You're More Powerful Than You Realise or This'll be the death of me; thank God



I write this as a continuation of my testimony. (If you wish you can see my first testimony article called 'Mind the Gap' via this link - http://www.sigler.org/Fautley/. It is on the list on the left somewhere.

I'm not sure how to start this, for I am sure I will be branded as 'New Age', by those that do not understand what I am writing, but I write here, that which I am sure has been true revelation given from the Spirit, Comforter, Friend and Teacher to me, over the past few years.

I know that anybody who has had at least one meeting with the Spirit of Jesus Christ, knows that nothing else in Heaven nor Earth can ever satisfy that one again after such a meeting. For this is eternal life to know ME (who this ME truly is). I am sure also that you know that the deep spiritual things of God - 'the deep calling to the deep' cannot be understood by the human intellect (carnal mind), for it is at enmity with the Spirit of God. This is why Jesus always spoke in parables, in order to bypass the intellect, and paint a verbal picture that could be seen, heard and recognised by the spirit within. This is what we know to be revelation/enlightenment.

As this is a continuation of my testimony I will start it from four years ago, when I was in my home in Middletown Louisville, Kentucky. I remember praying and asking the Father if He would be gracious toward me by showing me what it means for a person to be ascended. I had from previous enlightenment by the Spirit come to recognise my inner resurrection, when Galatians 2:20 became a real and true part of me, and I, like Paul knew that it was no longer I that lived, but Christ that liveth in me, and this was and is a wonderful thing to be shown. But, I still had problems with the 'me' part of the statement. Not just problems with myself but also problems with other people who, at the time were experiencing the same revelation, but they were committing adultery, carousing, lying, slandering or talking unkindly about their fellow man, and then justifying themselves, (goodness knows how), by quoting Galatians 2:20 and saying that it was now Christ living through them, as he that is joined to the Lord is one spirit, 1Co 6:17. Therefore it must follow that it must be Christ doing these things. And of course judge not by appearances, John 7:24, mustn't forget that one. I knew in my heart it wasn't Christ doing the unlovely here, but I did not, at that time, have a handle on exactly what was happening. It just confused me, for I too knew that Christ was now my life, and I was still not inwardly happy with the way I was living my own life. For as I said before, the problem was not with Christ, the Father, The Spirit, but with this thing called 'me'. I was also confused by the teaching at the time, of the whole concept of asking Jesus to come into your heart so that you can get born again. Two things concerned me. The first being the scripture that says, John the Baptist, on seeing Jesus, told those around him, "This is the light that lighteth every man". John 1:9. Every man? This would suggest that asking Jesus into your heart when he is already there seems folly. The second thing that concerned me was, asking Jesus into your heart seems (with some anyway), a conversion to a religion, rather than a spiritual awakening, which Jesus called 'born again'. For I know in my own experience I met the Sprit of Christ laying in my bed at home and it was wonderful, the tears of joy rolled down my face as I had a lengthy two way conversion with my Lord and Saviour. But hey, I

guess we don't all get the same experience, and who's to say that some folk do not receive the same enlightenment when they are serious about asking Jesus into their heart. The continuation of this teaching was; that before you ask Jesus into your heart the Devil resides there, and when Jesus comes in the Devil goes out. If the Devil was in the heart of anybody, then surely he must have been in the heart of Judas, yet we are told that, at the last supper Satan *entered* Judas. *Luke* 22:3. Why would he have to do that if he was already in there? And, if it is true that our spirit is that of the Devil and we have his nature, then who is asking Jesus to come into their heart in the first place? The Devil? See why I was confused?

We know that Jesus told the religious brigade that they were of their Father the Devil and his lusts they will do, **John 8:44**, but this does not necessarily mean that they were the Devil incarnate, after all, Jesus told Peter, "Satan get behind me". *Mat 16:23*. If Peter was really Satan incarnate, would he really want to follow Jesus? If the Devil is man's spirit before rebirth, then John the Baptist must have got it wrong when he said this is the light that lighteth *every man*.

Surely the truth is, that Jesus' Spirit IS the light that lighteth every man, but he is asleep as it were, whilst we are in our carnal state, and in ignorance of him being within, and even more unaware that he is the true life of our life, the life we need to find by losing our carnal sense of self life) i.e. 'the I am just me self'. This is why the scriptures say awake - arise for thy light has come, awake and Christ (the light that is within you) shall give you light. How? Because He is your true real self, not the self you have been led to believe you are all these years. At the fall when you seemingly left the garden, and you left your true self, (the Father), you took on an awareness, a self awareness, separate from the Father self, which we have all called, 'well, I am just me'. Jesus knew better, he knew who his true self was. He knew that he was Christ (the anointed), he knew that he and his Father were one and the same, even though he did say, "the Father is greater than I". John 14:28. Well of course; The Ocean is always going to be greater than any one wave, but each individual wave (Christ), is never the less still the Ocean (Father). Jesus knew and understood this and that is how through this understanding he could say, " If you've seen me, you've seen the Father. John 14:9. In the same way that, if a wave of the Pacific could speak it would be quite correct in saying, If you've seen me you've seen the Pacific. For it is not the Atlantic in this case. So, these were my mental wrest lings at that time, and the very reason for asking the Father, if He would show me what ascension meant, for I felt that if I had a revelation from the Spirit, of what it means to be ascended, then maybe from that elevated spiritual state, I may be able to answer these questions for myself.

Well, I returned from Kentucky to my home in England, and within six weeks it was discovered that I had a cancerous tumour on my face. It went from the size of a grain of rice to the size of a golf ball in four weeks. The pain was excruciating. During the medical examinations and scans they also discovered that I had prostate cancer and a course of radio therapy would be necessary. These doctors also took a scan, and from this one they discovered that I had an abdominal aortic aneurism, which would require major surgery. The treatments and hospitalisation from all this took about three and a half years, during which time, I was unable to do not very much at all. I had asked God to show me what ascension meant, and He seemingly put me through the winepress. It was actually the Lake of Fire. That fire that preachers call Hell when they do their fire and brimstone stuff. This is, actually, a wonderful cleansing fire. For this is God's way of burning off that which is of 'self' so that what remains is Him. The Father, the Pacific. So whilst at this time I was feeling that the Father had let me down big time, he was bringing me to a place in that hospital where I was ready to literally die, (and I thought I would), and I came to terms with it, praying all the time, "If you can get me out of this please do, but however not my will but thine be done". He got me through it all, and with the peace that passes all understanding, during the whole ordeal. However - just around the corner the answer to my prayer was coming. I cannot say and do not know for sure, if these sufferings had any bearing on the revelation I received, but I like to think they did, and that there was some meaning to all the three and one half years of hospitals, scans, blood tests, anaesthetics, stitches, check ups etc.

Enlightenment was coming to me from many directions. From scripture, from books, from music, the words of folk, not knowing how or what they were saying was ringing bells in my spirit.

I came to see that the God I was seeking, was my real, true self all the time, and the devil that had me so fearful, was actually the self that I had believed I was. My false self, the illusion. The trick, that was so adeptly pulled off in the Garden of Eden, when I became this, 'I am just me person'.

Let me use the scripture that helped open my eyes. It is always a good thing to put yourself into the story when reading scripture. For example it is wonderful when you see that in the story of the prodigal son, you are the prodigal, the son that remained at home and their father all at the same time. However the scripture I speak of is this one. <u>Mat 21:33 - 41</u> These are Jesus' words:

Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country:

And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it.

And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another.

Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise.

But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son.

But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.

And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him.

When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen? They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.

I'll write the parable again, but this time adding what came to me as I read between the lines. We need to see that this story is relating to our inward state. Our progression along life's way as we evolve from being lost (no idea who we are; through a glass darkly) into being found, (finding out who we truly are, knowing as we are known).

There was a certain householder, (The Father)

which planted a vineyard, (The Kingdom of Heaven)

and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, (The Earth)

and built a tower, (The tree of the knowledge of good and evil)

and let it out to husbandmen, (humans in their carnal state, ignorant of the truth of their true being. Lost in the world of shadows and illusion, not having any concept of who they truly are. This is what the bible refers to as lost. Lost because they have lost their true self. When we left Heaven the true realm and entered this world we died to our true self and became a 'who am I? self. Before Abraham was I am. That is why when you learn things, it feels like you have got something that was outside of you in to you, but that is not the case, for when you learn something new, you are merely remembering what you already knew before you came here, for God knows all things. That's why you do also. 1John 2:20 - But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and you know all things

and went into a far country: (It seemed to Adam (us), after eating from the tree, that God had gone away; into a far country, for he, Adam (us), had seemingly left the garden where God lived. That place where one is conscious of their oneness with the Father. Where he knew God, where he was one with his creator and fellowshipped with him daily. Which you did too, until you came here. But it was Adam (us) that went away rather than God. God didn't go anywhere. Where could He go, when He is all and in all? It was the change in Adam's (our) consciousness that made it appear that he had left the garden, and in doing this it seemed like God had gone away.

And when the time of the fruit drew near, (This is when it is getting near to your time to be enlightened, to be born again or as Peter puts it, "born from above", meaning you will receive a higher state of awareness/consciousness in your earthly walk when this first enlightenment comes to you.

he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it. (These men, or man, or author of a book, or whatever, brought The Gospel to you, (C.S. Lewis in my own case), these are the servants who brought the Good News to us, (husbandmen).

And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. (The time of the first fruit has been successful with you and you have been born again and you are on cloud nine. Euphoric. You don't know at this point or have any realisation that you are experiencing, even then, your Oneness with the Father, but before long the euphoria wears off and you say, Oh Lord what have I done? Where did I sin, that you would leave me? You have somehow died to your Oneness to your experience. Maybe the cares of the world, maybe you did something you felt guilty about. Whatever the case, this had to be; for the Oneness that you experienced, was and is far more reaching than you can understand at this point of your walk. This is the 'little children stage, that John speaks of in his letter: 1John 2:12. I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake. The three servants, your conscious awareness of God has seemingly been killed off.

Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise.

(This time you get religious, and double your **self effort** (servants more than the first), to get back into that euphoric state of knowing Him, by attending church, tithing, studying the bible daily etc etc. You may even start to feel you are making some spiritual headway with this new religious way of life. You may have got the better of your cussing, you find that with a little bit of effort you can be much kinder to people than you were before. You find that you have learned to be more tolerant than you used to be. Yes this seems to be going well. But, what about those habits and traits that you can't get the better of? Well, servants more than the first, you re-double your effort and eventually you come to realise that it is all an act. It is just the self trying to act holy trying to be something it isn't, and those damn habits and traits, oh if only you could be rid of them. Eventually all this kills you, it's meant to. So the husbandmen (false self), has now killed again the true self. This is meant to be, because God will not share his Glory with any man (please note here that I say man, for it will become apparent, hopefully later, the difference between son of man and son of God. This is what John refers to as the young men stage of spiritual growth. 1 John 2:13. I write unto you, young men, because ye have overcome the wicked one.

But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son. This stage of your growth is where you come to hear 'The rest of the Gospel' as Mr Dan Stone titled his book. Where you are enlightened yet further by the Spirit to see;

Galatians 2:20. I 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. Note: Wasn't too sure at this time how it was the faith of the Son of God. What happened to my faith? Didn't I have some?

<u>Phl 1:21</u>. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Note: First part great, second part to die is gain? Didn't get that bit at the time.

Col 1:27. To 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: Note: Liked the Christ in you part, but again a bit confused about the Glory! Who's Glory? His or mine? Or is it shared? I thought God would not share His glory with any man.

You see in the three Notes: this 'me' is still cropping up. But again the clue is in the statement at the end - *any man*.

You are now aware of a true second enlightening as you become conscious of your union with the Christ within. Or is the union with the Father within? hopefully we will discover which. It is like you are born again, all over again, as you realise that all that self effort you were putting in as a Christian, all that self effort that came to nothing anyways, (though all things do work together for God), has been thrown in the trash, or as St. Paul counted it as all dung. You have come to SEE that it is Christ that lives the Life because He is the Life. So again without labouring the point, though I need to, there is still this cumbersome 'me' that causes problems, but you have faith that somehow it is now Jesus living in you through you and AS you. What a relief to know this. What joy. But as time went on It was almost like we had become a puppet and Jesus Christ was somehow working us from within. But even with this wonderful revelation, this 'me' is still a problem, and the reasoning and trying to mentally and intellectually fathom out what this union with Christ means, kills us and once again our joy has gone. This is what is happening here with the next part of this scripture. Horror of

horrors they killed the Son. But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.

I used to think this was speaking of Jesus' crucifixion. And it may well be. But not here. That maybe for another article another time, for here we are speaking about what is going on within us during our spiritual pilgrimage and our growing in awareness of who we Really Are. I like the last part of this verse especially, where it says, and let us seize on his inheritance. This speaks to me of those I mentioned earlier, when I said they were doing all manner of things and saying it was Christ.

And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him. Here we go again. We've been killed off a second time. We are once again back to our 'I'm just me mode, but still with the faith and the knowing that Christ is in us anyway, somehow.

I expect you can see that this is all working its way toward our Third Death. Again, hence the title of this article 'This'll be the death of me; thank God'.

When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen? They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.

Well here it is; The third death: He will miserably destroy those wicked men. I especially like the word destroy here. As something that is destroyed is never to be seen again. It must be noted, that in spite of our two previous revelations and our growth in awareness up to this point, we are STILL regarded as wicked men. Why, even now? What is now still so wicked about us? This is difficult for us to understand, because of the world we live in (even though we are not of it literally), we tend to think of wickedness in terms of bad deeds. Wrong doing. Sin has always been regarded, down through the ages, as wrong doing, bad deeds. But Sin is a principle. Bad deeds and wrong doing might be a result of it, but so could good deeds and right doing be a result of it too, when sin is seen for what it is. There are three main things in the bible that I recognise in regarding what sin is:

Firstly. The Greek word for sin, translated in to English in our bible means 'to miss the mark; to fall short' And it is written, 'all men have fallen short of the Glory of God. Again, note the word 'men' For the Son of God has not fallen short of this mark, but the son of God is NOT a man. He is a life giving Spirit. And the Son of God is WHO YOU ARE. More about that later.

Secondly John in his letter says that Sin is unbelief. That's fine, but unbelief in what? Un belief that you are the Son of God.. To believe that you are a self, independent of the Father is mere illusion. For it is written, I am God and beside me there is none other. Who are all these millions of people then? Scriptures have surely got that one wrong lol. I am of course being facetious. Yet this 'self' living in sin (ignorance of its true self, in darkness, yet believing it to be something separate from God is actually the 666. The antichrist, for it sits on the throne which is truly God's and boldly and arrogantly says, "I am me, I have free will. I will do what I want to do. There is no God. I make my own luck: This is antichrist.

1Jo 4:3. And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

Why is the world looking for some great leader to come along who will be the antichrist? When John makes it very clear here what an antichrist is. And already in the world. And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. OUR FLESH. As He is in the world, so ARE WE.

Thirdly. Sin is Ignorance. Darkness. Lostness. Separateness from its Source, from the Existing One. The ONLY Existing one.

Now I know that John also says that sin is lawlessness, and so it is. For when one is suffering from the three above explanations, lawlessness is bound to follow. For when the 666 man says, "I am a law unto myself' that in itself is lawless. However when the Son of God says I am a law unto myself that is not, for he has already explained and knows that it is the Father doing and saying through him, and God needs not keep any laws for He IS a law unto Himself. In fact He is the source of all, Law included. He is the Source and Principle of everything.

So now we can see why, in the parable, even at this stage of our development we are still the wicked men; for we are still seeing ourselves as 'me' the self, (albeit with Christ within, but still a 'me and Christ' and that is Two NOT One. We are still, at this stage, the self that we

have always believed we were and this turns out to be antichrist/illusion for there never really was such a self. Only in our own self awareness and self consciousness does this self have any being, for in truth this self is The Son of God. Always has been and always will be. Birth less, ageless and deathless, even before Abraham was I AM (WE ARE), as Jesus so nicely put it.

Now when this revelation comes to you, where is that self now? Where has it gone? It has gone no where for it never was. This is the self that Jesus said we must deny. This is the self that has to be lost in order to gain its true self, hence Jesus' words about losing your life (your illusory 'self' life for His sake, that you may re-gain your true life - Christ. So the life you are losing is no loss at all for it never was. It is that beast in the Book of the Revelation, that is said to be he that was, and is not, and yet is. This is the illusion man, the man that was; (the man we thought were), and is not; (for we are really God's Son Christ), and yet is; (still seeing ourselves as 'just me' with our own life). The son of man has no where to lay his head. Of course not. The son of man is lost. The son of man is in darkness. The son of man is an illusion, and an illusion has no where to lay its head, for there is no head to lay down. It only exists in its own mind and no where else. That's why Jesus says, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ve that work iniquity". I never knew you. Wow doesn't sound like the meek and kind Jesus we know does it? But it does when we realise that he is speaking about the illusory self. How can God know something that doesn't exist? Wow. No wonder the world lies in the wicked one. We are part of the lie, when seen from this perspective.

So am I asking you to believe that you are God? No not really, for the real truth is that God believes He's YOU. For who is doing the believing if there is only ONE. The Existing One. He that is the SAME today, yesterday and tomorrow, no illusion there. This is what John refers to as the fatherhood stage.

I know I said at the beginning that it is not an intellectual process, and here I am seemingly tickling the ears of your intellect. However my prayer is that your true self is hearing this, even whilst your intellect may be saying, "What the hell's he talking about".

So I believe God shows what ascension is to the soul that seeks to know as he is known. What happens when you ascend. You disappear right? You are no where to be found. That's why I entitled this article; This'll be the death of me; thank God. For you are no where to be found, because you never were in the first place.

So when any wave laps up on the beach it is the Ocean that is lapping up on the beach. I do what I see my Father doing. I hear what I hear my Father saying. I think what my Father is thinking. For I and My Father are One I. So God is the I AM that I AM. God IS the I AM that YOU are.

I thought I'd finished this, but woke up this morning to find that I have to say some more, regarding spiritual growth.

What IS spiritual growth. From all the stuff I have written here above, it can be seen that there is a progression. We can see this in the parable of the vineyard, and also in John's reference to little children, young men and fathers.

So what is spiritual growth. I think we can see it clearer if we start with what it isn't. As humans in this world we tend to think of growth, as something that starts at one point (A), and ends up at a further point (Z). For example, a baby (A), 'grows' and eventually becomes an adult (Z). Or a little tree (A), grows in to a huge tree (Z). Again a small company (A), improves and grows into an industry (Z). The thing to notice here is that the thing that reaches (Z), is the self same thing that started out at (A). This is NOT the case with spiritual growth. Jesus himself tells us what spiritual growth is when he talks about the seed falling in to the ground and dying.

John 12:24. "I tell you the truth, except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abides alone: but if it die, it brings forth much fruit.

I know this to be true, as I once had a packet of flower seeds, that I meant to plant out in my garden, when the season was right. So I put them in a drawer till that time, but forgot all about them. I discovered them again, by accident, about four years later, and guess what?

There was not a flower to be seen. The seeds hadn't even cracked. They'd just lain there for four years, or as Jesus said they abided alone. So lets expand on this concept of dying and bringing forth fruit. Lets take a flower seed, an acorn and an egg. In all three cases it is true to say, the seed contains the flower, the acorn contains the tree, and the egg contains the bird. But, the seed is NOT the flower. The acorn is NOT the tree and the egg is NOT the bird, yet their contents are these things. In order for the flower, tree and bird to come forth (fruit), the seed and acorn must rot and die, and the egg must crack and be smashed. Hence in the parable, the Lord of the vineyard came and miserably destroyed those wicked men. Interesting isn't it that the wicked men were not just destroyed, but 'miserably' destroyed. Well, I'm sure for the flower seed, the acorn and the egg it is pretty miserable, whilst it is being destroyed, so that it may bring forth its fruit. So you see the seed, acorn, egg, are representative of 'the self'. When you look in a mirror and see your reflection there, you say, "That's me". Well, it isn't. Firstly let me make this clear for it is of upmost importance. The body seen in the mirror is NOT you, but more importantly your body is NOT the seed in the analogy either. I know that religion would place your coffin in the ground after physical death and say that the seed is fallen into the ground, and the person has gone UP to this place they call Heaven. Or they may use the oft quoted verse at funerals, absent from the body and present with the Lord. This scripture of Paul's also has nothing to do with physically dying. We know that The Kingdom of Heaven is within us. Jesus said so, and God cannot lie. So what is the seed if not the body? The seed is (meditate on this), the seed is your perception of yourself. The awareness you have of yourself as a being when you look at yourself in a mirror and say, "That's a reflection of me there. It is not so much the body that you are looking at, but rather, 'The perception' that you hold within your self awareness, of yourself. This self perception, self consciousness, IS the seed, that must rot and die. This is the seed (self awareness) that must be denied. This awareness of self is the life that has to be lost, so that it may gain the Self Awareness, of the True and Real Self. And this Self is the Son, the Christ, which is One with the Father. You see you could never be One with God, for there is no 'you' that can be one with him. But the Son IS one with Him, and that is who you really are. We have all been tricked through the fall to believe we are someone we are not. That's why I say, that 'self awareness' is illusion.

We live and move and have our being in the Father and the Father lives and moves and has His being in US, the Son, the Christ, the wave of the Pacific, so to speak. That's why and how Jesus could say, "do you not realise that I am in the Father and the Father is in me". Well this statement is your statement too, because of who you truly and really ARE. Not will be one day, but are now, always were, and always will be. For you are spirit, eternal ageless, birth less and deathless. You are NOT a body walking about taking an inward spirit with you where ever you go. No. You are a spirit being taking your body (temple), where ever you go. Whether you recognise it or not. But of course for you, it is much better that you do recognise and know your true nature. Your true state of being.

James 1:2. So, as James says, "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations'. When you are being tempted to believe that God has deserted you, when things seem to be all turning pear shaped, or even worse, that you are being tempted to feel that you are being punished by God. No, not at all. These diverse trials and tribulations are the refiners fire. You are being sifted, and oh what a wonderful thing to be sifted by God Himself. The 'seed', false self is being destroyed, so that that which is to come can and will come. So that the elder WILL serve the younger and the first WILL be last and the last WILL be first.