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"Harmony and Oneness"

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The word that the Father has been speaking to us just seems to get stronger, and stronger. It is important that you digest what He has been saying and let it become part of you. Allow Him to deal with every area of your life, and consume whatever is not like Him.

If you have not heard the tape, or read our newsletter on "Prepare Your Heart", then you need to contact us and we will send it to you. If you already have a copy, then you need to listen to it, or read it again. He does not want you to be ignorant of what He is doing, or of how late it really is. We cannot take these things lightly! You have got to understand who you are, and what your full inheritance is in Christ! God's Sons are called after the order of Melchisedec to be Kings and Priests in the Kingdom of God!

Jesus said, "For many are called, but few are chosen." And God is the one who is doing the choosing in this hour. I see Him really choosing the least – the nobodies, the cast down, and broken hearted. It is amazing how the Father chooses the foolish things to confound the wise.

He has called each one of us, and He is choosing those who are

faithful and true. Those that are walking in what He has already given them. He is looking at what is in the hearts of His Sons. He is choosing those who will enter into His fullness - and that He will manifest His fullness through. The Father has been telling us that "we must set our affections on things above".

In Colossians 3:1-4 (if you read in the Amplified Bible), it says, "If then you have been raised with Christ [to a new life, thus sharing His resurrection from the dead], aim at and seek the [rich, eternal treasures] that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. And set your minds and keep them on what is above-the higher things-not on the things that are on the earth. For [as far as the world is concerned] you have died, and your [new, real] life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ Who is our life appears, then you will also appear with Him in (the splendor of His) glory." Paul came to the realization that the everyday cares of this world are not important, and He said we are to set our affections on things above

He said, That the world sees you as DEAD - because your life (REAL LIFE) is hid in Christ.

This is quite a statement. If we set our affections (which is setting our mind) fully on the Spiritual things above – on the eternal things, and not the external things (if we walk in the mind of Christ) then all the world will see - is Christ!

But the problem is, our soul (which is our self-will), still wants to go outside (of the mind of Christ) and focus on the external things (in the five-sense realm/in the carnal mind).

Your true-self is, "<u>CHRIST</u> <u>IN YOU</u>, the hope of glory". And when Christ is finished with you, it will no longer be just, "Christ in you, the hope of glory" – but it will be CHRIST IN YOU, AND YOU IN CHRIST! It will be you IN THE FULLNESS OF GOD'S GLORY!

In 1Corinthians 3:16, it says that you <u>are</u> the temple of God (NOW), "Know ye not that <u>ye</u> <u>ARE the temple of God</u>, and that <u>the Spirit of God dwelleth</u> (present tense) <u>in you?</u>" Then later in Revelations 21:22 it says, "And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb ARE the temple of it." When God has swallowed up your soul (self-will) totally, all that will be left is HIM. All you will see is GOD!

The Father has been telling us that we ARE on our final lap – that we ARE coming to the end of this long journey that we have walked for so long.

It does not matter how or when vou came into understanding - just know that God is speeding everything up in you. He is bringing you to the place in your life where you can have a quick understanding of what He is saying and doing in this hour. This is also why it is so important for you to be listening to a Word that comes out of the Spirit. "Ye that hath an ear, let him hear what the SPIRIT is saying." Because, GOD will not only quicken this Word to your mind, but He will cause you to understand it.

The Father has been saying that THE STAGE IS SET, and HE IS BRINGING A PEOPLE INTO HARMONY WITH HIMSELF! This is what the Father has given me to share with you now, because when we come into harmony with God - we will also be in harmony with each other - and creation.

Well what does it mean to be in "harmony" with God? It means to walk in "oneness" with Him. I want to talk about this with you, but I also need to talk to you about the self-will -because the self-will is what brings you out of walking in oneness with the Father.

You need to understand that the serpent is the self-will. The serpent is the carnal thoughts that are in the mind/soul that try to entice you, and keep you from being who you really are in Christ. It is the soul trying to live separate and apart from God.

I have to go back and talk about Adam for a moment, because "in the beginning" Adam was one with the Father. Adam was Spirit - and he walked in the Spirit all the time. He understood that he was a Spiritual being, and not just a regular human being (natural man). God had not made him a living soul yet. If you read in Genesis, you will see that Adam was "created" first (in God/in Spirit), and then he was "formed" into a living soul.

"Adam" was created in God, and as a Spiritual being his body, his soul, and his Spirit were in total oneness with the Father. This is the reason why God called man (Adam) - "they". He called them "they", because of the oneness that "they" shared. The woman (soul) was submitted to the Christ, and because there was such a harmony between them (the Spirit and the Soul), the body was also totally submitted to God.

"Adam" walked in the understanding that God had created him - meaning God had created a (many membered) corporate man, and called their name (nature) "Adam".

The Father is creating one new man – IN CHRIST, and calling their name (nature) "the Son of man" (Christ in the earth)! There are only two men in the earth.

Now you really need to read all of 1Corinthians chapter 15 for yourself, but in verses 45-53 it says, "And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening (life giving) spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that

which is spiritual. The first MAN is of the earth, earthy: the second MAN IS THE LORD FROM HEAVEN. As is the earthy, such are THEY also that are earthy: and as the heavenly, such are THEY also that are heavenly. And as WE have borne the image of the earthy, WE shall also bear the image of the heavenly. For this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep (go by the way of the grave/die physically), but we shall be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound (it is sounding now), and raised dead shall be the incorruptible (this has been happening in the invisible realm for sometime now, and they are going right back into God), and we shall be changed (this is speaking of the manifestation of the Sons of God - God is about to express His fullness through His Sons). For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality (we are putting off the old man "Adam" (nature), and putting on the new man, WHICH IS THE LORD FROM HEAVEN)."

Back in Genesis it said that God created everything in six days – and on the seventh day He rested from all the work which He had made. God had created man on the sixth day. In 2Peter 3:8 it says, "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." So it took the Lord one thousand years to create Adam in the beginning - but it wasn't in the Father's plan for

(the first man) "Adam" to fulfill His plan. The first man "Adam" (which was of the earth, earthy) was a corporate man, made up of many sons (at that time) that had been created in the image and likeness of God.

"And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground (the thoughts that were in man's mind), and breathed into his *nostrils the breath of life* (a Word that comes out of the Spirit); and man BECAME a living soul." God had moved upon the earth (the mind), and began to form HIS nature in man. God had said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness... So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he THEM."

And God told Adam the same thing that He is telling us now. He told Adam that he was a Spiritual man (you are a Spiritual being) and you can live in my garden, in my presence, and enjoy my peace, my life, and my love – 24 hours a day. You can enjoy life and never have to experience or partake of death - as long as you do not eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.

In other words, God is saying, as long as you yield to me and I am supreme in your life – to where you are submitted to me in every area of your life; walk completely under my control and authority; and obey my commandment – you shall never die.

The only commandment that God gave to Adam was that he could not eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.

Well the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil <u>is the self-will</u>. It is the carnal mind. It is the soul living outside of the mind of Christ - according to its five senses - to please self!

In other words, He was telling Adam that there cannot be two wills/minds. There cannot be two bosses. "Adam, you cannot serve two masters." You cannot live in the mind of Christ - and the carnal mind. You cannot live in the flesh, according to the fivesenses - and live in the Kingdom of God (Spirit). He was saying, as long as you choose to obey MY WORD (which comes out of the Spirit), and choose to walk in the Spirit (partake of the Tree of Life) every day - surely you shall never die.

Then the serpent came and enticed the "woman". The "woman" is the mind (the soul). (In other words, all of this was going on in Adam's mind.) The fall happened after God had separated the woman (the soul – the first man Adam) from Adam (who was Spirit – the second man Adam – the Christ).

For the first time, there was a separation between the soul and the Spirit. And when your soul (which is your mind) separates itself from the Word and the Spirit, and you refuse to obey God – there is a separation that takes place in your mind. This separation happens when you yield to your self-will.

In the Garden of Eden, the serpent said to the woman, "Surely you shall not die if you eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil." And the serpent is still speaking in the mind of Christians today.

The serpent is the self-will (which is the carnal mind). The serpent is still speaking to the soul and saying, "You can eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil - it's alright to partake of your self-will - you can make your own choices and decisions - you can serve God and still do your own thing - and surely you shall not die." This started in the Garden of Eden, and has been passed right down through the generations.

Even though God had only spoken one commandment in the Garden of Eden - He knew that Adam would choose to follow the woman (his self-will/his soul).

When God gave Adam the commandment that he was not to eat from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, Adam didn't even know what his self-will was. God had not opened Adam's eyes to see the woman (his soul) yet. Adam didn't even know what the word 'I' meant. In fact, if you go into the scriptures, you won't see the word 'I' even mentioned until after the fall. 'I' was not mentioned because the self-will had not come on the scene yet.

Adam had only walked under the control and supreme authority of the Christ. He had never experienced the carnal mind, and what it was to have a thought outside of the mind of Christ. He had never experienced corruption, anger, jealously, selfishness, and greed - all of which are the nature of the selfwill. He had never experienced any thought that brought death. Adam was covered with the glory of the Lord - and still God knew that Adam would make the choice that he did.

When Adam chose to listen to the woman and yielded to her – he then ate from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. In Genesis 3:17 it says, "And unto Adam He said, BECAUSE THOU HAST HEARKENED UNTO THE VOICE OF THY WIFE, and eaten of the tree...". Well, the woman (mind) is talking to you all the time. It tells you, "Do this", "Do that", and "Let's go here" and "Let's go there."

Remember when Jesus was telling His disciples "that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day." Well it said, "Then Peter took Him, and began to rebuke Him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee." In other words, Peter was saying, "Save yourself! Lord, you can't do that!"

(Now, some of you already know these things but it's important that we build a foundation here). Well the interesting part of this was, one minute Peter was saying to Jesus, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven."

In other words Jesus was saying that Peter was hearing what the Spirit was saying. He was listening to the mind of Christ – WHICH IS THE FATHER HIMSELF. This is the reason why Jesus only did those things that He saw the Father do, and why He said, "I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE."

One minute Peter was listening to the thoughts of God -

but as soon as Jesus started telling Peter and the disciples that He was going to go to the cross and die, Peter (listened to the woman inside him) rose up and said, "Lord, save yourself! You can't do this!" The self-will always wants to save itself. It doesn't want to die.

One minute Jesus was telling Peter that he was walking IN THE MIND OF GOD (in the mind of Christ), "... and upon this rock will I build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - and the next thing you know, Jesus was calling him Satan. "He turned and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men."

So, who is "Satan"? "Satan" is the self-will. So we have all been him! When people go out and say, "The devil made me do it!" - it's true. Their own self-will made them do it! They listened to their self-will (their own mind) and they disobeyed the Lord (the mind of Christ in them).

Well, the only reason people disobey the Lord, is because they have not yet awakened as to who their true-self is. They don't have the knowledge and understand-ing of who they are in God.

The moment when Adam listened to the woman (his soul/self-will/flesh), he lost sight of who he was. He lost sight of who his true-self was. And, had he had never listened to the

woman - death would never have entered in.

In Romans 8:20 it says, "For the creation (all creation) was made subject to vanity..." All creation was made subject to the vanity of the death realm, which is the carnal nature/carnal mind or self nature. ALL of mankind has been made subject to this. Prior to the fall, the word "I" was never mentioned.

Then after the fall, it said in Genesis 3:8, "And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: AND ADAM AND HIS WIFE (soul) HID THEMSELVES (they tried to hide their self-nature) FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD GOD AMONGST THE TREES OF THE GARDEN." In the scriptures, God has also called man "trees".

God went looking for Adam, but Adam was hiding behind the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil amongst the other trees of the garden. In other words, Adam hid behind his self-will or self-nature, in the five-sense realm, amongst others that were doing the same thing (listening to the woman and yielding to their self-will).

Adam <u>CHOSE</u> not to hide (or be hid) behind God's tree – the Tree of Life. He walked out of the mind of Christ, and was no longer hid in Christ and walking in the Spirit. Adam walked out of the mind of Christ, and tried to hide behind his own tree (flesh).

When you and I walk in our own flesh (according to our selfwill) we hide from others, and live in total denial. "Self" always tries to put the blame on someone else, because your (carnal) mind tells you, "If you put the blame off on other people – then you don't have to change. You don't have to deal with those things that make you fall out of the Spirit. You don't have to take a look at what's still in your soul."

This is the reason why the Lord wants you to be willing to have Him bring EVERYTHING to the surface where you can see it. Over the course of your life there have been many things that you have gone through - and all of the memories that were left as a result of those experiences have remained your soul. in Everything that your parents taught you, and all of the heartaches and experiences you've gone through - have all been hidden away in subconscious of your mind - and they still have an affect on your life today (often without your knowing it)!

Many times these things surface in the mind and cause you to disobey Christ. This is the reason why the Lord is doing a cleansing in your soul. Every time He goes into an area of your life and consumes more of those things that are not like Him, there is an awakening that takes place in your mind and you begin to understand more of who you are (who your true-self is - which is Christ).

When you fully awake as to who you really are in Him - you will never go out of the Spirit again. You will remain shut in the ark, in Christ, never coming out again. In Revelations 3:12 it says, "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out..."

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TEMPLE OF GOD, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" Then later in Revelations 20:22 it said, "And I saw no temple therein: for THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY AND THE LAMB ARE THE TEMPLE OF IT."

When God is finished with you and I, you won't see us anymore - only God will be seen! Only His nature will be seen and experienced 24 hours a day. We will be totally swallowed up in Him and never go out (into the carnal mind/the five-sense realm/death) again. It will no longer be just God in you, but you will be 100% IN GOD. Never again will there be any division between us - for IN HIM WE ARE ONE!

(Now we don't go out as much as we used to, but once in a while we still go out because of certain thoughts that are still in our mind.)

Adam fell because of his disobedience. He listened to the woman and partook of the thoughts that were in his mind/soul - and when he fell, he went to sleep Spiritually. Adam (man) has had a bad dream ever since.

It's like when someone falls and hits their head - they sometimes fall into a deep sleep, and when they open their eyes for the first time - they have amnesia. At first, they can't remember who they are or where they are from. But, as time goes different situations circumstances they go through gradually cause them to awaken and remember (a little here and a little there) who they are, and from where they have come. The hard path that they must travel; the process that they must go

through; and the things that they must overcome (until they're mind is fully restored) - must seem like a bad dream at times. But when thev are fully awakened (just like someone coming out of a dream), they rejoice because they KNOW WHO THEY ARE, AND WHERE THEY ARE FROM. The bad dream that they have had to live is not real. It was only a temporary condition (of the mind).

It's just like in the natural, when you go to bed at night and have bad dreams. When you wake up in the morning, you're so glad that you don't have to look at those dreams anymore. You wake up and say, "Thank God that I was just asleep, and that those dreams aren't real!"

Well basically, man has been dreaming down through the ages - but God has been waking us up and bringing us out of all our dreams and imaginations! Our soul has been living in shadows and illusions. It has focussed on those things that are temporary - that are not real!

Amnesia came to man through a hit in the head. The hit in the head came through sin. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." And the hit in the head caused death in the mind. It caused the mind to be totally in darkness. When we were born into the Adam nature we entered into the darkness of the carnal mind. We had no awareness of who we were or where we came from. We didn't even know why we were here. Many times we have questioned in our minds, "Why am I here? What is my purpose in this world?"

We've been just like someone with amnesia, where their past is hid in total darkness and they can't remember anything about their life prior to the hit in the head. Every now and then they might get a flashback of either what happened to them, or of who they were. But no matter how hard they try, they just can't put all the pieces together.

This is the reason why God has given you the Holy Spirit. In John 14:26 Jesus said, "... the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, He shall TEACH YOU ALL THINGS, and BRING ALL THINGS TO REMBRANCE, whatsoever I have said unto you."

Well what He is bringing back to your remembrance is - WHO YOU ARE IN GOD! Because until you fully awaken in your mind as to who you are in God, from time to time you are still going to yield to your self-will.

We have got to get hold of the fact that He dealt with our self-will (Adam nature) on the cross - and that it is supposed to be dead! God crucified it on the cross - but we continue to make it come alive again! Let me say that another way. The only thing that makes your self-will come alive again, is you. Every time you forget who you are and yield to the voice of the woman (the thoughts that are in your soul/mind), you resurrect the self-will (Adam nature) in you. And the more you dwell on what it is saying (in your mind), the more strength you give to it in your life.

After the fall, there was no more oneness - man was no longer walking with God.

When we walk in oneness with the Lord, we have such a peace within us, that nothing and nobody can disturb, distract, or separate us from the love of God. In Philippians 4:7 it says, "And the peace of God (in your mind), which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

One way to know if you are walking in oneness with God - is you will have His peace in your that passes mind understanding - you will have His joy - and you will walk in righteousness (right thinking) in the mind of Christ! And even though there are still some areas in your soul that are not fully dealt with (that haven't been perfected) <u>yet</u> - you can know assuredly that you are walking more in a oneness with Him. As you continue to yield to His will and corrections, and as He consumes more and more of your soul - your true-self (which is Christ) is awakening and arising in the Father.

The reason that Jesus went to the cross, was to make man one with God again. He is the pattern for you to walk in oneness with God.

In Hebrews 5:8 it says, "Though He were a Son, YET LEARNED HE OBEDIENCE by the things which He suffered." Even Jesus had to go through certain experiences in His relationship with the Father - in order to bring Him into that place of ONENESS, where He could say, "If you've seen ME, then you've seen THE FATHER", and "I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE."

He had to be tried, tested and tempted in all things – and He had to overcome all things. In Hebrews 4:15 it says, "For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; BUT WAS IN ALL POINTS TEMPTED (tried and tested) like as we are, YET WITHOUT SIN."

We know that for eighteen years, from the age of twelve until the age of thirty, there was something going on between the Father and Jesus - and during this time, you don't read anything about Him. For eighteen years, Jesus was tempted in all things and yet He never sinned. For eighteen years, as the Father fully awakened Him as to who He was and why He was here - the man Jesus learned to walk in oneness with the Father.

Then at the age of thirty He was given the Spirit without measure. And the reason He was the Spirit given without measure, was because He had fully awakened as to who He was! He knew that no matter what temptation came His way, He was not to yield to His selfwill - He was here to do the will of the Father. This was when the Father unveiled Him to the world and said, "THIS IS MY SON, IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED."

In the natural, when people get amnesia and can't remember who they are - it takes some longer than others to awaken and remember who they really are. Well the same is true in Christ!

You see, our growth in Christ happens in stages. There are many stages of development and growth in God - and each realm that we come into, is a stage of development and growth in Christ.

Some have been awakened to more than others - and some are still asleep. You can't put anyone down because of where they're at in their understanding and walk - they just don't know who they are yet. It is God who must wake an individual up! You have to be responsible for your own walk, and are to walk in what you know and understand (what you have been awakened to). You have to press on to know Christ for yourself (no one else can do it for you) - and every realm the Father brings us into, we become more awakened as to who we really are!

The Father has let me know that He is getting ready to take His Sons up on the Mount of Transfiguration. He showed me that when He does this, their will completely mind be transformed into the fullness of They will be Christ. awakened as to who they are in God, and they will never walk out of that oneness with Father again! When their mind is completely transformed, thev can't come out of God again, because they are ONE.

Revelations 20:22, you don't see any temple within. "And I saw no temple therein..." You don't see man (the first man Adam, the flesh man/the soul/the self-will/the carnal mind/mortality/corruption/sin/DEATH) anymore, because all that is left is the nature of God. "For the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it." All you will see is God, because God will not only be in all, but all things will be in

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important for you to allow Him transform your mind. He must deal with every area of your soul and consume everything that is not like Christ! He must awaken you and bring you back into that oneness that you had with Him before the foundation of the earth.

God is raising up a people that aren't going to run from the sword. The sword is the Word and the Spirit. The Word and the Spirit must go in and deal with every area of your soul that keeps you from remembering who you are and causes you to yield to your self-will. He must deal with every thing that keeps you from staying in that oneness with Christ.

Every time God goes into an area of your soul and consumes it - there's an awakening that takes place in your mind. This awakening brings you into more of a oneness with the Father to where you obey Him more and more, and go out of the Spirit less and less.

Now, we know that Jesus is the pattern, and that He had to endure and overcome many things in His life. He was tempted in all things just like we are, but He never yielded to them. He was without sin! And it is interesting to note that once Jesus was baptized, the Spirit of God immediately drove Him into the wilderness. But Jesus' wilderness experience only lasted forty days, as compared to Israel's which lasted forty years.

There are many Christians that never come out of the wilderness - and they die there. They die in the wilderness, because they never allow the Lord to deal with the areas of

their life (soul/mind) that need to be dealt with. They will not allow God to transform their minds and bring change. They want to continue doing what they are doing - many times not even knowing why.

Through their generations the sins of their forefathers keep getting passed down to them – and as a result of this, they keep doing what their fathers did. They are carrying the weights and the sins of their generations with them, and will continue to do so until God judges (deals with/brings correction to) and sets their generations free - in the realm of the Spirit.

In order for us to be set free from our self-will, God has to deal with our generations as well. As we allow Him to deal with every part of our soul and set our generations free, He is bringing us to the place where He won't have to deal with these things in us ever again.

With Israel – it was only the children (of those who came out of Egypt) that entered into the Promised Land. They had learned to come to God as a little child. They humbled themselves before God and were willing to do what ever was required of them.

We have to be so humble and so willing to go all the way with Him, that we say, "God! I don't care what it takes! Whatever is in my soul that keeps me from walking in the spirit all the time – bring it to the surface and consume it!" And He will!

In HIS time, He will bring each thing to the surface where you can see it. He will judge and consume each area of your soul, to enable you to walk in oneness with the Christ in you – because that is who you really are.

We have to awaken and come into the same understanding that Paul had, where he said in Galations 2:20, "I AM CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST: I live; yet not I but CHRIST LIVETH IN ME: and the life which I now live in the flesh I <u>LIVE</u> <u>BY THE FAITH OF</u> <u>THE</u> SON OF GOD, who loved me, and gave Himself for me." And in Romans 6:3-7, and in verse 11 he also said, "KNOW YE NOT, THAT SO MANY OF US AS WERE BAPTISED INTO JESUS **CHRIST** WERE **BAPTIZED** INTO HIS DEATH? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like AS CHRIST WAS RAISED UP FROM THE <u>DEAD</u> <u>BY</u> the glory of <u>THE</u> FATHER, **EVEN** SOWE SHOULD WALK IN NEWNESS OF LIFE. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection: KNOWING THIS, THAT OUR **OLD MAN IS CRUCIFIED WITH** HIM that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. FOR HE THAT IS DEAD IS FREED FROM SIN... Likewise RECKON YE ALSO YOURSELVES TO BE DEAD INDEED UNTO SIN. BUT ALIVE INTO GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD."

He was saying, "I'm dead." He didn't recognize his self-will. He didn't recognize his Adam nature. We are to reckon (recognize) ourselves to be dead to sin, and that Jesus dealt with our old man (Adam nature/self-will) on the cross. Our "old man" IS (present tense) CRUCIFIED WITH HIM – but we have yet to fully awaken, and walk in the

reality of this fact! We have yet to fully awaken and know the fullness of who we are in Him! We need to understand this! We need to know HIM and come to a place of oneness in Christ where there is only the LIFE OF GOD! We have had glimpses of it from time to time, and we have experienced many things - but we have yet to experience the fullness of who we are, and all that HE IS!

In 2Corinthians 12:2-4, Paul wrote, "I knew a man IN CHRIST above fourteen years (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) SUCH AN ONE CAUGHT UP TO THE THIRD HEAVEN. And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) How that HE WAS **CAUGHT** UP INTO PARADISE, AND**HEARD UNSPEAKABLE** WORDS. WHICH IS UNLAWFUL FOR A MAN TO UTTER." Paul came into a place in Christ where he was caught up into the third heaven - and this is what the Lord is doing now. He's catching us up into the third heaven. Paul said, "Whether I was in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell only God knows. But I saw things there that I cannot even speak about!"

You see, when Paul was caught up into the 'third' heaven, he got a taste of this realm of oneness in Christ. The number 'three', means 'resurrection life'. And as you walk in oneness with the Lord, you are literally walking in, and experiencing HIS RESURRECTION LIFE more and more every day of your walk.

But, when you don't walk in oneness with God, it's because there are still parts in the soul that have not yet awakened as to who you are in God. There are still more things within your soul that need to be dealt with and consumed. And when you listen to thoughts in your mind that cannot bring you any life, they pull you out of that oneness with Christ.

There are times when you need to tell your soul to shut up! Sometimes you need arise (in the Spirit/mind of Christ) and tell your own mind to get behind you... "Satan, get behind me! Self-will, get behind Because if Satan (your selfwill/the serpent nature) is behind you, then he's not in front of you distracting you and drawing your attention away from that oneness with the Father. And, if he's behind you, then Christ is in front of you leading the way. The Lord wants us to come to the place where we know who we are, and never walk out of that oneness with Him again!

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