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"For the earth will be filled With the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, As the waters cover the sea" (Habakkuk 2:14).

How much do the waters cover the sea? 100%! He wants the earth to be filled with heaven!!

I trust you walk away from this study:

- Knowing who you are in God
- Knowing your purpose
- Knowing what you believe
- Being liberated
- Manifesting the power of the Holy Spirit
- Seeing restoration
- Using your weapons for victory

Most of all, I hope it will stir your hunger for God! I believe God will continue to speak to you and guide you wherever He takes you!

Warriors, arise!



# Introduction

In late 2020, the Lord told me He was going to send me a couple. A couple of what, I wondered. I was not leading any group. I had not asked for a "couple," so I didn't know what He was talking about. A couple, as a man and woman? A couple of women? A couple of men?

I was riding to work one day, just talking with the Lord as I normally did. He said, "I want you to teach Warrior School." I answered, "Ok, but what is Warrior School?" He then began to talk to me about it. He started giving me chapters and subjects to cover. Then two women came to mind—a woman I was in a mentoring group with, along with my next door neighbor. There was the "couple."

Not being one to sit on this direction, I scheduled the first Warrior School for the first Tuesday in January. I contacted the two women who readily agreed to be a part. Each week, I wrote a chapter, which I would then teach at the next class. When I completed the seventh chapter, Weapons of Warfare, I knew the study had concluded. I had a couple of guest ministers come in and we prayed over and laid hands on the two warriors—commissioning them and setting them forth. In a couple of months, I held the second Warrior School and since then, subsequent Warrior Schools.

# WHY WARRIOR SCHOOL?

God wants us to be equipped. He wants us to be victorious. He certainly gets no glory when any of His children are defeated. Unfortunately, many Christians do not know the Word of God (the Spirit sword). We are spiritually



ignorant. In Hosea 4:6, God told Hosea, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

Warrior School contains the truths God wants us to know to be a victorious warrior through our Lord Jesus Christ! Let's dig in...

# SECTION I

**IDENTITY** 

# **CHAPTER ONE**

# RELATIONSHIP

Before we can talk about our identity, we must talk about our relationship with Jesus Christ that gives us our identity in God.

Contrary to the popular saying, "We are all children of God," we are not. Yes, it is true that we are all creations of God, but we are only His children through our relationship with Jesus Christ. We get this truth from several scriptures:

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name (Jesus):" (John 1:12) (emphasis mine).

"For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26).

This clearly shows us that we have the "right to become" the children of God when we believe in Jesus. Those who do NOT believe that Jesus is the only begotten Son of the Most High Living God are NOT children of God. Thankfully, this scripture also shows us this can simply be rectified by believing in Jesus Christ.

Not only have we become children of God through Jesus Christ, but we are now part of His Body, the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

"For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones" (Ephesians 5:30).



Christ gave Himself for us:

"...Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her," (Ephesians 5:25).

Christ satisfies and cleanses us (the church):

"that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word," (Ephesians 5:26).

Christ wants to present us (the church) gloriously:

"that He might present her to Himself a glorious church..." (Ephesians 5:27).

Christ wants us (the church) to be holy and without blemish:

"...not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish" (Ephesians 5:27).

Clearly, the church being glorious is the work of Christ—not the work of the flesh. He has done the hardest work! We can't take away our spots, wrinkles and blemishes nor make ourselves holy. We don't crucify our flesh as this was already done with Christ:

"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

More than likely, if you are reading this book, you are a Christian. If you are not, this wonderful life is for you.



'For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that WHOEVER believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved' (John 3:16-17) (emphasis mine).

That invitation is for anyone who will believe. Will you? If so, you can say this prayer out loud:

"Jesus, I receive the love of the Father and the invitation for everlasting life by believing that You are my Savior. I confess that You have washed away my sins and You are my Lord. Holy Spirit, my desire is to repent (turn away) from my sinful actions. Transform me. Change my thoughts. Put a watch over my lips and actions. I want a life transformed by Your power—not just a life of manipulated behavior modification. Thank You for giving Your life for me so that I could reign in life and be with You forever. Amen."

Welcome to the Kingdom!

# **CHAPTER TWO**

# **IDENTITY CRISIS**

It would be great to start our Christian journey knowing exactly what being a Christian means. Here's a clue: just as we came to Christ by revelation and faith, that is exactly how the rest of our walk with Him will be—by revelation and faith.

When first saved, joy and freedom come with the revelation that we are now a child of God, and we have eternal life! It does not take long for all of that to be challenged by the enemy, circumstances, friends, and family. (Note: this is not in a set order!)

Yet, not continuing in faith and revelation can get us sidetracked into a "religious" lifestyle that is dull, legalistic, passive, powerless, predictable, and boring. Many people try to live like what they thought a Christian was before they got saved. This causes them to "act" like a Christian from a sinner's perspective. It's mere behavior modification! That is a life stifling the joy of the Lord, the Holy Spirit, and the revelation of Who He is and who we now are.

Let's begin to look at our identity as a child of the Most High God. This will supersede our "dead" ideas about Christianity and set us free to live a life of joy, overcoming and unbelievable peace in every situation.

Romans 12:2 says:

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind..."



The Christian life is one of continually renewing our minds through the Holy Spirit. We are being assimilated to have the mind of Christ so we think and therefore act like citizens of the Kingdom of God. We don't just add Jesus to our current lifestyle but are now in the transformation process of being citizens of God's kingdom.

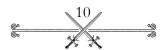
### WE HAVE AN IDENTITY CRISIS!

Is it possible that Christians have an identity crisis? If so, is this a small, insignificant thing? Yes, we can have an identity crisis, and NO it is absolutely not a small, insignificant thing. If we do not know who we are, then we will not walk in the dominion, authority and power God meant for us to have. If we do not know our identity through Christ, then someone or something, even our circumstances, will give us our identity.

Could it be true that the church, the Body of the Lord Jesus Christ, has been deceived and we do not know who we are as CHRISTians? Because we don't know who we are, has it allowed a door to be opened for a demonic spirit? While the world debates and CHRISTians are confused, this spirit wreaks havoc and runs rampant in our culture throwing too many into an identity crisis—and not just CHRISTians.

What is one of the crises the world is currently in? People don't know if they are male or female. Men think that by cutting off body parts they can change their DNA and have babies. Women think that by adding synthetic hormones, growing hair and adding body parts they can be men.

"I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well" (Psalm 139:14).



If CHRISTians do not lead, a void is created and someone or something else will. When this happens, it is never good. When CHRISTians walk in their God-ordained places, filled with truth and the love of God, we can affect every area of culture—media, economy, government, arts/entertainment, religion, education, and family.

### TRUTH

Truth. Is it possible that not everyone wants to hear it? We only need to read the gospels to see how Jesus, who not only had truth, but was truth, was hated and challenged by the religious people—the very ones He came to save. Then they hated His truth so much, they conspired and then murdered Him. Obviously, not everyone wants to hear truth—especially when it exposes them.

It takes courage to step into the places God opens for us, but just as the disciples did, we must pray for BOLDNESS! We see examples over and over in the Scripture:

- David had to have courage to face Goliath.
- ➤ Joseph had to have courage to go from prison to the palace.
- Esther had to have courage to go uninvited before the king.
- Elijah had to have courage to face the prophets of Baal.
- ➤ The three Hebrew children had to have courage not to bow before the king's idol and face the fiery furnace.
- Daniel and the den of lions, etc. etc.

If we are not courageous enough to step up, then we leave a void. We have to know WHO we are in God and the calling He has placed upon each of us.



### TWO KINGDOMS

There are two kingdoms: the Kingdom of God (light) and the kingdom of darkness. When we die, we go to Heaven or hell. There is no place of neutrality. If we, as the Body of the Lord Jesus Christ, absent ourselves from any area of culture, then we give permission for the kingdom of darkness to rule.

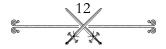
### WHO AM I?

Isn't that the \$64,000 question? Generations have struggled with this very question. Because man has been ignorant of his identity, it has allowed despicable, tyrannical people to imprison, limit and destroy good people. It is sadly funny because the tyrants are usually people who are less in number that can corral numbers greater than themselves by two measures: fear and ignorance. Remember the story of the children of Israel? The Egyptians put the children of Israel in bondage because they were greater in number than the Egyptians:

"...And they were in dread of the children of Israel" (Exodus 1:12).

Thank God, the opposite is also true as it only takes one person used by God to set people and nations free:

- Moses was raised in the house of Pharoah but was the deliverer for the children of Israel. (Exodus)
- Remember David and Goliath? (I Samuel 17)
- ➤ Look at Sampson. (Judges 13-16)
- ➤ God took Gideon with 32,000 men and whittled them down to 300 to defeat the Philistines. (Judges 7)



Of course, the ultimate victory is by our Savior, Jesus Christ! His victory is not only for the generation in which He lived, but for every generation reaching back to Adam and going forward to the last man and woman to be born on the face of the earth. This is with whom we now have eternal life.

### WHERE DO WE FIND IDENTITY?

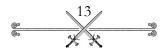
We find our identity in our Creator, God. We know our identity because He tells us what it is. He bought it for us at a great price and then He gave it to us. It's available to anyone. All we need to do is easily receive it by faith. Easily because it's simple, not because it is not challenging.

Where does God tell us about our identity? God tells us about our identity in the Bible. The Bible is God's Word speaking to us. It is relevant to us and to every generation. It is not a "religious" book that we read out of "religious duty," but the Bible is where God reveals Himself to us—whether under the Old Covenant, which has passed away, or the New Covenant, which we live under since the death and resurrection of the perfect lamb, His Son, Jesus Christ.

## **A CHRISTIAN**

Salvation will be laid out again and again through this first section. Why? Because we get saved by believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, but then, sometimes, we are told over and over and over how we've missed the mark. This can cause us to "think" that maybe we aren't saved and yes, our enemy, the accuser of the brethren, will jump on that bandwagon and tell us and question us repeatedly by saying things like:

"And you call yourself a Christian?!"
"A Christian wouldn't act that way!"



Hear the "tsk, tsk, tsk" and see the wagging finger? Recognize the accusations of a religious spirit.

Spoiler alert: for those who don't already know, Christians act all kinds of ways and yes, they are still Christians.

# MENTAL ASSENT VS. REVELATION

The revelation of our salvation and all that Jesus Christ has done for us needs to be settled in our hearts forever! We have heard truths that we think we believe, but to which we are only mentally assenting and not putting into practice. If we aren't putting truths into practice, then we do not believe them. We all know the truth that brushing our teeth promotes good oral hygiene and helps stop tooth decay and cavities. Even though this is truth, if it is not put into practice, the truth doesn't help us and our teeth will rot.

For example, we know reading the Bible is good, but never opening the Bible or never hearing it preached does us no good. The Bible is not a "magic" book. It sits on thousands of nightstands or in drawers and does no one any good UNTIL faith is applied.

Remember when you learned your multiplication tables?

 $2 \times 2 = 4$ 

 $2 \times 3 = 6$ 

 $2 \times 4 = 8$ 

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

 $2 \times 6 = 12$  $2 \times 7 = 14$ 

 $2 \times 8 = 16$ 

 $2 \times 9 = 18$ 

Next are the 3's, 4's, etc.

Repeating these tables starts out being mental assent. "Yes, that's true." "Yes, that's how it works."  $2 \times 2 = 4$ , and



we could REPEAT the whole table, but we do not necessarily have the revelation that  $2 \times 2 = 4$ . If we do not have the revelation of the 2's, then anything out of order could be confusing. When we have the revelation of the multiplication tables, then we can apply this math at any level. It is unnecessary to have to think through the 2's table to get to  $2 \times 9 = 18$  because we "know" that  $2 \times 9 = 18$ , at any time. Because we have the "revelation" of the truth that  $2 \times 9 = 18$ , any attempt to introduce any other number conclusion can be disregarded because we have the truth. We know, regardless of whatever "proof" is presented, that  $2 \times 9 = 18$ .

Liken this to salvation. If we do not know the revelation of our salvation and have only "facts," then when our enemy comes spewing lies, we might be confused or tempted to believe him. Truth and revelation are what arms us against the lies of the enemy. Not only that, without the revelation of our salvation, once we are saved, we might be trying to live what we "thought" a CHRISTian was when we were a sinner. This is performance and falls way short of the relationship Jesus wants to have with us.

Revelation is not just adding something new to what we know. Sometimes, it requires digging out the old and then building the new. Revelation can be like dominos. The truth of a new revelation affects this and this and this. "Old" or "wrong" facts fall like dominos because so many things are inter-connected. Transformation comes when our minds are renewed. Romans 12:2 tells us so.

Identity is knowing who we are in God and what God says about us.

### **BASIC TRUTH**

We are loved! This is a truth we must know and believe from the core of our being. From the very beginning of



creation, our enemy has challenged this truth. In the Garden, Adam and Eve met with God in the cool of the day. Imagine God partnering with His creation. Adam named the animals and God accepted it. He told them they could eat from every tree of the Garden, except for two: the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. (Notice this was not just evil knowledge, but good knowledge, as well.) Somehow, the serpent was able to deceive Eve with the thought and the suspicion that God was withholding some very important information from them. This probably did not happen over the course of a few days, but over a period of time. Imagine meeting with God in person every day in the Garden, but even so, Eve began to believe the words of the serpent over the words of God. She traded relationship for knowledge—misleading, false information.

Satan even tried it on Jesus in the wilderness temptations saying, "If you are the Son of God..." We cannot naively believe that because he tried this on Eve and even Jesus, he won't try it on us. If, from the beginning, the enemy maligned and questioned the love of God, it is still a "go-to" strategy for him because he is not creative nor does he have revelation to try something new. He can only use the same tricks and deceptions repeatedly. If we are not confident in God's love for us, those strategies might deceive us. It does not matter how long we have been a CHRISTian, Satan will question God's love for us and our identity in Him again and again. Sadly, we sometimes fall prey to this lie over and over.

Even though Adam failed, Jesus did not! Even though Adam and Eve fell in the most beautiful, perfect garden, Jesus (the 2<sup>nd</sup> Adam) did not fall in the barren wilderness. Here is more good news: even though Eve was deceived and Adam took freely, God covered them in bloody skins—forgiving them both! Don't you love that?

Everything God does for us—answered prayer, healing, provision, protection, wisdom, guidance, etc.—is because He loves us. Isn't that the whole reason He sent Jesus? "For God so loved the world that He gave..." (John 3:16). If we are made in His likeness, which we are, and if we are being made like Jesus, which we are, then love is the basis from which we live, think and operate. After all, God doesn't just have love, He IS love.

We are loved. God does everything through love. That is who He is—not just what He has. John 3:16 tells us that because He loved the world, He sent His only Son to suffer and die for us. Romans 5:8 tells us that while we were still sinners—not when we cleaned up or repented—Christ died for us. God saves us because He loves us. He provides for us because He loves us. He has callings and destiny for us because He loves us.

When we hear "Warrior School," it's easy to imagine serious soldiers out doing serious harm. This is true regarding the spiritual warfare against our enemy because we are sober and vigilant (I Peter 5:8) since our enemy wants to steal, kill and destroy us (John 10:10). However, our calling toward others is a calling of love. Our calling is to deliver, heal and minister.

So, what is my identity as a CHRISTian? Because I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as my Savior, I am a CHRISTian. I am a blood-bought, child of the Most High God. I am part of a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, and I am one of His special people.