

## *Having a Heavenly Vision*

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## INTRODUCTION

Many Christians have compromised their vision because they have become children of pride, thereby making Satan their king (Job 41:34). They are not appropriating the operational power of Jesus Christ made available through His resurrection and ascension. Instead, they allow themselves to be carried about by the strange winds stirred up by the prince of the power of the air.

Sadly, so few recognize that God has given us an authority that is far above Satan's authority. We are living in a wicked age. I believe that most Christians are sincere. We love God, we're drawing near, and we worship Him to the best of our ability and capacity. But a person who does not recognize the authority delegated to him cannot operate in that authority. How can we, as Christians, carry out a vision to reach the lost unless we recognize and appropriate the authority the Lord has given us?

We must realize that we are seated above. We need to understand that Jesus said, “I have given you all power, and I will go with you to the end of the world. I want you to go into all the world, discipling people and baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to honor Me in whatsoever I have taught you.”

My prayer is that this booklet will stir all of us to recognize Christ’s authority in these days and cause us to live in His vision.

*Chapter One*  
**A VIEW INTO HELL**

“That which I see not teach thou me: if I have done iniquity, I will do no more” (Job 34:32).

“Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law” (Psalm 119:18).

There are two things that I want to pray for as I begin this message: First, that God would teach us the things that we do not see or experience, and second, that He would open our eyes to behold the wondrous things written in His Word. This should be the attitude of the Christian as he enters into the concentration of divine reverence before God.

The Word of God says that, “Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied” (Proverbs 27:20). “He is a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied” (Habakkuk 2:5). Men enlarge their de-

sires as hell, and, as death, their desire cannot be satisfied. Ecclesiastes 1:8 says, “the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.”

On several occasions when we were visiting skid row in New York, we saw men and women groaning, screaming, miserable, and wretched. They did not have their wine or their liquor and nothing could satisfy their misery. Hell is not satisfied, the grave is not satisfied.

Proverbs 30:16 says that the grave, a barren woman, and earth that is not filled with water are never satisfied. The grave, a woman who cannot bear children, and the parched, fallow ground are never satisfied.

### ***The Root of Dissatisfaction***

So many individuals are not satisfied with their marriages. They are not satisfied with their past or their present, so there are all kinds of problems. Why is there so little satisfaction? The psalmist wrote, “As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness” (Psalm 17:15). Many people are satisfied, but I want you to see with me why some are not.

“There was a certain rich man, which was



clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: and there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame" (Luke 16:19-24).

The rich man fared sumptuously every single day. Several years ago, a wealthy and famous comedian hired a team of scholars to disprove the veracity of the Bible because he feared it so. Two weeks before he died, when asked during a television interview if there was one thing he feared, this man answered, "I fear that when I die I will find out that the Bible is right about hell." He knew he was going to die soon. As far as I know, *he never did receive Jesus Christ.*

## ***Coming Face-to-Face with Hell***

Jesus Christ saves us by grace through faith, and He gives us a gift of forgiveness and a gift of life whereby we can be satisfied. But I want you to realize that every single child of God will see, face-to-face, what hell is like.

Read carefully what Isaiah 66:24 says: “And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.”

When you read that, understand what the Word of God is saying. Don't receive it as mere knowledge; let the Spirit speak to your heart. This scene will take place at the end of the Millennial Reign, after the White Throne Judgment, before the New Jerusalem comes down from heaven. At that time, according to Revelation 19:20, the beast and the false prophet will have been cast alive into hell, where there is fire and brimstone.

“And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever” (Reve-

lation 20:10).

Either the Bible is a lie (and of course it isn't) or the devil, the false prophets, and whosoever rejects the grace of God will be cast into hell, where they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Mark 9:43 says, "If thy hand offend thee, cut it off." It doesn't mean that literally, but figuratively we are to cut it off, for, "it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell." Then, the passage says this: "*into the fire that never shall be quenched, and the worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched*" (Mark 9:43b-44).

Jesus continues in verse 45, "If thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, *into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched*" (Mark 9:45-46). He repeats it just like that.

Next, He says, "If thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast *into hell fire: where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched*" (Mark 9:47-48). Those were the words that came from the lips of Jesus.

“God is not a man that he should lie...” (Numbers 23:19). Titus 1:2 says, “God, that cannot lie.” Hebrews 6:18 tells us “it is impossible for God to lie.” This *is* the truth. It *will* happen.

### ***Looking upon the Carcasses***

I want you to see the reason we have a vision to plant churches in 220 countries by the year 2000. I want you to see why we have a vision to have one thousand missionaries on the international field by 1999. I know we could do that by 2000, but I want to see it by 1999.

“They shall go forth and look upon the carcasses of men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall die not, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh” (Isaiah 66:24).

*Worm* means the “conscience.” What did man get when he ate the forbidden fruit from the Tree of Knowledge (Genesis 2:16-17)? The conscience was the fruit of that Tree—awareness of good and evil apart from the omniscience of God. When Adam ate of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, he began to have awareness that he never had before. Now he possessed self-knowledge—along with norms and standards established for his natural life—

without God. That's what the Tree of Knowledge produced.

The Word of God says, we shall "look upon the carcasses of men." Because of the integrity of God's justice, you, as a believer, will see hell in person. That would be one thing if the men were dead, but the worm (the conscience) and the fire shall not be quenched. When you see into hell, you will be able to understand why God placed you in a local assembly, under a pastor-teacher who taught the whole counsel of God in grace orientation. You are going to see hell for what it really is. You will know why the sermons were preached, why the prayers went up, and you will see why God mandated the love of obedience.

You will see hell as it is, according to Isaiah 66:24. When you read Mark 9:43-48 and Luke 16:19-32, you will know the truth about hell.

The scene in Isaiah 66:24 will take place at the end of the White Throne Judgment for the unsaved. Only after that will God wipe away all the tears from our eyes, for the former things will have passed away (Revelation 21:4). He will not wipe away the tears from our eyes until after we see what hell is like.

It is my belief that this is the reason the

Scriptures are ordered the way they are. I believe we will look into hell and see the weeping and the gnashing of teeth. We will see neighbors and loved ones in a place where their conscience is never satisfied, in a place that Revelation 9:2 says is a bottomless pit.

I believe with all my heart that we will see hell. I imagine that we will shed buckets and buckets of tears. It is my opinion that the scene in Revelation 21:4 will take place *after* we look into hell. It says, “And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.” (Though this is my opinion, it *does* have a good sequence in scriptural continuity.)

I don’t want to go home to be with the Lord because of a stroke, or because of any other reason, without having done everything that I can do as a servant—a sinner saved by grace. And I want our ministry, by the mercy, love, and grace of God, to do every single thing it can do. I want each of us as individuals to love the grace and mercy of God and to get our lives right. If your life isn’t right, get right now. If your life *is* right, that’s beautiful. Let’s keep growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Chapter Two

# POWER TO MEET EVERY NEED

I want you to think of how God satisfies us. There are three words that are most commonly used to describe how God meets every person's needs. In Matthew 9:6-8, Jesus healed a man sick of palsy and, according to the Greek, He did it through *exousia*—in the divine authority of His resurrection, from His supreme position of being seated “far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come” (Ephesians 1:21). That's where *exousia* comes from. *Exousia* could never have been used if the Resurrection were not an eternal reality. Because He was given the divine authority of that Resurrection, Jesus Christ healed the man of a dreadful disease.

The Word of God says, in Matthew 10:1 and Mark 3:15, that Jesus gave His disciples *exousia* to cast out demons and cure diseases. He gave

them the authority of the Resurrection. They were no longer weak and frail in Adam, but they had the authority of Resurrection.

In Luke 10:1-16, Jesus sent out a company of seventy, and gave them *exousia*, the authority of God which comes from a throne that is above demons. The seventy had Resurrection power over demons that cause diseases and oppression, over demons that cause division, conspiracies, and all manner of evil. Jesus Christ, in the eternal viewpoint of heaven as the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world, is seated above all of that.

In Luke 4:35, Jesus cast out a demon by *exousia*, but verse 40 says, “He healed many diseases by *dunamis*—the divine ability of the Word of God being executed in the power of life. Luke 5:17 says Jesus was teaching, and the *dunamis* of the Lord was present to heal. As He was preaching the Word, His divine ability to heal through the Word was there. But only *one man* got saved and only *one man* got healed because the rest did not act upon the activity of the execution of the Word of God in the divine ability of His present authoritative power.

Acts 10:38 tells us that Jesus Christ was anointed by the Holy Spirit and with power. He



went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil. This is *dunamis*. Jesus used the Word of life with authority because He understood His position above principalities and powers. His position was victorious. His Word was victorious. It was a Word of life in the midst of a dark, crooked, and perverse generation (Philippians 2:15). He executed His *dunamis*.

Another word used to describe the power of God to meet our needs is *megaleiotes*. This word speaks of the majesty, the greatness, and the supremacy of the Lord Jesus Christ's victory over Satan because of the majesty of the presence of Christ's ascension in us.

### ***The Supremacy of Jesus' Ascension***

There is a Hebrew word used in the Old Testament that carries the same meaning as the Greek word *megaleiotes*. It is found in Proverbs 25:28: "He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls." This verse means the one who cannot rule over his own spirit is lacking the majesty and supremacy found in *megaleiotes*. The child of God has been given the majesty, the greatness, and the supremacy of the power of God's ascension to dispel demonic characteristics, demonic

powers, demonic governmental forces, and demonic control over people's souls.

“And the people, when they knew it, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing” (Luke 9:11). When people were anointed with oil, just as in James 5:14, they were healed by *megaleiotes*—the power of the ascended Lord.

We are living in a wicked age. I believe that we are sincere; we love God, and we're drawing near to God. We worship Him to the best of our ability and capacity. But we need to recognize the authority of our position in Christ. If a policeman did not recognize the authority delegated to him, then he would never stop a dangerous driver or arrest a criminal.

We must realize that we are seated above. We must understand that Jesus said, “I have given you all power, and I will go with you to the end of the world. And, I want you to go into all the world, discipling people, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to honor Me in whatsoever I have taught you.”

## *The Majesty of Megaleiotes*

When Jesus gave the Great Commission in Matthew 28:18-20, He used the word *megaleiotes*. He was saying, “I want you to go with majesty, supreme power, and supreme ability, which is now *your* ability.”

In Romans 15:19, Paul went out and did “mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God.” The word “power” there means that he had divine ability. He was living in the Resurrection, Ascension side of life, and that life was dwelling richly in his body. He used divine ability, not manufactured faith or emergent emotionalism.

“And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon’s, greatly wondering. And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?” (Acts 3:11-12).

Peter said, “Don’t look at *me!*—*I* didn’t heal the lame man. It wasn’t by my human ability, it was God’s *megaleiotes*.” The healing was done by the majesty of the Resurrection, the majesty of

the Ascension, the majesty of the Finished Work, the majesty of positional truth, the majesty of the truth that we are seated above angels and demons.

We've got to know that we have authority. We've got to know we have ability. We need to execute the Word of God. It can't be mere knowledge. The authority of God's Word in us must relieve people of demonic powers, demonic hosts, demonic plagues, and unclean spirits—and it can't be executed in emotionalism or in the flesh.

Jesus Christ delegated this *same* authority to the seventy (Luke 10:17), and they were shocked that demons submitted to them. But in Luke 10:20 Jesus told them, "In this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." These people were shocked that the demons of hell were subject to them. They were not the apostles; they were not the twelve disciples. They were the seventy—men and women who simply believed God.

## Chapter Three

# EXECUTING GOD'S AUTHORITY

It shouldn't take long for us to be healed when *megaleiotes*, *exousia*, and *dunamis* are at work. We have the authority of the Resurrection, the ability to execute the Word because it's pure and true, and the authority of the Finished Work, which defeated Satan. Think of it: *Megaleiotes*, the majesty of Jesus Christ's victory over Satan. The only "in" Satan has now is to lie. The only access he has to man is through projections, intimidation, seduction, accusation, and insinuation.

Satan works through trying to connect man to the old sin nature through the central nervous system by impulses generated after the fall of Adam. Once the connection is made, Satan says to the Christian, "You've got to keep getting healed. After all, life is a process—right?"

Too many people accept Satan's lie as their authority, preventing them from having a min-

istry of reconciliation. And they accept his lie as a reason for not having a ministry of restoration. We accept his lies about our sins, our failures, and our past. His lies become an authority for the flesh to remain the same and excuse itself with self-defense mechanisms. Our problem is that we *accept* the lie.

Satan is the father of all lies (John 8:44). When he speaks, he speaks of himself because he's a liar. Jesus said to the Pharisees, "You are of your father the devil," the father of all lies.

### ***The Authority of Truth***

You cannot lie against the truth. The Word of God makes this clear (2 Corinthians 13:8). Put your shoulders back. Confess any area where you are accepting a lie as a supernatural authority coming to you through your central nervous system, through your frame of reference, through your emotions, and through your self-consciousness. If, for example, there is an area that doesn't line up with the Word of God that says "I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in good health, even as your soul prospers" (3 John 2), then God says, in Isaiah 48:17, He will *teach* us to profit!

When the Word of God says, "I wish above

*all* things that you would prosper and be in health,” that is the authority of truth. His desire is that you would be blessed. He wants to comfort you with the Holy Spirit (John 14:26).

This is the authority of truth through the Word of God: “Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise” (Jeremiah 17:14). “He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions” (Psalms 107:20). The Word of God is truth (John 17:17), and with it comes the authority of *exousia*—the Finished Work victory over sin, and the ability of Jesus Christ because of His resurrection.

God has *all* power, He is everywhere present, and He has all knowledge: That is God’s ability, or *dunamis*. Now we can be partakers of that supernatural ability. If God’s Kingdom dwells in a man, and that man surrenders and submits to it, then, knowing he has God’s authority, he will realize that everything is under his feet and that every place the sole of his foot touches belongs to him. This man has the same authority that created the world (Hebrews 11:3). It’s the same authority that made the heavens (Psalm 33:6). It’s the authority that holds all things together. This is the authority of the Word of God (He-

brews 1:3). Why, then, don't God's people execute their authority?

Jesus Christ is weary of people who do not obey as soon as they hear (Psalm 18:44). Mix faith with what you hear! Stop standing on a lie because of your impulses, because of projections, because you fail, or because of things that are going wrong. You have been placed much higher than that. You are seated above. Even in the midst of your failure, you are seated with Christ. Even when you experience terrible feelings, take the Word of God as your authority and tell your feelings off, once and for all. Walk by faith, not by sight or experience.

In Matthew 4:1, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. After fasting and praying for forty days, Jesus was legitimately hungry. He could easily have given into the feelings of His humanity saying, "Well, I *am* hungry. I do feel terrible. I'm almost dying. All the demons are on my case. There's nothing wrong with eating; maybe it would be all right if I turned some stones into bread. After all, I *am* hungry." But He didn't say these things. Instead, Jesus quoted the Word of God. He said, "It is written....It is written....It is written." He used the authority and the ability of the Word,



which created the universe. “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth” (John 1:14).

Jesus is the Living Word; and as the *Living* Word, He used the *written* Word against the devil, and the devil had to flee after three attempts to get Jesus to act outside of the Father’s will.

You can have this kind of authority if you want it. You can have it right now—the ability and authority of a Word of God ministry.

### ***The Authority of the Resurrection***

There are many Christians who are born again, and washed in the blood of Jesus, but they haven’t been converted. Their lives are based on the authority of a lie. They live in their human experiences of impulse and reaction. They are living in the psychological part of their souls instead of through their human spirits.

Make a decision to take up the resurrection side of the Cross and use *exousia*, the authority of the Resurrection, the ability of God’s omnipresence, omniscience, and omnipotence. Use *megaleiotes*, the amazing greatness of God’s pre-eminence. Use it as your own. It has been given to you because you’re a Christian. It’s your

“badge” in a sick, satanic world filled with lies, deceit, and disease caused by demonic powers. You have that authority by the grace of God.

“The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him. The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him. It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD” (Lamentations 3:24-26).

“The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot” (Psalms 16:5).

With a message where every sentence is the Word—the incorruptible, eternal Word of God—there will be healings. It is not necessary to anoint anyone with oil. Put your hand over your heart and pray. Trust God and go from there. Do it in faith. Don’t believe a lie. Don’t live in your feelings. Don’t live in the past. Don’t condemn yourself. Just do it in faith, resting in God’s character. Do it in *exousia*, *dunamis* and *megaleiotes*.

Remember those words. God wants us to execute the Truth instead of executing a lie. Do you believe that? Aren’t the Scriptures very clear? There will be healings, glorious healings. The Word of God has said it is so. There will be emotional healings for those who have been sad-

dened by what life has done to them.

No part of this message is meant to condemn us. It is sent to give us hope and deliverance, and to give us direction to act upon truth. Let us act in the truth, with the authority of the Word that has been sent to heal.

Make this your confession: “On this day, God has done a marvelous thing for me. He has healed things in my body and soul that have been there for years. I am going to know how to execute the Word of God now, in the divine authority of Resurrection and the ability of His omniscience, omnipresence, and omnipotence. And I am going to use *megaleiotes*, the majesty of Christ’s victory over Satan, by executing the written Word in living, ascended power.”

*Chapter Four*  
**THE LIGHT BRINGER  
VS. GOD'S LIGHT**

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places” (Ephesians 6:12).

It is important to realize that there are two kingdoms warring on earth. We do everything either by the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ or by the authority of Satan. The Word of God says we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against “principalities” (*arche*, one who has a great beginning and a supernatural origin), and “powers,” (*exousia*, in this case, the authority of Satan’s supernatural, delegated order). I’m bringing out the definition of these words as they relate to Satan.

“Rulers [of the darkness of this world]” is *kosmokrator*, the manifestation of his cosmic gov-

ernment in the practicality of human leadership. Spiritual “wickedness [in high places]” is *poneros*, which speaks of demons that invade cities, communities, and families in order to hypnotize or “bewitch,” in Galatians 3:1. It also means to demonize or influence (Isaiah 29:4). The demons come in, gain influence, and then leave because they cannot be everywhere present.

### ***Six Words for Power***

Remember, *dunamis* refers to the divine ability of omnipotence. Next, *ischus* is the divine supernatural operation of the Holy Spirit transferring the Word of God from the mind in Channel A—the place of awareness—over to Channel B—the memory center. The Word is transferred by the operation of God’s power in Colossians 2:12 into the memory center. This is a supernatural transfer of the content of the Word through study and preparation that goes beyond memorization of Scripture.

The third word for power is *exousia*. When it is used of God, it refers to the authority of Christ’s resurrection from the dead and His ascension “far above principalities and powers, and mights, and thrones, and dominions” (Ephesians 1:21). Satan and all the demons did every-

thing they could do to stop the Ascension (Colossians 2:15). One commentary brings out that all the demons of hell tried to grab Jesus as He went up, but they could not stop Him—His ascension was absolutely impeccable.

*Energeia* means God's authority now operates from Channel B—the human spirit—going down into the five parts of the soul, where it operates through the Holy Spirit with our volitional cooperation and consent. So, *energeia* means we operate in the fullness of the Word of God.

Then we have *kratos*, which is the manifestation of the life of Jesus Christ in and through our humanity. *Kratos* is for this purpose: "The Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil" (1 John 3:8).

*Megaleiotes* speaks of redeemed men and women applying the Word of Life in "the midst of a crooked and perverse generation.... holding forth the word of life" (Philippians 2:15) with dogmatic, dynamic, supernatural effectiveness. Why do we do this? Because God created the world with His Word. The worlds were framed by the Word of God (Hebrews 11:3), and the heavens were made by the Word of God. He holds everything together by His Word (Hebrews 1:3).

## ***Equipped for the Battle***

When the Christian comes to the place of truly understanding the authority of his position in the operation of every single decision in the details of life, then he cannot be touched with any of the affections and infections delegated by the wicked one.

First, Satan tries to get in through affections (sentimentality), and then he uses infections. Through *megaleiotes*, the believer appropriates God's precise, authoritative Word over the mind influenced by Satan's authority. For example, if Satan brings in sickness, *megaleiotes* brings in the authority of healing. If Satan brings in discord, *megaleiotes* brings in unity. If Satan brings in accusations, God's *megaleiotes* brings in edification. If Satan brings in divorce, God, through *megaleiotes*, brings in reconciliation.

For every precise thing that Satan does, God has a precise victory far above it. When the Christian operates in *energeia*, understanding the authority of the Ascension, knowing how to utilize and appropriate the Word of God, then he has an incredible power that was given by God. According to Matthew 28:18, Jesus said, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

This power has been given to us. The seventy who were sent out in Luke 10:17 had this power. God never commissions His people without equipping them.

### ***Satan's Original Covering***

Before his iniquity was revealed, Satan was known in heaven as Lucifer, "light reflector." Consider the following observations—mobilizing, unifying, divine inspiration for the Christian who studies the Bible:

In Ezekiel 28:13, the Word of God says that every stone was Lucifer's covering: sardius, topaz, diamond, onyx, beryl, jasper, sapphire, carbuncle, and emerald. These nine stones were his covering. How many fruits of the Spirit are there? Nine: love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, and temperance. In ancient isagogics, each stone represented one of the fruits of the Spirit. In his perfection, Lucifer had the fruit of the Trinity as his garment. This was the masterpiece of God.

"Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou was upon the holy mountain of God: thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire" (Ezekiel 28:14).



Not only was Lucifer, the head angel, covered by God's attributes, God's fruit, God's nature, and God's production in the essence of His integrity, but also Lucifer was a covering over all the angels. He was upon the "holy mountain," meaning he had access to the Trinitarian planning sessions.

"Thou was perfect in thy ways from the day thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee" (Ezekiel 28:15). Because Lucifer was aware of some of God's eternal planning meetings, he found out certain information about the fall of angels *and* men, and that the human race would have a Savior. Ezekiel 28:15 says *iniquity* was found in Lucifer's heart. The Hebrew word *rakal* indicates that he went from angel to angel to inform them of something they didn't know. His name was Lucifer, which after his fall came to mean "light bringer or knowledge informer." And what did he communicate as light to the angels? "You don't know all the truth about God," he told them. "I'm going to bring you light that I have never taught you, light that the Trinity has never taught you. I am going to be a light bringer, a knowledge informer." What do you think of that setup?

In Job 41, we have a description of levia-

than—a characterization of Satan. There are several questions asked in the passage.

“Will [Satan] make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft words unto thee?” (Job 41:3). The answer is yes. He’s the light bringer, knowledge informer. He will come with soft, affectionate words.

“Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?” (Job 41:4). The answer is in Isaiah 28:15: “We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves.” *Under* falsehood they hide, meaning, under a government of lies. Will he make a covenant with thee? Yes. Will you take him as a servant forever? This one will speak soft words; he will make supplications for you; he will serve you and provide for you. Will you take him as a servant forever?

### ***Satan’s Power***

Job 41:10 says, “Dare anyone go against him?” That’s just the way the words read in the Hebrew text. In verse 12, God says, “I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely

proportion.” God will not conceal Satan’s manifestation of power. He will not conceal the fact that Satan uses supernatural information. The devil goes as far as to say, “It is written” (Matthew 4:6). But God will not conceal it. He’ll let him do it. He will not conceal Satan’s comely proportion.

“Who can discover the face of his garment?” (Job 41:13a). Believers and unbelievers become Satan’s garment. We don’t recognize him because he speaks softly; he makes supplications to us. And God doesn’t conceal Satan’s identity. He lets him loose.

“His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal. One is so near to another, that no air can come between them” (Job 41:15-16). The air doesn’t come between his scales. His parts are stuck together, and they cannot be separated. “His heart is firm as a stone” (verse 24). There is none like him on the earth (verse 33), and “he beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride” (verse 34).

Why does it say “high things”? The Word of God says that deceitful workers transform themselves into apostles of Christ (2 Corinthians 11:13); therefore, we shouldn’t marvel that Satan transforms himself into an angel of light and that his

ministers are transformed as ministers of righteousness (2 Corinthians 11:14-15).

What was Lucifer? The light bringer. What was he? The knowledge informer, regarding God's nature. "God is *not* who He says He is," Satan told the angels. "He has a secret agenda. *I know*. I was the one who walked in the midst of the stones of fire. The Father was the planning stone; the Son was the Chief Cornerstone; and the Holy Spirit was the stone of revelation. God wants to build His Church as a spiritual house of lively stones on earth, redeeming them by His blood. *But He has no program for angels!* He will send angels like us to hell forever. I'm telling you that God is *not* who you think He is. Remember—I am the light bringer!"

In Luke 4, as you have already seen, Jesus Christ fasted for forty days. When He was being tempted, He said to the devil, "It is written....It is written....It is said" (verses 4, 8 and 12). What was Jesus doing? He was using *megaleiotes*—the authority of the Word of God that created the universe and holds it together. By His Word, He created the heavens. He made man by the Word of His power. When Jesus Christ comes back to the earth with the Church as His bride at the end of the Tribulation (Revelation 19:11-16), the

Word of God will be upon His forehead. At Armageddon, He will open His mouth and speak the Word to end the battle, leaving blood six feet deep, flowing for more than ten miles in the valley. Jesus Christ will come back, not with weapons, but with *megaleiotes*—the authority of the Word of His mouth.

*Chapter Five*  
**THE VEIL SHALL BE  
TAKEN AWAY**

The Pharisees said to Jesus, “We be not born of fornication; we have one father, even God” (John 8:41). They implied that *they* weren’t born of fornication, but that Jesus was. Jesus answered, “If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me” (John 8:42).

Then, Jesus said, “Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word. *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 was no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.”

In Luke 4:6-7, note the use of the perfect passive indicative verb form. Satan said to Jesus, “All this power will I give thee....for that is *de-*

*livered* (perfect passive indicative) unto me....” The condition: “...If thou therefore wilt worship me.” Satan always wanted to be worshiped, and that means to be number one.

“If you bow down and worship me, Jesus, I will make you a ruler. This is the power that has been delivered over to me,” Satan said. “In the past, God the Father gave me power to be the god of this world (2 Corinthians 4:4), the prince of the power of the air (Ephesians 2:2). I was given the power to test the volitions of men and women to see if they would go my way or God’s way of grace. God has given me permission to be the ruler (*kosmokrator*) of the cosmic system. I am simply using the authority God gave me.”

Satan didn’t speak about the difference between his authority to test men and women and the “all authority” of Jesus Christ, because Satan didn’t have *all* authority—that is what Jesus had and gave: the majesty of His *megaleiotes*.

Satan has authority to bind up believers. He takes righteous people and draws them into an evil system through the authority of projections, insinuations, accusations, enticements, and seductions. Satan lured Demas into forsaking the will of God for the world system (2 Timothy 4:10). Diotrophes was deceived to the place

where he wanted total preeminence in the church (3 John 9).

Satan wants Christians to function under the authority of his light. For example, I may say to you, "I've got something that you don't have. I have power that's unknown to you, and I pray that you will grow into it." Satan is a light bringer. Instead of the Word of God being the premise and basis for every operational provision in the heart and mouth and confession of the believer, Satan is allowed to come in and say, "That is not correct. I am going to bring you *deeper* information and *deeper* life."

Satan, as an angel of light, transforms pastors into his ministers of righteousness. Many, many divorces are based upon the authority of Satan's word. Hundreds and thousands of sicknesses are based upon the authority of Satan's power.

Jesus Christ, anointed with the Holy Spirit, went about healing all those who were oppressed by the devil (Acts 10:38). In Mark 1:27, He used *megaleiotes* and drove out unclean spirits. In Luke 9:1, all manner of diseases were healed, and it was so in Matthew 4:23, and again, and again, and again. In Matthew 9:35, all manner of evil spirits, unclean spirits, and diseases were



healed by *megaleiotes*. Jesus said to the unclean spirits, “Come out.” To a one man He said, “Do you want to be healed? Stretch out your withered hand.” This is *megaleiotes*—the word of His authority and power.

Jesus Christ has risen. He has ascended. He is victorious. He comes to dwell in us (Colossians 1:27). He indwells our bodies by His Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19), and as we begin to receive the Word of God, it dwells in us richly (Colossians 3:16).

### ***Wrestling Against Principalities and Powers***

We need to realize that “sowing discord” is one of the seven things that God hates, according to Proverbs 6:12-19 where it is mentioned twice. But Satan brings in division and discord by using knowledge and information to separate believers through accusations, to alienate them and cause mistrust.

In Proverbs 17:9, God’s *exousia*—the authority of the Finished Work in ascended victory—gives believers the power to cover those whom they know have failed, and to never repeat a matter. In 1 Peter 4:8, love covers the multitude of sins. The love of Christ begins to motivate the believer in his new life (2 Corinthians 5:14-17),

giving him power over the sin that God has covered. For this very reason, God begins to move inside a believer. You would weep in brokenness if you understood the authority God has given us in the midst of this evil world system.

We don't wrestle against flesh and blood but against the original supernatural source of a power that is fallen, invisible, and inaudible. We wrestle against *powers*—the authority of a supernatural power that we can't see—and against the *rulers of the darkness of this world*—the appropriators of that supernatural power (the *kosmokrators*). We also wrestle against the infectors, the army of demons that bring infection through people to your soul (your mind, will, emotions, conscience, and self-consciousness) trying to make you 'damaged goods'. But the Holy Spirit of the living God brings in a heavenly vision as the Word of God flows in us richly, making way for great emancipation, liberation, and freedom.

### ***Turning to the Lord***

"But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart. Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away" (2 Corinthians 3:15-16).

This passage teaches that when the law of

Moses was read, a veil—representing the flesh—covered the hearts of the people. What was the reason? Moses represented the Law, and the Law represented a system of works. Those who heard the law of Moses being read tried to perform the requirements of the Law in the energy of their flesh; but when they turned to the Lord, the veil was taken away. Their vision was no longer obscured.

Today the veil represents molestation, intimidation, a poor self-image, and wounds from failure, heartache, and rejection. Sometimes, when we read something in the Word of God, we may come under condemnation because of the veil. Every time Moses' law was read, condemnation came in. But the Bible doesn't say that veil was removed through "this process" or "that process." It says that when they shall *turn to the Lord*, the veil shall be taken away.

I couldn't recommend anything more beautiful than turning to the Lord. In my next breath, in my next decision, I can turn to the Lord. When pressures, financial problems, health problems, or unexpected circumstances of adversity come upon us, though we will do what we can to be practical, we turn to the Lord. And what happens? The veil is taken away!

“Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty” (2 Corinthians 3:17).

I don’t have to be talked out of my veil; Calvary takes cares of it. “Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty,” liberty to get rid of my veil, with all of its heartaches, all of its failures, and all of its projections. In any area that I don’t go to the Cross, Satan’s *exousia*—his authority through his words and projections, and his influence through people—have access to my heart. Ephesians 4:27 tells us not to give a “marked off place” (*topos*) to the devil, because anything that I don’t carry *through* the Cross gives him a place of access to trouble and plague me.

“But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord” (2 Corinthians 3:18). I love this verse. As we behold our faces in the mirror of the Word of God, we are changed from glory to glory. “Glory” means the nature and essence of divine splendor, divine brightness, and divine royalty from God’s viewpoint. Proverbs 25:27 says, “for men to search their own glory is not glory.” But when we receive the glory that

comes from God, we reflect it. We become a mirror reflecting God's nature.

If someone is anxious, we reflect God's peace. If someone is angry, we reflect God's joy. If a person is impure, we—as mirrors of God's character—reflect purity. If someone is reacting or revolting in his emotions, we reflect emotions that are appreciative and stable, authorized by *megaleiotes*, which exposes Satan's defeat and demise.

### ***Everything is New***

I love what Isaiah 28:18 says: "Your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand." In other words, the love of God constrains us. We thus judge if one died, were all dead, and we should henceforth not live unto ourselves (going our own way), but unto God who raised Jesus from the dead. Therefore, we know no man after the flesh, not even Jesus Christ any more. If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature, and old things are passed away, and every single thing becomes new (2 Corinthians 5:14-17).

I want you to see that "new" means "new in species" and it means new every moment. New at seven o'clock, new at one minute past seven,

and at two minutes past seven—new! continuously. Every single time I choose the grace of God and operate from the authority of my position and from the power that’s been delegated to me, then I express not only the newness of my nature but also the newness of my confession, which makes Satan flee. Not only has he been defeated, but he cannot bear to be around the Christian who walks in the Spirit.

“[Satan] beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride” (Job 41:34). Anyone who exalts himself above the knowledge of God (2 Corinthians 10:5) has Satan as his king. If he exalts his life above Christians, above the mandates and promises of God, and above the Word of God that says, we are not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together—that person has Satan as his king.

Even though I am a Christian, when I live in disobedience I crown Satan as my king. Speaking soft words to me, he will make a covenant with me, and he will utilize logistical blessings to seduce me. Though I am a Christian, he will not deal with me roughly as long as I operate in self-righteousness; Satan would much rather use *me* than a drunkard, drug addict, or pervert. Satan would use me to go against God’s people

through relative righteousness (2 Corinthians 10:12). If he can use my faculties, I will become the garment of Satan's faith (Job 41:13).

I am asking Jesus Christ to give us an extraordinary time in His power. He has clothed us with His garment of perfect righteousness. May we execute our responsibilities through mercy and grace in the character of our victory, which is inside of us. In Jesus' name, I want each of us to be blessed spiritually, physically, and financially. I am asking for families to be blessed as they honor sacred values in the home. As we walk in the truth, with a heavenly vision, God is going to bless us in the name of Jesus.

## CONCLUSION

One of the greatest problems we have is that we fail to appropriate with understanding what is truly ours (Proverbs 23:12). Problems come into marriages and one party allows Satan to become king. It doesn't matter that a person has been saved for fifteen years; because of pride, Satan has become his operational king, and Jesus Christ is not his operational Lord.

You may say, "Well, I'm working it out." Why not let God work the truth within? Let Him develop a heavenly vision for the situation instead working up a self-defense mechanism through Satan's rationale as you make a covenant with hell and go on doing your own thing.

God can heal the wounds and bind up your broken heart. He can take away the scars and give you the authority of love, the ointment of joy, the power of peace, and the manifestation of His presence. You can have a heavenly vision and enjoy the living God, with a living faith in a



living Church that is taking a living message to a dying world.

Would you rather represent the authority of your feelings, the authority of your experience, and the authority of what you think? Or would you rather represent what God says? Which will it be? The choice is yours.

I pray that you will be built up and use the authority of God's grace, God's mercy, and the filling of the Spirit to operate in His vision.