

#450 1G Kingdom: Walking Through The Kingdom Observing Certain Natural Laws; Practical Laws of Life. The Laws Including The Physical Realm

These #450 series of studies is an attempt to put some thoughts down in document format but laid out like a book. Different people have told me that it is VERY difficult to translate the documents into a book when the subject is the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom is of a different dimension from the earth dimension and therefore, earth words are not adequate to speak about these other dimensions. For that reason we must have spiritual words to explain spiritual thoughts that are given by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, we must first find these illusive “spiritual words” to convey questionable “spiritual thoughts” that have been given, hopefully, by the Holy Spirit.

1Cor 2:13 And we are setting these truths forth in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the [Holy] Spirit, combining and interpreting spiritual truths with spiritual language [to those who possess the Holy Spirit].

This is the Amplified Bible’s translation of this continuous frustration we encounter when we share some “other dimension” of insight with others. Those **who do understand** must also be “seeing” in the same dimension as those who share spiritual things. The explanation of “seeing” in the same dimension is this; That means with those persons who possess the Holy Spirit in an active, experiential and in a life giving way similar to the one sharing.

The Bible makes no attempt to supply us with a “message” of the Kingdom. 150 times the Kingdom is mentioned in the Bible or the word “Kingdom” is used but there is no recorded message about the Kingdom except Matthew 5-6 and 7 which reveals how a person will be able to live in the Kingdom dimension. Not **HOW we have to live to enter the Kingdom** but HOW we will live when the Kingdom Government has dominion in our life. Matthew 5-6 and 7 ASSUMES that the Kingdom already is predominate in the person.

Actually, there is no “message” about water baptism in the Bible either. Romans 6 tells us quite a few things but it is not a “message” where we can learn and then preach certain words. Water Baptism is an unfolding revelation. Even though there is no recorded “Message,” I have written many pages on water baptism. How is that possible? By using types, shadows, examples, scriptures, verses from different places and concepts assembled from information gathered from Genesis to Revelation. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is shared in this same way.

This is what we are doing with the Kingdom of God. Paul was continually sharing about the Kingdom but it doesn’t tell us what “message” he preached. Jesus went everywhere preaching the Kingdom and healing the sick but it doesn’t tell us what He said except in Matthew 5-6 & 7. Of course He spoke about 34 parables directed toward some aspect of the Kingdom. These are NOT a message but an example and therefore must be interpreted into a message.

Act 28:23 And when they had set a day for him, they came to him at his lodging in large numbers; and he was explaining to them by solemnly testifying about the kingdom of God, and trying to persuade them concerning Jesus, from both the Law of Moses and from the Prophets, from

morning until evening.

Paul was preaching the Kingdom from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets and from this source he was also persuading them about Jesus. However, we are not told what he said or what he taught. We are not told how he interpreted the Law of Moses or the Prophets into a message of the Kingdom of God. Today, anytime we use the Law of Moses people accuse us of trying to bring them back under the Law. If we use the Prophets to explain the Kingdom people want us to give them a “personal word.”

Act 28:30 And he stayed two full years in his own rented quarters, and was welcoming all who came to him, 31 preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, unhindered.

Paul obviously had a revelation of the Kingdom that he could share as a “message” but he doesn’t give us “the message” that he shared. This dilemma is still true today. If we decide to share or not to share, each presents its own undesirable results. We really can ONLY share the little revelation we have in these studies but to PROVE our entire message to others by showing certain scriptures is not possible. Therefore, many pastors reject the “message” as speculation or hype. Others are just curious about how we know these things or wonder who taught us. Some of these things are part of the wisdom that has been hidden but is now being revealed. The mystery is that we know certain things but we don’t know how we know them. They seem to “form” in the inner man, out of His Life, as we search the scriptures for a clearer understanding. Still, we can’t be sure!

For that reason writing a “book” about the Kingdom is very difficult. Nevertheless, some people in different places find the Kingdom “message” to be strangely satisfying to some deep inner yearning they have discovered within them. The strange thing is that more teaching on the Kingdom increases the dissatisfaction with the status quo. All this seems to indicate that the Kingdom is “mystical” rather than “practical.” Therefore, we want to show another aspect of the Kingdom that is experiential and practical.

In this “chapter” we will look at some of the “practical” aspects of the Kingdom and what is predestined for us to achieve while we are living in this tent. Why? Because one day we will lay aside this tent and hopefully we will have a building made by God, eternal in the Heavens.

The first principle of this practical earthly life that we see in Colossians 1 is the “knowledge of the will of God.” Why is this important? Because no one can enter the Kingdom except those who do the will of God! This principle of “doing His will” is basic in other books of the Bible but we will use just one reference.

Paul refers to this as **to be filled with this knowledge of His Will!** All the indecision and confusion about His will and the uncertainty about what that means is surely not a normal experience for the church according to these scripture. There is a predestined “wisdom from God” that is an integral aspect of Christ in us. This “wisdom” is a practical intelligence which comes ONLY from Him. This “intelligence”is supposed to form the understanding and the wisdom of the

Christian, himself, personally. The character of God was designed to be translated into a “practical manifested Christian life” that can be witnessed by others!

Obviously the knowledge of God’s will is revealed and understood within the new inner man and then demonstrated through the body in practical experience. All this is of extremely practical importance to manifest sonship and the Kingdom Government of God. It is my opinion that there is no particular or practical guidance, wisdom or direction **given by other men** that can substitute for our personal need of a subjective spiritual wisdom and understanding that comes to us directly from God. Nothing can substitute for the inner anointing that teaches us all things directly from God.

No doubt a more spiritual person may help me in the discernment of God’s will but ultimately this guidance and understanding must come directly from God. This “guidance by man” is sometimes called “ministry” but God has predestined us to a higher method of the discovery of His will and “the ways of God” through the inward maturity of the new inner man. God also causes us to pass through situations and circumstances in several practical human experiences during our stay on earth to develop our knowledge of God. How does this relate to the Kingdom of God? Our knowledge of God helps us relate to the practical aspects of the Kingdom that are demonstrated through us. Our accurate knowledge of God is not a matter natural learning but comes to us by an inner revelation within the new creation inner man. This explanation may seem rather abstract because it refers to another dimension of “learning.” However, many of the parables about the Kingdom direct us toward something very practical for our life experience.

Nevertheless, we must discover in ourselves what that state of the inner man is, and to learn to function in these other dimensions which we call “The Kingdom Life.” The functioning Christian must experientially come to know his true spiritual state and the degree that he stands before God! Then he must learn to know God’s ways, by knowing and experiencing God, Himself. This is a so much higher “knowing” than merely learning some Bible doctrines.

The Word of God reveals that God has a way of His own which is beyond man’s ways and His thoughts are far beyond the capacity of natural man. These realms can only be approached by the spiritual man or new creation man whom **is connected directly by Life to the knowledge and wisdom of God.** It is apparently by this that the Christian walks worthy of the Lord and into His predestined calling. We are calling this “living in the practical Kingdom.”

Col 1:9 For this reason also, since the day we heard *of it*, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you **may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding**, 10 so that **you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord**, to please *Him* in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; 11 **strengthened with all power**, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously 12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

It is revealed here that it is not only the character of our developed life that causes us to be productive citizens but that this new man is in a continual state of growing up. This produces an

ever increasing knowledge of God. It is this “Life connection” with God, Himself, that brings us into the next very precious advancement. Besides the character that must be developed and the “power” of this new inner Life from God, there is a new strength of God revealed. These are placed in relationship with this full knowledge of God’s will. The new inner man obviously can draw strength from Him who lives within so that we may walk in a manner worthy of God.

Most of this appears to be more hype than practical human life lived out in the earth dimension. Still it is written for us! Paul boldly says; Strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience. Obviously, that is not so easy to understand but it surely points to something practical!

It must be by this measure of Christ that the Christian’s strength develops so he can develop his new Life to live in harmony with the Kingdom character of God. Otherwise the demands of Matthew 5-6 and 7 seem to be impossible and far beyond our human capacity. In this physical realm, and while we are on earth, the Kingdom Presence is made practical by manifesting “all patience and long-suffering with joy.” I am guessing that this outward manifestation has its ONLY source in the Presence and the Grace of God within!

This form of the “Abundance of Life” is obviously divine in its source because nothing of the earth life or from the human dimension can produce this manifestation or fulfill this need for a practical experience. Setting forth more theories or speculation or doctrines about what constitutes the Kingdom Christian life will not be helpful to those seeking for some practical reality. This inner hunger demands at least some practical experience within our understanding of the character that is available to us within the Christian’s life. In other words will the “manifested sons of God” demonstrate the Kingdom experientially or will they just be preaching another “message?” The question is ; Is this Life available to us in this physical realm? Yes! According to this scripture, this is the normal Christian Life.

Does this happen because we have developed a strong human will, to do the will of God? Most of these seemingly extraordinary qualities within the new inner life is supposed to manifest this abundance of joy in suffering for the gospel. These qualities certainly do not have a human, physical, earthly origin. Then Paul connects this life of endurance, patience, joy and suffering with that which is its true source by exhorting the saints to continue firmly in the faith.

Col 1:12 giving thanks to the Father, **who has qualified us** to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Here we have the state of the new inner man in which we find the character of Christ and the practical walk in that character and the strength from God by which we demonstrate the Kingdom life. Not “someday” but while we are yet in this body and in this earth dimension! That means while we are living in the physical realm. Moreover, 2 Peter 1 tells us that by adding various experiences we are transferred into the kingdom of His beloved Son.

This extraordinary method is employed by God so that the practical Divine character that is produced and manifested through us is the result of Him working in us. This “work” draws us

into the light so that, in a practical way, others can observe outwardly, what God has produced inwardly. Thus these “saints” are being made manifest in the physical body while in this earthly realm. This IS extremely “practical.”

Now, based upon this hope, which placed the inner life of the Christians in a life union with God, the apostle prays that the Colossians may be filled with the “knowledge of the will of God in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.” This connects us directly with God and eliminates the distance between “heaven” and us whom are still on this earth and living in the physical dimension.

Paul said that IF we are raised up with Him we should continue to seek the things above. Why? Because He is the continuous source of this new life. Does “above” suggest a great distance or just another dimension? I am suggesting “above” means within a “Life Union” with God.

This “union of Life” is very different from living by the commandments and keeping the ordinances. This life is the fruit of an intimate “blending” of man with God, and experiencing the knowledge of His character and of the qualities of His nature by virtue of this “blending” of the human with the Divine. It is by living fully in the Laws of God in a practical life- which is the result of a growing and developing inner life- that supercedes the laws and ordinances subscribed for the natural man and leaves them behind “in the lower realm.”

In these last 34 years that I have been traveling and the “ministry” that I did in these many places that I have traveled has accomplished very little. The most I have done is just to plant in people’s heart some basic truths that may be able to re-awakened them to the reality which is “ours in Christ” but seldom experienced in practical living. There are many precious privileges and promises defined in scripture but seldom apprehended in a practical visible way that can be manifested in the physical realm. A simple example might be ; Such as loving God with all our heart, mind, strength and soul and our neighbor as our self. No amount of teaching can produce these Kingdom truths in our practical experience! Doctrines do not produce life but they inform us that “life” is available to us.

Nevertheless, the apostle develops these facts with a clearness as some one who has walked in these dimensions. In other words they don’t seem like just theories or doctrines to Paul. They seem to be defined, experientially, with power by the Spirit of God. He is not presenting these things as waiting for us in heaven but a reality while we are here on earth. This defines the “way” that is suited to those risen with Christ and looking from heaven to the earth. That is from the Divine / eternal viewpoint. It is divine life manifested on earth through the Christian Church that reveals and defines God as the objective center of the universe. Still, the revelation is through the Spirit of Christ, the Living Word of God, brought to us by the Holy Spirit, dwelling in our inner man! Someday it will be essential for us to stop depending upon the redeemed man, who is standing in a pulpit, instructing us and for each of us to begin to receive revelation truth directly from God. My theory is this; This is NOT “mystical” but just the normal Christian Life.

1Jo 2:27 And as for you, the anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you; but as His anointing teaches you about all things, and is

true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you abide in Him.

It is my opinion that this scripture refers us to another Kingdom dimension in which the inner anointing begins to teach us all things in a practical way that manifests a level of reality in us that demonstrates the eternal Truth. In this dimension the “pulpit ministry” will only be necessary for new believers until they also grow up to enter into this inner experience of the “inner anointing” and the experiential Presence of the Living God actively teaching us.

Still, it is wonderful to understand a little of that dimension even if we are not yet experiencing its fulness. These eternal possibilities are set before our new inner man and are becoming nearer to our total experience, at least by faith.

The doubts and influences which hide God and His Wisdom from us are slowly being defeated! Maybe this was the apostle’s objective as he directs the focus of the Colossians to another dimension or a clearer reality in order that they may see Christ in His reality in that dimension and regain a clear sense of their “Life union” with the Head, the Man, Christ Jesus!

Sometimes when we are sharing, it is clear that many only need to realize their union of Life with our Head and these impenetrable veils appear to drop from their understanding. This “Experience of Christ” can maintain us in the raised up and seated position above human ordinances, above human limitations and certainly above earthly religion. So many of the things written in Ephesians and Colossians appear to be far beyond our actual experience. They appear to be in some mystical dimension beyond our understanding. We generally acknowledge that these “realms” are total strangers to the “casual Christian’s everyday life here on earth.” Therefore, we ask the question;

Is The Kingdom of God just another “mystical doctrine” or is there a practical manifestation of the Kingdom in this earth dimension?

Does the physical body, in which we live, contribute to our function in the Kingdom or is it a great and permanent hindrance? Is the “physical body” our friend or our enemy? These are basic questions we must answer in order to understand the “function” of our body in preparing us for His Eternal Purpose. Why did God give a body in the first place? It just appears to hinder our pursuing God by holding us in the earth/flesh dimension.

Are there “natural laws”, within the physical realms, **that have been built into creation that we must observe** if we are to finish our course in this earth dimension?

Now we must move into controversial areas of theological concern. Why? Because there are at least two conflicting viewpoints in the visible church concerning this issue of the “human body.” One is that the human body is irrelevant because we will have to lay it aside so we can be clothed with our dwelling from God. The other is that the body is the temple and we must keep it in tip top shape. One doctrine despises the body and another doctrine worships the body. The physical body is so mystical in the purpose and Kingdom of God that we should devote a complete paper to this confusing theme. That might be beyond the scope of this current theme.

In addition to that, there is the “problem” of interpreting Calvary and the Law as it applies to the physical realm. Did Calvary do away with all the Laws of the Old Testament? Is there a difference between the “Law for righteousness sake” and the many “Laws of Creation” that obviously were not repealed within the fulfillment of Calvary. For example; Neither the Law of Gravity or the Laws of Mathematics were changed in any way following Calvary. Were the Moral laws repealed at Calvary? Hollywood and TV seem to think so! **However, the moral laws are still with us after 2000 years.**

Mat 5:17 “Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill. 18 “For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth

pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass away from the Law, until all is accomplished. 19 “Whoever then annuls one of the least of these commandments, and so teaches others, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

It is obvious that many of the Laws of God are already related to the Kingdom of God. It is also certain that much of the Law of Moses is no longer valid for the true Christian. Discerning the difference is the subject of this portion of the study.

Rom 10:3 For not knowing about God’s righteousness, and seeking to establish their own, they did not subject themselves to the righteousness of God.

Rom 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

Rom 3:25 whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. *This was to demonstrate His righteousness*, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; 26 for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Seeing the difference between the “Original Laws” as principles that are built into creation and the “Law from Mount Sinai” by which Old Covenant people sought for righteousness before God solves this problem of which of these laws apply to us. For example; The Law of Gravity has nothing to do with righteousness and neither does the Law of Mathematics. The “Moral Law” was not repealed when Jesus shed His blood and died. The Ten Commandments are still in force. Adultery is still against the laws of God and so is stealing, lying and all the other things that are included in the “Moral Laws of God.”

In addition to the moral laws there are still certain physical laws like the Laws of Sanitation. If we decide to throw the excrement into the front yard that is not a matter of breaking the “Law of Righteousness” but it is stupid because it causes sickness and disease to spread. It pollutes the water systems and soon spreads havoc to the whole city.

If you decide to break the Laws of Gravity and jump off a ten story building, you find that you can’t break the law of gravity but that it breaks you upon the law. Why? Because the Law of

Gravity is built into creation and is one of the natural laws associated with the earth. As long as we live in this earth dimension we should obey the Law of Gravity, the Law of Mathematics and recognize all the other laws of God. Is that so we can become righteous? No! It is because that is the way things were designed and that is how it works and if you don't observe these things you will break yourself upon the "practical aspect" of the law. For that reason the Laws of God are our friends and not our enemies.

Why is this important and relevant to the Kingdom? Because we want to speak about the Natural Laws Of Creation that are affecting the physical body that has been given to us by God. This physical realm is all part of God's Master Plan and is integral to His Master Design to complete His Eternal Purpose. The body is our friend and NOT our enemy. God has designed our physical body along with this physical realm into His Master Plan to prepare us for His Eternal Purpose. This whole visible realm of earth is part of His Master Design. Therefore, we must learn how to function correctly in this realm because this is all part of our qualifying for the Kingdom.

To make our body a slave does not mean that we should mistreat it. It is our means of transportation. The body is part of our humanity. There is an emotional, a psychological and a physical health that is part of our humanity. How do we know that? Just look at those who break the creative laws of God and observe the consequences.

If we get ordained into "the ministry," does that cancel out the Laws of Creation? Not at all! Many ministers are destroying their bodies by continuously building their own kingdoms and through a continuous labor in the "harvest field." The "Law of the Sabbath" is ignored because souls are going to hell and we must labor while we have the light. Darkness is coming so we must labor day and night. This sounds doctrinally correct but it breaks the creative Laws of God. Sabbath was ordained long before the law of Moses. Why? Because it is one of the "Laws of Creation." That "Law" is still working today. How do we know? Because ministries are "burning out" and failing physically on a regular basis.

1Cor 6:18 Flee immorality. Every *other* sin that a man commits is outside the body, but **the immoral man sins against his own body.** 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? 20 For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

Sinning against our own bodies cannot be good for our bodies because it is our bodies that suffer the consequences. **Our bodies have been purchased** off the auction block at Calvary. We were just slaves to be sold to the highest bidder. We all had become slaves of sin and held in bondage to carnal things. However, **we were purchased from one slavery to be subjected to another slavery.** We were slaves of sin but now we must become slaves of righteousness. Why? Because we were purchased by the precious blood of Jesus. He paid the ultimate price for us. Therefore, our bodies are no longer our own possession because we were purchased by a price already paid at Calvary. For that reason we are expected to glorify God in our body. To treat this as an option because we are under grace and not under the Law is just plain ignorant.

Rom 6:20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 Therefore what benefit were you then deriving from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the outcome of those things is death. 22 **But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life.**

Rom 12:1 I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, **to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice**, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service of worship.

Heb 10:5 Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says, “SACRIFICE AND OFFERING THOU HAST NOT DESIRED, **BUT A BODY THOU HAST PREPARED FOR ME;** 6 IN WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND *sacrifices* FOR SIN THOU HAST TAKEN NO PLEASURE. 7 “THEN I SAID, ‘BEHOLD, I HAVE COME (IN THE ROLL OF THE BOOK IT IS WRITTEN OF ME) **TO DO THY WILL, O GOD.”**

God has provided us with bodies in which we are expected do the WILL OF GOD! Therefore, we must offer our bodies to God as a living sacrifice so that we can discover what the will of God is for us, personally. **After we know the will of God, we are expected to do it.** However, the casual Christians, in each century, have treated this aspect of the Kingdom as optional.

Even as believers, we have no hesitation about seeking God to heal our bodies even after we have ignored the fact that we have used our bodies to break the natural and physical laws of God. It is for that reason that many of us must first repent before God for breaking His Laws of Creation, just to put us in the arena where healing can take place.

Many of us have broken the Moral Laws of God and are suffering the consequences. But haven't we been forgiven by accepting Jesus as our personal Servant / Savior? Forgiveness is one thing and getting free of the consequences is quite another. For example; David was forgiven for his affair with Bathsheba but he couldn't be set free from the consequences. The Child still died. David sowed death to Bathsheba's husband and reaped death to the child. There is a natural law of sowing and reaping.

Hos 8:7 **For they sow the wind, And they reap the whirlwind.** The standing grain has no heads; It yields no grain. Should it yield, strangers would swallow it up.

Gal 6:8 For the one who **sows to his own flesh shall from the flesh reap corruption**, but the one who sows to the Spirit shall from the Spirit reap eternal life.

Gal 6:7 Do not be deceived, **God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.**

We are applying this to the natural laws of creation but it also applies to the church / spiritual dimensions of flesh and Spirit. Too many sow to the flesh and expect to reap something from the Spirit or to receive God's blessing. This “Law of Reaping” is why it is so disappointing to pray for

casual Christians who have just sowed to the flesh and have no understanding that there ARE consequences. Pastors who commit adultery boldly declare that the blood of Jesus cleanses from ALL sin. They assume there is nothing to worry about because of grace.

Heb 12:14 Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification {or holiness} without which no one will see the Lord. 15 See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springing up causes trouble, **and by it many be defiled**;

Then He gives us the example of Esau who sought repentance with tears but he found no place for repentance and he was rejected. Esau must pay the consequences for having sold his birthright. God's evaluation of Esau was that he was an immoral and godless person who sold his birthright and then also lost the blessing of his father. The very next verses speak about coming to Mount Zion and the city of the living God. It also lists several "consequences and warnings." But doesn't "grace" cancel out the consequences? NO! This error has destroyed many souls.

Esau didn't break the Law of Moses but he did break the Laws of God that supercede all other Laws. Why? Because these "Laws of God" are the Laws of Creation and are built into everything that God created. We see certain plants that grow upward and the leaves turn upward defying gravity. However, if a leaf dies it fall to the ground because of gravity. Why did it grow vertical against the Law of Gravity? Because there is a higher Law which is the "Law of Life." As long as Life is present it over comes the Law of Gravity.

Rom 8:2 For **the law of the Spirit of life** in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

The Law of sin and death - enacted in Genesis 3- is still with us today but God has introduced a higher Law to set us free from the Law of Sin and Death. However, if we cease living by the higher "Law of the Spirit of Life," what will prevent us from reverting back to the Law of Sin and Death? The "leaf" grows upward as long as there is "life" but when it dies there is nothing to hold it upward and it falls to the earth. But doesn't that doctrine just spread fear and doubt concerning our salvation when you should be building confidence in God's grace?

Should we be building "confidence" in those who are living by the Law of Sin and Death? No! That is a waste of time. Still, thousands are preaching that "false confidence" week after week. Just be a "happy sinner" because God loves you just as you are is a message of false hope that is far from the Kingdom reality.

Are we then promoting the Law of Moses? Absolutely not! We are promoting the "Laws of Creation" and the "Moral Laws" because these are still part of the Kingdom preparation. These are called the "Laws of Life" that set us free from "the laws" imposed upon the first Adam at the fall in Genesis 3. We could call these the "Laws of the Fall."

The confusion lies in the fact that we can live by the "Laws of Creation" and by the "Moral Laws" and still be ignorant of the Laws of the Kingdom that are written in our mind and put into our heart. These are new, subjective laws but just as real as those written on stone or built into

creation. These “laws” are all part of the New Covenant and must not be confused with the Laws of the Old Covenant! The “Laws of the New Covenant” apply to the new creation man or the new inner man. The “Laws of the Old Covenant” apply to the outward man. When the “Laws of the New Covenant” or the “Laws of the Kingdom” are actively ruling in the inner man they will be effectively seen in the outward man.

Because this term “the Law” is always a source of confusion, I want to use an example from Romans 8 to show the “law of death” enacted in Genesis 3.

Rom 8:10 And if Christ is in you, though **the body is dead because of sin**, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also **give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who indwells you.**

Life- zo⁻opoieo- to *vitalize* (literally or figuratively): - make alive, give life, quicken.

Here is a very confusing statement concerning the “body.” Even though Christ is in us the body is still dead because of sin. Of course the spirit, which was dead, has come alive because of righteousness. Nevertheless, the body is still “dead.” However, just as the Holy Spirit raised Jesus’ body from the dead, the Holy Spirit will now give Life to our mortal bodies. This is NOT speaking of our new bodies or our building from heaven. It is not suggesting that “someday” our bodies will receive “resurrection” life. It speaks in the present tense and refers to our present mortal body.

At the very least, this indicates that God is interested in our bodies. Why? Because we must now do the will of God in our body. Therefore, we are not saddled with a dead body but we are encouraged with a “living body.” It is the “living body” that assists us in fulfilling the purpose of God. Does that mean that our “living body” will never die? No, but a living body is much more helpful than a dead body in doing the will of God.

Still, we battle against an earth church system that insists; but our church doesn’t believe the Holy Spirit is relevant for us. He and His manifestations were just necessary to get the church started. Maybe that is why there are so many dead bodies in the pews.

To just accept Romans 8 as a doctrinal statement from which we can arrange a “message to preach” is nearly irrelevant. If we cannot experience Romans 8 as a New Covenant experience, what “life” does it impart? For example:

(1) No condemnation (2) Laws of Life (3) Life for the spirit (4) Life for our mortal body (5) Glorious liberty (6) Manifested sons of God (7) Creation being set free from corruption (8) All things working together for good (9) etc, etc.

Rom 8:4 in order that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. 5 For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the

Spirit. 6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace, 7 because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able *to do so*; 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Are these only doctrines that have no practical experience in our life? God forbid! The problem is not with the scriptures but with the natural man that places various restrictions upon man and the church through ignorance! Still, if Romans 8 is practical and real as Christian Life, we must ask, what went wrong? Why is so much of the church just walking in the flesh and ministering death? Why is it that so many are NOT subject to the “law of God” and cannot please God? There must be a reason! It is like the modern message is implying that you can live in abundance and be happy while living in the flesh! This is surely opposite to the message of Romans 8.

Maybe we should just remove Romans 8 from the Bible because it is not practical. Some think that Romans 8 is surely too mystical for the church today under grace. It must be for Israel during the Millennium. Well, brother, I have been in this church for 40 years and I never seen this experience in the church. Therefore, it must have just been only valid for the early church! It seems that once the church got started it is OK to walk in the flesh!

The modern gospel says that because we are under grace and not the Law it is not necessary to please God so we just focus upon how God can please us. Doing the will of God has been replaced with super grace so now we live in the flesh and focus upon how to get God to do what we want Him to do! A very important part of the casual Christian life is getting God to do our will and meet our needs so He can bring joy to our hearts. If He does all that, then He will be our God. God must meet whatever desire I have in my heart or else His word is not true. If God does EVERYTHING for me and provides abundantly, then He will be my God. This is modern application of Jacob’s gospel.

Gen 28:20 Then Jacob made a vow, saying, ‘If God will be with me and will keep me on this journey that I take, and will give me food to eat and garments to wear,

Gen 28:21 and I return to my father’s house in safety, then the LORD will be my God.

God must earn a place in my life if He wants to be my God. Therefore, God is being tested to see if He will meet my standards and qualify as My God. I need a God that will meet all my needs and make me the center of His blessing. I need a God who will revolve His activities around me! Jacob, at this stage of his life, was certainly ego centric. Of course after many years Jacob’s name could be changed to reflect the work that God had accomplished in him. Most of the “gospel” we hear today reflects Jacob’s immaturity and ego centric attitude towards God when he began the journey.

The physical body contains a miniature kingdom over which we are supposed to be ruling for God. There are certain laws of creation that govern the physical realm. These “laws” are written into the very fabric of everything that is mortal or that which is subjected to death. That which is temporal or related to time.

mortal >adjective 1 subject to death. 2 causing death. 3 (of fear, pain, etc.) intense. 4 (of conflict or an enemy) lasting until death; never to be reconciled. 5 without exception; imaginable: every mortal thing. 6 Christian Theology (of a sin) regarded as depriving the soul of divine grace. Often contrasted with > a human being.

One of the “laws” is that which is mortal can NEVER become immortal. These are two different realms. Only that new man whom is living in the mortal tent can become immortal. This refers to the new creation man that has eternal Life. However, even the mortal is subject to the Laws of Creation. These “laws” are built into our tissue, our blood, our heart, our lungs, our psyche, our nerves and become part of our mental health. As “mortals” we can live in harmony with these laws or against these laws but we cannot choose the consequences of living in ignorance of these laws. Multitudes are suffering today in Africa and other nations simply because the leaders have chosen to live opposite of the creative Laws of God. Nations are suffering the consequences of having “lawless” leaders. This country is suffering a financial breakdown simply because the bankers and Wall Street choose to break the creative laws of God. All the consequences are not yet evident! The old Adam man continually ignores and break the creative laws of God because these things are unknown to him in the earth dimension. He refuses to believe there are such laws governing all of creation. If all the persons on earth were just living according to the creative laws of God, the earth would be a wonderful place to live. This will be a fully seen fact during the Millennial Reign of Christ. However, that “someday fact” doesn’t excuse us from living according to these creative Laws of God today.

My theme for this “chapter” is walking in the Kingdom during our stay upon this earth. Thy Kingdom come thy will be done on earth as in heaven. “Thy will be done on earth” is the practical application of the Kingdom for us in this earth realm. Why is that important? Because we are being prepared for the world yet to come. In that dimension EVERYONE will do His will with no exceptions.