

SESSION 04 Inheritance of Jesus: Bride Crowned with Glory

I. GOD'S PROMISE TO HIS SON – REVIEW

- A. The inheritance God promised His Son: *a people He fully possesses*.

Ask of Me, and I will give You, the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession. (Ps. 2:8)

- B. Jesus prays for His inheritance to be released.

And the glory which You gave Me I have given them..., 23 ...that the world may know that You...have loved them as You have loved Me. 24 Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold (experience) My glory which You have given Me...(Jn. 17:22-24)

- C. The apostle Paul prayed for the release of the Ps. 2:8 reality just as Jesus did.

“that God...may give to...revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that YOU MAY KNOW...what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints...(Eph. 1:17-18)

1. “God...may give...revelation in the knowledge (experience) of Him...”
2. “...that you may know (experience) ...” – the result is to possess a profound sense of success in being His inheritance.

II. A BRIDE IN HIS IMAGE: OUR ULTIMATE DESTINY IN GOD'S GLORY

- A. We are destined (Divine determination) to be like Jesus in several ways.

“...predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son...” (Rom. 8:29)

“...when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him.” (1 Jn. 3:2)

- B. The Father planned great things for Jesus' inheritance (His Bride).

But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ORDAINED BEFORE THE AGES FOR OUR GLORY...But as it is written: “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.” (1 Cor. 2:7, 9)

1. Ordained before the ages – Divine determination cannot be stopped.
2. For our glory – our inheritance and destiny.

III. BRIDE'S INHERITANCE: POSSESSING NEW CAPACITIES IN GOD'S GLORY

A. Becoming partakers of God's glory.

"...the glory which You gave Me I have given them..." (Jn. 17:22)

"...You have crowned him (the redeemed) with glory and honor... (Heb. 2:7, 10)

"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory..." (2 Cor. 4:17)

"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed IN US." (Rom. 8:18)

B. A Bride possessing the indwelling spirit.

"...God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." (Col. 1:27)

"...you are...built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit." Eph. 2:22

"...to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. (Eph. 3:19)

"...till we all come to...the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ (Eph. 4:13)

C. The human spirit is God's eternal dwelling place or the place of His highest communion and expression. It is the place God, the Consuming Fire chose to express His glory – His grandeur, love, beauty, authority, pleasure, etc.

D. We receive the Divine nature or God's seed.

"...given to us exceedingly great ...promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature..." (2 Peter 1:3-4)

Whoever has been born of God...His seed (life) remains in him...(1 John 3:9)

1. The life of God is eternally deposited in the human spirit at the new birth. Therefore, we will have all the gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit forever.

2. We alone address the Most High God as, "our Father."

IV. THE GLORY OF GOD ON OUR MINDS AND HEARTS

"This is the covenant that I will make with them...I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds I will write them..." (Heb. 10:16)

A. We will think and feel like God does forever. When God writes on our mind and heart it speaks of our capacity being supernaturally enlarged.

B. A mind with supernatural capacities for revelation (understanding), communication (perception), skillful tasks (competency).

"..I will put My law in their minds...³⁴ No more shall every man teach his neighbor...saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD." (Jer. 31:33-34)

1. New mental capacities for understanding face-to-face revelation of His heart (the revealing of His name).

They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads...for the Lord God gives them light...(Rev 22:4-5)

"...I will write on him the name of My God and the name of ...the New Jerusalem...And I will write on him My new name." (Rev 3:12)

2. New mental capacities for understanding of life.

"...we have the mind of Christ." (1 Cor. 2:16)

a. New mental capacities for communication – clear thinking, perfect ability in to express thoughts and heart feelings with great understanding of others. Skillful communication in languages, music, poetic expression, etc

b. New mental abilities with competency in many areas (math, science, technology, food, art, music, etc.). In other words, we will possess many skills , great intelligence in many areas like Adam in the garden of Eden.

- C. A new heart with supernatural capacities for holiness and satisfaction.
“...I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts...(Jer. 31:33)
“...I will give you a new heart...” (Ezek 36:26)
“...the riches of the glory...which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. (Col. 1:27)
1. New emotional capacities for love - empowered affections for God/others.
“...the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.” (Rom. 5:5)
I (Jesus) have declared to them Your (Father) name...that the love with which You (Father) loved Me may be in them...” (Jn. 17:26)
 2. New emotional capacities for confidence – no accusation, condemnation, fear of failure, comparison, competition, etc.
 3. New emotional capacities for happiness and contentment.
“...you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory...” (1 Peter 1:8)

V. A NEW BODY WITH CAPACITIES FOR GOD'S GLORY

- “...when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him.” (1 Jn. 3:2)*
- A. Jesus became human forever. God designed the greatest physical body for His beloved Son. It is the best body that God can create, it is far superior to the angels.
 - B. It is a body with all the capacities necessary to express the glory of God to the fullest measure.
 - C. The body that God custom designed for Jesus is the same type of body the Bride will have forever. Our eternal body will have the same supernatural properties and abilities that Jesus' body has .
“...who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body...” (Phil. 3:21)

D. A body filled with light (glory, color etc).

“...Who cover Yourself with light as with a garment...” (Ps. 104:2)

“...having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal...” (Rev. 21:11)

“...You are the light of the world...” (Matt. 5:14)

E. A body filled with power and glory.

There is one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differs from another star in glory. 42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. The body is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption. 43 It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. 44 It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. (1 Cor. 15:41-44)

1. Supernatural abilities – 5 senses without corruption or weakness.
 - a. Sight – seeing at a distant, at close range, through walls (x-ray vision).
 - b. Hearing – at distances, with great perception, perfect balance, etc.
 - c. Taste - enjoyment of food to the full degree (1 Cor. 10:31).
 - d. Touch - to discern and feel perfectly.
 - e. Smell – to enjoy and discern.
 2. Supernatural abilities related to communication – speech, musical, singing
 3. Supernatural abilities in strength – speed, endurance, lifting objects
 4. Supernatural abilities in health – no fatigue (energy), sickness or death
 5. Supernatural abilities in travel – flight and speed.
 6. Supernatural abilities related to the material realm – pass through walls
 7. Supernatural beauty – physical countenance, fragrance, light, color, etc.
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- F. A supernatural unity (relationship) with one another like unto the Father and Son.
that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us... (John 17:21)
I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one... (John 17:23)
- G. Jesus shares His heart and affections with His eternal companion.
"As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. (John 15:9)
1. Four dimensions of God's love.
that He would grant you...to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, 17...that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the WIDTH AND LENGTH AND DEPTH AND HEIGHT -- 19 to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. (Eph. 3:16-19)
 2. Receiving the embrace of the Father in the same way Jesus does.
"...that the world may know that You ...have loved them as You have loved Me. (Jn. 17:23)
 3. Jesus' desire to be with His bride and to share His glory.
"Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory." (Jn. 17:24)
 4. The affections of Jesus are imparted to His people.
For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ. (Phil. 1:8)
 5. The Bride being cherished and nourished by Jesus.
For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. (Eph. 5:29)
- H. Jesus shares His home – the Eternal City (Rev. 21-22).

VI. JESUS SHARES HIS POWER AND AUTHORITY WITH HIS CO-HEIRS.

The Bride inherits a new position in the heavenly authority structure. The Church has authority in eternity to judge the world and the angels. She possesses a unique rank in all of creation as a co-heir with Jesus. To rule by words that have God's authority released in them. Adam in the garden of Eden ruled by words not strife, etc. Adam ruled by naming of animals and plants.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.” (Matt. 5:5)

“To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.” (Rev 3:21)

“...to him I will give power over the nations. He shall rule them...” (Rev. 2:26)

“...made us kings...to our God; and we shall reign on the earth.” (Rev. 5:10)

“I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. I saw the souls...they lived and reigned with Christ for a 1000 years.” (Rev. 20:4)

Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection...they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a 1000 years. (Rev. 20:6)

They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever. (Rev. 22:5)

Do you not know that the saints will judge the world?...³ Do you not know that we shall judge angels?....(1 Cor. 6:2-3)

“...heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together. (Rom 8:17)

If we endure, we shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us. (2 Tim. 2:12)

So Jesus said to them, “Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. (Matt. 19:28)

And he said to him, ‘Well done, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.’ ¹⁸ And the second came, saying, ‘Master, your mina has earned five minas.’ ¹⁹ Likewise he said to him, ‘You also be over five cities.’ (Lk. 19:17-19)