

The Mind of Christ?

Much has been written by the prophetic voices of this present priesthood about the material manifestation of God's kingdom on earth. But just as the physical universe was a finished work in the mind of God before He spoke it into existence, so it will be with the kingdom. The kingdom that He will begin to establish on earth through us will only be a reflection of the finished work of God's kingdom *within us*. This is why in Luke 17:20 Jesus said that the kingdom does not come with outward signs to be observed, "The kingdom is in the *midst of you*." In light of this fact, let us press on to the fullness of the measure of the stature of Christ.

Speaking of perfection, my fellow workers in the vineyard, what do we now have, and what do we lack? It would seem that we've focused so much on what we know, what the Father has made real to us, that we've spent little time pondering or recognizing the things we don't yet know. God has purposed to build *His* kingdom in us and through us, He has never intended for us to build one unto ourselves. So I bring you a word in due season: it's time to focus, give some 'earnest heed,' and begin to recognize what we don't know in regards to the kingdom, especially those things needed to bring us closer to perfection.

What do we now have?

Paul says in Romans 17:20 that the kingdom of God is righteousness, peace, and joy. This is because the whole message of the kingdom is about three things: God's sovereignty, the nature and depth of God's love, and God's purposes for the ages. If one stops to ponder for a moment, it becomes apparent that the content of the message now going forth reflects this. In consideration let's begin with peace.

The only way any of us can truly dwell in peace is to have an understanding of God's sovereignty. For many of us the trials and hardships we've experienced in growing intensity have been the Father's lessons to us about His Lordship in our lives. His sovereignty in even the small things. That He is our source. This has been a necessary step in our preparation to inherit the material *source of all things*. In contrast, the foundation of the present world system is based in materialism and greed. The gathering together and control of resources with the purpose of consolidating power in the hands of the few. The Father's lessons to us have been a removal of our dependence on, and seeking the material as a source, for the foundation of the kingdom will be love, and materialism is rather pointless if one inherits the source of all things material.

In a larger sense, we began to experience a permanent peace, the peace that passes all understanding when the Father began to give us a revelation of His sovereignty when it came to His purposes for creation. He has revealed that He didn't need plan B, He is a God of perfection, and that Christ is the Lamb slain before the foundations of the world because God purposed for man to fall. He wasn't caught by surprise when Adam sinned, and He didn't need to rework things. It's all part of His purpose for us, creation, and the ages. Our peace flows from the revelation of His sovereignty.

This brings us to joy.

*Therefore as one mans trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and righteousness for **all** men.*

Romans 5:18

When God began to reveal to our hearts that the sacrifice of Christ was for *all* men, we, for the first time, began to experience true joy. There *is* no eternal hell. That fire spoken of in scripture and thundered so often from the pulpits of the church structure is the *all consuming fire* of our God. He will consume His enemies, those things within us that violate His nature and His mind. He will do this in *all* men because God so loves the world. We now know without a shadow of doubt or turning that with all of our faults and shortcomings, our Father loves us. At the time of revelation, His love began to overflow from our hearts to our neighbor because we began to realize that it was ok to love them. In fact, we could now love everybody and so fulfill the law of Christ. There is no longer any conditions for us to extend unconditional validation. We now have joy unspeakable. Our joy flows from the revelation of the depths of His unsearchable love.

Peace and joy are now springing up in a measure never before known. This is why many of us, laboring for so long have begun to feel we are entering into His rest. And because the road has been very long thus far, and we have reached this point with seemingly great effort, and at the expense of great pain, we now do not want to press forward. We are weary. *This* place, this place of a measure of peace and joy, is in large part what we now have concerning the kingdom within us. In many respects *this* place feels like a good place to rest until the Father brings forth what has been the continual vision and hope that has sustained us. But I bring notice to those of you who have been laboring in the vineyard since the morning of *this day* and have borne much scorching heat: this place is only a late afternoon break. In case any of us were wondering, we're not there yet. Our work, the work in us, is not finished.

My fellow joint-heirs in Christ, brethren of His eternal priesthood, I ask you: Are we who have begun to be enlightened and teach the gospel of the everlasting kingdom of God, just another fractured denomination structured by the hand of man, or are we part of the government of the city built without hands? I say again: let us give a more 'earnest heed' to the things concerning the kingdom that we don't yet know. What are we missing?

The kingdom is peace, joy, and righteousness... What do we yet know of His righteousness?

This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds...

Hebrews 10:16 (ESV)

What laws? Certainly not the statutes of the Mosaic Law, for that law was but a shadow of the good things to come instead of a *true form of these realities* (Heb 10:1). The Mosaic law was the law of sin and death. What realities is he referring to here? Laws. The true form of the law. The law of the Spirit of life. The true form of these realities...

Do we have His laws written on our hearts and minds? Do any of you know what they are? Can you define them?

In part, we can say yes. When the revelation of the reconciliation of all creation to the Father (so that God will be all in all) was made alive inside us, we had the law of Christ written in our hearts. Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the *law* of Christ. The Law of His everlasting love. This increase in our faith brought us closer to being made perfect in love. This particular law, this *principle*, the law of love, the foundation of the kingdom to come, was written in both our hearts and minds, and so the seed that the Father planted within us opened more fully and began to bloom. Are we perfected in Love? Not yet, but this will come through the perfection of our faith, for as Romans says, the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith. But speaking of His righteousness, what are we yet missing?

What we are missing my brethren, is a conscious aspect of the mind of Christ. A conscious unifying paradigm that will bring all the sons together in the structure of our thinking, so that when we look at a scripture, situation, or thing, we will all perceive it to be the *same* thing. The unity of the mind of Christ. We do not yet have His laws written on our conscious minds, and *this*, my friends is the source of our immaturity.

This is why we perceive the truth of someone, or some situation by the spirit, and then in the natural, when we learn the 'facts' and circumstances surrounding this someone or situation, we begin to work through it in the structure of carnal thinking, and the things we say completely go *against* what was given to us by the spirit. When we receive this new paradigm, this new structure for our thinking, of the twain (soul and spirit) He will make one new man, so making peace and killing the hostility (Eph 2:15)

Am I by saying this, removing His individual expression through us? Not by any means. But we are all *one* in Him. There is one Lord, one truth, one *faith*, one baptism. There is only *one mind, and one nature* in Christ, and there is only one everlasting Gospel of the kingdom of God. So my friends, those of you speaking with prophetic voices, let us never forget this. Through our personal ministry, we are not building a habitation unto ourselves, for we have our habitation in Christ. Many of us have different pieces of the larger picture, but that larger picture belongs to him.

So what of the conscious mind of Christ, this new level of consciousness? Jesus gave Peter the 'keys' to the kingdom of heaven. He gave his disciples the secrets to the kingdom of heaven. Do we have the secrets and keys? Do we know what they are?

Paul said: the law of the spirit of life has set me free from the law of sin and death... He is speaking of grace here. Can we answer how grace is the *law* of the Spirit of life? (Romans 8:2)

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age, or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.

Romans 2:7-8. (ESV)

After Paul says this, at the end of this chapter he says: *But we have the mind of Christ.* (Romans 2:16)

Do we have this secret and hidden wisdom that Paul imparted to the mature among them?

In closing brethren, I submit this to you:

The paradigm that will unite us all in our conscious minds and kill the hostility between our spirits and souls is to identify the true form of the laws that spring from the attributes of His nature. How these first principles objectively define what is good, how they provide the foundation upon which all things are structured and are the true laws by which all people in all of time have always been governed.

Can you hear the last trumpet?

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