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“Who Told You, You Were Naked?”

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If you can just hear this out of the Spirit today, you will walk out of here rejoicing in the Father and realizing how great His love is and how mindful He is toward man. His thoughts are not against us but they are for us.

The Lord began to show us that in the beginning there were two men in the earth and there are only two men in the earth today. You have your first man Adam and your second man Adam. The second man Adam is one made after the Spirit and the Lord revealed that this is the way it was in the beginning. 1Cor 15:45, And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam [was made] a quickening spirit. 1Cor 15:46, Howbeit that [was] not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. 1Cor 15:47, the first man [is] of the earth, earthy; the second man [is] the Lord from heaven. 1Cor 15:48, As [is] the earthy, such [are] they also that are earthy; and as [is] the heavenly, such [are] they also that are heavenly.

He had created the serpent. So there was a man, at that time in that lower state. God said, at the time, in Genesis when He began to speak everything into being, into creation, that the earth

was without form and void. Gen 1:1, In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. Gen 1:2, And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness [was] upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

There were people at that time whose minds lacked the mind of Christ. The earth was void. Gal 4:19, My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you. Christ had not been formed in their minds. That is why darkness was upon the deep and the deep was the consciousness of man's mind. That is when God began to move upon the face of the deep. God takes people who don't have understanding and moves upon them. He moves upon man himself. God began to move upon the face of the deep and He began to speak forth His words and at that time, God began to create a new man. He was creating a spiritual man. He began to separate the spiritual man from the natural man. The natural man was in darkness. God created darkness and He created light. He created the negative and He created the positive. The Bible says that God created the wicked. Why did He create the wicked?

As we go on, you will see the plan of the Lord because you can see the difference in God's nature and that of man.

A Corporate Adam

So there were people at that time in the Garden of Eden. When God created Adam He was speaking of the Sons of God. He was speaking of a corporate Adam made after the Spirit. Today again, God is doing the same thing that He did in Genesis. If you can understand Genesis you can understand today and if you understand today, then you understand Genesis. That is how simple it is. God didn't make it complicated but religion has made it so complicated that we couldn't see the simplicity of Christ. Gen 2:16, And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat; Gen 2:17, But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

I've always known in my heart that there were more people in the garden than just one individual. God told Adam there were two trees in the garden and those trees were people. He told Adam they were trees that he could eat of. Those trees he could

eat of were people who had been birthed of the Spirit, bearing the fruits of the Spirit and he could eat of the fruits of the Spirit and the tree of life was the Christ. That was all that it was.

The tree of the knowledge of good and evil was the law, a word that came out of the letter of the law. For the letter killeth. It cannot bring life. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil was to make us aware of the knowledge of good and evil that is in us. That is why man has never been able to come forth because the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, the law, makes us conscious of sin. Rom 3:20, Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

2Cor 11:3, But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. Can you see the simplicity of Christ? Man left the simplicity of Christ and is still leaving it and is trying to get back into God by the works of the flesh and not by the Christ. We cannot do it with out the spirit of the Lord.

Now it was all in the plan of God for this to take place because God had made a plan to redeem man back by His grace and mercy, not by our own works lest we should boast not our own strength. Eph 1:7-8, In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; Eph 1:8, Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

God created a people who were spiritual beings. That was

the corporate son which was Adam and that is why God called them "they", because the soul, of Adam and Eve, and the sons of God was one with the Father. The word soul was not listed until the first chapter of Genesis. God had created Adam in His likeness and His image and he was the expression and extension of the Father in the earth. Gen 1:28, And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. He said, "Go and replenish the earth." The earth that he was replenishing were those who were still in darkness and darkness is the ignorance of man. Eph 4:18, Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

People there at that time were just like people are today, ignorant of the plan of God, ignorant of God's grace and mercy, and ignorant of His Son. People are still playing religion and trying to do things by works, and asking God whether they are "good enough" for God to accept them.

Adam himself started this. When God created Adam a spirit, he was not like us. At that time, he was not a living soul. He was a spiritual being and was the covered cherubim, anointed cherubim. Ezk 28:14, Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst

of the stones of fire. He had the garments of righteousness. He was clothed with the garments of salvation, the righteousness of God. When he was formed into that lower state, it was God who formed him. God formed us into that Adam nature. We had nothing to do with it. We were born into the nature of Adam. God formed Adam into that lower state but he hadn't fallen until he partook of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God created, then formed him into a living soul. There was a change that took place. He was spirit and then he became a living soul.

The Word Became Flesh

John 1:14, And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

Christ was the Word; the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. So a transformation took place. Christ was the Word, which was the Spirit, and then He was made a little lower than the angels. So was Adam. Here he was in a high state of being but God lowered him into a lower form so that he could identify with those who were in that lower state or that lower form, to replenish the earth and to multiply because that was the command that God gave him.

God told Adam to guard "your " garden. The Father has called us to replenish the earth and to multiply but to guard the garden which is our mind to where we will not be brought down to where we will be eating of the wrong tree.

Geneses 2:25, shows that Adam and Eve are naked but they didn't have any shame. What were they naked of? God had stripped them. Jesus Christ

was stripped from His glory and He was made in the likeness of His brethren. Can you see that? God had never intended for the first man, Adam, to bring the creation back into the glory of God. He was the foreshadow of that tree: the first-born son, Christ Himself, who was to redeem man back from the fall into the nature of God.

Adam and Eve were naked but they had no shame until they ate of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. What caused him to eat of that tree? He was not deceived. 1Tim 2:14, And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. He was aware of what he was doing. God told Adam - "Eat of the tree of life." In other words, my son, only eat of a word that comes out of My Spirit. Do not eat of a word that comes out of that lower state of mind which is the letter of the law.

Never eat of the letter of the law again to where you will work your way back into that glory that you lost, because that is what the tree of knowledge of good and evil causes you and I to do. It causes us to try to work back into God rather than coming back through Christ.

Religion has done this from that time on because Adam said in Isaiah 14, that darkness already existed in the beginning and darkness is nothing more than ignorance and ignorance is hell. In Isaiah 14:9, Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming. It stirs up the dead for thee. Even all the chief ones of the earth; it has raised up their thrones - all the kings of the nations.

Adam was trying to get back into God because he was that covered cherubim - meaning he had the glory of God, the immortality of God. He was trying to go back into that immortality in his own strength and not in the simplicity of Christ. Isa 14:10, All they that speaketh say unto thee, "aren't thou also become as weak as we?" These are the people, who were in that lower weak state. Aren't they become like us? Adam you have become like us now. Isa 14:11, Thy pomp has brought thee down to hell in the noise of the viols the worm (which is the Adam nature) is spread under thee and the worms cover thee. That freshly carnal nature has taken thee over. Isa 14:12, Oh, how art thou fallen from heaven, O' Lucifer. Fallen from the Spirit realm.

Lucifer Was NOT Satan!

The Church, in deception and ignorance, has preached and is still preaching today, that Lucifer is Satan. It blinds you to the simplicity and truths of God to where you will never change in your nature. You will always put the blame on Satan and deal outside of yourself. If you go into the book of Revelation, Satan is never called Lucifer but he is called the dragon, he is called the serpent, and he is called Satan.

Adam is Lucifer. Lucifer and Adam both mean, bright and morning star. Isa 14:12, Jesus Christ is called the bright morning star. Rev 22:16, Jesus Himself said, that Satan was a murderer from the beginning. John 8:44, Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the

truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. How then could he possibly be a fallen angel? The serpent was a serpent from the beginning. God created a people in the serpent nature from the beginning to express both the negative and the positive. It takes the negative to push you back into the positive. Didn't God say that He created the wicked? Is that not in God's word? Why did He create the wicked? So that you could see the difference in His nature and the old nature

He created the wicked to show us the plan of salvation for mankind and the grace and mercy of God. Jesus Christ is the Son of the Morning Star. When Christ was about to be born and the shepherds were out in the field, what did they see? A Star! The star was pointing to the Morning Star who was being birthed into creation for all mankind. The Morning Star means that God is bringing man into the break of a new day and the new day speaks of the Morning Star.

Adam, how are thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations. He weakened all creation. It was Adam who brought sin to all mankind. I've met many people lately who are angry with God. "How could you cause all this stuff, God?" they seemed to say. "Why did you cause all this mess? People dying!" Every one of you have been angry with God. You have said at one time or another that He didn't have a perfect plan. Look at the mess that He has made.

God's Plan of Love

It was not God but Adam who brought sin into the world. God is redeeming the world back unto Himself. It is man who is causing the wars and all the terrible things out there that you see, not the Father. We must see that the Father does have a perfect plan for man, an ultimate plan of love. Isa 14:13, The son of the morning star, how art thou cut down to the ground who didst weaken the nations for thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven; I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north. In other words he is saying he is going to get back into the immortality realm and I am going to get back to be perfect and beautiful.

Ezekiel 28:17, says he was perfect and in all beauty until the Lord formed him into that lower state to identify with those in that state. He was perfect in his beauty but in Genesis 2:7, He formed him but he was still perfect and God saw him as righteous even though he was naked. The Father saw him righteous and perfect until the serpent came and told him he wasn't. The serpent is the letter of the law that causes you to be conscious of your sin. Our Father is so wonderful and so good. He was trying to get back into that position through the works of the flesh and be God.

Paul was very angry with the church in Galatia. He said you foolish Galatians, you started out in the Spirit and how do you think you can become perfect by the works of your flesh? Adam started out in the Spirit but ended

up trying to work his way back through the flesh, in his own strength and not in the simplicity of Christ. The word says, "For thou has said in thine heart, I will ascend." Isa 14:13. I will do it in my own strength. I will get back into you through the works of my flesh. And that was the beginning of him eating of the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

2Corinthians explains the systems of the church today. Paul was warning them about false teachers. The serpent that came to Adam was a false teacher that masqueraded as an angel and had a message without the Spirit. 2Cor 11:3, But I fear lest by means as the serpent beguiled Eve through his craftiness, cleverness so your mind should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. The serpent came to Eve. The serpent wasn't a snake. It was a nature. A mind that came with a message. The serpent was telling them that it was okay to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. He beguiled Eve to leave the simplicity of Christ, Yet Jesus said, "Abide in Me."

Not By Works

Abide means to live in the Spirit. "Without Me," He said, "You can do nothing. You cannot even bear fruit unless you abide in Me." The letter tells you differently. You have got to work your way back. You've got to do this; you've got to do that. That is the dos and the don'ts.

"...so your mind should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." That is exactly what happened in the garden. The serpent went to the soul which was the mind and that is what corrupted Adam. He left the

simplicity of Christ and that is where religion started. Religion is trying to work back to God. "God am I good enough now? Will you accept me now?" Jesus said, "Without Me you can do nothing."

2Cor 11:14, "... for Satan himself in transformed into an angel of light." The serpent comes as messengers and there are a lot of messengers in the church today. The angel of light is speaking of revelation and knowledge and understanding. "Therefore, it is no great thing if his ministers be transformed as ministers of righteousness whose end shall be according to their works. Works of the flesh." They come as ministers of righteousness telling you about the works of the flesh. You must work back to get your garment of righteousness again.

I never understood this before, but in Genesis you will see that Adam was naked and not ashamed. He was never aware of iniquity in himself at all until he ate of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. That made him conscious of his disobedience and sin. Fear set in and he hid from God. Man has been hiding from God ever since, and still trying to work his way back into the presence of the Lord without the Christ.

The church also makes man conscious of the Adamic flesh nature more than making us conscious of God. They preach and preach about sin. I always wondered why the Father said to Adam, "Who told you, you were naked?" And that is the title of this message today.

Num 13:32-33, Israel couldn't enter into the Promised Land

because all they could see were the giants. They couldn't see the goodness of the Promised Land. The land that God was talking about was this land here, this earthen vessel. They couldn't see the fruits of God, the fruits of the Spirit. All they could see were the giants, the fear, the hate, the greed, the strife, and the jealousy. And they couldn't get beyond that. So it is today. Man cannot see the goodness of God that is within man. All that man can see is the corruption.

The church today is still trying to say that you are a living soul. You are not a living soul. You are a life giving spirit. Christ in you is perfect. The Christ that was in Adam was perfect until he ate of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and he saw his nakedness. What did he then try to do? He tried to cover himself, and man today is trying to cover himself through religion and through the works of the flesh. He has been trying to cover himself down through the generations.

The Spirit Points the Way

Yet God covered man at the cross. When He went to the cross, He covered all creation and he said, "to call no man unclean". *Acts 10:28, And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.* He had covered him with that sheet that had covered the four corners of the earth, which is His, righteousness again. He sees man cleansed through the blood that He shed on the cross. He came to reconcile and redeem man back

from eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and start eating of the tree of life which is a word which comes out of the Spirit. The word that comes out of the Spirit will point you back to the nature of God. It points you back to be perfected into the nature of God through a word that comes out of the Spirit. You will not work your way back into it.

The two **requirements** that God gave Adam were **obedience** and **trust**. What entered into the garden was disobedience and distrust because the soul distrusted God. If Adam and Eve had trusted the Father's word that they were perfect in beauty, they would never have eaten of the letter that kills.

So it was the law that killed Adam in the Garden of Eden, which has been the serpent from the beginning. I want to take you into something else and show you the simplicity of this and how it has gone from the Old Testament and through the New Testament and has gone down through the ages and it is still working. We have all been religious. There is not one of us who hasn't been religious and still tries to be religious. This is our own self-righteousness trying to do everything in our own strength without the Christ. That is why these sessions in our meetings are done in the Spirit and the Spirit leads. We don't do it in the flesh or in our own strength because there is no life without the Spirit.

Now Adam's spirit, when he weakened the nations, has gone down through the generations and has worked in everybody. In *Genesis 3*, after Adam had eaten

and their eyes were opened and they knew that they were naked that was the beginning of their knowing that they were naked. They tried to cover themselves with fig leaves. Remember, Jesus cursed the fig tree. He cursed the fig tree and said that man would not cover himself with the fig leaf again. The only way he will cover himself again will be with My blood. The blood, which I shed on the cross, will bring righteousness again upon mankind.

The fig tree never bore fruit and that fig tree represents Adam who has tried to reproduce fruit in his own strength. He has tried to come back to the place in God again in his own strength and not through grace and mercy.

We explained in an earlier message that there were two cherubim in the throne of God and that they were on the mercy seat. I have wondered for a long time why there were two cherubim on the mercy seat. God has made this so simple and we get religious and try to give it a far out meaning or understanding. But it is very simple.

Christ is one of those cherubim and Christ is the word and the Spirit. The other cherubim are you and I, that corporate body. Both cherubims are to look at each other face to face. You are to look at Christ for He is the example. You are to look into the mirror. The mirror is the word and the Spirit, which is Christ. As you look in the mirror you behold His face. You are being changed from glory to glory into the image of His dearly beloved Son. You have ceased from your own labors and in the mercy seat

for it is by grace and the mercy of God that you go back into that immortality again where there is nothing but life, that is why there are two cherubim.

The first Son, and the many sons facing the first Son, realizes that He is the mirror. He is the example for us to follow and it is by grace and by the mercy of God. Let us press on to the mark of the high calling in Christ Jesus. Why did He say "in"? Because you cannot do it in your own strength. It is in the Spirit that you rise to the high calling of the way of the truth and the light. Phil 3:14, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Trust and Obey

Do you see the simplicity of this? It is not complicated. The only thing that God requires of you is obedience. If you do not obey His word, than you will lose it. **Obedience** and **trust** is what God desires of us. In the Garden, Gen 3:8, "and they heard the voice of the Lord walking in the garden in the cool of the day." God was inside of Adam and Adam was the garden. God is inside of you and you are the garden. Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord, among the trees in the garden.

How can you hide yourself from God? Through your own mind because the mind hardens through disobedience. When God kept sending Moses to Pharaoh and commanded a word, through disobedience his heart hardened. Why did it harden? It kept getting harder and harder. Unbelief is the result of disobedience. Adam entered into unbelief when he disobeyed. Had

he believed he would not have disobeyed. It is as simple as that.

He heard the voice of the Lord in the cool of the day. Why did he hide? He hid because he was afraid. The law preached fear. It produces fear. Israel told Moses to talk to God for them because Israel was afraid.

The letter kills. It causes you to be afraid of God. That is what the tree of the knowledge of good and evil does. The Lord God called to Adam and Adam said in Verse 10, "I heard your voice from the garden and I was afraid because I was naked and I hid myself."

And God said, "Who told you, you were naked?" In other words, God was saying, "Adam I didn't tell you that you were naked. I didn't tell you that you were not perfect in beauty. I didn't tell you any of these things. Who told you?" It was the serpent that told you. The serpent that beguiled him and it was a word that was the letter of the law and the letter of the law killed Adam that day in the garden. It was a word that didn't come out of God. It was a word that came out of that lower state.

Rom. 3:19, reveals the simplicity of it all. "We know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law. That every mouth may be stopped and all the world may become guilty before God." The Amplified Bible says, "now we know whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that (the murmurs and excuses) every mouth may be hushed and all the world may be accountable to God." So therefore, it was the law that told Adam he was guilty.

The law is what brought the curse on the world.

Rom. 3:20, "Therefore by the deeds of the law shall the flesh be justified in His sight for by the law is the knowledge of sin." The Amplified Bible reads: "For no person will be justified (made righteous, acquitted and judged acceptable) in His sight by observing the works prescribed by the law. For the real function of the law is to make man recognize and be conscious of sin. Not mere perception but an acquaintance with sin which worked toward repentance, faith and holy character."

So the tree of the knowledge of good and evil is the letter, which causes us to have the knowledge of sin. God told Adam that he didn't fall until iniquity was found in him. That iniquity was disobedience trying to get back into God without the Spirit and that is what sin is: Trying to be perfect again and to get back into God without Christ.

Rom 3:21-23, "But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;

Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe; for there is no difference:

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus"

Verse 25, "Whom God has set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past through the forbearance of God. "So we are made righteous through the blood

and receive our garments again by faith.

Jesus Christ came to usher in the Kingdom of God and to point man once again to grace and the salvation of God and to show him that it was not by religion nor by strength, nor by the works of the flesh but that: God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him shall have everlasting life. He didn't come to condemn the world. The Father never condemned Adam. Adam condemned himself. And man has been condemning himself down through the generations ever since.

A New Covenant

Jesus Christ came not to condemn the world but to save the world. At the time the Pharisees, Sadducees and Jews were there. What were they trying to do? They had religion and were trying to work their way back to God. They had all the do's and the don'ts of the letter of the law, because that was the Old Covenant. God was issuing in a New Covenant, which He had actually established with man before the foundation of the world. He had even established it with Adam in the Garden of Eden until Adam fell and then He had to establish an old Covenant until the New Covenant was issued in through Jesus.

Look at what Israel was trying to do in *Rom 10:1-3*, "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved. 2, For I bear them witness that they have zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. 3, For they being ignorant of God's righteousness,

and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God."

And that is what Adam did. He went about trying to establish his own righteousness and the Adamic spirit has been in man ever since. That is why Jesus said that you must be born again, not of the flesh, but be born of the Spirit. It is only by the spirit of God that we come back into the righteousness of the Father and through the blood.

The first miracle that Jesus performed was at the wedding at Cana. John 2. Why did Jesus perform His first miracle at the wedding? The wedding speaks of a union with the Father. The wedding speaks of man being married to God again. Why were there six bottles there? Six represents man. Why did Jesus fill each one of those bottles with wine? He was filling them with the Spirit to bring them back into union with God again. "I am in the Father and the Father is in Me." Jesus didn't do it in His own strength. He didn't get back into that glory that He lost but He was in the Father and the Father was in Him. He said, "I do nothing without the Father." I don't do it in my own strength. I've got a relationship with the Father for the Father is within me and I am in the Father. That is why Jesus said, "abide in Me". You cannot do this without My Spirit. That is why at the first miracle Jesus was to point man again back to the relationship to the Father through grace and mercy and atonement that was made at the cross, and that we would have that new wine. That new wine would be God's Spirit.

In another wedding, a man bidden to the celebration did not have a wedding garment and so was cast out into outer darkness. Israel was called the Son of God but Israel went about trying to create its own righteousness through works. They rejected the king when the king came. That man was Israel. *Matt 22:4-5*, Tell them who are bidden, behold I have prepared My Dinner. My oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage. 5, But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, and another to his merchandise.

The king became angry and he sent them out. *Verses 8-9*, Then he said unto his servants, "The wedding is ready but they who were bidden were not worthy. 9, Go therefore into the highways, and as many as you shall find, bid them to the marriage."

Israel was not worthy because they rejected the king. That is when God turned it over to the heathen (the nations), the gentiles. God's grace was still present. The servants went out into the highways and gathered as many as they could find both good and bad that the wedding was furnished. God was again going to have people to come back into this union with him to have this relationship by grace.

"Come", By God's Grace

Jesus Christ stood before Israel saying, "I am the grace of God, I am the mercy of God. Come out from the letter of the law and the Old Covenant." Jesus stood for the New Covenant that they could come by God's grace into that union with the Father and receive the righteousness of God without works. Here they **had slain goats for sacrifices but it**

never made them perfect. It could not. It could never change the consciousness of their minds, because God never intended it to. It was to point toward the Lamb that was slain before the foundation of the earth. Verse 11, "And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man who had not on a wedding garment."

Why didn't Israel have on a wedding garment? They were a people in darkness and ignorance. That is what the serpent is. Rom 10:3, "For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves to the righteousness of God." They were in ignorance and darkness because God had not awakened them yet.

Matt 22:12, "He said to him, Friend, how cometh thou not having a wedding garment? Then said the king to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Rom 11:15, "For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world," (So they had to be cast away so that the heathen, the gentiles and the whole world could come in.) "What shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?" Verses 21-22, "For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest He also spare not thee. 22, Behold, therefore consider the goodness and severity of God: on them; which fell, severity, but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in His goodness: otherwise thou also shall be cut off"

To continue in the goodness of the Lord is obedience and trust and allowing the Spirit to continue in your life. Verse 23, "They also who abide not in unbelief shall be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again."

Deliverance of Creation

Verse 26, "So blinders were given to them 'so that all Israel shall be saved, as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliver, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob.'" We are one with the deliver-to-deliver creation out of religion, out of the law and out of the works of the flesh and out of focusing on the flesh man and not on the Spirit man.

In Esther 1:4-12. There was a king and a wedding and the king was presenting it for all people. The queen refused to come to the wedding. The Bible teaches that she was to be a sign to all the women down through the ages. That woman was Queen Vashti and was pointing toward Israel. It was a prophecy pointing toward Israel that Israel would refuse to receive the Kingdom of God.

The works of the flesh persecuted Christ when He went to the cross. Man was working back into God and had religion and hated a man that had no form. Jesus was formless. He wasn't working back into God. He had no form to get back into God. He had no tradition and no doctrines of man but to get back into His glory was that union and relationship with the Father. It was man in form and tradition that crucified Him on the cross. It was the cross that released man again from the form that had put Him on the cross. He took on the

Adam nature to release man from that form. He became the serpent that was lifted up in the wilderness to save man once again. Num 21:8, "And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live."

That is when God told Israel, When you look upon the serpent then you shall be saved once again. When the serpent was put on the cross it became the mind of Christ. That is why God says, "When you look upon the serpent (the mind of Christ) you will be saved again. 'But what things were gain to me those I counted loss for Christ'", was Paul's assertion in *Philippians*. What did he lose? He lost the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. That is all Paul had had because he hated the simplicity of Christ. He had persecuted the church. He was even there when Stephen was killed. There was that religious nature in him that hated Christ. When Paul started counting it all dung that was the beginning of his leaving the letter of the law.

If anyone tried to keep the law, Paul did. He tried to be perfect and to be accepted by God more than anybody. Then one day, he met Jesus. Do you know why God blinded him? God had to blind him from all that he knew. All the knowledge and the understanding, taught to him by the rabbis, teachers and the prophets at that time. Then God sent someone to open his eyes again and fill him with the Holy Spirit and his eyes were truly opened with the eyes of

understanding. Then He set him aside for three years to be taught only by the Spirit and not by man. That is why Paul said, "I count it all dung. I count it all loss for Christ once again, for the simplicity of Christ."

Go Inside Ourselves

The letter makes us go **outside** of ourselves. The word and the Spirit make us go **inside** ourselves Phil 3:8-9, *Yea I count all things but loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord for whom I have suffered the loss of all things and do count them but dung that I may win Christ, and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith.*

It is very simple. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil makes you go outside of yourself. The tree of life makes you go within. Why did Adam blame Eve? Because he was looking outside of himself. In every situation in your life, no matter what it is, as long as you are looking outside of yourself and blaming that person in that situation or those circumstances, you are under the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

When you are blaming the situation or circumstances, the problem will never change. The tree of life will point you to go inside, because what is outside of you is a mirror of what is on the inside of you. When you begin to realize that no matter what is going on outside of you, it is not to make you go outside of yourself, but it is to make you go inwardly. When you go inwardly you will see where you have too

change. God will change you by His Spirit and then your situation will change immediately. God does allow the serpent; to come to you. There are still things in you that are not the nature of God. So God allows the serpent, to come to you in many forms to show you what is still in you that is not, the nature of God.

As long as you allow those people outside of you to come to you in the serpent form, which is the flesh nature, you will never see what is in you. God cannot tempt you and it was not God who tempted Adam. We are drawn away through our own lusts. James 14-15, *But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. 15, Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.*

So it is whatever is in you that is still lusting after something outside of you. That is what you are drawn away with. So if there are people who come to you in the flesh nature, who are tempting you, you cannot blame them for the temptation because there is something in you that is drawing them to you. Adam, instead of seeing what was there, went outside of himself and blamed Eve. That is still going on today. As long as the blame is outside of you then what is within you will never change.

Find the Truth Within

In the past two or three years, God has been telling us to go within. God is still teaching us to go within because that is where the truth is and where all the answers are. Adam got into trouble because he depended on someone else other than God.

People are still going outside of themselves and God is saying to lean not upon the arm of the flesh but upon Him. That is why God is causing us to teach others to go within and hear God for themselves and not to depend on individuals but on God.

Even though God uses individuals to minister to us, we are still looking to God for the answers rather than leaning upon the arm of the flesh. Paul prayed that he be found in the righteousness of God. He didn't want to go around establishing his own righteousness ever again which is of the law. That which is through faith is righteousness of God. Phil 3:10-11, *That I may know Him in the power of the resurrection and fellowship of suffering being made conformable unto his death, if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.* So he knew the only way he could attain the resurrection of the dead again was through Christ and not through his own strength.

Through God's grace and mercy and your obedience to Him, will take you all the way into His full manifestation for His glory. Amen