James #18

Your edification complex is Christ-dependent.

Open in 2Corinthians chapter 13 today RF.

As we close this doctrine on the ECS we come full circle again to a foundational principle of the spiritual walk.

The mind of Christ (completed canon of scripture), the Bel’s supernatural union with Christ are the foundation for true spirituality.

Without these two foundational principles fully digested and accurately handled, you have no spiritual walk.

You are building something fleshly in the soul not spiritual.

/The first requirement for edification is the filling power of the Holy Spirit. This is the means of inhaling Bible Doctrine. What you inhale habitually (info -knowledge) determines what you build within. The second requirement for edification is the continuous learning of Bible Doctrine. The gift of pastor-teacher was given for this exact purpose.\

There is a right thing done in the right way proven throughout scripture;

/1Cor 2:9 but just as it is written: “THINGS WHICH EYE HAS NOT SEEN AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD, AND *WHICH* HAVE NOT ENTERED THE HUMAN HEART, ALL THAT **GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM**.” 10 For **to us revealed *them* through the Spirit**; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God.\

Most Bels agree the power of the HS is imperative. The problem arises in the emotional teaching on the power of the Spirit, in relation to the truth of that power.

Some people kick against the gift of pastor-teacher and in some cases I understand.

Because of the number of counterfeit teachers and crooks behind pulpits, the angels of light that are false teachers.

Yet you can never deny the truth of scripture.

What I believe …is one of the best ways to weed them out is look for the grace-based, non-denominational teachers. Then sit and study under them for a few months – test the spirit coming from that pulpit, God the HS will reveal who you are to be under.

I’m a firm believer in that, yet you must be free to be critical thinkers and make you own choices.

What you can not deny is what TLJC established after the cross – HE set up the CA in a new and specific fashion.

/Eph 4:10 **He who descended is Himself also He who ascended** far above all the heavens, so that He might fill all things.)

The established principles for leadership and the completion of the canon of scripture were ordained by Christ.\

TLJC fulfilled everything from the death on the cross – salvation and the payment for the sins of the world. To the 3 days in the tomb setting captives free (OT saints) brought to the 3rd heaven as well as a proclamation of victory in the angelic conflict.

To the transition into a new dispensation of the church interrupting Isreal.

Then the resurrection signified TLJC as the first fruit of our future resurrected life.

The 40 days of resurrected appearances solidified prophecy as well as gave incredible evidence of the risen Messiah. While our Lord also gave a crash course of mystery doctrine to the 11 apostles.

During this point between the 3 Days in the tomb and the 40 days of the resurrected appearances we see Ephesians chapter 4 verse 11;

/[Eph 4:11](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/eph/4/11/s_1101011) And He gave some as **apostles,** some *as* **prophets**, some *as* **evangelists**, some *as* **pastors and teachers**,

Apostles and prophets were given to establish the early church and complete the canon of scripture.\

Evangelists and pastor-teachers would go forward in authority after the early church was fully formed.

/[Eph 4:12](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/eph/4/12/s_1101012) **for the equipping of the** saints for the work of ministry, for the **building up of the body of Christ**;

These gifts given for the new Church age were for the building up (Edification Complex of the Soul) of the body of Christ.\

The OT had Levitical priests and prophets, there was no bride or body of Christ in the OT.

There was no indwelling of the Trinity in that period of time.

/[Eph 4:13](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/eph/4/13/s_1101013) **until we all attain to the unity of the faith,** and of the **knowledge of the Son of God**, to a **mature man**, to the **measure of the stature** which belongs to **the fullness of Christ**.

The knowledge is the mind of Christ (BD). Taught accurately it brings unity and leads to maturity – we become full in the temporal life, fully who we were designed to be IN Christ.\

You can be free to disagree with this interpretation. But then I would ask you to at least be factually solid in your argument, not emotional.

Now in 2Corinthians we already know there were issues and struggles within this congregation.

The Apostle Paul had been in Corinth face to face in the early formation of that church. Now, he would have to circle back around for a 2nd visit because some folks were backsliding.

In verse five the Apostle Paul tells them to adjust to the justice of God, do not focus on the flesh of anyone else, get your own house in order.

Test yourself and examine your own walk with God.

2Cor 13:7 Now we pray to God that you do nothing wrong; not so that we ourselves may appear approved, but that you may do what is right, though we may appear unapproved.

There is a hint of divine sarcasm in here, because, some at Corinth kept debating whether Paul was a good enough teacher for them.

/Many Christians enjoy the cherry fields, because they can pick and choose scriptures they like, or even teachers that they always agree with. Those Bels who habitually bounce around and have mastered the art of cherry picking, usually end up with a defiant arrogance toward difficult, or challenging lessons. High levels of maturity evade them.\

Though it feels good to live in your own relative truth at any given moment, it is actually a very clever, demonic deception.

/[2Co 13:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/2co/13/8/s_1091008) For **we cannot do anything against the truth** (*alētheia*), but *only* for the truth.

Veracity, authenticity or factual and real, it is the one of the essences of God.\

AL-LAY-THAY-AH, is used well over 100x in NT, and it is always used in a singular fashion. It represents cold, hard facts – no variations or shifting shadows.

The truth is not plural…it is singular - the world teaches the false doctrine of multiple truths.

Relative truth has been an incredibly potent weapon for Satan and his fallen army.

/Jam 1:17 Every good thing given and **every perfect gift is from above**, coming down from **the Father** of lights, with whom there is **no variation or shifting shadow**.

1Cor 14:33 For **God is not *a God* ofconfusion**, but of peace. As in all the churches of the saints,\

[2Co 13:9](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/2co/13/9/s_1091009) For we rejoice when we ourselves are weak, but you are strong; this we also pray for, that you become mature.

/[2Co 13:10](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/2co/13/10/s_1091010) For this reason **I am writing these things while absent,** so that when present I *need* not use severity, in accordance **with the authority which Lord gave me for building up and not for tearing down.**

A good pastor should have the common sense and courtesy, to never act as a tyrant, just as a steadfast authority.\

The accuracy of BD can have both the effect of a sting of discomfort as well as a gentle hand of guidance.

Both are designed for your own benefit, to establish the construction of a sturdy soul structure. A Christian well informed and prepared for spiritual warfare.

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[2Co 13:11](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb20/2co/13/11/s_1091011) Finally, brothers *and sisters,* rejoice, mend your ways, be comforted, be like-minded, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

You become healed, you become unified. You gain a solid grasp on your personal sense of destiny, once you get beyond the infant stage of spiritual growth.

/The Edification Complex will bring forth a new life and strength as it reaches higher capacity. The basis for doing this is the inhale, the filling of the Spirit and the WORD fully metabolized. Then you can exhale toward God and the world, category #1 love; toward people, category #2 love, right man, right woman; toward friends, category #3; toward the details of life.\

Capacity for love is found in Christ; it is found in a deeper relationship with GOD.

Virtue Love is not found in human viewpoint or other people.

All of this is done with enduring doctrine anchored in the soul, the library section of the ECS is increasing and stabilizing.

Then from there you build grace orientation because doctrinal orientation is developing and holding firm in your norms and standards.

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/There must be enduring, accurate BD absorbed before your grace orientation begins to build, it is dependent upon doctrinal orientation. Rebound, filling of HS and faith-rest are the core problem solving skills you have mastered in spiritual adolescence. Heading into the first steps of maturity, doctrinal orientation develops and grace orientation begins to flow naturally. \

You know you have doctrinal orientation as life begins to be viewed from divine perspective more so than human perspective. The WORD of God has changed you and shifted ideologies and norms and standards in your life.

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/The Believer’s ECS provides both stability for the individual and preservation for Divine Institution number 4; Nationalism. It is the only way a Christian can be contentment (happy).

Jer 42:10 If you will indeed stay in this land, then I will build you up and not tear you down, and I will plant you and not uproot you; for I will relent of the disaster that I have inflicted on you.\

The construction of the Edification Complex of the Soul comes from the two power options habitually in use. It is can increase rapidly under the maximum use of faith, along with enduring patience under maximum pressure, as we have seen in our anchor study in James.

/Jam 1:2 Consider it all joy, my brothers *and sisters,* when you encounter various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. 4 And let endurance have *its* perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.\

Notice how we have come full circle in this current series.

/It is impossible to continue an ECS beyond the foundation, unless the Believer is grace oriented; pettiness and arrogance have diminished a great deal and the mastery over the details of life have increased dramatically. Capacity for life and love increase leading to a Relaxed Mental Attitude because doctrinal orientation has taken hold.\

This is seen in a noticeable increase in freedom. Specifically, freedom from any habitual, mental attitude sins. Because consistent MA sins destroy any capacity for life and virtue love.

/As you develop greater skill sets in spiritual problem solving, then face and conquer more challenges, the occupation with Christ will gradually happen. This is when the Fruit of the Spirit shines abundantly in your life and the doorway into super-grace maturity is opened.\

The Christian was saved in order that the soul might have something special from God within it. The righteousness of Christ imputed at the moment of faith alone in Christ alone, is in need of attention from your free will.

The soul is saved so that it can be structured by God’s plan, by divine viewpoint and this is where the ECS comes in.

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/The Trinity functions in the intake of doctrine by which the ECS is constructed; John 14:26 “But **the Helper, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in My name**, He **will teach you all things**, and remind you of all that I said to you.

(Father authorized the plan, the SON accomplished it, the Spirit guides us through it)\

The target for doctrine by which material is made available for the construction of the ECS, is the human spirit given at salvation. That human spirit has a divine connection to GOD the HS, it is a pipeline of power.

Remember The Lord Jesus Christ in HIS humanity is our role model, HE fulfilled the perfect plan.

/Luk 2:40 Now **the Child continued to grow**and to **become strong, increasing in wisdom**; and the favor of God was upon Him.

Jhn 1:14 And **the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us**; and we saw His glory, glory as of the only *Son* from the Father, **full of grace and truth**.\

Our Lord gave us an example in HIS humanity.