#497 – Revisiting The Average System Of Having Church

Is the Average Church Really Focused Upon God or Man? Is the Average Church Growing Of Remaining in a Static Condition Are There Hidden Foundations That We Have Not Yet Pursued?

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Our Thesis will revolve around the fact that man can never reproduce the Life of God in the church. Man is totally dependent upon God for <u>His</u> Life in the church. The other problem is that the church has no Life of its own. The Life of the church depends upon the Life of the people that attend the church. This "LIFE" has no relationship with the natural excitement of the people over the staged drama in the church. The hype never has and never can substitute for God's Divine Life in the church. This current philosophy of the average church minister is ruining the church for the Creative Purpose of God. It is also hindering the true believers who have set their goals on fulfilling God's Creative Purpose. We are defining "God's creative purposes" as what was in God's heart BEFORE he said "Let there be Light!" Why did He restore the earth after it had been submerged for so long?

These carnal systems have even ignored God's creative purposes or the church's responsibility to fulfill God's ultimate plan. The church, in general, has ignored the absolute necessity for a complete change of Life in every believer before they can meet God's predestined goals for them. To just believe something—anything—about Jesus and you are saved is presenting another lie on top of many other lies contained in this new non-kingdom philosophy. Since this new philosophy demands no cross or unpleasant trials but only blessings and an abundance of all things, the Kingdom has become a neglected or unnecessary concept during this season of church ignorance.

In order to have the Government of God in the church there MUST be a living vehicle through which the Government of the Kingdom can function within each individual. That vehicle is the Life that is inherent in the Divine Sperma that has been implanted in each individual in the church, if they have actually been born-again by God. Unless the church group has actually experienced the Divine Sperma as an inner life reality, any pretense of His Life in the activities of the church is more church hype or just another hypocrisy. If there is no Kingdom Government in the church, any other activity of preaching or "worship" or "ministry" is a big waste of time because God is seeking the Kingdom relevant Church in which He can dwell, honor and be the Lord and functioning Head. God may be invited to the meetings to listen to our bantering but NOT as our Lord, King or Absolute Head. The people are not even introduced to God's Covenant with man or with man's responsibility within the covenant. God's New Covenant and the Kingdom Government of God are integrally linked together in God's Creative Purpose.

In the past we have shared the Consecration Offering with believers as it applied to their personal development. We have also shared it as the entrance into our personal ministry to God. Then we shared the Consecration Offering as it related to the "consecrated" Priesthood Ministry. Since we were purchased from the auction block because we owed a dept we could NOT pay, we are no longer our own. We were purchased by the precious blood of Jesus! Therefore, the consecration presented in Romans six is normal and expected by every believer.

Rom 6:16 Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone *as* slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed, 18 **and having been freed from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.**

Rom 6:22 But now <u>having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit,</u> resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life.

Presenting ourselves to God as a Consecration Offering is then just our normal response to God. Making ourselves SLAVES of righteousness is just a minimum requirement and is our normal response to God's grace.

However, just recently we understood that EVERYTHING about us and our development must first relate to the New Covenant provision that was established at Calvary and Pentecost. The reason is because everything that God is doing begins and functions within the New Covenant provision. Even the Christian foundational experiences must be within the New Covenant manifesto. For example; people who have not experienced the reality of the New Covenant still are told about the forgiveness of their sins by the blood. However, the Blood, by which we are redeemed, is the Blood of the Covenant! Those believers who are not an active participant in the New Covenant cannot expect to receive the blessings of the New Covenant. This also applies to all seven of the essential, the remedial and preparatory experiences that are revealed in the Outer Court of the Tabernacle of Moses. Even if we just to focus upon the very basic beginnings it is clear that even our forgiveness of sins can only be within the New Covenant. Therefore, without being active participants in the New Covenant believers cannot advance to the next basic Christian experiences which are essential to complete God's Creative Purposes. Since forgiveness of sins is just the first step in the race toward God's ultimate goal, most "Christians" never even go beyond the first step in the "race."

1Cor 9:24 Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but *only* one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. 25 And everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then *do it* to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. 26 Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air; 27 but I buffet my body and make it my slave, lest possibly, after I have preached to others, I myself should be disqualified.

Many groups have never been told there is a race or any more than forgiveness of sins. It is for that reason that many church systems are without the real Life of God in the assemblies. There is no way to overcome this deadness in the church system that can only be rectified by experiencing the genuine Life Experiences found in the basic foundational experiences as a true inner life rectification takes place.

It is the New Covenant that activates the Kingdom Government in our lives. The New Covenant provides for the Laws of God to be placed upon and within the New Inner Man. Therefore, without the New Covenant being a genuine inner life experience, "The Kingdom" becomes just another Christian cliche and a doctrine without Life. Without the "New Spirit" (the Spirit of

Christ) and the "My Spirit" (Holy Spirit) reality there is no God given means to understand or obey the Laws of the Kingdom which nullifies the Kingdom as an inner life Government. Then as long as "the Heart of Stone" {the flesh} or (the old man) has dominion in the person's life, the Kingdom Government can only be ignored or is another fantasy because it has no means to become effective as an inner life reality.

Also approaching salvation from a man centered viewpoint of man's great need for redemption and recovery has resulted in a humanistic concept of salvation. In this humanistic gospel people are asked to accept Jesus as personal Savior with no thought if Jesus will accept them. In the Kingdom Government, God is entirely sovereign and sets the standards of the Kingdom. He alone decides who is worthy of the Kingdom! This humanistic gospel ignores the New Covenant and clouds over the very purpose that God has provided salvation for us in the first place. That is so redeemed man, who has recovered from the fall through all the various remedial experiences, can fulfill God's Eternal and Creative Purpose!

2Tim 1:8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, or of me His prisoner; but join with *me* in suffering for the gospel according to the power of God, 9 who has <u>saved us</u>, <u>and called us</u> with a holy calling, not according to our works, but <u>according to His own purpose</u> <u>and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus</u> from all eternity, 10 but now has been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death, and <u>brought life and immortality to light</u> through the gospel, 11 for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle and a teacher.

When God's Eternal Purpose is integrally linked to the grace of God, grace is then seen in its Kingdom perspective. This Kingdom gospel relates God's grace to God's Government and therefore, to God's Creative Purpose. Since there are 114 references to grace in the New Testament, we should not define "grace" by just one or two scriptures but see also that grace relates to our obedience and growth and other things than being "saved" by forgiveness of sins.

The problem with the Old Covenant and all its Laws and Sacrifices is that none of those rituals could impart Life. Therefore, they were declared to be obsolete and were totally abandoned. Since, they could NOT impart Life, was the reason given that the Law and sacrifices were abandoned, it is clear that only the New Covenant CAN impart sufficient Life to live in the Kingdom dimension!

Gal 3:21 Is the Law then contrary to the promises of God? May it never be! For if a law had been given which **was able to impart life**, then <u>righteousness</u> would indeed have been based on law.

Since Paul integrally links Life and righteousness together it seems clear that some perceived righteousness that has no extraordinary life should not be trusted as sufficient for any Christian experience!

When the Old Covenant sacrifices are used as a type for our forgiveness of sins through the Sacrifice of Calvary, we lose the main focus of the magnitude of what took place at Calvary. Of course Calvary must provide much more than forgiveness of sins because it must impart a New

Life or it is not much better than the earthly sacrifices. Calvary MUST initiate the New Covenant because of the enormous difference in provision between these two covenants. This Impartation of Life is through the impartation of the Divine Sperma. Without the New Covenant and the creation of the New Species, through the impartation of the Divine Sperma, there can be no genuine Christian experience.

Ultimately, it is the difference between these two covenants that defines the great difference between the Old Covenant sacrifices and Calvary. The ONLY thing that is common between them is the forgiveness of sins. However, the Old Covenant sacrifices could NOT take away "sins." They could forgive sins but could never "take away (remove) the sins." Forgiveness of sins is one thing but the removal of the sins is quite another. Then the provision was made to remove the inherent nature of sin from the believer through death and burial! This is accomplished by bringing to a conclusion the life of the first Adam as our life, essence and motivation. Before our death and burial, this old life was the only life available to the new believer. This new life is provided for us by participating in the death, burial and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ at Calvary. This blessing is experienced personally through the remedial foundations revealed in the Outer Court of the Tabernacle. However, this new life reality only becomes effective if we become a new creation and an entirely different species of persons upon this earth. This transition is only by the actual rectification of the person by the experiences in these foundations. Each experience either removes something from us or provide something in us to edify the new creation.

The root problem of "sin" is handled by our death to sin. Of course this is certainly not complete without the new resurrection Life that is provided through the basic Christian foundations. The power to live above sin is within the resurrection Life of Christ that is also provided to us within the foundations and by the New Covenant!

Rom 6:1 What shall we say then? Are we to **continue in sin** that grace might increase? 2 May it never be! How shall **we who died to sin still** live in it? 3 Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus **have been baptized into His death?** 4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, **in order that as Christ was raised from the dead** through the glory of the Father, so we too might **walk in newness of life.**

Since the casual church has ignored the beginning foundations, it is without the Life of the New Covenant in its reality so that the "death," present in the Adam life and the Old Covenant, is still a very real deterrent to any inner man growth. This is the source of the deadness that is easily discerned in the average church. It is for that reason that asking for a new revival within this dead church system is a waste of time. What is desperately needed is a return to the Bible Truth and the reality of the basic foundations that are integrally linked to the New Covenant.

Of course it is very easy to identify the problems within the visible church but we must restore and define the solutions to these failures. In Hebrews chapters 6 to chapter 10 He explains why these problems exist. Each of these chapters define the problems from the viewpoint and goal of "Christian perfection." None of the Old Covenant provisions could bring the church to the perfections expected within the Christian Life and experiences provided for within the New Covenant. This "perfection" / "maturity" / "Completeness" requires the full provision of the

New Covenant. For that reason the ignoring of the New Covenant by the visible church system has become fatal to the Life and maturity of the visible church! These individuals that depend upon and trusts the visible church systems to guide them into the eternal realms will be eternally disappointed. This lack of His Life, as personal experience, does not interfere with the rituals, functions and traditions of the outward and earth-bound church systems. The New Covenant doesn't just provide for static experiences but for a continuous salvation through growth. Therefore, "having church" without the life and the continuous experiences that the New Covenant provides is a waste of time.

It is through the recovery and the remedial processes outlined in the Outer Court of the Tabernacle of Moses that the real church emerges into the Lampstand Church that He is building. We could say that the "emerging church" must complete each of the seven Outer Court experiences before it is qualified to pass through the Second Veil into the Holy Place Life and Ministry. Since the Lampstand Church must be **pure** gold [with NO wood], the impurities and deficiencies of the first Adam must be removed by these Outer Court experiences. For that reason the Lampstand Church is not made up of human beings (Adam), but only of the new species of Christians who have been born of God and grown to at least the Lampstand maturity.

Exo 25:31 "Then you shall make a **lampstand of <u>pure</u> gold.** The lampstand *and* its base and its shaft are to be made of hammered work; its cups, its bulbs and its flowers shall be *of one piece* with it. 32 "And six branches shall go out from its sides; three branches of the lampstand from its one side, and three branches of the lampstand from its other side.

Rev 1:20 "As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and **the seven golden lampstands**: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are **the seven churches**.

To preach church doctrines or accept a modified church system as fulfilling God's Creative and Eternal Purpose is gross ignorance. Jesus is still warning, threatening and correcting the Lampstand Churches in Revelation 2 and 3. How, then, could He ever acknowledge any of these modified church systems that have abandoned their believers to some systemic religious condition that is far short of a Kingdom or Eternal Salvation?

Reworking old truth that was restored in the last century or becoming stuck on some orthodox "truth" that has been continually modified to accommodate the natural man, has now been reduced to just man's concept of truth and NOT God's absolute Truth. The natural man, living by the life of first Adam, can accept modified truth without missing a step in the world / church system. Even theoretical or theological truth cannot transform man into Christ. Only the Living Truth that contains Spirit and Life can create an eternal inner work.

All Absolute Truth begins in the Sovereignty of God and is nonnegotiable. Within God's ultimate Truth He reveals God's Creative Purpose, His desires, His current Word, His predestined plan for man and His methods of achieving His ultimate goals.

It is man formulating a modified truth, independently from God's revelation, that is the source of many cults and denominational deadness. It is through counterfeit truth that the ministries have

tried to bring God down into the human situations to solve man's problems, his failures and negative experiences and to bless the natural man. This "blessing" is supposed to attract the world to the church systems to prove how God prospers the believers through their doctrines. God's plan is to elevate man out of the earth system into the invisible realm of the new species of men. It is ultimately in this realm where the Kingdom Government is experiential and real. It is in this realm where we seek FIRST the Kingdom of God and His righteous and the place where God keeps "all these things" that can be added. In that invisible realm God begins a more intense discipline of man so he can share God's Holiness, His vision and introduce man to God's methods of maturing man. This realm then brings us into the balance between an experiential righteousness (holiness) and the Kingdom Provision. This prevents the developing Christian from misusing the provision of the Kingdom for personal gain. This process of growth alone will prepare man to take his place in the Government of the World yet to Come.

We are, therefore, not proclaiming some mystical solution to this decline of the visible church but just the specific foundations essential for the church to once again become relevant. These experiential foundations will prepare the believers to advance through the Second Veil and into the realms of the illumination by the Seven Spirits of God. It is in this realm that we see the continuous correction, rectification and adjustment of the Lampstand Churches so we can begin to function in the Priesthood Ministries after the Order of Melchizedek.

It no longer seems strange to be born again by the impregnation of the Divine Sperma and a real conception which creates a new species of man! This new creation is of the same species as the Lord Jesus Christ who was the very first to be born of God! It is true that many still consider this truth of the new inner man to be too radical for the modern church. However, this reality is clearly revealed within the Ultimate and Absolute Truth that God has provided as the way out of the natural man and into the Pure Gold Lampstand Church and on into His Eternal Purpose.

The decline of the church can be traced to the ignorance of the New Covenant and by ignoring the provision God has supplied through the impartation of the Divine Sperma. This failure can be laid at the feet of the ministries which are entrusted with the development of the believers until they make the transition to the Lampstand Church! Jesus personally takes over the development of the Priesthood from there on into the Most Holy Place realm. However, ONLY those who overcome at the Lampstand level can make the transition.

Whenever we attempt to define salvation by some modified grace that is NOT within the full provision of the New Covenant, we contribute to the deadness in the church! We find this "counterfeit grace" offensive to the very sacrifice of Calvary and the total provision that was supplied within His death, burial, resurrection and ascension to the right hand of God. Then for the "ministers" to deny the Holy Spirit His rightful place in this dispensation of the church function is to become another of the many "anti-Christs" who are active in the developing assemblies. It is the Holy Spirit that leads us into the time sensitive and relevant truth. He focuses upon the very next truth that is necessary for our development and not on some irrelevant verse that changes nothing. The Holy Spirit must bring each one of us into this realm of reality within the Outer Court Anointing before we can receive the inner anointing of 1 John 1:27 that begins a new dimension of teaching.

2Cor 5:14 For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; 15 and <u>He died for all, that they who live should no longer live for themselves</u>, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

2Cor 4:10 always <u>carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus</u>, that the life of Jesus also <u>may be manifested in our body</u>. 11 For we who live are constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. 12 <u>So</u> death works in us, but life in you.

2Cor 4:17 For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison, 18 while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

2Cor 7:1 Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, **perfecting holiness in the fear of God**.

Heb 12:14 Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification 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;

It seems clear that this doctrine of Super Grace, that has assumed God's grace was given as a covering for sin and apathy and has removed all responsibility from the believer is perverted. This counterfeit grace has modified and corrupted the whole purpose for the grace that God has extended to us within the New Covenant.

Titus 2:11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus; 14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

It is clear that the "grace of God" is a person and not a "get out of jail free provision." It is also clear that along with the grace there is a great responsibility to change and prepare ourselves to become His own possession. Christianity cannot return to its original power and demonstration within this carnal church system created by men which is now in opposition to and outside the Creative Purposes of God.

The central issue that we have neglected in these studies is the inherent responsibility of each individual Christian in fulfilling God's Creative Purpose and His Predestined plan even if the visible church systems are not concerned. We have generally pointed to the failure of the ministries for this comatose state in the church systems. Of course EACH minister MUST stand before the Judgment Seat of Christ to answer for his ignorance, unconcern and failures. However, will the other Christians be permitted to use the failures of the ministries as an excuse for their own lack of growth?

We have recently pointed that the foundations are not just lineal but each foundation has several layers of experience in the depth dimension. This is specifically important in the realm of salvation. We correlated 20 depth experiences within proper water baptism and listed them. It is clear that even the Baptism in the Holy Spirit has several depth experiences beyond the initial experiences. In addition to Speaking in Tongues and Prophesy there are many unclaimed experiences that are personally available. Many of these were revealed by Jesus before His departure from the visible realm. These experiences are essential to live in the Kingdom Realm. Even the essential nature of the removal of the old garments and the re-covering by the New Priestly Garments have several further depths.

The question we are presenting is this: How much of these depth foundations are the responsibility of the ministries to lay and how much is the responsibility of the individual to seek out and to respond to God for the reality of these foundations. In these last 41 years we have failed to classify and present most of these invisible depth foundations. Does that really mean that those who attend the meetings have no responsibility to search out these depth experiences? The more of the depth foundations we experience, the more of the Spiritual Life of the Holy Place we will enjoy and the more likely we will be able to overcome at the Lampstand level. Does just by announcing these hidden foundations relieve me of any further responsibility? How do these hidden foundations affect the Priesthood Ministry to God and to Others?

Does getting wet in Baptism constitute one level of Christian Baptism or is death, burial and resurrection essential for **any** valid baptism? If we view baptism from the Bible perspective it is clear that most all baptisms produce NOTHING. However, if there has been a genuine death, burial and resurrection when someone is baptized in the lineal reality does that relieve the minister of any further responsibility to lay these depth foundations? These are questions that we will pursue in future times.