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cially to reach them; they have held steadfastly to Paul’s message and have reached many others with the liberating secret. We offer them a big “thank you.”

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Hard times are ahead; only Christ really knows the times and what is in them. It is Christ living in believers who will continue to get the Gospel out. He alone is able!

If you have not received a revelation of Christ in you, take a closer look at Paul’s Epistles.

To one and all
we say a big
**THANK
YOU!**
We love you all!
Warren and Robbie

God is love and you are an expression of that love.

THE PRINCIPLES OF THE BIRTHING AND THE CHRIST-LIFE

PART IV

by Warren Litzman

IV. COMPLETENESS AND “KNOWING”

Each time a Christ-life believer comes to a deeper understanding of who and what he is in Christ, he will be moving more and more toward his ultimate oneness state. Our knowledge grows by feeding upon properly-related scriptural truths. Isaiah 28:10; Psalms 37:23.

1. LINE UPON LINE GROWTH

- 1.1 Too often, believers put the cart before the horse. So often, the moment a believer hears the message of the Christ-life, his reaction is, “Oh, I know that, I’ve always known that.”, or, “I saw that a long time ago.” These words may constitute an attitude which will cause this believer to have a great struggle coming into the new creation life.
- 1.2 The believer cannot enter into Romans 8 until he is resting in the facts of Romans 5. This believer will always fall short of the truths of Ephesians and Colossians because he does not adequately know who he is by Romans 5. This means that we must allow the Holy Spirit to take us patiently through line upon line and precept upon precept to come to the knowing of who we are. When we skip over one foundational truth, our firm footing for the next step is lost. Psalm 17:5.

2. WE ARE COMPLETE IN HIM

Once the believer sees that he is birthed and justified, and can identify to the cross and that birthing, he is ready to feed upon the truth of completeness in Christ. Colossians 2:6, 7; 2:9, 10.

- 2.1 All a Christ-life believer will ever need for his Christian life now and forever is total and complete in the Person of Christ, Who is in him. Not only is Christ in him his completeness, but Christ is total accessibility. Seeing this makes the new creature totally dependent upon Christ.
- 2.2 As the believer begins to rest in this knowing, it will have a definite effect upon his new creation life. It means that by this knowing the Father has already made the believer complete in Christ and the outworking of that in the new creature will be far easier and simpler.
- 2.3 It means that Christ in us is the source from which our new creature is to develop. Ephesians 2:10.
- 2.4 It means, further, that the believer can now put on Christ, or put on the new man. Ephesians 4:24. The believer does not have to worry about a transitional state for the birthing being established. He has actually been born by God, this new man, and there is no other man in sight. Colossians 3:10; Galatians 3:27.
- 2.5 As this knowing takes place in the believer, total completeness is the outcome. The believer who sees Christ as his all, will no longer work on self-unto-self but will begin to fulfill his Jesus-self. Romans 13:14; Galatians 4:19.

3. SECURE IN CHRIST

Once a believer, by the birthing, has begun the new creature life walk, he will see that he is secured by the Christ in him.

- 3.1 The Christ-life believer who sees that he is now completed in Christ and has eternal life birthed in him will stand in the fear of God and hate sin as a passion. He will hate sin for what it is, not just for its consequences.
- 3.2 The Christ-life believer who has come to this knowing, will have a fear of God that is reverential trust, coupled with a hate of evil. Proverbs 8:13; Titus 2:11-12. Any believer who receives his assurance from the law, lives by guesswork and never comes to knowing.
- 3.3 It is the truth of the birthing and identification to Christ which holds a Christ-life believer in the process of his growth. It is the insecure believer who is unstable and flounders from one experience to another, never learning and therefore never becoming who he is or entering into his new creature life. 2 Peter 3:18.
- 3.4 The believer must not become new creature-centered, for if he does he will become self-centered and earthbound. A new creature must flow out of the birthing, or it will bring about frustration and defeat.
- 3.5 On the other hand, the Christ-life believer who comes to an understanding enters into his completeness and knows that there is no other position before God for him, than Christ. Galatians 3:26; Romans 8:17; 1 John 3:2.
- 3.6 The believer who rests in this knowledge does not rely upon appearance, neither is he affected one way or another by his new creature life or daily walk.

4. RESTING IN CHRIST

- 4.1 The believer who rests in the Life who is in him knows he is eternally alive. Colossians 3:3-4; Romans 5:11.
- 4.2 The Christ-life believer also rests in the sovereignty of God and by this he knows that he is eternally alive. Romans 8:29,30; Jude 24.
- 4.3 The Christ-life believer rests in the justice of God and knows that he is eternally alive. Romans 3:26; Romans 8:1, 2; 1 Peter :18.
- 4.4 The Christ-life believer also rests in the will of God and by so doing knows that he is living eternal life now. John 15:16; 1 Corinthians 1:30.
- 4.5 The Christ-life believer also rests in the love of God, and by this knows that he has eternal life dwelling in him. Jeremiah 31:3; Romans 8:35, 38, 39. ~

(Read Part V in next issue)

“That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ” (1 John 1:3).



This verse has many facets, but the words “fellowship with the Father and with the Son” are of particular interest to me as a theme for this book. Our real fellowship is with the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ. The Christ-life message is the center of everything I want to do. Wherever I go, whatever I do, the message is the focal point of my life. When I first began to see these truths, I realized that many people through the centuries had bits, pieces and parts of the Christ-life truth—“Christ in you, the hope of glory,” but it never crystallized as a part of their biblical truths. They never understood it as a complete and total message because the life of Christ, as the believer’s life, did not sustain all the ideas they thought were necessary to their religious programs. Also, many other things were commingled with the message, most often unscriptural things that followers of organized religion deemed necessary, making the message of Christ alive in believers become lost or, at the very least, diluted.

GONE TO



THE DOGS

BY FRANK STIGALL

Part IV AND FINAL PART:

Did you know that Israel declared war on God? Acts, Chapter 8 tells us that Saul had received what amounts to a decoration of war from the Sandedrin, and he used it to its limit. "As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed them to prison" (Acts 8:3). Made havock means "to ravage like a wild beast," describing the intensity of Saul's hatred of Christians.

and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Corinthians, Romans and Hebrews. Now, if you can place these epistles in the right time period in the book of Acts you will surely come up with a much better understanding of scriptures than most preachers.

Acts is a historical book about a time of transition from the kingdom message to the grace message. Transition is not something that is accomplished in a moment of time but over several years. The knowledge that there are two messages in

ISRAEL, THE CHURCH, AND THE MESSAGE

Acts is a history book about Israel. The book of Acts opens with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Jewish nation and closes with the rejection of Christ as Israel's Messiah (Acts 28:28).

"But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same veil untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which veil is done away in Christ. But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the veil is upon their heart" (2 Cor. 3:14-15). The Kingdom Message is no longer sent to Israel, as they are now in total darkness with a veil over their face, which means they do not understand any of the Old Testament prophecies concerning Christ. As long as Israel considers the law as permanent for salvation the veil shall remain. However, in Christ the veil is taken away, and revelation can flood in if they ever turn to Christ.

Therefore, the book of Acts ends the dealing of Israel as a nation until after the church is called out. They no longer have a history with God until the Church age ends, so there is nothing more to write about concerning Israel. One might say they are dead in trespasses and sin.

A most difficult hurdle for the most of us will be to understand the book of Acts. We have been taught that those things in Acts was the New Testament church at work, so we claim those miracles for our self without ever understanding God was still calling Israel out to complete his covenant plan with them.

A.D. 59	A.D. 52	A.D. 53	A.D.55	A.D. 57	A.D. 68	A.D.64
Galatians	I Thessalonians	II Thessalonians	I Corinthians	II Corinthians	Romans	Hebrews
Acts 15:35	Acts 18:11	Acts 18:11	Acts 9:10	Acts 19:10	Acts 20:3	Acts 28
←A.D. 33	Acts covers a period of Approximately 30 years					A.D. 62→

But if you want to get the real meat of the Acts period for the Christians, then you must read the epistles of Paul which were written at the time of the book of Acts. In them is the meat for the Christian. Paul has the only revelation for the Church, or the unfolding of the mystery, that was hidden from before the Acts 28 foundation of the earth. Acts is a little like reading between the lines. The Acts epistles should be read to fully understand what was going on. These epistles of Paul written during the Acts period contain the message for the new creation race. They are Galatians, 1

Acts can keep you from losing sight of which road to travel, and help you make the right application of the scripture.

Let us point out some more differences between Israel and the body of Christ. As we have said Israel is a theocracy, they are not a democracy, and they are not a republic. God is their head, and He rules supreme, He has others under Him that are able to give His voice to the nations. This cannot be the church for one simple reason. The church is a family, and God is our Father, and the only way to be in this family is to be born into it.

The apostles in the Acts period were carrying out the great commission that Jesus gave them after the resurrection. They were commanded to go into all the world, preach to every creature, heal the sick, and speak with a new tongue (Mark 16: 15-18).

We need to see the Lord did not cast away the Jews because they crucified him. Quite the contrary, His death was always emanate. In fact he was born to die, and his death was in the plan of God. "Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people" (John 18:14). Caiaphas the high priest could hardly realize the full meaning of his own words. He was simply expressing the thought of a political collaborator with Rome; and yet those words express the central doctrine of the Christian faith—the substitutionary atonement of Christ.

WAS ISRAEL CAST A WAY?

"I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew" (Rom 11:1-2a).

"What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded" (Rom 11 :7).

We have a two-fold problem with the chosen people that we must address in order to divide truth. First, there are Jews that flat out reject Christ as their Messiah and they were the ones that were blinded spiritually. This group never did obtain what they sought—their Messiah. The others have obtained to the election are the minority of Jews who are being saved today.

Paul gives us a little illustration on this subject using Elijah as an example. Elijah complained that he was the only one left that believed in God, but God told him He had seven thousand hid in a cave that he knew nothing about. In other words God has a remnant of the Jews reserved. This immediate crowd of reserve Jews are the born again ones, that have turned from darkness, unto the marvelous light of Jesus Christ. These Jews are protected from the wrath of God that is to come during the days of tribulation.

We need to ask ourselves if there is a difference in the doctrine that Peter and Paul used in delivering their messages. I think we can find a very big difference. The Kingdom message knows nothing of the Mystery message. But they both have something in common and that is the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus.

PETER AND HIS MESSAGE

Peter preached his gospel this way: "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). Nothing wrong with this you say, then you are right if you are living in 33 AD. This is part of the kingdom message which says in order to be saved you must repent, be baptized in water and the prize is the gift of the Holy Spirit. Nothing is said about being baptized into Christ by the Holy Spirit. It leads me to believe that Peter believed the Holy Spirit was the power in ones life to do the miracles.

Jesus said in Luke 12:50, "But I have a baptism to be baptized with." These words went over their heads; the only knowledge they have about

baptism was in water. However, Jesus was talking about his death. Paul tells us in Romans 6 :3, "Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? So you see this is the difference in preaching between Peter and Paul.

Baptism with the Holy Spirit joins the believer to Christ, separating the believer him from his old life and associating him with the new. We are no longer "in Adam" but "in Christ." Water baptism cannot do this. Forgiveness is through faith in Christ, not through the act of baptism. The Holy Spirit is a gift to all that believe—not a reward for works.

"For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ" (Gal 3:27). Baptized into Christ. Not water baptism but Spirit baptism is what brings believers into a living oneness with Christ, having put on Christ. That is clothing oneself with Christ, is a responsible act of appropriating all that Jesus Christ is. "For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones" (Eph. 5:30).

PAUL'S MESSAGE

Paul on the other hand never emphasizes water baptism and repentance as a means to salvation. Here is Paul's message for salvation. "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Rom 10:9). It is simple and straightforward. In fact it is too simple for many religious organizations, they always have to add some works to it. They leave the new convert full of confusion, which he never gets rid of but incorporates it in his life long experience of being a child of God. The

new convert has broken off the bands of the world, only to become bound with religious things.

RECONCILED

"And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation" (2 Cor. 5:18). This is another point in Paul's message "reconciliation." It involves a changed relationship because our trespasses are not counted against us. We are restored to favor with God. A Bible example of this is Joseph who was cast into prison but was pardoned and set free. He was made ruler over all the land in Egypt; he was restored to favor. We are now to announce to others this message of God's grace, we are no longer in Satan's bondage but have been reconciled, just believe it and be restored to God. We don't have to live in bondage any more. We are free indeed by the new birth.

JUSTIFIED

"And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses" (Acts 13:39). A startling statement: What the law could not do (justify a person, or declare him righteous) Jesus Christ can do. This is something Peter's message did not have in it "justification without law." In Acts, Peter still preached law especially when it came to circumcision, the eating of clean and unclean food. He had to be worked over pretty good before

he would deliver his message to the Cornelius Gentiles. And even after that experience he was careful about being caught by other Jews fraternizing with Gentiles.

OUR HOPE—

A HOME IN HEAVEN

"For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven. . ." (Col. 1:5). You will only hear this word from Paul. Peter on the other hand offered a kingdom on the earth. This hope is reserved for those who trust Christ now in this age of His rejection. It is because the King along with His kingdom have been refused that God in grace has given believers today something better, a heavenly position.

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; and he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you" (Acts 3: 19-20). Be converted and turn around. That is, turn from sin to God by reversing their decision about Jesus and confessing Him as the Messiah. Then there will be the times of refreshing and the times of restitution of all thing, which refer to the millennial kingdom.

This is one of the great differences between the kingdom message and the grace message. The kingdom message is about the Davidic covenant. God offers a king and a throne on this earth to rule from,

and that king will be Jesus, thus we call it the kingdom message. Paul offers believers to become jointers with Jesus Christ, and citizenship in heaven.

PETER THE APOSTLE

I would not want to leave you thinking that Peter never came to understand the message of the mystery, he did but it was late in life. In fact, he gives us some great scriptures such as "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever" (1 Pet 1 :23).

However, a close study of the scriptures will reveal he mainly ministered to the Jews. 1 Peter, is a mixture of things about the mystery and at other times he is writing about things that could only be for the Jews, for example, 1 Peter 2:9-10. His second epistle points more to the born again.

Peter quickly fades to the background after Paul came along, and little is said about him after the Jerusalem conference (Acts 15: 6-19; Gal. 2:11-21). It is quite obvious that the kingdom message gradually faded to the background and the mystery message was now the message of the hour.

However, Peter was a great man of God. He wrote his two epistles in about 63-66 AD and was martyred in 67 AD around the same time as Paul was martyred.

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THE MESSAGE OF THE CROSS

BY CLIFF GARDNER



I, in Adam, (sin) was poured into Jesus when He took me, the sinner, into His person—Him, and was identified to God as me, the sinner.

I, in Christ, was crucified in Him (Him as me) on the cross of Calvary that day. As Jesus' blood drained from His body, it was being shed for me, as me. The sacrifice of Jesus' blood was finally the perfect sacrifice for sin that would not need to be done ever again. It was complete! Jesus' blood went way beyond covering my sin, as did the animal sacrifices under the Old Testament Law. His blood removed my sin!
In actuality, His blood redeemed me out from under the law of sin and death.

I, in Christ, Who was the second (perfect) Adam, died that day to who I was. I was sin, in the first Adam (my human forefather) who disobeyed God and chose to eat the forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden.

I, in Christ, was buried and taken to the second death, hell. I, in Christ, was not left in hell, but was given new life out of death by the working of God's mighty power in Christ that is greater than sin death and the grave. The old "me" just "cleansed" from my sin and death was not revived. Rather, because "I, the sinner" was actually taken to death in Christ.

"I" in Christ's resurrection was reborn as brand new creation in Christ. All old identities in sin and self are gone. They have "passed away!" My new identity has to do with Jesus, not who I was in the flesh of Adam. I now have a new spiritual Father, God, and a brand new history!
I am now dead to the past, and my old spiritual father in Adam, Satan.

I, in Christ, arose from the dead, never to die spiritually again.
The only aspect of death that I will have to face is in the body of the flesh.

I, in Christ, am already seated in Heavenly places (the "Heavenlies").
I, in Christ, am left here on earth to "know Him" (Christ), in me.
The apostle Paul said it so succinctly:

"That I might know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable to His death: if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead" (Phil. 3:10-11).

This will be brought to reality in my life as I yield my mind to the Holy Spirit's revelation of the mystery of Jesus Christ in me, through me, as me, as my only life unto God that glorifies Him
(cf. Col 1:26-27)!

The Oak Tree

A MESSAGE OF ENCOURAGEMENT

AUTHOR UNKNOWN



A mighty wind blew night and day. It stole the oak tree's leaves away, then snapped its boughs and pulled its bark until the oak was tired and stark. But still the oak tree held its ground while other trees fell all around...

The weary wind gave up and spoke, How can you still be standing, Oak?" The oak tree said, "I know that you can break each branch of mine in two, carry every leaf away, shake my limbs, and make me sway. But I have roots stretched in the earth, growing stronger since my birth. You'll never touch them, for you see, they are the deepest part of me. Until today, I wasn't sure of just how much I could endure. But now I've found, with thanks to you, I'm stronger than I ever knew.

The mighty oak came from a little acorn, even as an incorruptible seed, Christ, came from your Heavenly Father into you. You may get damaged, but the seed in you grows deeper everyday, helping you overcome any and all powers that would attack you.



TESTIMONY OF KEN ROMANOFF

I have been a Christian now for 37 years finding the One Who I had been looking for all my life at a Billy Graham Crusade at the Cow Palace in San Francisco. Until I became a Christ-life believer, where my position in Christ is the focus of my walk, this initial experience was not what I considered my time of salvation. Even though I was sincere and searching at the time, no significant change took place in me that would prove who I was. I didn't realize that God was taking me through a journey during those five years, a journey filled with very difficult circumstances and situations when finally in September of 1963 I found myself in the hospital with Asthmatic Bronchitis and an Ulcer. Blessed was that illness because it was there that Christ became a reality in a much deeper way. However, my question to myself I believe I can answer now. Yes, I believe I was born again that first time in 1958.

The most difficult thing for a believer is to come to a continuous awareness of his position in Christ. I certainly cannot find fault with the teachings of my church in Palo Alto. Although Christ as our Life was not stressed, nevertheless, those early years were good. Life had changed and my understanding of the Bible grew as the years passed. I knew He was always with but it was like He

and I were walking hand in hand but not being joined as One.

The need to know Him in a deeper way came in the 70's when my wife and I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit became more a part of my vocabulary as well as an issue of division with my old friends. That didn't seem to matter too much because our Charismatic Church friends replaced the old ones. Since my wife was dying of cancer our focus as believers was on the great power we had so we could cast out devils, and heal the sick. We followed every known preacher and healer we would ever hear of. Our terminology and form of worship changed and we both became a lot more free to express our worship for God. However, she did not get healed and died after about seven months in the Charismatic church.

I met Shirley, my present wife, who herself had just lost her husband and we got married. Church continued on to be our life. Bible School four nights a week, Church services on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. On Saturday we would gather and go witnessing. Big meetings, crusades and yes, lots of excitement. What was it that finally drove us out of this? It was corruption, dishonesty and lack of trust that we experienced with some of

our brethren.

A Christ-life meeting in Union City in 1990 did not really make either of us realize in a deeper way who we were. But it was the beginning. Several months later we responded to The Life in the Son invitation to attend the Christ-life Campmeeting at Springs of Living Water near Chico. It was there that the seeds of understanding were planted that caused both Shirley and me to see that Jesus was indeed our Life and later on expanded to see that He was indeed the only Life we have.

Continuing on in Christ is much like the opening up of a rose. It just seems that there is no ending to this understanding. Since Christ is our Life we can now look differently at the world around us. His relationship in us will continue to deepen as the months and years go by. There are times when I forget who I am in Christ. I then remember what our dear brother Andrew Hanson writes about Practicing the Presence of God. We need to stop and remember—that's part of prayer. And then what a difference it makes regardless of the circumstances. He in me and me in Him. The only way that life makes sense. Yes, He lives in me as me. Praise God.



Flesh and the Sin Nature

by Richard Moore

There has been some confusion concerning the flesh and the sin nature. Even some very fine writers whom I respect greatly seem stuck on this point. The fact is the sin nature or principle resides in my flesh. I know this because I can pass it on to my children. So how is this not in conflict with the teachings of the Christ-life, which frankly are from God and not from man? Allow me to provide some clarification, if I may. Please pay attention to the language and terminology closely. I could say it no better. It is “not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth” (1 Cor. 2:13).

(1) “Sin” is a spiritual energy that is active in our flesh enslaving our will and infecting and darkening our heart and mind (soul.) Its source is Satan (John 8:44). This is the spirit-nature of fallen man (Eph. 2:1-3).

(2) This activity has been “rendered entirely idle” (destroyed, Strong's #2673) in the born-again. We have died to sin (to this principle in our flesh, the Satan nature). Our relationship with the flesh has been severed (Rom. 6:6; Col. 2:11). This has effected a perfect exchange of natures from flesh to spirit, Adam-to-Christ, sin-to-righteousness, Satan-to-God (2 Peter 1:4; Acts 26:18; Rom. 8:4-10).

(3) The activity of Satan in the born again has been relegated to an outer thing. The influence of the sin-nature, “sin in the flesh,” call it what you want has been “reduced to inactivity” (Strong's #2673) in regard to the inner life. In every

meaningful sense, it is Satan out and Christ in as the spiritual life (nature) energizing the human. Let us not resist the testimony of the scriptures. They do not leave us in doubt, if we will but listen to the Holy Spirit.

As I have said before, we still have flesh, but we are under no obligation to the flesh. The lust of the flesh is the remembrance of our sinful ways. It is the mind where the residue of sin resides, as a powerless ghost as long as it's not falsely identified as you. These are the truths that make identification work as God intended (Eph. 4:22-24). So wherein lays the confusion? It is when we do not see the birthing, which renders null and void all human reasoning, and the scriptures may give their testimony. I hope I have provided some clarification. Let us not have Christ competing with Satan, or some “human nature,” of which there is no such thing.

“But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his” (Rom. 8:9). “And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life, because of righteousness” (Rom. 8:10).

I was fellowshiping with a brother one day on the subject of grace. This fellow did not know the message of Christ in us. He brought up the term “divine influence upon the heart,” which I recognized as a definition from Strong's. Later that day as I thought about our conver-

sation, the Holy Spirit led me in some very clear thoughts concerning grace, the Strong's definition, and this message of Christ in us. I would like to share them.

Grace obviously has many facets. Ultimately, it is the saving work of Christ, which is all of Him (John 19:30) — his death and resurrection (for us and as us). But we are looking specifically at grace as His divine enabling in our lives. Grace is a perfect system (from start to finish) but how does it all work?

“That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith” (Eph. 3:17). Contrary to much popular teaching we've been exposed to, we do not get a new heart at salvation. We get a new spirit (Christ). This spirit has to enter our heart. This comes through relationship—(yielding/learning/obeying) — loving God (1 Peter 1:22; Rom. 5:5). Scripturally, this is called the revelation of Jesus Christ (Gal. 4:6), and men would do themselves a great service if they understood the gospel in this way. The heart is the seat of affection and desire. When Christ is dwelling in the heart (through unreserved trust), He produces the transformed desires where we only want to do what pleases God. This is the spirit of Christ reigning in man as his very own spirit, the two have become one (1 Cor. 6:17) as the liberation of the human being (Eph. 3:17-19).

So, back to my conversation with my brother. “Divine influence upon the heart?” You bet. But grace is simply and finally, Christ (in you)

— God's gift in whom all fullness dwells and in whom we are complete (John 1:16; Col. 2:9-10). It is a person we have received in his fullness the moment we believed (Col. 2:6). That's grace! Sad to say, most people are ignorant of this because the Holy Spirit has not had the liberty to reveal Christ within them. Most people think the Holy Spirit

is Christ, but this is not so. This is why the true grace of God remains hidden to most believers. Be that as it may, the culmination of God's grace is Christ dwelling in the heart — which is a human who is free to do what he wants (astounding!). Oh, how far religion and humanity are from understanding the true grace of God and the greatness of

our Father. These are the sacred truths of grace —which is God changing who we are based upon his kindness towards us (Gal. 2:20; 2 Cor. 5:17) - in spite of ourselves.

*To God ever be the glory.
Grace and peace to you.*



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Hungry believers who are growing up in Christ are finding their spiritual food in the Christ-life message. Someone has said that

happiness comes from man and joy comes from the Lord. This book deals with the believer's daily walk. It shows the wonderful benefits that come from knowing Christ lives in you. As the joy of Christ works out of the believer

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**CHRIST-LIFE
HEALING FOR
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Transformed by the Renewing of the Mind



WARREN AND ROBBIE LITZMAN

PREFACE

The six areas of study in this book are derived from a time when the Holy Spirit was teaching me the difference between being “in Christ” and enjoying the full liberties of oneness with Christ. Now, I see that all of the spiritual growth of a believer comes as he moves from one level of understanding to another. This book is written especially for a hungry heart that is ready to go on into the fullness of Christ—in other words, ready to move to another level of understanding.

The Christ-life message has but one intention: to fulfill what the Father has always wanted in believers by opening new and greater understandings of who we are in Christ that we might go on into the fullness of oneness. The written Word is a key to the study of this book. It is only as you see Christ in the scriptures that you can be what you are by Him in you. As you study these truths you will sense, by the Holy Spirit, Christ-life surging through you. In time the “surge” will bring perfect oneness with Him.
— Warren Litzman

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SOUTH AFRICA CONFERENCE 2012 PINE LODGE CAMP MEETING

**OCTOBER 2012
Wet but warm**

Looking out my window in Cabin 39 Saturday morning, rain was pouring down as if the heavens opened over Port Elizabeth. Dams filled up all around, and it felt as if I were in Noah's ark.

This was the picture almost all weekend with torrents of moving water flowing through the entrance to the conference hall, blocking the way to the dining room. One had to balance over temporary planks to get into the hall, pumps running to take water away.

However, this made no difference to the meetings where many coming from places all around the globe, gathered to listen to Warren and Robbie's warm and strong message about Christ in me!! It started

with the joyous singing of "It's No Longer I that Liveth, but Christ that Liveth in Me," and other songs.

We all sat glued to our seats, listening to the message that we have heard many times before, but which was all so new as the Lord gave it to Warren especially for these meetings.

The main thrust of the messages was about dispensations. About the Old Testament that was prophesy, the New Testament about the Mystery. Our dispensation started at the cross. The old dispensation which was all of Moses' law finished at the cross.

Dealing with God's intention for us, Paul's teaching leads the way. There is no New Creation with the Cross. The final gospel, given by Paul is, to us, the Gentiles. Today 90% of Christians still believe in law. Christians are suffering in religion, many have a religion that preaches against the cross. Only 10% in the "New Creation" know that Christ lives in them. There is no new creation with the cross. Put your trust in God and leave it alone. He leads you His way.

Ephesians 1:10 gives us a foretaste when all things were in Christ in heavenly places.

We Have:

- 1. A new dispensation**
- 2. The age of Grace - Christ lives in the human - you trust Christ in your life**
- 3. A new body - attached to believers in Christ**
- 4. New hope in Christ is eternal**
- 5. A new way of living - Christianity is a way of living-not a Doctrine.**

To me it was as if the Word filled my life where I had a lot of open spaces. It helped me to understand the In-Christ message even better. I so much appreciated the fact that, although physically older, Warren's message to us was as strong as ever.

Coming back to Hermanus, after seeing so many of my old friends at the camp, and having inspiring chats with Robbie, left me somewhat sad, yet filled with the Glory of the "In Christ" message.

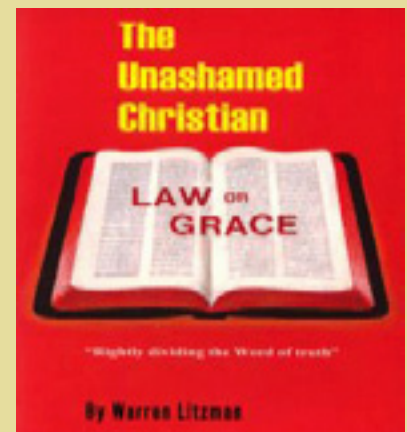
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Everything in the believer is, was, and ever shall be, because of Him who is our life.

**TESTIMONY BY JAMES BROOKS FOR
THE UNASHAMED CHRISTIAN
BY WARREN LITZMAN**

I just finished reading the book, "The Unashamed Christian." What a great book! There is so much meat in it. I never really understood about the different dispensations. But, it is much clearer now. Also, how to rightly divide the word of God and separating law and grace is so important. I have a much better understanding of all this. Your books along with the word of God and the teaching of the Holy Spirit are true meat for my hungry soul.

Thank you, James Brooks (Prison Ministry)



A PRISON EPISTLE BY ARNE CARLSON

First of all, I want to thank Robbie for resolving the problem with my earlier book order. Bless you for helping me to finally receive those books. You should know that these books have already been hungrily read, and they are currently being shared by the two others who share my acceptance of the Apostle Paul's message. Secondly, I want to place an order for another book, "Christ-Life Healing for Body and Soul," check enclosed. I also want to confirm my enrollment in a subscription to "Life in the Son" journal. When I first wrote to you, you kindly sent me some back issues. I would dearly love to receive current and future issues as they become available. Next, I want to tell you what the Christ-life message has meant to me. Firstly, I was raised in a typical Midwestern loving household, exposed to the standard Methodist/Christian church tenets, sprinkled with a little Baptist flavoring from my maternal grandmother. But I never saw anyone in my family reading the Bible outside of church. So I grew up without a real Christ presence in my life. As many do, I fell away from the church as I left home, only attending on visits home and/or Easter and Christmas. Years later after losing both parents, I found myself sentenced to prison. As I entered custody I had two clear revelations: 1) That this was somehow foreordained, that I have been allowed to make the choices that got me sent here, so that I could come to God. I would have continued being worldly and not come to Him, without this opportunity. 2) That I would die here. Not that I had been sentenced to life (only 10 years). Not that I would die by vio-

lence or sickness, but death just the same. No clarification. And so, I began to seriously work on repairing my relationship with God. I began reading the Word daily, using Bible studies and reading inspirational literature. I began trying to "make" myself acceptable. All the work became exactly that—work. I became frustrated at my lack of progress; I perceived no "fruits." I began to chase after every seemingly good teaching. I studied materials from Kenneth Hagin, Joyce Meyer, John Hagee, Kenneth Copeland and others. As you can guess, the mixed messages thoroughly confused me. I became depressed, and even began to question my faith and salvation. Then, I unexpectedly met a man who I had met in county jail years ago. He was my "neighbor" then. We had Bible studies in his cell, prayer circles too. And then he left to begin serving his sentence. As we got reacquainted, we walked and talked, and he listened, as I poured out my frustrations to him. He didn't preach to me, but he did empathize, and he began to tell me of his experiences with Christ. He told me about the dispensation of grace, the message of Paul, and "Christ in you, the hope of glory," and then he shared a book with me, "This Then is the Message." Wow! My eyes were opened, as if for the first time. The words were food to a starving man, and water to a thirsty soul. The more I read the more was revealed to me. On some inner level I instinctively knew this message to be the truth. So, I heartily thank you, Mr. Litzman. Your words have caused me to come to the cross of Calvary, and therein find my life. Inadvertently, you have also caused

me to fully understand the revelations that were given to me: 1) I had to come here to meet my old friend and be introduced to the Christ-life message. 2) I would die, that Christ may live. I praise God that He revealed this message to you, and that He gave you the means to share it with the world, and most especially share it with me.

The first thing I wanted to do was to share this miraculous message with anyone who would listen to me. And, as you also wrote, I was rebuffed by almost everyone. I thought perhaps it was me, that I had fumbled the imparting of the message. But, then, I realized (also as you wrote) that they were just not ready to accept it. And so I share the message when I can, and I don't fault myself or those with whom I try to share it, if it falls on deaf ears.

And, so I write this letter to order another book to add to my "Litzman Library." I hope my testimony further encourages you to see the glory of God as He works through you. Now, I begin to save my meager wages again. My next book purchase will be "My Notes on the Final Gospel." I can already see the space for it in my "Litzman Library." This will take several months, but your writings have brought me to know Christ in me, and I crave more. I apologize for being so long-winded in this letter, but I was bursting at the seams, wanting to tell you what this message has meant to me. What I wrote here is but a small part of all the words, and emotions that swirl within me.

**Your Brother-in-Christ,
Arne Carlson.**



NEW MINISTRIES READY TO PREACH THE CHRIST-LIFE



CAMEROON PASTORS READY TO PREACH THE CHRIST-LIFE

Twenty-three people registered to attend our Christ-life Fellowship Conference in Port Elizabeth, S. Africa but, sad to say, when they were all ready to come, a number of them were denied a visa. Still, Shawn and Annie Smith, (on the right) were able to bring 7 pastors with them, along with their two children, little Shawn and Shannon. Each month Shawn and Annie have four days of teaching and training others in ministry who are hungry. Some travel great distances; one especially travels 8 hours one way each month to learn Christ.

This group has all of the material the Christ-life has produced and they are learning a new gospel as all of us had to. Cameroon is 60% French; this is important

because it is an open door for us to get the final gospel to another nation. There are unlimited possibilities in reaching other countries through the ministry and vision of Shawn and Annie and these pastors who are the leaders in Cameroon and they are given to Christ and to getting the gospel Jesus gave to Paul, to all who will listen.

The ministry there owns a radio station and they are providing teaching of the Christ-life to people up the entire West Coast of Cameroon. What a mighty God we have! Hold up this new Fellowship in your prayers and hearts.



'TIL THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS



A GREAT YEAR IN 2012

As we go back over the year, 2012, we are blessed. Most every group we go to is growing. People, especially religious people, are beginning to feel the darkness abounding in modern religion. This is a good sign and some of these are turning to the Christ-life wherein they can enjoy real security.

This year we have sent out from our Dallas office more literature than ever before to many different places around the world. Our office in South Africa has needed more literature than ever. Just last month we sent, by ship, 14 large boxes to Port Elizabeth, South Africa. These included hundreds of books, magazines, DVD's, and CD's. Everywhere a book goes it is passed on until it comes to someone who needs it.

On top of all this, and greatly more important, there is a spiritual growth among Christ-life believers. New hearts are opening to the fact that the prime part of the message is the "revelation of Jesus Christ." This is the true heartbeat of Christianity and every one must have the revelation of Christ as their only life to exist in this wild and wicked world. I am sure all these wonderful things happening in the world today is signaling the return of Christ and the rapture. In it all, it has been a wonderful year.

GOD HAS GRACED ON US HIS SALVATION BY CHRIST (THE BODY PERSON)

BY DEXTER BYRD

As time passes I become more and more aware that this body I live in is not the real me. Many times when I want to do something or go somewhere, my body and mind want to go the other way. My old way of thinking also joins forces with the body and I discover a war going on within me that disrupts the reality of who I am in Christ. It is then that I must depend on who God has already created me to be in Christ.

God gave us a new Spirit when we were born again. Actually it is new to us but not to God, because His Spirit is birthed in us when we believed on Jesus as our Savior and Lord. This causes confusion in the mind of most believers because God's Spirit in a human is not in agreement with the rest of the human soul-mind and body. Another life (Christ) that is completely opposite from our first birth was placed in us by the Spirit.

The Virus Effect

I will compare this new Spirit life to a virus. There is nothing wrong with the new life. It is healthy and complete. The virus effect of confusion comes when the believer's soul-mind and body reject the new medicine. We suddenly find that strange things start to happen in us. God has placed eternal life in a carnal and dying body. The new life cannot die but the old man (soul and body) keep moving to an end of its existence. The soul and body are influenced by the things of the

earth, and the new Spirit-life desires the things of its own nature. This is a very strange and new experience for man when he is born again. His new Christ-spirit pushes and moves within him, trying to find a way out of the temporal state in which most believers live. It is very similar to the germ of life within a seed. When it is placed in a certain environment (in the ground) it begins looking for a way out of its outer prison or body. The only means of finding an escape is with the help of the elements of the ground. Unless the elements do what God created them to do, this germ in the seed remains trapped. God has created mankind after this same order.

Circumstances & Situations

I understand that it is hard for us to accept salvation as a free gift of God. Even though I know this for a fact, there is still a little voice within my old way of thinking that says: "This is true, but be careful." We know why God rejected Israel as a nation and we are brainwashed into believing that the God who is the same yesterday, today, and forever, will also reject us. Not understanding the finished work of the cross is part of the problem. God does not deal with us as He did with Israel. They were never His birthed children and until Jesus went to the cross not one of them was crucified with Christ (Gal.2:20). Keep your mind on the right side of the cross.

Much of our mind is still filled with the wrong side of the cross.

The circumstances and situations of everyday living designed by God to bring forth Christ through the believer, just as the elements of the ground are created by God to bring forth life through death for the sake of the germ-life within the seed (Col. 1:24). Everything that happens to you in this world is related to a law that is ordained by God (Rom. 13:1). The virus effect of confusion enters when you try to live a life contrary to the new life God has birthed in you. The life you attempt to live may be honorable and good in the sight of you and the world, but if the fruit of the Spirit is absent it is likely that you are the one in control. God has made sure that no man can be happy aside from complete dependence on who he is in Christ. Our life in Christ cannot be added to nor taken away from what God has achieved when He birthed His Son in us.

Making Choices

Learning to allow Christ to live through you is a choice that you must willingly make. The pressures of life (circumstances & situations) are replaced with freedom of choice and a life of grace in Christ. All things that you must count as loss for the knowledge and understanding of this Christ-life are mostly religious things that have been programmed into you from your youth. These old things of the mind

want to dictate the terms of your choice to live Christ as life. The old mind is filled with works and law, and rejects and frustrates the grace of God in Christ as your life. When circumstances and situations come in your daily living, the old mind is always there to offer its assistance with its own wisdom. This is a farce. God never expected the old man to make the decision. Any decision based on your old knowledge is a slap in the face of Jesus and His cross. Dead men don't make decisions. You do not have control of anything you give to God (1 Cor. 6:19). We're fools if we really believe that we can give to God something that He already owns or has dealt with at the cross.

Our Real Problem is in the Mind

We do not really believe that our body belongs to God because our old mind rejects this notion. We think that our completion on this earth depends on the decisions we make. This is also foolish, because Paul tells us that we are complete in Christ by birth. Our completion is a fact and is finished in Christ. We are who we are because of Him and not by any decision we make. You don't have anything to give up. Forget it and just be who you are. God has already taken care of who we try to be through religion. He nailed this idea to His cross. "Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross" (Col. 2:14). Believers do not want to admit that they live a Christian life guided by the handwriting of ordinances. They relate this verse to Old Testament actions, and indeed it is, but the old ordinances have been carefully replaced with new ones by the wisdom of man in

organized religion. Reasoning says that we must have these ordinances (laws) or else there will be confusion in our service and worship to God. This is true only in so far as we have not yet learned to accept the fullness of what God has graced to us in Christ.

The Other Side

Galatians 2:20 takes care of who we think we are by self-effort, and it was God's pleasure to "blot out" the handwriting of ordinances that was against us in order that we might be able to live a life free from laws and ordinances. This is called grace. God has graced on us His salvation by Christ, who now lives His own life through us by grace. Our trouble is that we are ignorant of what God has graced to us in Christ. God chose to perfect His desire and plan for sons by the work that Jesus would complete through the cross. He never planned to depend on what man could do within his own effort and will. It's free. Accept it.

Surface Knowledge

We have been geared in religion to believe that with the help of God we can make handwritings and ordinances work right, and that God will give us the grace to make them work. Religion taught us that the Old Testament handwritings and ordinances were blotted out, but that God has now replaced them with new ones. This was not a part of God's plan. Why did He blot the things out? "Because they were against us." What did He replace them with? A NEW LIFE (2 Cor. 5:17). Surface knowledge denies this and says that if you learn enough then they will work. Hogwash! That's another lie concocted by Satan. These things will never work regardless of how much knowledge you get. You are a new

creature in Christ.

There Must be a Revelation

Anybody can get surface knowledge even without being born again. However, there must be a renewal of our minds if believers are to enter into the walk that God has prepared before the foundation of the world (Eph.1:4). It only makes sense that if God gave us a new Christ Spirit (Gal.5:22-23), then it must be from God that we get the new mind, else salvation is not by faith and grace. When believers are born again, they have a new Spirit but we still have an unrenewed mind, which is like a computer and still filled with all the old thoughts and ideas from our old way of doing things. We are to be transformed by the renewing of our mind (Romans 12:2). The revelation of the mystery (Col. 1:26-27) comes from the Holy Spirit, revealing to us the fulfilling of everything Christ did and overcoming the memory of all laws and handwritings of ordinances. Believers are to allow the mind of Christ to be in us (Phiippians 2:5), and this is an ongoing process as we continue learning Christ.

This is a simple life that God has given to us. God is bringing forth the fullness of who the believer is in Christ and the Christ-life message declares this truth. This message comes by revelation and it is the Holy Spirit who leads and guides us into "all" truth. Surface knowledge entertains the carnal mind, while revelation understanding establishes the believer according to who he already is in Christ. "Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began" (Romans 16:25). † †

I was born again on June 27, 1980. It was not the traditional way, since I was on an airplane when I asked the Lord to experience the peace that I had seen in my brother and his wife. He granted my request and that weekend I knew I was a different person. Immediately I obeyed the call to be baptized and within a short time I received the gift of speaking in tongues. I could not get enough of the Lord. An unquenchable thirst was put within me to know more about Him and I would say that the first two years it would have been better to lock me up (or send me to the desert like Paul to learn Christ). I alienated many people at that time especially my husband who did not like this new person and wanted a divorce at that time. I knew very little, but the Father was gracious and pushed me on. I became a Pharisee in the literal sense, keeping prayer time and reading time at a rigid schedule, until the Holy Spirit pointed out to me the bondage I had put on myself through this.

After five years, in which I experienced various roller coaster events, I found myself drying up. Then the Father (Lord at that time) gave me the “oneness” message. It made a lot of sense, but still there were too many unanswered questions and loops in why we were at one with Christ. During that time I tried to listen to some of Warren’s videos, but just could not understand that Texas accent and put him aside. I had to come to the end of myself and as my prayers continuously stayed unanswered, I remember saying, “I give up, what is the use of praying?” Meanwhile, I kept reading the *Life in the Son* magazine (at that time *Life in the Spirit*). I understood very little of what was

**WHAT
THE
MESSAGE
MEANS
To
ME
BY
VICKIE
SWAIM**

written therein; but I stuck with it and in time the Father drew me to a tape entitled *The Seed*. As I listened to it the puzzle came together, and for the first time everything fit. A camp meeting at Pine Cove was scheduled shortly thereafter, and I was able to go and see, hear and learn more of this truth. The major impact and foundation to understanding this was the unfolding understanding of the birthing and in due time, September 1990, the Father revealed His Son in me (Galatians 1:16). Growing in this knowledge and understanding of who I am in Christ is a step-by-step process and requires a daily renewing of my mind (Romans 12:2). I believe it will take me throughout Eternity to learn Christ. He has set me free to be who He created me

to be. He is my love, peace, joy and strength, HE IS MY LIFE (Galatians 2:20 and Acts 17:28). Granted, at times the flesh still pulls me away from the oneness I have with Him; but as soon as I remember the real me, flesh has no more power over me. He is the victorious One in me. The C & S (circumstances and situations) gang that comes along only pushes me more into His rest (Hebrews 4:3), and showing me more of my Father and who I am by His life in me (Colossians 1:27). No longer fearing punishment from Him, but partaking of His grace. I now understand that Christ is my wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption (1 Corinthians 1:30). Only Christ can live the Christian life in me and by me. Daily I am learning to be content, whatever the circumstance may be (Philippians 4:11).

I am forever grateful to the Father for allowing me to know this truth and for having sent you, Warren, across my path. God has given you the gift to share this truth in a way that everyone can understand you who has an ear to hear and a willing heart to learn.

I appreciate you, Warren, more than I am able to express. Often I think of you as a modern Paul who brings the message without making any excuses, but laying it out for us to partake of. Thank you for sharing your life and this wonderful message with us. Your monthly visits to share this wonderful truth with us will be greatly missed by me and the others. I also want to thank Robbie for her part in bringing the message and the sacrifice she made over the years while you traveled.

***Love in Christ,
Vickie Swaim
Houston Fellowship***

DEAR WARREN AND ROBBIE FROM DAVE HODAPP

Dear Warren and Robbie:

Hi, folks!

I trust all is well with everyone there. Thank God for the truth coming through the DVD's, books and magazines!

In fifty years on earth, I have been through Catholicism, all-about-me-in-the-far countryism, and Protestant denominationalism. Not to mention a various sundry of other 'isms.' It was all very frustrating and confusing especially the last couple of years.

The Lord moved me to pray to the Father seeking wisdom. He answered by showing me wisdom was packed away in boxes in the basement. You see when I was birthed in Christ about fourteen years ago, I was privileged to be mentored in the Christ-life message through my dad who was reading "Life in the Son" ("Life in the Spirit," too.) So

I had dad's articles centering on the Holy Spirit. Doesn't everyone begin the Christian life this way? I did not know how rare an experience I was having. Living in a peaceful country setting, the Holy Spirit taught me much those early years. I visited a local church where an ex-Baptist preacher talked how he was tired of the focus on buildings, budgets, and numbers. He preached Christ as all like no one else around was, so I joined. But in recent years he set his sights on joining the Midwest Baptist Conference and so the sermon clubbing began, mixed with a grace and law message.

I thank the Lord for that experience though because He showed me how I had wandered from the Holy Spirit's ministry for my own purpose, to be somebody. I did want to be seen by men doing the right "Christian stuff" but never

had any peace about titles, positions, building programs, or Sunday school. The sermon clubbing seemed to brand me a "lone ranger." Now how can we have the fullness of the Godhead in us and be a lone anything?

So thank you all for reconfirming the Lord's leading in me. The Precept series has been very helpful. Brother Warren, in that one I thought you were about to call fire down on that barking dog in the background (just kidding).

Well, it is a beautiful Sunday morning and I am not stuck in church falling asleep. I'm going to get out and enjoy the day. Am sharing the Christ-life material with whomever the Lord leads.

I praise Jesus for His
faithfulness in you.



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STAYING THE COURSE

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“But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord” (1 Cor. 15:57-58).

“The shortest distance between two points is a straight line.”

This expression, though not Scripture, tells us something about a truth we all need to consider. On the highway of life, though, there are many detours and distractions. However, this should not turn us away from the appointed work the Lord has given us to do. Consider the Apostle Paul when he was about to sail from Troas after God called him in a vision to go over to Macedonia. We are told: “Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis” (Acts 16:11).

Note they came “with a straight course” to Samothracia, then to Neapolis, then to Philippi. His mission resulted in Lydia, a “certain” woman, whose heart was opened, receiving the message Paul was

called to preach and teach. Paul never “strayed from the course,” but “stayed with the course.” This same statement is recorded in Acts 21:1: “And it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched, we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the day following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara.”

Again, we find Paul sailing “with a straight course.” Now, what does this say to us who have been saved by God’s grace and called to work for the Lord? We must stay with and not stray from the “Word of Truth.” Remember what 2 Timothy 2:15 teaches:

“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

One of the major tragedies of our present age is that men and women are detouring and even departing from the truth of God’s Word. There is a tendency to substitute tradition for Truth, a tendency to read, study, and quote books instead of “the Book.” In 2 Timothy 2:13 we are told that men’s words will eat as a cancer because they have “erred”

from the truth. This is serious and dangerous and leads to all kinds of spurious and false teachings that lead astray.

In 2 Timothy 3:7-8, we read of those who were “ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of truth.” We wonder what these stupid people were learning! And then, sadly, they went so far as to “resist the truth.” Often this is strong resistance and outright opposition to the truth. Finally, in 2 Timothy 4:4, we read, “and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.” What a downsizing! The results of not “staying the course” concerning the truth of God’s Word were evident then and are surely evident today.

“That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive:” (Eph. 4:14).

“The truth often hurts, but it is the lie that leaves the scars.”

We must “stay the course” concerning the “gospel of the grace of

God,” and the blessed hope it gives to those who have believed. A lot of false teaching goes under the heading of “the gospel.” Most of it goes under the heading of “works.”

Works to be saved, works to earn a place in heaven, works so your good ones outnumber your bad ones and, maybe, just maybe, you will make it in the end. All of this nonsense leaves out the finished work of our Lord Jesus Christ who died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; who was buried, and who rose again the third day according to the Scriptures (1 Cor. 15:3-4). That is the true gospel. Read Ephesians 2:8-10 and substantiate this great, grand, glorious, good news! Let’s stay with God’s grace when we speak of the gospel. The hope of the gospel is Christ Himself.

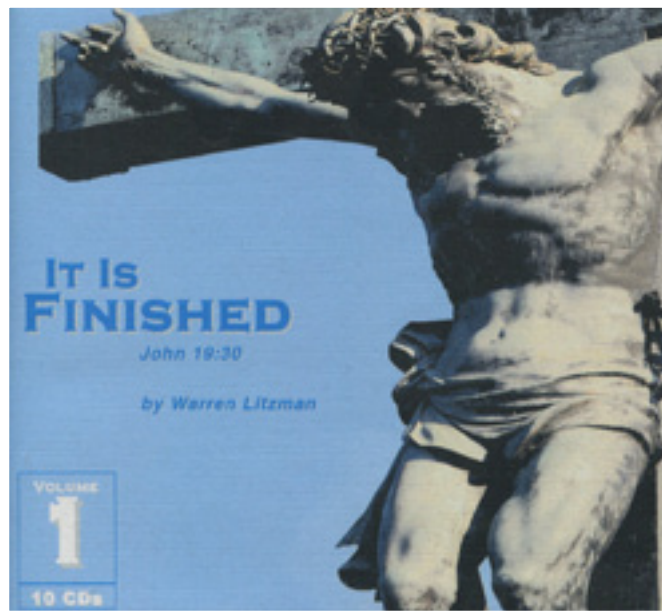
“To whom God would make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you the hope of glory” (Col. 1:27).

What wonderful, practical, personal directives result in “staying the course.” Going back to 1 Corinthians 15:58, we are to be steadfast—this means to stand firm. We don’t see much of this in ‘religion’ today. “Go with the flow” is more than a saying; it is often the rule. Entertainment instead of worship draws the crowds. “How to” books on every conceivable subject are the best sellers and, often, the source of conversation. Role models are those of the music, athletic, and media fields. They are often spoken of as “icons.” By standard dictionary definition, an icon is a religious image worshipped by most Eastern religions, an object of uninitiated devotion! Further, an “iconoclast” is one who attacks established beliefs! Yet, men and women are loosely called “icons.” All of this causes human beings to forget the Lord and that He alone is the Savior of all mankind. The only One we should worship.

We are told to be “unmovable” or “immovable.” We shouldn’t be “tossed to and fro” by every wind of doctrine (Eph. 4:14) but stand our ground on the truth of the Word, even if the “wind” is a hurricane. The last word to consider in a practical directive is “abounding.” It means “exceeding abundantly above” all the tribulation, tragedies, trials, and trepidations that beset us all. We are to “abound in hope” (Rom. 15:13); “abound in the work of the Lord” (1 Cor. 15:58); “abound in faith, utterance, knowledge, diligence, and in love” (2 Cor. 8:7); and “abounding in thanksgiving” (Col. 2:7).

To conclude, when we “stay the course” we shall know that our labor is not in vain! What a promise, what encouragement, what a hope!

Let’s “stay the course!”



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PRAYER IN THE CHRIST-LIFE

by Rob Freeman

Jesus' earthly ministry was directed primarily to the Jews of Israel and was focused on the law-relationship they had with God. He made it very clear in Matthew 15:24: "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

Too often we find that the religious leaders in Christianity today wrongly assume and teach that everything Jesus said to the house of Israel He also says to us who are Christians, having been born of God. The whole of the Scriptures are given for us to learn by, but that is a far cry from the absurdity of claiming that everything written and recorded in the Scriptures are written specifically TO us, personally, or collectively, as Christians. God told Adam to name all of the animals. Does that mean you and I are to name all of the animals? No? Why? Because it has already been done. God told Noah to build an Ark and take the animals on it, along with his family. Does that mean you and I are to build an ark? No? That mandate, too, has been fulfilled by the person(s) it was directed to, hasn't it? Its purpose has been fulfilled, you say?

God told the Israelites to keep the law He had given to them. Does that mean you and I are to keep the law that was given to the Israelites? Has not that mandate also been fulfilled, in the Person of Jesus Christ? But of course. And likewise, if we will rightly divide the Word of God, we will see that not everything Jesus taught was meant or directed to you and I.



One of the main areas of teaching that has been confused by the comingling of what Jesus taught to the house of Israel and what Paul taught to Christian believers is the area of prayer. Jesus taught the house of Israel to pray for conditional forgiveness. He instructed them to continue to pray for God's earthly Kingdom to be set up on earth, and to "forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us" (Matthew 6:12). Praise God that our righteousness does not depend upon our ability nor willingness to forgive others (Romans 3:22). Jesus taught the house of Israel that "if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:19-20).

In contrast, we in the Christ-life do not gather together SO THAT Jesus will be in our midst — we who have believed in Him for the forgiveness of our sins know by the Holy Spirit that Christ is in us (John 14:20; 16:13; Colossians 1:27), and that He is our very Life unto God our Father (Galatians 2:20). We do not ask Christ's Father to do some-

thing for us, as if He is not also our Father, but only our King. It is OUR Father who is God in Heaven, because it is His Son in us who is our Life. Those under the law petitioned somebody else's father in prayer. They petitioned God, who in Heaven was known among them as either a Ruler of a Kingdom, or the Father of Jesus Christ by the Virgin Birth. But we are not subordinates in a dictatorship's kingdom. We do not have to ask the Prince for an audience with the King. He is our Father. We who have believed are legitimate children of God in Christ Jesus. "And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out 'Abba, Father!' Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ" (Galatians 4:6-7). So, as Christ-life believers, as children of God, how are we to pray?

Paul says to "pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thess. 5: 17-18). "For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace (Romans 8: 5-6). To the extent that we live from the mental standpoint that we are children of Almighty God and by Christ in us have perfect oneness with Him, the effectual outworking is that we will experience His life as ours and that life will be characterized as a life of

peace. We have peace of mind because we are at peace with God and will therefore, as far as it depends upon us, live peaceably with all men. Ever mindful of our oneness with God in Christ we become increasingly aware of our continuous communion with the Father as His dear children. This is what Paul speaks of when he says to pray without ceasing. Paul is not telling us to indulge in vain repetitions. Prayer is communication, and as a result of the Christ-life relationship, that communication is continual. Even when we are doing things we should not be doing, God our Father is still right there communicating with us by His Christ and the Holy Spirit in us, even if He's only saying, "This is not the way I would have you to go. Consider the consequences of your actions. You are a representative of My Family. Come this way."

As we are continually being con-

formed to the image of God's Son we are assured by His Word and by our experience that "all things work together for good" (Romans 8:28) and this, combined with the peace of being spiritually-minded gives us cause to in everything give thanks. That's how Paul had the audacity to exhort the Ephesians to give "thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (Eph. 5:20).

When trying times press upon us and when we see a need in someone else's life, Paul says, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6). We are never going to tell God anything He does not already know, but still He invites us to ask Him for the things we are concerned about; not as a prerequisite for His blessings, and not as a ritual with "In Jesus' Name" as the magic words for

the rite of passage into God's lock-box of provisions, but for our own reflective peace of mind, for our own good, and so that others may know to Whom we trust all things. Whenever I go to my knees with a serious petition of need to the Father, I find myself asking Him, "What can I bring to Your attention, Lord, that You do not know?" And then there's not much else left to say to God, except to praise Him and thank Him for His fatherly involvement in my life. The result is that I've got a lot less to say to God than before He revealed Christ to me as my Life unto Him. And I'm finding, therefore, that He's actually got a lot of worthwhile things to say in this conversation we call "prayer," if only I will listen.

"Therefore be followers of God as dear Children" (Ephesians 5:1).



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ANGER NO LONGER OUTLAWED

BY ALICE SCOTT-FERGUSON

Two pairs of eyes staring each other down; the piercing blue of their Celtic orbs surpassed only by the piercing yells of accusation, “You make me so angry!” Their mother, never slow to recognize a teachable moment, separated her angry little boys and pronounced these profound words by which to live. “No one MAKES you angry, you choose to be angry.” I have had to weigh those words carefully all my life—not always remembering—often resorting to blaming someone or something other for this universal and powerful emotion evoked in me. Recent major health challenges in my family, have set in motion the inevitable grief cycle that accompanies loss, one of which attributes is anger. Now, many years out from that sibling skirmish, I am faced with the choice of how I react and what I do about the undeniable, God-given response to such a life-changing event.

And yes, I think it is indisputable that God has not only endowed us with the capacity and necessity for the expression of anger, but it is an integral part of who HE is—He, in whose image we are made. God is the subject of the word anger as both noun and verb that fills almost three pages in the smallest pica of my exhaustive concordance! I do not subscribe in any way to the widespread notion that God is in a petulant wrath over the behav-

ior of humankind. His outrage is at the sin that destroys us, the deceiver who lies to us and religion that distorts the loving face of the Father. Both Paul and Jesus caution against harmful outbursts of anger from motives of self-interest, yet they both got angry and were not ashamed to show it...Jesus at the Pharisees and Paul at the law-lapping church at Galatia, for example.

Despite the biblical evidence to the contrary, Christians in the main, cringe at the concept of anger. We are trained to be nice, non-confrontational, to smile and say we are ‘fine’ when inside we are screaming in an abject agony of anger over all kinds of travesties both observed and experienced. We need to recognize that anger is on the trajectory, which begins as irritation and incrementally expands to rage. Unexpressed outrage renders us passive-aggressive—manifesting our anger through actions rather than words; resentment, procrastination, stubbornness, complaining, acting out, and in many cases subconsciously driving its energy underground into our physical bodies where real and imagined sickness becomes our way of life. A readily recognizable list to all of us!

And a note on receiving the anger of others; perhaps we would encounter fewer suppressed souls, if we encouraged them to express their frustration without our cen-

sorship. The children we raise need to be encouraged to have the freedom to say what they feel without the accompanying burden of guilt and shame that will haunt them all their lives.

It may be easier to justify outrage at injustices outside of ourselves, but the same conditions prevail, and are legitimate, in our own inner world where feelings of anger assault us through trouble, sickness or loss. Take a jaunt through the book of Job and hear his wailing, his questioning, his defense of his own integrity; who vociferously rejected the advice of his accusers posing as friends, and of whom it is written, in all these things he sinned not! Refresh yourself of the demands of David who challenged God to do something in response to his bewilderment, distress and anger, and who is called a man after God’s own heart!

When we are angry because someone we know is not living optimally, for example, a fresh look at the Waiting Father for his prodigal child showcases patience and self-control (the fruit of the life within us) which trumps untrammelled anger every time. We have been given all we need for life and godliness in Christ Jesus, and He is our anger management. We live, not by biblical principles that all too often become snares of untenable performance, but by the Spirit who does

not offer us a template or formula for responses when angry, but what remark is appropriate at the moment. Paul exhorts us to be angry and sin not (Ephesians 4:26). The *Mirror* version of this reads, "If you do not deal with it immediately (in the light of the likeness of Christ in you) the sun sets for you and your day becomes one of lost opportunity where darkness employs anger to snare you into sin." No doubt we are all familiar with the ruminations of resentment when night falls; the regret of what we did not say.

But, anger when it becomes a way of life, a perpetual disposition, is truly toxic and decidedly dangerous. Is there a middle road then between becoming a ticking time bomb ready to explode into a verbal whipping at the slightest encumbrance, and the smiling, shrinking, passive-aggressive who is living in ignorance of the right to express the full register of their emotions and therefore do damage with their actions?

I so believe there is. It is for freedom that Christ has set us free and when that very life comes to dwell in us, when we become mystically one with the very nature of the Triune God, then every emotion

that comes with that new creation is legitimate and longs for expression. Many among us are wired to be passionate and opinionated and to those it often falls to fearlessly bring about societal change. In the absence of anger and outrage there would be few revolutions or regime shifts. In fact, some experts suggest that anger is the antidote to sadness that often renders us impotent and static; that anger creates an energy that propels us out of our inertia.

In these last few months since my life changed forever as I had known it, anger has been, and still occasionally shows up, center stage. Frank Moore Colby wrote: "I know of no more disagreeable situation than to be left feeling generally angry without anybody in particular to be angry at." Without the awareness of my oneness with Christ, my unqualified acceptance and approval in the eyes of the Father, I would by now resemble a psychic gruel of guilt and shame for the anger I have felt and expressed. There is no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus. None.

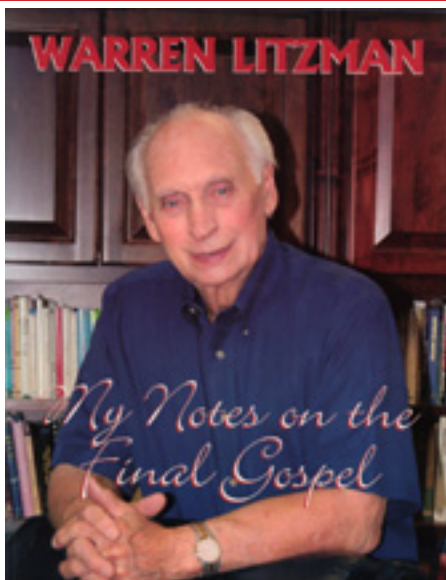
Where do we direct the anger? Not at the devil who has no power over our lives but what the Father permits; certainly not at the person

who has unintentionally become the change agent. The anger becomes an entity in and of itself—an essential emotion where the deepest parts of our humanity are assaulted with the pain and grief in which we are inextricably enmeshed. A place our God understands well for Christ, in his identification with humanity, is well acquainted with our grief and our anger and our feelings of forsakenness.

So we talk it over He and I...no, in the interests of utter transparency, we do more than that! He lets me scream and swear if need be; He leans in and listens until I am lost in the piercing gaze of His Love. He holds me in the Triune embrace until the storm is spent and the healing and cleansing tears are shed. The anger subsides little by little, though always waiting in the wings, and the choice is always mine as to how and when I will use it. It is a gift of grace from the Father—not an outlawed emotion after all.



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JOHN CHAPTER 17: THE LORD'S PRAYER

By Warren Litzman

John 17, in its totality, is the Lord's prayer.

I asked the Holy Spirit why so little is said about the John 17 Lord's prayer? And why the disciples prayer of Matthew 6:9-13 is so predominant? The Holy Spirit replied by dropping a common statistic into my mind: He said most Christians today preach the Kingdom message and not the Grace gospel. Chapter 6 of Matthew is a Kingdom chapter. Matthew 6:9-13 is the 'Lord's prayer' given to the disciples. This is a Kingdom prayer. It specifically says: "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done," Where? On earth, because this is where the Kingdom is to be established. It has nothing to do with grace; it has nothing to do with Paul's message.

The John 17 prayer gives us an insight into the mind of Christ that I could not find anywhere else.

Let us study the mind of Christ as we study the Lord's Prayer. Here we find the mind of Christ as it has to do with the eternal plan of God. In John 17, Jesus was looking to a whole different administration, something He could not speak of while He was under the Kingdom administration. There was a time when our Lord became transitional. He became a participant in two gospels at the same time. The Lord's Prayer bears this out. On the one hand, He was still to produce the Kingdom on this earth; but on the other hand, He was given to the eternal plan of God that has little to do with what happens on this earth.

We, who have been saved by grace and re-birthed, have entered into the eternal plan of God.

In this writing there are two things I have asked the Lord to do: firstly, to show you who you are (most human beings don't know who they are). Who you are has to do with Christ and not with your mommy and daddy, it doesn't have to do with what church you go to, it doesn't even have to do with what you believe. Who you are has to do with another person altogether and if you don't know that Person, you will never find out who you are.

You will do good things and you will do bad things, neither of those things has to do with who you are. As a Christian, who you are centers fully on Christ. That is why Jesus said to Nicodemus, you must be born again or you can't see or know the things of God.

The average Christian, not knowing who he is, has become an actor; he's acting out his church doctrine. You can never be who you are without knowing that Christ is your life! A Christian is a person in whom Christ lives.

The second thing I have asked the Lord to simplify, besides finding out who you are, is: what happened to you at the cross? Not what happened to you when you were born of your parents, or what happened to you when you joined the church.

Long ago I stopped dealing with humanity that needed to be straightened out. When I was in psychological work I believed I

could straighten people out, but it wasn't that simple. If you leave the cross out of a human life, there is no way that the person can make the change to be who he is supposed to be. The cross did for humanity what nothing else could do. It's very simple. When He died on the cross, you died with Him! Until you see that, know and understand that, you will never have a change in your way of living. You will keep on trying to improve yourself. There is no help for dealing with the old life. We have to get rid of our old way of doing things. We died with Christ. His death is my death (Romans 6:6)! The cross is where every human being ends an old life and has a new one available, if he so desires. It is a finished work!

So, we need to see what was in the mind of Christ, how does He think? That's where the Lord's Prayer comes in. We are going to have to do what Philippians 2:5 says: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:." We can have the mind of Christ. To have the mind of Christ is to know who we are and to know what happened to us on the cross. The mind of Christ is going to come from the Holy Spirit whose mission it is to teach us this Christ that is His prime work.

I want to lead you into a different understanding of prayer. I saw in Paul's writings that he could be talking along, as in Ephesians Chapter 1, telling us that we have a new life planned for us from before the foundation of the world; and

then in verse 17 he goes into prayer. Paul prayed from the position that Christ lived in him. Talk to the Christ in you! I sing songs to Him! But our prayers really belong to the Father.

How could Paul say elsewhere that we should pray without ceasing? That means never stop praying. How ever can this be? Paul is talking about human beings living in oneness with the Father and the Son. For instance, when I talk to my wife about paying bills, correcting the children, or whatever we talk about, Paul would call that a prayer because we are not in a separated state from Christ in us. This means we are not going to quarrel or fuss or lose our temper. Why? Because they are not the words of one whose life is Christ.

However, if you do separate yourself from Christ in you, you are going to have trouble. You will end up in a quarrel and lose your temper and get into a serious situation. But, you say, I have a bad temper. No! Satan has a bad temper in you! It becomes a whole different issue when you sense Christ is in you and you are one with the Father. We are talking of a new way of living; I'm talking about what a Christian is. You can be saved by the blood, by the cross and by the Bible, but you still have to have revelation to know who you are.

I call our prayer life, God talk! My talk in the natural is God talk. It's not the same old me, I'm a new creation in Christ Jesus, so my talk to anyone, about anything, is God talk!

You see, I'm trying to move you to a place where the troubles and trials, the heartaches, sickness, disease and death, can be faced differently. While you suffer them you can live

with love, peace, joy, patience, etc. These things come to you by the knowledge you have, it's what's in your mind.

In John 12, Jesus knew that although He had performed many miracles, yet they did not believe in Him. So although He prayed the prayer of John 17, He was still bound by the Kingdom gospel until the book of Acts. He was in a transitional period between the Kingdom and Grace gospels.

You are either a Kingdom person still looking for great things to happen because you have faith in God as a miracle worker and because you have faith that He is going to straighten out this world. Or you are one who has been saved by grace, and you know that His grace is sufficient for every need in your life. You know Father has got it covered; we just need to learn about it. He may not take it away, but He has got it covered.

These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: (John 17:1).

It is the Son praying. There is no audience. He is not praying for someone. He is praying to the Father. The Holy Spirit gave this to the apostle John to write. Note: Jesus looked up toward heaven and prayed to the Father. We should also pray to the Father for He is the One who re-birthed us. When we get into the mind of Christ, we see that Christ is Father-centered. Jesus came to earth with two missions: first, to establish Israel in the Kingdom programme, a new kingdom on earth. He relates this mission in the prayer. The second is seen in the words, "the hour is come." Jesus is talking about some-

thing no one knows on this earth. The time is come for Jesus to do the work for which He was sent.

It is my supposition that there was a time in heaven, before the world was created, that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit met together. At the meeting God said, I'm going to create a new group of people and I'm going to give a life to these people that pleases me. Now, the only life that has ever pleased me is the life of my Son. So I'm going to take the incorruptible Seed, Christ, My Son, and place Him in them. This is going to be such an ominous thing, it's going to be so far out that nobody will understand what I'm doing. So I'm going to have to send the Holy Spirit to explain to them the new birthing and tell them they can't go by the old birthing from Mom and Dad, I'm going to re-birth them myself. I'll be their Father. Jesus agreed to be the sacrifice that would give God the right to birth a whole new group of people. God had to have a right to do this, for He is honourable, and would do nothing to violate His Person.

What is "the hour is come?" It is the moment when God will set in motion His amazing grace. He is going to have a people who are saved by grace and kept saved by grace, and the key to all this is the death of Christ.

"Glorify thy Son." What does glory mean? I'm going to tell you what glory means. In all of Paul's writings any time glory is spoken of it means that a part of the eternal plan of God is in operation. Jesus says "glorify thy Son." It could be stated like this: Father, let Your Son enter into the eternal plan you have designed, from before the foundation of the world. What is the

eternal plan? The eternal plan is that God would birth His own children by placing His own Seed in them as their new life. They are going to have the Father's DNA working in them. He is going to do that to get the family He wants living in His house in Heaven. Israel will never be there, they are a Kingdom people who will live on this earth. However, an Israelite can be born again. Every Jew who accepts Jesus as his Lord and Saviour is a part of God's eternal plan and is no longer a part of the Kingdom.

I am not here to preach to you. I have something to tell you about yourself and about the Bible that has long been hidden by most preachers. My prayer is that you will do something with what the Spirit will tell you. It will be the answer to your family problems; it will be the answer to your health; it will be the answer to your longevity and your death; it will be the answer to your money problems. Without the knowledge that Christ lives in you, you do not have a mind that can handle all of life's problems. But,

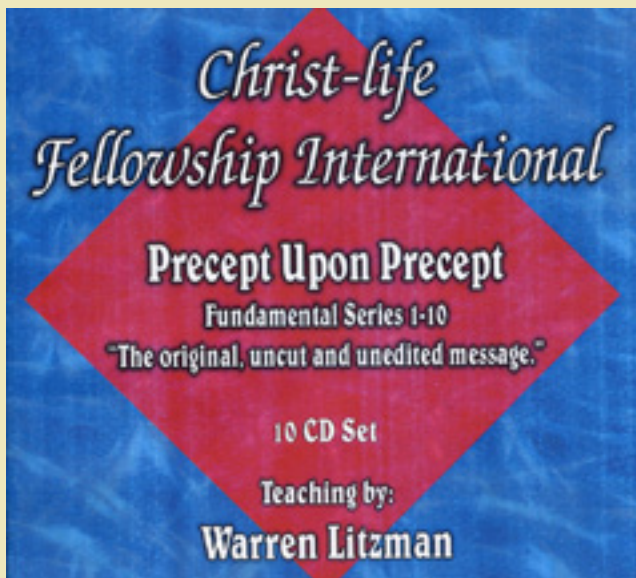
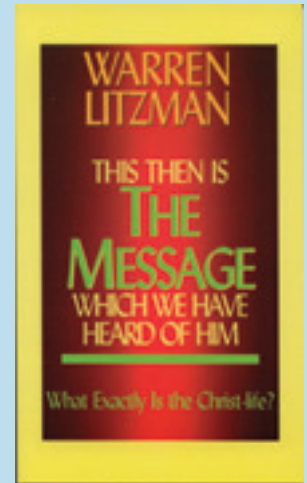
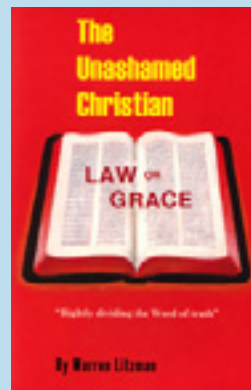
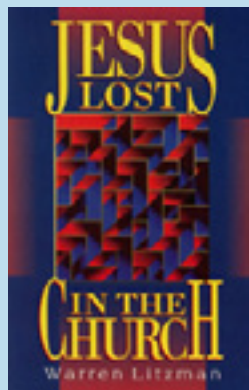
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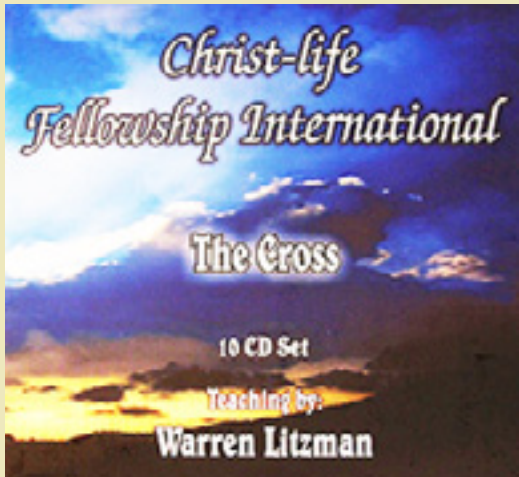
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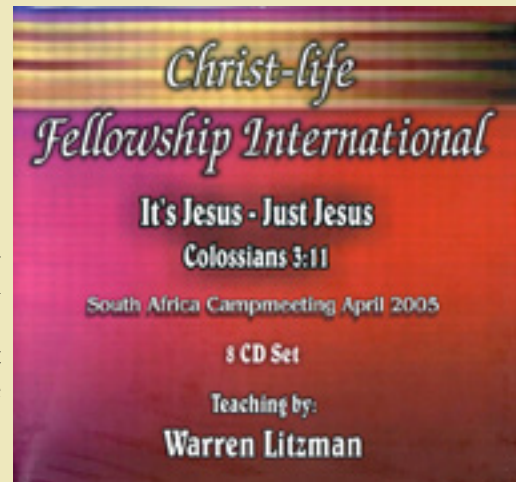
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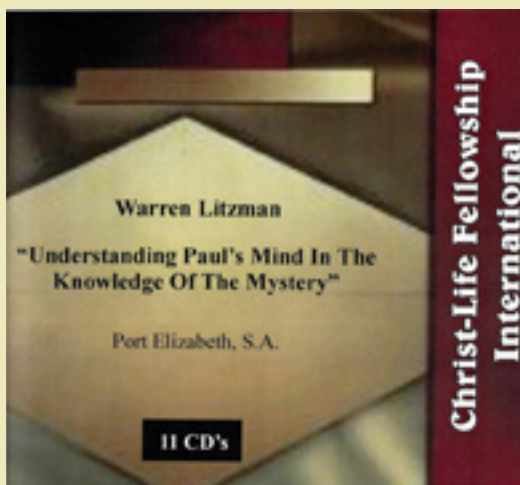


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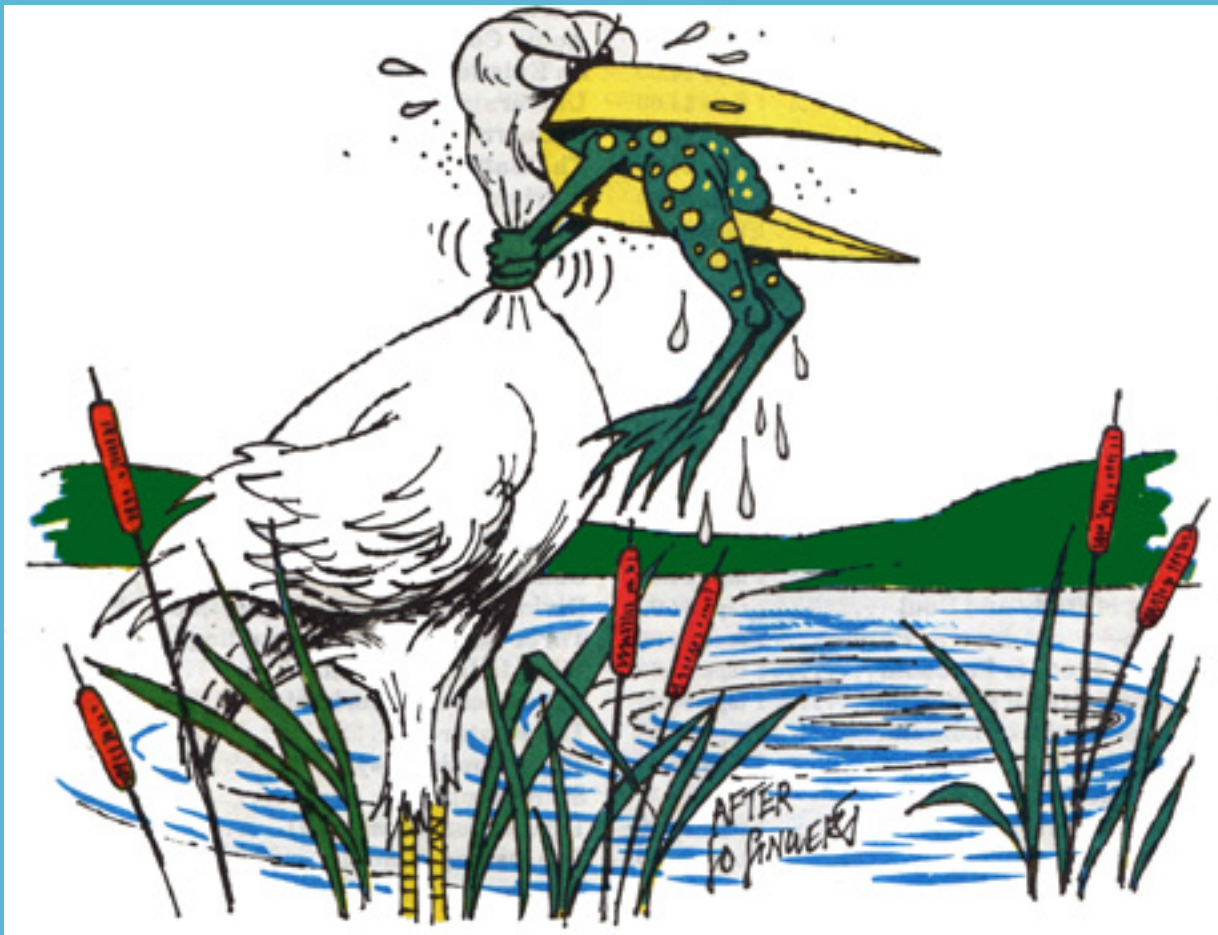
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