

COMING OUT OF DARKNESS

CHAPTER 13

The Final Feast

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16).

Isn't it amazing that we live in America and people have not *heard* the gospel of Jesus Christ? The Apostle Paul says that the gospel of Christ is the power of God. So if you haven't really heard the gospel and you don't understand the gospel, that is the reason that you don't have the power to live a godly life.

The word "salvation" means a *complete* redemption from the Fall, which is basically poverty, sickness and death. The power of the gospel when heard with your spiritual ears will begin to deliver you from the effects of the Fall.

You may have heard or read what J. Preston Eby declared last July (1998) at a meeting in Alamogordo, NM. He said, "The work is finished." We are now waiting for the unveiling of Christ within us. The Apostle Paul said many years ago that ***"In him (Christ) dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And you are complete in him, who is the head of all principality and power"*** (Col. 2:9-10). Once we have the revelation that Christ in us is complete, we then we grow in our awareness of Him. It is not that we have to do something to make Christ complete, but that we know that in Christ *we are complete*, and able to do all things that God would have us to do. It is a matter of shifting our attention and

focus away from Adam (the carnal nature) to Christ.

You may love God with all your heart. You may spend time reading ten chapters of the Bible a day. You might spend an hour praying every day. Maybe you've experienced the baptism in the Holy Ghost and speaking with tongues, and spend hours every day speaking in tongues. But yet, for some reason you just don't have the power to live the life that you know you should be living. If that's the case, you haven't *heard* the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We live in America, where there's a church building on almost every corner. There used to be a gas station on every corner, now there are places where Christians meet on almost every corner, and in all varieties. No matter what flavor, no matter what doctrines you like, there is a place out there where you will fit. And you may be in agreement with the pastor or the elders or the people that teach, but you still won't have the power to live the life, because you really don't know by experience that Christ is in you. You are perfectly convinced that you cannot possibly live as a manifestation of God on the earth, because of the experience of failure you have had at trying it. You must turn away from your failures of the past and realize that Christ in you is complete, and He certainly knows how to manifest Himself through you. Paul said the gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God unto salvation. We've missed something. We've all heard a *partial* gospel. We've heard a gospel that has caused many of us to go to an altar, and many of us to say the

words, and in many cases we have experienced something that we call regeneration. We're born again, but because we haven't heard the full gospel, we don't have the power to live the life.

Our Substance Is Spirit

"The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, says the LORD, who stretches forth the heavens, and lays the foundation of the earth, and formed the spirit of man within him" (Zech. 12:1).

The people of God definitely need to have an understanding of this verse. Do you know that your body was made from the very dust of the ground? And that the land that God is really interested in is *not a parcel of dirt in Israel*? That was only the type. The real land of inheritance is you and me. We are the good land. ***"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof"*** (Ps. 24:1) and you were created from the very dust of the ground. The Scriptures use that in typology to show you that you are the land that God wants to inherit. He wants to infiltrate you. He wants to possess your ground.

So Zechariah 12:1 is a mini picture, it's like a flash of lightning, it doesn't give you very much explanation. But the first time I saw this it was like lightning. I just saw a flash of something! Zechariah 12:1 says, ***"The burden of the word of the Lord."*** That's important. That's saying that this is the burden of the word of the Lord. Then it goes on to list three things of creation:

1. **The Lord stretched forth the heavens.**
2. **He laid the foundations of the earth.**
3. **He formed the spirit in man.**

God is *spirit*, and he formed *spirit* in man. Oh, I hope you can see this. You are not just a carnal human being with a natural personality, but *you are spirit*. Deep within the recesses of your being, far past what you can think or know by natural methods, **YOU ARE SPIRIT**. That's why Jesus said, *"If you want to worship me, you must worship me in spirit."* That means for you to really understand God, for you to really worship God, for you to enter into the presence of God, is not a matter of your intellect, it's not a matter of your mind, it's not a matter of your conduct, it's not a matter of how good you are, it's not a matter of how bad you are, it's a matter of understanding that you are spirit. And to contact God is simply a matter of contacting spirit.

God wants to fully infiltrate, permeate, and saturate your being. You see, your problem is not your conduct, your problem is not your habits. The problem is you haven't understood that you are spirit, and that God, regardless of your condition or conduct, wants to, from the spirit person you are, infiltrate and possess every area, every avenue of your thought and brain. The Spirit of the living God wants to permeate every cell so that, as the Scripture says, ***"If He that raised Jesus from the dead dwell in you, then He that raised up Jesus shall also quicken, shall give life even to your mortal bodies"*** (Rom. 8:11). So to worship God is a matter of spirit. And if you think it's a matter of conduct, you will never, ever feel worthy enough, you'll never make it into genuinely living in His presence.

There used to be a time when I would touch God by accident. I'm sure you all experience times when you're in the Scriptures, or in prayer, or you're singing with the Lord, and He just fills you up, and it's glorious. It's almost like, "I don't know how I did it, but God touched me." So we

make up these songs about God, "He Touched Me!" But I'm telling you, our experience is to be that we absolutely live in His presence. Not only do we live in His presence, *we are His presence in the earth*. You must understand that you are not a carnal human being, but *you are spirit*. And when you understand you are spirit, then you begin to understand how you could be His presence in the earth. You'll also begin to understand some of the deep mysteries like Paul wrote about in Ephesians 5:23. He said that you are bone of His bone and flesh of His flesh. Paul told the believers, **"You are the fullness of Him who fills everything everywhere with Himself"** (Eph. 1:23, Amp.).

You cannot receive the gospel of God with the carnal mind. You can't try to figure out how this could be, because it will never happen according to your intellect. Aren't we all well experienced in the failure of trying to be and live as Jesus lived on the earth? Do you have a problem when someone really upsets you, when someone does you wrong? Do you have a problem with resentment? Do you ever have a problem with anger? As you begin to enter into the reality of the Kingdom, you find yourself with the nature of forgiveness instead of resentment. As you begin to feel resentment rise up within you, you realize that those feelings come from the carnal realm, and you learn to turn to and release the spirit within you, and your resentment dissipates.

Awake, You Who Are Sleeping!

You have to know that you are not a carnal human being, you are spirit. God is spirit. What are you saying Gary, I am God? Not in the sense that I am my Father God, no! But let me ask you something, are you a human? Why are we human? Because we had a natural father, and he was a human. And so we are a product of the first human

man, Adam and we have a human life because we are human. If you begin to understand that you are spirit and God is spirit, then you begin to understand that you have His divine life and nature. The apostle Peter teaches this in his epistles.

People all across the world are beginning to wake up and hear the truth. As Paul said so many years ago, "Awake, you who are sleeping." *Wake up!* You see, Adam is sleeping and is in a dream state. But when you begin to wake up, the spirit man realizes who he is. In the very core of your being, *you are spirit*, and when you begin to wake up, you realize *God really is my father*. I do have His life. He created me. What did He have to create with? What kind of life does He have? The God kind of life, for lack of a better terminology. So what kind of life has He given you? Jesus said, **"I am come that you might have life, and have it more abundantly"** (John 10:10). In the original language of the New Testament there are basically three descriptions for our word life. In Greek you can use the word "bios", which is biological life. You can use the word "psuche", which is your soulish life, your mind, emotion and will. And there's also the word "zoe", the highest form of life, which is God's life. When Jesus said, "I am come that you might have life," He used the word "zoe". In essence He said, *"I have come to give you my life. The same life that courses and flows through my being, I am come that you might have that life, the life of almighty God! The life that knows no bounds and no limitations. The life that has never tasted of death. The life that has never been tainted by sin."*

You have, within the very core of your being, the life that is really life, because it's *spirit*. Your spirit man, the real person that you are inside, has never really known what sin is. The Adamic nature has covered over your true nature. And when

your spirit is regenerated and wakes up, guess what happens to you? That wretched person that you think you've been begins to fall away from you, *the seed breaks forth within you and produces once again on the earth God manifested in the flesh.*

You don't have to be good to experience this. You can be bad and have this happen to you. The modern day religious folks can look at you as the scum of the earth, but God will speak life to you. You may feel there is no hope for you, but I could speak just a few words to you and bring life and restoration because when I speak to you the seed of Christ within you will begin to stir. And your heart will begin to burn, and your ears will hear life, and your inner man will begin to rise, and the outer man will begin to fall into the dust. You don't have to be good. *The gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God.* And we haven't had the power of God because we haven't had the full everlasting gospel revealed to us.

Where Should We Worship?

Religion has said that if you (meaning the human personality, your Adamic nature) want God, you must stop sinning, you must change your life, you cannot live this way and be godly, so you must change your ways to enter into His presence and to be favored by God. If this were true then none of us would qualify to enter in. If you want to worship God, *you must worship Him in spirit.* The woman at the well in John chapter 4 said to Jesus, *"Lord, where should we worship? Should we worship in Jerusalem or should we worship on this mountain?"* We are always looking for the right place to worship. Where is God? *Where is He?* For years I wanted to know, "God, what church are you in? Where do I go to find a place to worship you?" People have all kinds of different doctrines and theologies. You could run here and run there. "God, where do I find you?" I was

looking for Him in the wrong place. The only place you can find Him is in spirit. You are spirit, and that is where you worship Him.

I knew years ago that the answer, of course, is walking in the spirit. But to me the spirit was the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit to me was out there somewhere. I was told that the Holy Spirit was within me, but I didn't know how to get to Him to experience Him. So I was trying to walk in something that was confusing to me. The only way that you can overcome Adam is by understanding that you're not Adam *you are spirit.* And as you learn how to enter your spirit, you find that your spirit is one with the Holy Spirit. If you learn how to live and function from your spirit and release your spirit, you are walking in the spirit. That's why Jesus told Nicodemus, **"You must be born again,"** for that which is born of *flesh is flesh.* The physical Gary that was born from my natural father is flesh, it's a carnal, human personality. Flesh and blood cannot, and will not ever, no matter how good it gets, enter the Kingdom of God. You must enter in through the spirit, for he told Nicodemus, **"That which is born of spirit is spirit."** That which is born of the Holy Spirit is your human spirit. Paul says, **"He that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit"** (1 Cor. 6:17). What does that mean, he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit? It is so simple, but because of our religious teaching we haven't understood it. He that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit. So if I have been joined to the Lord, if I have been quickened, if I have been regenerated by His spirit, then that means *my spirit and His spirit are one spirit.*

If I learn how to enter into my spirit, and I learn to speak from my spirit, and I learn how to function from my spirit, then God once again is manifesting Himself in humanity. But if I take my carnal nature and

clean it up, and I go to Bible school and learn homiletics and hermeneutics and how to prepare sermons, I can then graduate and begin to teach you all that I have intellectually learned about God, but I'm dead and you're dead, and you'll never have anything of real spiritual substance with just intellectual learning. Everywhere I go, I tell people, listen, we've had nothing, and I mean almost nothing, more than a performance-based Christianity. I'm talking about the systematized thing that we have out there calling itself Christianity, and denominations calling themselves the Church. For the most part, we have nothing but 2000 years of just dry, dead, theological teachings, with no power to give you life. You've got to understand that flesh and blood does not count in the things of God. All the wonderful sermons and all the soulful prayers and the demon chasing mean nothing when it comes not from the Holy Spirit in your spirit.

You're going to see what the religious system considers the scum of the earth arise in a mighty awakening. When they find out that God loves them and that they can turn to Him and enter into His presence, then that will bring them change. *You do not need to be good to change, you just need God.* When God begins to arise in you in reality, all your old habits and way of life begin to just disappear. The more you fellowship with God and enjoy Him, the quicker you will see yourself change.

Religion Tries To Find God Through Effort

If you're set in religious theology and tradition, you can't hear this word. It's going to take a mighty shaking and a mighty stroke of lightning for you to see what I'm saying. I'm telling you that in God's eyes a prostitute is no different than a man in a suit and a tie holding down a good business job.

In the Garden, in the very beginning, what caused the Fall was man eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. That's why we're in this mess, because we're partaking of the knowledge of good and evil. We're trying to figure out with our intellect and with our mind how by being good we can once again enter into the presence of God and be acceptable before Him. Every religion, whether it's Christianity, Buddhism, Hinduism, Taoism, basically teaches you the same thing, that you must, by different methods, make yourself acceptable to God so that when you die you can go to heaven. And, I'll tell you what, if you're the traditional Christian of today, you are no better off than the Hindu, no better. *Believing in an intellectual Jesus does you no good. You must be born again!* Yet, if you have the awakening and begin to enter into the presence of God, you begin to look through the eyes of God, and you will see that the Hindu, the Christian, the Moslem, the Jehovah's Witness, some of them have a deep longing and heart cry to know God. Some of them have been told that Hinduism is the way, some have been told that Hare Krishna is the way, some have been told that Christianity is the way, and all of them are lost, trying to figure out how to make Adam acceptable before God. It has never worked.

Christianity has produced a lot of good people, and it's certainly good to learn the good, ethical, moral teachings. You are much better off to be a good person than a bad person, but you have to understand that in God's eyes the tree of the Adamic nature is both good and evil, and there's nothing you can do to make that nature acceptable so that your human personality, that carnal nature, can enter into the Kingdom of God. *It cannot be done.* But if you understand that you are spirit, then you understand that when God created the heavens and laid the foundations of the

earth, He also formed your spirit. There are all kinds of verses in the Bible that indicate that God knew you even before you were born. Do you think He just kind of knew you, like, "Oh, I know that someday he will be coming along"? I don't believe so. Before you ever came into physical form, you were spirit. You're made out of the God stuff. And no, you're not a god in yourself, but listen, you get a few of us together, you get the body together, which we are going to see in the days to come, then people are going to begin to arise out of these old, dead, theological places, and we're going to begin to unwrap the grave clothes as they come out of the death places. And they're going to stand up and shine with the glory and the manifestation of their God.

It Is God Who Works In Us

Years ago I used to cry and cry over my sinful, wretched condition. We all want to be like Jesus, but we have had this concept that we must do something to make it happen, and all the time all we had to do was realize that we are spirit, that God brought us into being, He is our father, and as our father it is His responsibility to bring us into glory. It is not Adam's responsibility to perfect himself, but as long as you're trying to do that God has to let you see what a failure it is. You have to come to the total end of yourself and realize that you don't have to perfect yourself, there's nothing you can do to make yourself acceptable in His sight, because the fact is, *you already are*. You see, God doesn't look at a prostitute or a homosexual as a prostitute or homosexual. He looks right through the Cross that obliterated sin. Do you believe what John said when he saw Jesus? He said, "**Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world**" (John 1:29). We know that He did, and we know He resurrected from the dead as proof of what He said. If He truly was the lamb that took away the sin of the world, do

you think He's condemning the world for their sin?

If only they knew the heart of God, if they only understood the grief and the pain of God who made this sacrifice for humanity, yet they don't understand and they're still trying to perfect themselves by their own works, when all the time all they have to do is stop and rest and just begin daily to fellowship with Him. You can be a homosexual and fellowship with God. Just talk to Him, "God, you understand my condition. I know I can't hide from you. And I also know that there's absolutely no hope for me except that You begin to stir in me." Just begin to talk to God like that. He says, "*I have a robe of righteousness for you.*" Oh, you may feel so dirty, and you may have unholy desires that you can't control, but He said, "*I place around you the robe of my righteousness. When I look at you I see my righteousness. I don't see all of the sinful things; in fact, My eyes are too holy and pure; I cannot look on sin. And you know what, I really don't have to because I took it away.*" And you say, "Well if He took it away why am I still sinning?" If you understand what I'm telling you, you won't be sinning much longer. Because coming out of Adam, coming out of sin, coming out of all the horrible, lustful things, coming out of that is a matter of growth and transformation.

Nobody ever told me this. I've never heard one preacher, ever, in my life, tell me that coming out of sin is a matter of growth and transformation. The only thing I was told was that you've got to stop it or God can't help you. And again I have to say, if God can't help you, you are never going to come out of it. If He's not willing to help you, you'll never stop.

The only people who feel that they deserve to have what they have are the people that Jesus most strongly rebuked in His day, the

self-righteousness Pharisees. He never condemned one person. We all know that the classic example is the woman taken in adultery. What He said was, *"He who is without sin, let him cast the first stone."* There was only one person in the universe at that time that had the authority to stone that woman. He was the only man standing there at that time in the consciousness of having no sin. So He said, "Any of you who is without sin, let him stone her first."

Jesus came to show the heart of God, because somehow the Jewish religion had become so twisted that everything was a matter of keeping outward laws and regulations. So Jesus came to reveal the heart of His father. And He said, *"It is written, an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you, love your enemies, do good to them who despitefully use you."* That's why they wanted to kill him. He said, *"I know you search the Scriptures because, in them, you think you have eternal life. But God is standing in front of you. Here I am in all of His fullness and you won't even come to me that you might have life. You cling to your old concepts of the Scriptures."* The Christian movement has done the very same thing. It has taken a word that was meant to give us life and has put bondages and laws upon us, and weighted us down with rules and regulations trying to make Adam godly. That's why we don't have the power of God in the gospel, because they don't understand the gospel. Just look what Jesus did with a handful of men. And then look what a few men did right after that. They were so full of the power of God that just walking by them, people were healed. There was such a reality in that day of God being manifested on the earth. Paul said, ***"I live, yet not I, but Christ"*** (Gal. 2:20).

Jesus taught his disciples who they really were. He taught them that they were descendents of almighty God, that they weren't just mere human beings, but that

they were godly men and were made of the same substance as He was. You see, we've taken the humanity of Jesus and we've elevated it and worshiped Him in His humanity, never receiving the word that He gave to us. Christianity the world over worships a man called Jesus, but has never understood and received His word. It's pitiful. The apostles understood it. And that's why the gospel of God that they received produced the power in them to live the life.

We have had a doctrine for many years in the Pentecostal church that said, "If you want to be full of the Holy Ghost, you just come up front here, let us pray for you, and you'll speak in tongues, you'll be full of the Holy Ghost." It hasn't worked, has it? Tell me how it's unified the church. Tell me how it's brought unity and oneness among the believers. Jesus said, ***"A house divided against itself cannot stand."*** That's why one of the most important things you can learn to do is to not throw the first stone. The problem isn't the people who are trapped in bondage. The problem isn't the people who fill the churches that are dead and have no life. You can't throw stones at anyone. You throw life at them. *"Let he who is without sin cast the first stone."* The moment you begin to open your mouth in critical judgment of another, you've lost sight of who you really are. You've once again slid back into the Adamic nature, because God condemns no man. Even in the Old Testament, before Jesus came along and sacrificed Himself, the Word says, ***"As far as the East is from the West so far have I removed the transgressions of my people."*** You see, your problem in not having the power of God is because you still believe you're an old sinful creature, and all the time the word and the spirit of the living God is grieved and crying out in deep intercession, ***"I am come that you might have life."***

The gospel really is good news, because it's for everyone. Paul shared in 1 Cor. 15, **"For as in Adam all died."** Now we know that's true because we've all experienced it, haven't we? What does that mean, "As in Adam all died"? Well, death to God does not mean when your body falls over. Death to God means that you are separated from Him in your consciousness and awareness. You have no awareness of God in your life. That is a walking dead man. That's why Paul said in Ephesians that even when you were dead in your sins, He made you alive in Christ. The gospel isn't for the dead man, it is for the spirit man. And when you begin to understand that you are a spirit and not a carnal human being, behold the messenger shall surely come to His temple, *which temple you are*.

So much of the Christian world, even right today, has their eyes focused on Jerusalem, and is looking for a temple in Jerusalem to be rebuilt, totally missing almost every word that Jesus and the apostle Paul taught. *You are the temple of the living God*. And let me tell you something, the temple that is being rebuilt is not a structure in Jerusalem, but it's a re-establishing and a rebuilding of the tabernacle of David. In the tabernacle of David, there was no separation between the outer court, the holy place, and the most holy place. In David's tabernacle, you walk directly into the presence of almighty God. And when Jesus hung on the Cross and said, "It is finished," if you look it up in the Strong's concordance, when He said "It is finished", what He really said by the word "finished" is, **"The debt has been paid."** And when He said, "The debt has been paid," the veil in the temple was rent from top to bottom. That meant that no longer was there any barrier between man and God. No longer was it just one man once a year who entered into the most holy place and experienced the awesome, almighty presence of God. But now every believer

has that ability to enter, any time, any place, in any condition, directly into the presence, and feast upon almighty God. Let me tell you something folks, that will take care of your natural disposition and your character. Then you begin to experience being a carrier of His presence. Again, you don't just enter His presence, you *are* the presence of God in the earth.

The Feast of Tabernacles

This is what is known as the final feast, called the Feast of Tabernacles. You see, in the Feast of Pentecost there was still the mixture of flesh and spirit, because in Pentecost we get the baptism in the Holy Spirit and we begin to experience God *in* us. We begin to experience His quickening power. We begin to hear His voice. But it's still a mixture, it's still me and God in this temple. It's still Adam and Christ. At one time I'm in Adam, the next moment I might be in Christ. Pentecost is a mixture. The very best it can be is a mixture of Adam and Christ in one temple. As you know in typology, in the most holy place there was absolutely nothing there but the Ark, the presence of God. Now, what was in the Ark? The main item in the Ark was the tables of stone, or the Ten Commandments, along with the golden pot and Aaron's rod.

The Ten Commandments were not ever to be taken as ten laws. The Ten Commandments are simply an expression of God's life. That's why they were in the Ark. And that's why Christ was a type of the Ark, because the very essence of His being emanated the character of God, the expression of God, the life and fullness of God. When you enter into Tabernacles, you begin to experience times when you enter in and you realize there's absolutely nothing here but God. Adam isn't here anymore. I don't feel weak anymore. I don't feel the inability anymore to do what God

says. I don't feel any lack, I just sense God is filling me. Do you know what it is like to stand in His presence and sense no guilt and no shame and no condemnation? You can only experience that when you realize that God isn't condemning you, nor is He condemning anyone else. We are entering experientially into the Feast of Tabernacles where there is nothing but God reigning in a people.

Do I experience this all the time? No, but more than not. You see, nothing with God is instant. People like instant food today, like a quick hamburger. Things of God are not instant. There are a lot of people waiting and thinking that there's going to come a day when, presto!, we're going to be changed into His likeness. I'll tell you what, that's a deceiving lie. Because *you are being changed*. Paul says you are being transformed from one degree of glory to another degree of glory, day by day. You'll never experience a quick, instant, one day I'm fully in Adam, and the next day I'm showing forth nothing but Christ. It doesn't happen that way. It's a matter of His life taking root, growing within us and producing the fruits of His life. It's not the *works* of the spirit, it's the *fruit* of the spirit. Most all that we've been taught pertains to making Adam acceptable to God. And that's not fruit, it's flesh. Fruit has to grow.

Well, what is fruit? We can see in the book of Galatians that it is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, goodness, gentleness, meekness. These things are the fruit of the spirit. And as you understand who you are, you understand that you and God are one, not in your mentality, not in your intellect, not in your emotions, you are one in spirit. Then you begin to seek God to give you revelation of that spirit within you that's one with God, and you'll begin to experience that oneness. God says, *"My glory I will not give to another."* If you are trying to get something of God in your Adamic nature,

that's something other than God. You are not one with God in your Adamic nature. You are one with God in spirit. That's why Jesus said in John 17, ***"Father I have given my disciples your word, they believed my word, they have been purified through my word."*** Isn't that different, purified through a word? You don't have to do anything. I used to tell people, if you will come and listen to the word, and if you will keep coming and listening to the word, you will be changed. I absolutely know that when I speak, it will change your life, not because Gary is anything, but because I have words of life. Jesus said, ***"The words that I speak to you they are spirit and they are life"*** (John 6:63).

Listen, life is quickening, life is changing. That's why you can prove beyond a shadow of a doubt that out there in the religious world, in the denominational system, there is no life, because life is always changing, life is always improving, life is always growing. And whenever you are in a place that never changes from year to year, and everything is set, there's no life. I can go down to the local Christian bookstore and get a book that will give me outlines and full written messages that I can learn so that I can preach every Sunday a different message. There's no life in that folks. We must have life. When you get a hold of this, then the only thing you have for people when you go out on the streets is *good news*. You don't have a word of condemnation, you don't have a stone in your hand to throw at them, you don't have to tell them they're going to hell if they don't repent. *You bring them the gospel of Jesus Christ.*

10 Commandments Become 10 Promises

God doesn't even look at your sin. He said, ***"I took it away."*** Ezekiel 36:26 was a

prophecy concerning the New Testament covenant, ***"I will take away your stony heart, I will give you a heart of flesh, and I will put my spirit within you, and I will cause you to walk in my statutes."*** You can't do it, but you must understand that it's His job. God is saying to you, *"I have already given you that new heart. I've given you a heart of flesh, I've put My spirit within you, and now I am going to cause you to walk in my statutes."* And then all of a sudden the Ten Commandments stop being rules and regulations that you have to try to perform, they become ten glorious, wonderful promises to you. "Thou **shalt** have no other gods before me, thou **shalt** honor thy father and thy mother, thou **shalt** not covet," because God has written it upon your heart. That's why the apostle Paul said that you are epistles written not with pen and ink but by the spirit of the living God. When a man of God speaks to you, he does not speak to your mentality, he speaks to your spirit, who he knows you really are. And as he speaks his words, his spirit mingled with the Holy Spirit begins writing on the tables of your heart, and you begin to change. It's so gradual sometimes that it takes awhile for you to realize that you have really begun to change, but it's all because you've come in contact with the living spirit of the living God. And I'm telling you, there are men and women all over the earth today carrying the presence of God who will literally speak reality into your being. They will speak life; you will sense a quickening, an enlivening, a refreshing, when you listen to these people speak.

God has raised up a leadership on the earth today that cares for nothing at all. They care for no glory, they care for no names, they care not whether they minister or someone else does. The only thing they desire is to display the loveliness of God to His creation, with no selfish motives, no selfish ambition, and they will recreate that in you. It's a great gospel, the power of

God. But as long as you are sitting under a ministry that is trying to convince you that you have to make Adam godly, you can't hear this message. It's too easy. Brother, are you telling me that I can be a prostitute and still enter the presence of God? Absolutely, I'm telling you that! I'm telling you that you can be the scum of the earth, and as you begin to turn your heart, you begin to understand that in the deep recesses of your being, you are spirit. As you begin to fellowship and to cry out to God for an unveiling and an understanding of His love for you, it will absolutely transform your life without any effort at all on your part.

I never thought there would come a day in my experience when I wouldn't have to try to be godly. I thought that was impossible, but I'm telling you that today I never have to try to be godly, I never have to get up in the morning and determine within myself to walk and to give forth a Christian testimony. I don't have to do that anymore, it's just natural. Just as it is natural for you to live your human life, when you get connected up with God's life then it becomes just as natural for you to live the God kind of life. You see, it's an exchange. It's not you being godly, but it's God in you being godly. It's not you, Adam, becoming God, but it's God filling you and becoming as you. Think of it! There's a song we used to sing about this, in fact several. But one of them says this, "You are what is seen of Him who is invisible, You crystallize the One who has no form, you localize the One who is everywhere." You, **you!** You are the temple of the living God, and God is going to unveil your eyes.

We need to understand some very simple truths, that we are spirit, that we have the God life in us, and as we seek Him we will be transformed into His image. You can't correct yourself, and even if you can you have to understand it is not by making the

Adamic life better that we are changed. It is natural for us to try to correct ourselves, but whether you can or you can't makes no difference. What you must do is begin to talk to and fellowship with your Father and get to know Him intimately and experience the power of God that will enable you to live the God kind of life on the earth. I had habits in my life as a Christian for 13 years, and when God revealed this truth to me that my true nature is spirit I began to be transformed. I had been taught for years and years that Jesus lived in me. I knew I had experienced God, I knew I had been regenerated, but I did not know that deep within the recesses of my being I was spirit and I had the God kind of life. When I began to have some unveiling and some understanding of this, there were habits that I had struggled with for 13 years that just absolutely vanished out of my life with no effort on my part whatsoever. The thing that keeps you in bondage to sin is your concentration on it. If you want to stop something's power over your life, don't give thought to it. The minute it comes to your mind, get rid of it by centering your thoughts on God, centering on what you really want deep inside. Focus everything on Christ within you. Do not look at what you are today in Adam. You have to stop thinking of yourself as you are today.

The reason there is so much bickering and backbiting in the church, the reason there's so much trouble in marriages, is that we focus on the negative. Many times two people are attracted to one another. When they are courting and dating they see all the good traits in the other that attract them, but when they are married and they live together they begin to see the things that they don't like so well. Rather than continuing to focus on "Why did I love this lady in the first place?" I begin to focus on the things I don't like about her, and then I go to her and talk to her about it, and begin to focus on her faults and blow the negative

so out of proportion that we can't even live together anymore. We've forgotten what attracted us to them in the first place because we've allowed the negative to overtake the positive. And that's what happens to you in your Christian life. You're more centered on your failures and your inabilities than on God's ability to get you out of it. The more you focus on God, the more you spend time in His presence, the more you turn off everything and begin to center yourself on God, you will find that Adam will just fall into the dust. You'll never do it by trying to crucify the flesh, because that's Adam trying to kill himself, and he doesn't want to anyway and he never would. You are just fooling yourself.

All Made Alive In Christ

"For the creation was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of Him who subjected the same in hope, because the creation itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God" (Rom. 8:20-21). The whole creation shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption, not one person will be left out. Now, go back to what I shared a little bit earlier in 1 Corinthians 15, ***"As in Adam all die"***. Every one of us were born into this human race, descendents of the flesh according to Adam, and we've all entered into a death state of being separated and alienated from God. So Paul says, ***"As in Adam all die, so in Christ shall all be made alive."*** You see, the gospel is good news that leaves out no one, but you cannot receive it with the traditional Christian mindset. The Christian mindset says yes, Jesus died for your sins and He went to the Cross, but when it's all over there will be a handful in heaven and the masses of humanity forever in a lake of burning fire. But the Word says, ***"As in Adam all died, so in Christ shall all be made alive, but every man in his own***

order." I can guarantee you that if you were born into this earth through a natural parent, you were born into death. But I can also guarantee you that on the Cross Christ took the whole creation into death and raised it out of death. You may not be experiencing this now, but as in Adam all died, so in Christ shall every one of you be made alive, without exception. It's good news, folks.

Are you telling me I can live any way I want to and God is still going to get me in the end? Absolutely! But let me ask you this. How much hell do you want to go through? It is no small thing for the judgment of God to come on your life, but if you understand the purpose of judgment, then you understand that God is never angry and vengeful, but His judgments are to correct you and cause you to turn to Him. **"When your judgments are in the earth, the people shall learn righteousness"** (Isa. 26:9). So you may go through hell, you may go through horrible judgments, but as you're going through, it will teach you righteousness. Will you suffer? Absolutely! Jesus taught that if you're not willing to forgive as my Father has forgiven you, you will be turned over to the tormentors. God knows how to get your attention. You throw the first stone and you'll have a handful coming back at you. But if you understand not to cast that first stone and you understand the love and mercy of God, you will have that for every human being on the earth. Oh, if you could only have the eyes of understanding to know the reality of **"He hath taken away the sin of the world,"** and that He will continue to judge the earth in righteousness until every human being bows the knee in adoration and gives glory unto God, and then they too will be manifesting the glory of God.

Yes, judgment is a horrible thing to the flesh. Hell is a horrible experience, but it's not the end of the story. God told Jeremiah,

"I will make my words in your mouth a fire and the people stubble." In other words, Jeremiah, when you speak to my people, the fire of my word will come out and will begin to burn the flesh. You'll speak and the fire of God will begin to burn away and melt away the dross of my people, and they will begin to understand who I am and who they are. Oh, we have great, great things ahead for us because more and more, day by day, you're going to learn these truths, and you're going to begin to see God in such a light, such a revelation of His love, that you too will never again be able to look at another human being with guilt and condemnation. And if you do, God will quickly rebuke you and you'll repent and say, "Father I'm sorry. I realize that they don't understand." So you'll become just like Jesus, who on the Cross said, **"Father forgive them, they don't know what they are doing."** When you have the eyes of the spirit, you'll be able to look at the most rebellious, horrible, sin-laden creature and say, "Father, forgive them, they don't know what they're doing." They don't understand that they too have the very life and nature of God within them that needs to be awakened. And as you say, "Father forgive them," guess what happens, for God has given you power to remit sin. If you pray over someone and they have sinned, their sins shall be forgiven. You see, we have the power of life and death. We can speak life to God's creation or we can speak condemnation and death. What would you rather speak?