, we must believe that we receive what we ask for. We do not pray and then consult our senses, we must believe what the Word of God says despite our senses.

If we waver, we can receive nothing from God, James 1:6-7. God is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. To diligently seek him, Hebrews 11:6, is to let faith take us beyond our natural senses. To seek him by faith, is to allow faith to take us in our spirit beyond what our senses can detect. This is why the Bible says if thou shall believe in thine heart. This is the working of faith. The natural is to see it with the eyes and believe it, spiritual faith is to stand upon the Word beyond our natural senses.

Natural faith is to believe it in the mind, spiritual faith is to believe it in the heart. Between these two, is all the difference between life and death, and heaven and hell, and light and darkness. To believe it in the heart is to believe it from the inside out, to believe it in the mind is to believe it from the outside in. Spiritual faith is beyond the realm of the mental. Spiritual faith is beyond the realm of man's intellect. Spiritual faith originates in the Word. And faith takes a hold of the Word of God, and in the realm of the Spirit, and it causes it to manifest. In other words, faith is the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen. When faith is at work, the invisible becomes visible.

SEEING BY THE SPIRIT

By Pastor Troy Wiley

Just beyond the visible is the invisible. The natural can be seen, but there is a realm beyond the natural, just beyond what the natural senses can detect, there is another realm. The only way to see it is by the Spirit. And the things that are in that realm are beyond the natural. They are supernatural. The natural therefore cannot function in this realm. The spirit world is unseen by the natural. However, there are occasions in life that permit us to obtain certain observations concerning this realm.

Angels are spirit beings with spiritual bodies that are created to live in the spirit world, Hebrews 1:7. We can entertain them unaware, Hebrews 13:2. But their dominions and thrones are influential here, but they are seated in heavenly places, Colossians 1:16. And those heavenly places have geographic significance here in this world.

Jacob saw them, Genesis 28:10-22. They came and ministered to Jesus after the temptation, Matthew 4:11, and in the garden, Luke 22:44. Jesus said to Nathaniel that angels would be ascending and descending, John 1:47-51. On another occasion in the Old Testament, the Prophet could not see the angel, but the donkey did, Numbers 22:12-20. Some angels deal more with Israel, Daniel 10:10-21, and some more with the church, Revelation 2, 3. There is the Old Covenant, and then we have better promises. The Bible says these are examples unto us.

The Realm of Spirits can be revealed through the working of a revelation gift, the gift of discerning of spirits, 1 Corinthians 12:10. By the outworking of this manifestation, knowledge of spirits can be obtained. In other words, one can see and hear the activities of spirits in the spirit world, while still living here in this realm.

Ezekiel was allowed to witness many supernatural things in the spirit world, because the discerning of spirits was operating in his prophetic ministry. He saw cherubims and the throne of God through seeing by the Spirit, Ezekiel 1. Other prophets had similar experiences.

Visions are at times experienced as part of seeing by the Spirit. One can have a vision in several forms because of the outworking of seeing by the Spirit, through the means of discerning of spirits. Peter fell into a trance on the house top. He saw the future in reference to God's dealing with the church and the Great Commission, Acts 10.

In this hour, the Lord said his Spirit would be poured out upon all flesh. Part of this outpouring is the depth of the Spirit, which is associated with dreams and visions. When brethren worship until

the heavens open, often times visions and manifestations come to pass.

Seeing by the Spirit is sometimes called a gift. More correctly it is not so much an individual gift as it is gifts overlapping and flowing together. The gift of prophecy and word of wisdom, and the word of knowledge can merge together and flow as we have dreams and visions, and this can be realized through the outworking of discerning of spirits.



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