

We as servants of Christ and ambassadors of his Kingdom would like to remind you of our ministry here at Church Built of Living Stones. It is a ministry of reconciliation given to us by our Father. Our instruction is not to teach you the things of God in rules and regulations, but to encourage you that the only one who can teach you of the Father is Jesus Christ and he will do this by the power of his word and Spirit. Our teaching ministry towards you is for you to trust that you can be taught of the Lord and that you need no man to mediate between God and yourself except the man Christ Jesus.

This may be daunting to you at the beginning, but it will eventually release you into God's Holy Kingdom from which you will never wish to depart.

The attacks and slanders will be immense and will continue until the last enemy is overcome.

But fear not the Lord will be on your side. (Read Psalm 124).

The Kingdom of God is like leaven or yeast in a lump of dough and it is growing and advancing throughout the earth and will bear fruit to God's glory. We are saying that Christ is building his Kingdom and its inhabitants are as living stones built up to be a holy habitation for God. We will never have a bricks and mortar building. We do not solicit money to spread the good news. At the same time, we encourage giving to the poor in spirit, by this we mean give your whole life to Christ and his Kingdom and you will see the salvation of God in effect. Our endeavour is to see God's people go forth and proclaim Jesus and Christ's Kingdom without the restrictions of denominational power overriding them.

Everyman in the body of Christ Jesus has a purpose and can go forth in the power of God's Spirit with a new tongue and prophecy. The new tongue is the Gospel and the Spirit of Prophecy is the Lord Jesus Christ. They tell the world that God the Father is not holding their sins and lawlessness against them and that he grants them the Holy Spirit to guide and lead them into all truth.

The Holy Spirit leads them to Jesus and Jesus teaches them all things of the Father.

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### **May His Kingdom come**

We cry out in the wilderness of this present evil age amid the hindering religions of this world to the seeker, the broken hearted, the captives, the bound, the sick, the down trodden, the voiceless and those that live in darkness who see a great light – look up for your King comes. His name is Jesus and he brings a Kingdom which encompasses all the glories of the coming age. Seek and you shall find, ask and it will be given you, knock and it will be opened unto you. He will grant those that seek first his Kingdom riches of glory that this world knows nothing about. He comes not for the righteous but the sinner and he will receive you with open arms and give you a vision of hope that has its origins from the heart of God. Obey his calling - come into the light, don't hover on the edge of the light, come into the light, all your prayers will be answered in the light.

### **Fear not, do not be afraid**

In the world you will have trouble and tribulation from which none of us who belong to Jesus are exempt, as it is the arena of redemption for the faithful. Jesus' own words reverberate and echo in our minds *"I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, but take heart! I have overcome the world"*.

And in (1 John 4: 4) *You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.*

We have warned for many months that men are going to be tried and to be found wanting because their trust is in the arm of the flesh which cannot save. It is abominable to see so called men of God fawning over leaders in the political sphere. It is paramount that prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for Kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all Godliness and Holiness. We must pray for these men, but not put our trust in them. There will be earthquakes, famines and pestilence in various places and fearful events and great signs from heaven and men's hearts will fail them through fear of the events coming on the earth. The only true peace comes from Christ who is our life, who is abiding in our hearts. Get ready for greater upheavals in the financial realm, where gold and silver will not be able to save as it corrodes. The corrosion will eat your flesh like fire.

These are not my words they are the words of the apostle James (5: 3).

The warning to us all is not what do we trust in – but whom do we trust.

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your path.*

Every man's work will be tried by fire and it will not be the evil one's purpose (though he may be an instrument). It will be Jesus' coming as the John the Baptist has prophesied in (Luke 3: 16-18).

*<sup>16</sup> John answered them all, "I baptise you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." <sup>18</sup> And with many other words John exhorted the people and preached the good news to them.*

You may think these words troubling, but in essence they are the truth, and the truth is good news and will set you free.

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## February 2022 Message

### The Day of the Lord is the greatest day of all

Dear Friends,

Today is the day of the Lord.

What does it mean, the day of the Lord? The day of the Lord is the cutting edge, where the day of darkness ends and the day of light penetrates into this world. This day is the day that God divided the light from the darkness and called the darkness night and the light day. This creative act of God was good and was culminated in a powerful act of heavenly grace on Calvary in the nation of Israel. The cross of Christ ushered in a new day of heavenly light that overcame the darkness that had blinded and deceived the world. What had been veiling God's goodness was now lifted and the truth in Christ was now openly revealed.

This is the day of the Lord – this is the day the Lord has made and we can rejoice and be glad in it. This day cannot be compared with any other day that we are familiar with. This day appears when the daystar arises in our heart and brings a witness of the truth that the darkness was passing and the true light now shineth. This day is the day of the Lord, where the light shines and grows brighter and brighter into endless eternity.

This day of light began in the heart of the Father of the Lord Jesus Christ and continues in the inner being of those that believe and trust the Lord with all their heart, soul, mind and strength. When a man, woman or child is born into the family of God they are transferred into the Kingdom of the Son of his love. This kingdom of Christ is the creation of the Father of lights in whom there is no darkness not even a shadow of turning. This kingdom of the Son of God's love has no beginning and no ending, because he is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. This day of the Lord is continuous light where no beginning or end can be found except in Jesus and his heavenly Father.

The Father of all goodness chose his Son to be the revelation of the new day and he gave this honour and glory to no other. Many may dispute this truth and offer up substitute theories and scientific ideas, but this only proves that they remain in the darkness of the night and have not yet been born into the light. They worship what has been created and not the Creator. The only way a man, woman or child can enter the light is by the way that God has ordained and through the entrance that God the Father has opened up.

How can one who is blinded by darkness know the way, the truth and the way of life?

First he must enter the straight gate. Jesus is the gate or the door, and if any man will knock on this door it will be opened unto him or her. Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and you will find. If you ask the Creator of light for light he will not give you darkness. Jesus said if you ask your heavenly Father for bread will be give you a stone or if you ask for a fish will be give you a scorpion. The problem may be you are asking for the wrong things and for wrong reasons. Do you ask for things to feed your own lusts? – this is like asking for darkness to feed our darkness and make it into blacker darkness. If the light that is in us is darkness, how great that darkness is!

The true believer does not seek things to exalt his own position or to magnify his own self, or his own authority, but seeks things that magnify the Lord. The believer asks for and seeks first the kingdom of God and the righteousness of Jesus Christ and then enthrones him as Lord over everything in their life.

As we have said previously, we must enter the kingdom through the door God has provided, if we have come some other way we have come as a thief and a robber. This is the way that the lord of darkness as a robber comes to steal, kill and destroy. This false de-facto lord offers you fame, fortune, authority and titles that will kill true joy and build false kingdoms of lying illusions and false hopes that end in death. On the other hand, those that by faith trust in Jesus as Lord of all, enter into a kingdom of everlasting life and eternal joy that the world cannot give or take away. The world of darkness is of the night and its promises fail miserably.

When we enter the straight gate it leads to the narrow path that grows brighter and brighter and reveals a glorious day. This door of the glorious day of the Lord was opened the day that Jesus Christ swept away the darkness and entered the death of night on the cross of Calvary and rose in triumph in a glorious body of light and proclaimed darkness was finished. The night is far spent and the new day has dawned. This was not a mechanical exercise, this was a highly emotive event filled with love, courage and faithful obedience. To live in this light is not a matter of words but power in life giving faith.

This same Jesus born of a woman in the likeness of sinful flesh, born under the law of Moses, shed his blood on the cross and rose in the newness of life and ushered in the new creation. This new man born in the image and likeness of the creator, now lives in a body of spiritual glory. Those that follow Jesus in the regeneration will be clothed upon from on high and in a moment in the twinkling of an eye will be changed and when they see him, they will be like him. Everything that Jesus endured was not for himself, but for us and all of creation. He came and humbled himself and laid down his life so that his life might be shared and fulfilled in all who believe. This is why we ask for the right things – not to

consume it on our own lusts, but that the life that Christ has given us might be manifest in the world that lives bound in chains of darkness. We pray not only will the captives be released, but the ones who captivate may be taken captive.

We that have been released from the darkness must always be on our guard to remain free from the wiles and deceptions of the enemy. The battle is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers in heavenly places and we must be aware that Satan uses flesh and blood agents to advance his purposes. These flesh and blood agents are not our foes – it is the principalities of darkness that blind naturally minded men whom we oppose, because these powers mercilessly use the deceived and blinded ignorant to do their bidding.

The true believer is never alone on this battlefield, this cutting edge, but has the Holy Spirit as his advocate, helper and comforter. This holy advocate will never teach us to battle with carnal weapons, but will teach us to use the same weapons that Jesus Christ defeated the father of lies with at Calvary. These weapons of our warfare are mighty through God to pulling down strongholds that exalt themselves above the knowledge of God and we bring every thought into the obedience of Christ. Those that do not want to obey Jesus Christ will build their own kingdoms, their own creeds and religious endeavours and once again will fall for the methods of Satan and close the door to those who are trying to enter the kingdom of God.

### **Ephesians 5: 8-21**

*<sup>8</sup> For you were once darkness but now you are children of light <sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and <sup>10</sup> find out what pleases the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. <sup>13</sup> But everything exposed by the light becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for it is light that makes everything visible. This is why it is said:*

*Wake up sleeper,  
rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.*

*<sup>15</sup> Be careful, then how you live – not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. <sup>18</sup> Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead be filled with the Spirit. <sup>19</sup> Speak to one another with Psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord. <sup>20</sup> Always giving thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup> Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.*

To stand against the devil's schemes we must know it's the will of God that our battle is not against flesh and blood, but that people are used as agents by the evil one to fulfil his purpose and plan. Our warfare is against these principalities and powers that create strongholds and walls of division.

To build the very things that Jesus destroyed at Calvary is to deny the power of the cross and the power of the resurrection. This was the power that was used to break down the barrier between Jew and Gentile, slave and master, male and female, superior and inferior, rich and poor. These heavenly powers are the only methods that will defeat the powers of darkness. If we revert to the powers of mammon and Caesar and hierarchal empirical authorities, then we rebuild and enhance the kingdoms that Jesus refused and we dwell in the grip of worldly satanic schemes. To combat these worldly means of carnal thinking, we must obey Christ and the laws of the Spirit of life that are in him. If any man be in Christ, he is a new creation and the former ways of doing things has passed away and all things are new. We now live by the Spirit and do not fulfil the lusts of the flesh. The methods of the new creation man are truth, and our righteousness is in Christ, the Gospel of peace and reconciliation, love, forgiveness, faith and a

salvation both now and forever. We wield the word of God which is the sword of the Spirit, interpreted by the Holy Spirit. These things along with prayer that is filled with the love of God in all wisdom and spiritual understanding is our armoury. To keep the unity of the Spirit in our fight against evil powers, we must know that the flesh is weak and will accomplish nothing. Now through the Spirit of Christ in gentleness, humility of wisdom and meekness we can stand back and see the power of God accomplish all things through Jesus who is our light. This light penetrates the darkness and brings the light of life in every situation.

As we submit to God's will of holiness we enter the true Sabbath of God which is to enter into his rest where we cease from our own labours. We enter a kingdom prepared for us which is the Father's good pleasure to give us – it is an invisible kingdom to the naked eye, but is full of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit and those that serve Christ in this manner are pleasing to God and know that the law of sin, death and darkness has passed away and the true light now shines. The true believer knows for freedom Christ has set them free and this freedom has a holy constraint to keep them in the light and the purposes of God. This constraint is a yoke of love for Christ that repels the voice of the stranger and desires an allegiance through servanthood to Christ and him alone.

In the true believers mind he becomes a slave to God's law of life in Jesus and knows that an uncircumcised heart is by nature a slave to sin. The true circumcision is not of the flesh but of the Spirit and is a sign that the Israel of God has a heart that leans not on its own understanding, but trusts fully in the Word of Christ. No longer does the true believer give to the law strength to influence their destiny.

The law given to Moses was never ordained by God to bring us life. The law and its sacrificial offerings and rituals were to expose our sin and show our need for a Saviour and lead us to Christ. The sacrifices and the shedding of blood was to show that sins could be forgiven. But the blood of bulls and goats could not cleanse the conscience of the guilt of our sins.

Under the covenant of law given to Moses, some sins lead to death by stoning. Under the covenant in Christ's blood every sin is covered and the conscience can be cleansed from all unrighteousness if we confess to our Father that we need the life of Christ in our heart. People died from Adam to Moses even though no law had been given. Obedience to the law still never stopped the penalty of death or gave the life of Christ. Only the life of Jesus offered up as a willing sacrifice on the cross at Calvary can atone for all the broken covenants, all the transgressions, all the sins done in ignorance or rebellion. This is the power of the cross that Paul preached. Paul said he was a preacher of the new covenant not of the letter, but of the Spirit for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. (2 Corinthians 3: 6).

When he spoke to the Corinthian believers he did not preach anything but Jesus Christ and him crucified. He did not use wise and persuasive worldly words, but demonstrated the Spirit's power to bring faith and belief through the wisdom of God.

What message did Paul bring to these people? What was the method of his preaching? Did he come with natural wisdom? Did he testify about Moses? Did he testify about angels bringing life and salvation? He said he came with wisdom that was not of this age or the rulers of this age. It was a hidden wisdom that no eye has seen nor ear heard, no mind had conceived what God prepared for those that love him – but that God had revealed it by his Spirit. He also goes on to say in 1 Corinthians chapter two that this wisdom he spoke of was not given by human understanding, but by words taught by the Spirit and he claimed he had the mind of Christ.

How can we know as believers who has the mind of Christ?

Firstly, they will not come in their own name, but will always exalt Jesus Christ as Lord. They will not ask you to follow them or their denomination, but will teach you to follow Jesus. Some come in their own name and say “Jesus is Lord” and trust in mammon and build their own kingdoms – these are deceivers.

### **I Corinthians 3: 18-21**

*<sup>18</sup> Do not deceive yourselves. If anyone of you thinks he is wise by the standards of this age, he should become a “fool” so that he may be wise. <sup>19</sup> For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in God’s sight. As it is written: “He catches the wise in their craftiness”, <sup>20</sup> and again. “The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise are futile.” <sup>21</sup> So no more boasting about men but let our boast be in the Lord.....*

Let us follow Christ and be taught of the Lord. It must be observed with clear understanding that Paul who was a blessed servant of the Lord was not superior to any other disciple of Jesus. He was by his own admission a man unworthy of the character to bring forth the word of God. His transformation from darkness to light was miraculous in every aspect. He was a man with murderous intent that was on a mission to destroy the work Jesus had brought to mankind. Here was a man of ardour and misplaced courage, endeavouring to uphold the laws and traditions of a religious regime that had incited the evil fervour amongst the misguided people who were living in darkness and blindness to the truth. The blind guides were leading the blind into the ditch. Paul was living in the darkness until Christ came to him as blinding light. So great was the light it caused him to be physically blinded for many days. But the true light eradicated the darkness from his heart and mind and he became a great servant of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Did the nature of Paul change?

Yes, it did, he was transformed from a violent, religious, intolerant, legalistic, pharisaic adherent into a humble, meek and gentle disciple of Christ. Only the Lamb of God can do this and take away the nature of the world from our heart and transform us from the darkness to the light of life in Christ. How do we know what nature and methods guided Paul after his conversion?

### **1 Corinthians 2: 3**

*I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling.*

We stop being something and become nothing so that Christ may be everything. Not like the religious leaders of today who prey on the weak and gullible posing as the righteous ones instead of giving all righteousness to Christ and him alone.

Paul definitely is a model of a transformed life, heart and mind. Only the Lamb of God can do this to any human being. This is the way of the Lord – this is what reveals the day of the Lord. This is the way of the Lord and although the Lord dwells in the highest heaven where no man can approach and live, he also dwells in the contrite heart and the broken spirit. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself and when Christ dwells in your heart by faith, God dwells in your heart also, what a mystery. When you keep the word of Christ in your heart and mind, God will keep you in perfected peace. Christ is the Lamb of God and this Lamb is the only - yes the only one - that can take the sin of the world from your heart and replace it with the nature of a gentle lamb.

The only way you can know you have entered by faith into the Kingdom of God and that you live in the new day - the day of the Lord - is when you walk after the Spirit and not after the flesh. The flesh and its wisdom along with worldly pursuits in religious ordinances and rituals is not of the Lord’s day and must be forsaken at all costs. Holding onto the things that Jesus overcame by the shedding of his own blood will only bring sorrow and despair. The world is full of mental and spiritual agony because the heavenly places are being occupied by de-facto rulers and Jesus must reign until all these occupiers are made his footstool.

The night is darkness and the day is light.

If men walk in darkness they stumble. Judas went out into the night, stumbled and found no way to find repentance for his wickedness. It was better he had never been born. He became a servant of the night and not a disciple of the light.

The day of the Lord cannot be classified as a chronological event, it is an everlasting day which is a day that is eternal both in magnitude, understanding and experience. It is a day where the truth of the cross of Christ is never forgotten and is a day of remembrance that the Lamb of God existed before the creation of the world. The Lamb of God is the seal in a believer's heart that the Holy Spirit endorses when the humility of wisdom embraces everything a disciple does and says. This is the endorsed nature of Christ that Jesus exemplified in his life of humiliation while in the flesh.

This nature of the Lamb of God was hidden from the proud, while the God of all creation - Jesus the Christ - walked on earth in the likeness of human sinful flesh. The glory of God remained hidden to those he was sent to save. he came unto his own and his own received him not. They all lay under the cloak or veil of darkness that was thrown like a net over mankind by the evil one. God in his mercy never left people without a witness. He sent holy men and prophets with his word, but these they persecuted or killed. Then he sent his Son and they killed him to gain the inheritance of the vineyard. Many people now seek the inheritance the world and Satan gives and refuse to inherit what Christ gives, this inheritance is the Kingdom of God.

This same Satan, the dragon, the great deceiver still operates this way today. Enticing people with false promises of worldly blessings and earthly schemes and calling what is evil to be good. To rebuild the kingdoms and institutions that Jesus overcame, is to succumb to the father of lies and hinder those who are endeavouring to find the kingdom of Christ. There is no inheritance of God for those who try to gain entrance to God's kingdom by any other way other than through Christ Jesus the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin and blindness of the world, allowing us to see and enter the kingdom of God.

Institutions and authorities are not evil within themselves, but when they are given more credibility than what they were ordained for by God, they become idols and are then opened up for corruption. Every authority was given and ordained by God to hold together a unity within a darkened and sinful world that would engender a temporary peace and protection until Christ came. All earthly institutions and authorities yield a sword whether it be sheathed or unsheathed. But all earthly societal authorities can be corrupted when they go beyond the level that they were ordained by God to accomplish.

A good example is the law!

When the law became used as an implement for attaining the righteousness of God, obedience to it became a bondage and Satan used it to blind the authorities from seeing their deliverer Jesus Christ. The law was intended to expose our sinful nature and our inability (caused through the weakness of our sinful nature) to overcome our sin and bring us to the knowledge of our need of a Saviour/Redeemer. So, when God came in the flesh - Jesus the Christ - the ruling authorities under the influence of Satan operated through the blindness of human pride and envy and they rejected the Saviour/Redeemer and said; *"We have a law, and by this law he should die."* The law which was holy and good was used as a weapon warped by Satan's guile to over reach its purpose. Jesus righted this wrong and did away with the old covenant sacrifices of bulls and goats and ratified a new covenant in his own blood. This new covenant had a new high priest and Jesus is the high priest of our confession. Our confession is that there is a new ruler, a new king, a new covenant and with a change of priesthood comes a new law. A new law not of the old that made Moses put a veil over his face because the glory faded under that law. We now with an open face behold the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ, a glory that never fades.

We now operate in the law of love which is the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus. With a change of priesthood came this new law. What the old priesthood and the old law could not bring into being through its rules and regulations and its ordinances and sacrifices was now accomplished by Christ on Calvary. These were all nailed to the cross and there they remain. This is what Jesus brought into practice through the new birth, an entirely new life, the new creation – life everlasting – the new day – the day of the Lord – the day without end. Eternal peace with God. The old law was not abolished but was fulfilled in Christ, will worship was overcome, and all worship is now in Spirit and in truth. All earthly institutions even those ordained by God can become instruments of the evil one when they are proclaimed to give legitimacy and a destiny more than God intended.

The Sabbath proclaimed by God was made for man so that man would rest from his labours. This was given a higher or greater purpose when it became a rigid legalistic rule. The law that was meant to show that man could not achieve the righteousness God required, became a bondage of works. Jesus pointed out the Jews hypocrisy when he healed on the Sabbath. The good works of God were classed as evil and not good. Yet these same men would rescue an animal that fell into a ditch on the Sabbath. Jesus ushered in the great sabbath rest of God when he proclaimed the day of the Lord where man would cease from his own labours regarding truth, salvation and life. Jesus is our Sabbath, there is nothing we need to do for our salvation, except to receive God's free gift of faith in Christ and believe that the Lamb of God has taken away the guilt and penalty of sin from us and we can now live in newness of life. From this transformed mind and heart of repentance and faith - which are free gifts - come the good deeds God has prepared for those who love him. We live in this world but not of it and now come from an unseen kingdom of truth, love and liberty. This kingdom has no walls except sincerity and truth that cannot be penetrated by lies and deception. This kingdom has one leader who operates through the Holy Spirit in accordance with the Spirit of prophecy and teaches good things of what God has prepared for them that love him. This is what it means to be in Christ.

The only entrance into this kingdom is through the door which is Jesus Christ. The only citizens in this kingdom of glory are those that have a circumcised heart and are taught of the Lord. They now no longer live for themselves but die daily to their own wants and needs and live for Christ and his glory and for Jesus to be exalted in all the earth.

This kingdom has a narrow door but is open to all.

The believer's prayer is *"thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven"*. Their hope is just as Jesus saw Satan fall as lightning from heaven, they will see Satan ejected from the earth and men's hearts and minds will be freed and occupied by the heavenly Lord of both heaven and earth.

As Christ's kingdom grows and extends, the stone that the builders rejected will become the stone or rock that all men will build upon. This rock can become a rock of offence and cause men to stumble, but we pray the prayer of Jesus that their faith in Christ will keep them whole. This kingdom is an invisible kingdom, but to those who believe, it is a kingdom of reality and the temple in it is made up of living stones who live and breathe with a longing for holiness. They desire to let Christ Jesus reign in their hearts and minds and face every obstacle and opposing force with the weapons of God in the way that Jesus faced Calvary. The true believer walks in the humility of wisdom not trusting in the weapons of worldly authorities corrupted by deceit and ungodly lusts. These authorities trust in earthly methods of superiority and inferiority classes, supposing gain is godliness and trusting in riches and men's praises, seeking fame and acknowledgement for their good works. How can a man who is a work of God himself claim praise for his good works, this defies common reason, God only is good. These men title themselves and give glorious names to themselves such as – lord, king, premier, prime minister and president, so as to exalt themselves above their true rank. If any man thinks more highly of himself



when he is nothing, he deceives himself. When a man takes on these titles he opens himself up to corruption. This truth is problematic even to those who read this message, but the truth lies not in worldly wisdom but in the wisdom that is from above.

Christians are so enamoured with fame above being servants of God that in their assemblies they ordain old covenant hierarchies of authority above servanthood. These methods they inherited from old covenants and angels. There is hierarchy in the angelic realm, but in the kingdom of Christ there is one Lord and many servants. Yes, one Lord and many servants who mature into sons as they become servile to their Master and Lord – the Lord Jesus Christ. God has no grandchildren – he is only a Father to many sons who grow by his grace into maturity – the planting of the Lord.

May God arise and his enemies be scattered and may all men throw off the veil of darkness when the light of the glory of God floods their soul. We are as sheep who are considered for the slaughter as we proclaim the word of truth, but our trust is not in man, our trust is in the name of the Lord.

God has throughout all ages been building the heavenly temple of God out of people who become living stones, the habitation of our God. God and the Lamb are the light of this temple and this temple will not be corrupted like the temple in the old covenant. Jesus cleaned out the money changers and those that sold doves, but many centuries later men of corrupted darkened minds rebuilt the temples and structures to exercise their corrupted authority, and demanded the demons of mammon and “Caesar like” empirical authorities replace the kingdom of Christ. They build walls and creeds of religion that give them authority within those walls. These religions spread like octopi throughout the earth preaching a Christ of reconciliation and unity, but by their deeds expose their hypocrisy of division and titled hypocrisies.

Men, when asked “was John the Baptists’ authority from men or from heaven”, they become tongue tied when required to answer. But today - the day of the Lord - a greater question is asked!

Is the baptism that Jesus gives – is it from men or is it from heaven?

Jesus spoke of a baptism he yet had to receive. He spoke of his death as being the baptism for all true disciples. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is the baptism into his death which every true believer will be baptised into. John’s baptism in water is one of repentance to change your mind and receive Jesus as Lord and Saviour and forgiveness of sins.

The baptism into Christ’s death and resurrection comes from heaven not from men. It is a walk of faith in Christ which results in a new way of living where *“I am crucified with Christ and I am crucified to the world and the world is crucified to me”*. (Galatians 2: 20 and 6: 14).

In these three statements of crucifixions:

1. I am crucified with Christ – I am dead with Christ – I am raised with Christ – I am a new creation from heaven, I am a kingdom living person.
2. The world is dead to me – Now I live in Christ’s kingdom and obey his commands and I am taught of the Lord not by the world.
3. And the world is crucified to me – I am dead to the world, I no longer obey the world and its lusts and demands – I am dead to its voice and no longer follow the strangers voice. I am in the world but not of it.

I am living in humility of wisdom obeying one Lord who is my Saviour and Redeemer. I have entered Christ’s kingdom of promise, I live for him – through him and by him.

It is no longer I that lives, but Christ who lives in me and the life I live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God who loved me and died for me.

In the day of the Lord or the day of everlasting life, I no longer fear death because perfect love casts out all fear. Fear has torment but in Christ we have eternal peace. The question that must be answered now is where do I go after death? Do I go to heaven? No, we go to face the judgement seat of Christ. It is appointed once to die and then face judgement.

The thing that takes you into Christ's kingdom or heaven is not your physical death, what takes you into heaven's reality is the life of Christ. This life of Christ is in those that believe now. It is Christ's life that we have submitted to now that grants us eternal life. This is eternal life that you might know God and whom he has sent. Eternal life begins now and is granted to us when we give up this life to gain new life. This life is in Christ and his kingdom now.

Those that want the prominence in this world and don't want to give up this natural life to gain eternal life will be gnashing their teeth. The last will be first and the first will be last.

The so called church in this world is enmeshed in corruption and the devil's lies. They preach Christ but without persecution least they be rejected by the world. The gospel of prosperity and works prevails in unlawful creeds and rituals without Jesus or the Spirit of the Lord. They exist through mammon and corrupted authorities that say the kingdom of God is a far off in the future. Morality, self-righteousness and outward trappings of power and authority are more sought after than the laid down life for Jesus Christ. The so called shepherds would all fall away if the financial funding disappeared. They are bound by doctrinal chains to maintain their wages. They leave the ministry because they are broken vessels without water. Mental decay and doubt fester and if they never had natural religion they could not physically survive. They are ravaged by the lies of the enemy.

What a pitiful state the so called church has become, it is riddled with exposed and unexposed corruption which weakens their witness within the earth. New movements that are based on the old institutions spring up and last a little while but troubles and lust for other things appear and because they have no root in themselves they wither and die. They cling to their blindness and stumble because the Rock is an offence to their methods.

Unless men stop rebuilding the things Jesus overcame and made redundant and repent and return to Christ and his kingdom, things will carry on until the fire destroys every work of man.

The coming of the Lord is as near as you believe and as far away as you reject his Lordship and authority. There is no temple you can build, there is no kingdom above the one Christ creates. There is no true fellowship that does not begin with the Father and the Son. There is no love that is purer than the love of God. There is no eternal life outside of Christ and his glorious kingdom. There is no wisdom except in Jesus.

The gospel of Jesus Christ and his kingdom must be preached throughout the earth then the end will come, the end of the world that is. The end of darkness, the start of a new day.

What profit is it if a man gains the whole world and loses his own soul?

This message may appear harsh and unmerciful to those that are without the kingdom of God. But there is no inheritance for the unbeliever and unless your name is written in the Lamb's book of life it is not possible to escape the second death. It is better to die daily and live with Christ now in his kingdom than to put off the inevitable and try to escape out of this world of suffering and pain without bowing to the creator and worshipping him and trusting that he will never forsake you or never leave you. Have you had friends that leave you and forsake you and don't love you, but only care for you when they need

you or when they want you for reasons unknown? Jesus the redeemer and his Holy Spirit are not fair weather friends. When you go through the fire he will be with you, when the flood overwhelms you he will comfort you, when you are lost he will search for you and find you. When you are without hope and mentally in despair he will encourage you and lift you out of the depths. He will never leave you or forsake you. When it looks like it is the end and there is no way out, Jesus will become your beginning of a new life. Jesus is the true reality and he will teach you the way of life, and the end is better than the beginning. Jesus is Lord.

All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for reproof, rebuke and instruction in righteousness. But the prophecy of the scripture cannot be added too or taken away from, if anyone adds or takes away from the prophecy of this book, God will add to him the plagues of this book. We must rightfully study the scripture and let the Holy Spirit teach us according to God's will. The word of Christ brings faith and guards your soul, this word is sharper than any two-edged sword and is able to divide both spirit and soul, bone from marrow and the thoughts and intent of the heart. Though the enemy comes in like a flood, the Lord will raise up a standard against him. For greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world.

So as a parting note we encourage all to follow Jesus and be taught by him through the Holy Spirit alone. Put no trust in men who have fallen into the snares of the enemy. Put no faith in their corrupted institutions and titles of honour they bestow on one another. Paul as he grew in grace and knowledge of the Lord only wanted to be known as a servant of Jesus Christ (read Philippians 1: 1). This epistle of Philippians was written in Paul's later years whilst he was in imprisoned. Jesus himself shunned honorific titles and only acknowledged the honour that his Father bestowed upon him or what the Father revealed to others about himself. Jesus came in the form of a servant.

#### **Luke 6: 46-49**

*<sup>46</sup> "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? <sup>47</sup> I will show you what he is like who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice. <sup>48</sup> He is like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. <sup>49</sup> But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete."*

#### **Matthew 7: 21-23**

*<sup>21</sup> "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. <sup>22</sup> Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' <sup>23</sup> Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'"*

Meditate on these words of Jesus and study them and ask the Lord to reveal to you what they mean.

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