

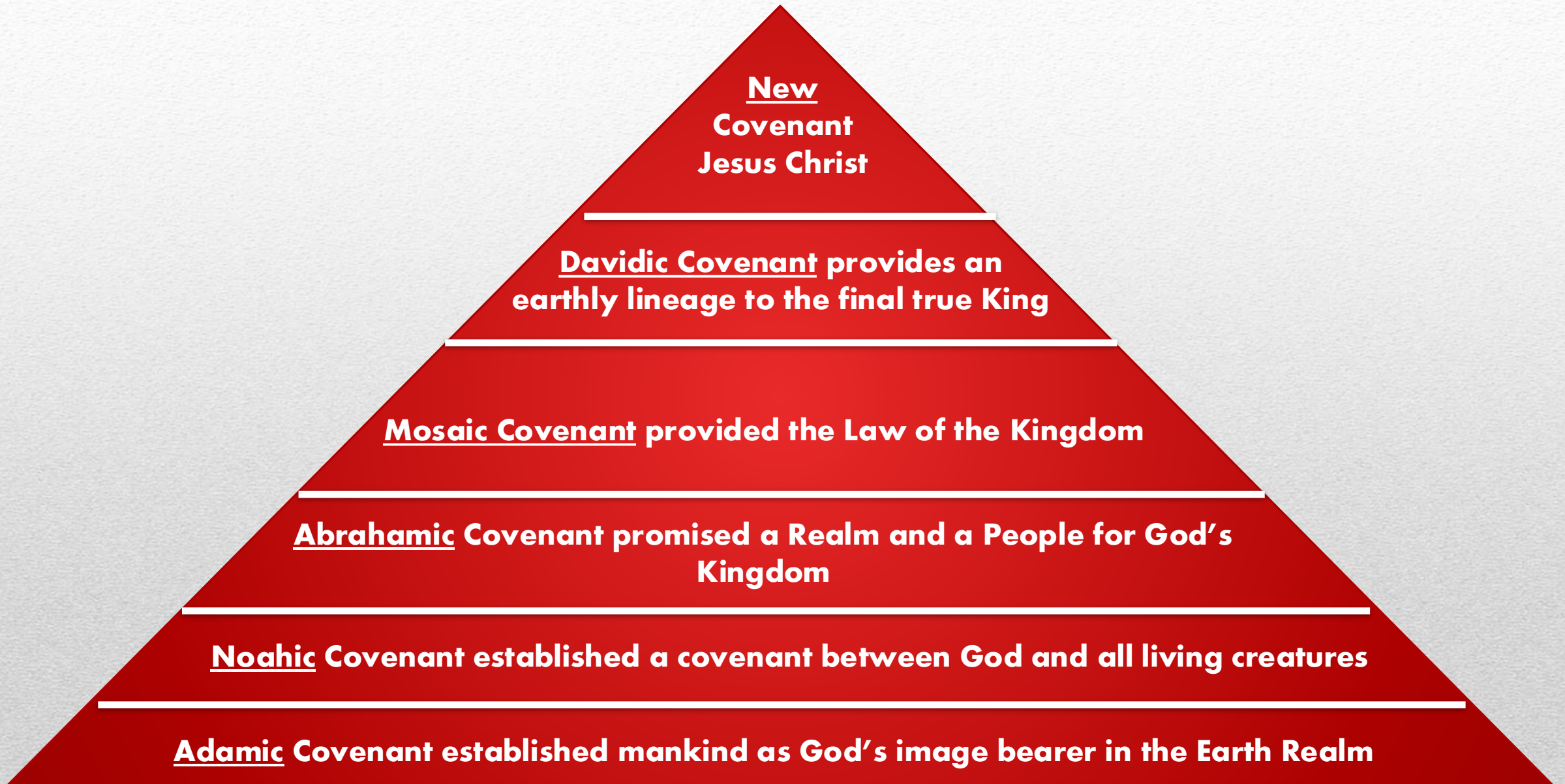
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Lesson Series - God's Covenant Restoration

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God's Covenant Foundations - The Kingdom view



COVENANT RESTORATION!

- **Adam sins and breaks the first covenant**
- **Mankind loses authority as God's "imager" in the earth, so mankind has to recover it**
(This is why he must someday come in the flesh)
- **Therefore, the generations from Adam to Jesus Christ** (The Gospels Matt.& Luke depict the genealogies through both Joseph-proper Jewish lineage and Mary-physical bloodline)
- **Why must Jesus be born of a "virgin"?**
 - He must have Adam's human attributes, but not the spoil of his sinful blood for he is to be the (Lamb of God without spot or blemish)
 - Therefore, he has no bloodline earthly father
- **He is called "Immanuel"** - Not a proper name, but a functional description or identity meaning "God with us"
- **Why is God in fleshly human form?** – By his own divine authority and providence, he has made man the "LEGAL" delegated authority in the earth realm. Therefore, he chooses to "enter" the earth realm "Legally". God is a legalist! (Governs by Laws!)
- **Here we connect the dots.** The promise of an eternal King through David's bloodline, coordinating with God's plan of "Redemption" for the human race and restoration as God's "Imagers" in the earth realm.
- **All that Adam loses in the fall in the garden is restored by Jesus Christ – This is the Foundation of the New Covenant!**

The Final Era of Covenant Relationship is ushered in !



The Person of Jesus Christ

Covenant Benefits

Redemption	Reconciliation
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The "Person"

- Birth
- Life
- Death
- Resurrection
- Ascension
- Seated in Authority

The "Demonstration"

- Led by the Holy Spirit
- Walking in Love
- Power over the kingdom of darkness
- "Torah" Teaching of his Word
- Walking in Faith
- Miracles & Healings
- Power over Death & Hell

The Kingdom is at hand!

- **The “Arrival” of the KINGDOM!**

Matthew 3:1 In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, 2 “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” 3 For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.’ ”

Jesus Begins His Ministry

Matthew 4:12 Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. 13 And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 15 “The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles 16 the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned.” 17 From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Matthew 10:1 And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. 2 The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; 3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; 4 Simon the Zealot, 2 and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. 5 These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6 but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 3 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, 4 cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. 9 Acquire no gold or silver or copper for your belts, 10 no bag for your journey, or two tunics 5 or sandals or a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. 11 And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. 12 As you enter the house, greet it. 13 And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. 14 And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. 15 Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town.

Covenant Benefits - Redemption

- **Matthew 20:28 even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.**
- **“life”**
- Greek word ψυχή or **psuchḗ** (pronounced “psoo-khay”) refers to the **soul**- Immaterial realm of human existence (Will, Mind, Emotions, Heart). Note how this differs from animal sacrifice (flesh, bones, blood)! His death is not just a physical experience! – JESUS DIED A DEEP DEATH! – (Without Redemption we forever remain HELL’S Prisoner!)
- This gets into the nitty detail of mankind (us) as triune beings. As God is triune (Father, Son, Holy Spirit), we are triune (spirit, soul, body)
- “spirit” and “soul” are distinct from “body” σῶμα or sōma; refers to the metaphysical human body. Most often used in scripture to refer to “dead” flesh
 - “body” is also referred to in NT scripture as σὰρξ or **sárx**; meaning living flesh and also σαρκικός or **sarkikós**; means with tendency to satisfy the flesh, implying sinfulness, sinful propensity, carnal (Rom. 7:14, under the influence of carnal desires); of things (1 Pet. 2:11, carnal desires, having their seat in the carnal nature).
- Further distinct from πνεῦμα or **pneúma**; The vital spirit or life, the principle of life residing in man. The breath breathed by God into man and again returning to God, the spiritual entity in man
 - See also; (A) Of the mouth or nostrils, a breathing, blast (2 Thess. 2:8, “spirit [breath] of his mouth,” spoken of the destroying power of God; See.: Is. 11:4). Of the vital breath (Rev. 11:11, “breath of life” [a.t.]; See.: Gen. 6:17; 7:15, 22 [cf. Ps. 33:6]).
 - (B) Breath of air, air in motion, a breeze, blast, the wind (John 3:8; Sept.: Gen. 8:1; Is. 7:2).

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- Here in the Garden is where our Redemption was **decided**, on the Cross is where it was **finished**!
- Matthew 26:36 Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder. 37 And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, **and began to be sorrowful and very heavy**. 38 Then saith he unto them, **My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death**: tarry ye here, and watch with me. 39 And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and **prayed**, saying, O my Father, **if it be possible**, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless **not as I will, but as thou wilt**. 40 And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour? 41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. **42 He went away again the second time, and prayed**, saying, O my Father, **if this cup may not pass away from me**, except I drink it, thy will be done. 43 And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy. 44 And he left them, and **went away again, and prayed the third time**, saying the same words. 45 Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

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- Matthew 26:46 Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that doth betray me. 47 And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people. 48 Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: hold him fast. 49 And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and kissed him. 50 And Jesus said unto him, Friend, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took him. 51 And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out his hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote off his ear. 52 Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword. 53 Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels? 54 But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be? 55 In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on me. 56 But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

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- Ephesians 1:7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.
- Colossians 1:13 He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, 14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.
- Galatians 3:11 Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for “The righteous shall live by faith.” 12 But the law is not of faith, rather “The one who does them shall live by them.” 13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”.

- Redemption relates to deliverance from a situation or from enemies. Most often, this involves paying a price to “buy back” the person or thing that is being ransomed. The word most frequently expresses the process of delivering someone from slavery or exchanging a ransom for something that belongs to God, such as a firstborn child in a family.
- To redeem someone or something is to reclaim or buy back the person, animal, land, or nation (e.g., Israel). Generally, there is a price that must be paid to redeem when it comes to person-to-person acts of redemption.
- Redemption in the Bible is centered on God. God redeems his own from evil, trouble, death, and bondage. He is the ultimate redeemer. God’s redemption is regularly understood as an act of his grace, in which God acts to rescue and vindicate his

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- Old Testament - Righteousness came by the Law that God gave to Moses
- New Testament – Righteousness comes by Faith in Jesus Christ
- Romans 1:17, Romans 3:21-25
- NT - Is more about “position” than about “deeds”!
- Is more about where we “stand with God” than what we “do”!
- In the Biblical Texts is a “Legal” term!
- Paul is declaring there is only “one” way to be right with God!

Covenant Benefits - Righteousness

The Righteous Shall Live by Faith

- Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.” (See Hebrews 11)
- Romans 3:21 But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it 22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Covenant Benefits - Righteousness

To show what he means, Paul uses three metaphors.

(1) He uses a metaphor from the law courts which is Justification. This metaphor thinks of an individual as on trial before God. The Greek word which is translated as to justify is "dikaion". All Greek verbs which end in -oun mean not to make someone something, but to treat, to reckon, to account that person as something. If an innocent person appears before a judge, then to treat that person as innocent is the same as acquittal. But the point about our relationship to God is that we are utterly guilty, and yet God, in his amazing mercy, treats us, reckons us, accounts us as if we were innocent. That is what justification means.

When Paul says that 'God justifies the ungodly', he means that God treats the ungodly as if they had been good men and women. That is what shocked the Jews to the core of their being. To them, to treat bad people as if they were good was the sign of a wicked judge. 'One who justifies the wicked ... [is] an abomination to the Lord' (Proverbs 17:15). 'I will not acquit the guilty' (Exodus 23:7). But Paul says that is precisely what God does.

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(2) Paul uses a metaphor from sacrifice. He says of Jesus that God put him forward as one who can win forgiveness for our sins.

The Greek word that Paul uses to describe Jesus is "hilastērion". This comes from a verb which means to propitiate, to appease or atone. It is a verb which has to do with sacrifice. Under the old system, when the law was broken, a sacrifice was brought to God. The aim was that the sacrifice should turn aside the punishment that should fall upon the one who had broken the law. To put it in another way—someone sinned; that sin put that person at once in a wrong relationship with God; to get back into the right relationship, the sacrifice was offered.

‘For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt-offering, you would not be pleased’ (Psalm 51:16). Instinctively, people felt that, once they had sinned, the paraphernalia of earthly sacrifice could not put matters right.

So, Paul says: ‘Jesus Christ, by his life of obedience and his death of love, made the one sacrifice to God which really and truly atones for sin.’ He insists that what happened on the cross opens the door back to a right relationship with God, a door which every other sacrifice is powerless to open.

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(3) Paul uses a metaphor from slavery. He speaks of the deliverance brought about through Jesus Christ. The word is apolutrōsis. It means a **ransoming**, a **redeeming**, a **liberating**. It means that men and women were in the power of sin, and that Jesus Christ alone could free them from it.

Finally, Paul says of God that he did all this because he is just, and accepts as just all who believe in Jesus. It means that God is just and accepts the sinner as being just. The natural thing to say would be: 'God is just, and, therefore, condemns the sinner as a criminal.' But here we have the great paradox—God is just, and somehow, in that incredible, miraculous grace that Jesus came to bring, he accepts the sinner not as a criminal but as a son or a daughter whom he still loves.

Righteousness

Justification

(dikaioun)

This metaphor thinks of an individual as on trial before God. A legal term.

- to treat
- to reckon
- to account that person as something.

Sacrifice (Atonement/Propitiation)

(hilastērion)

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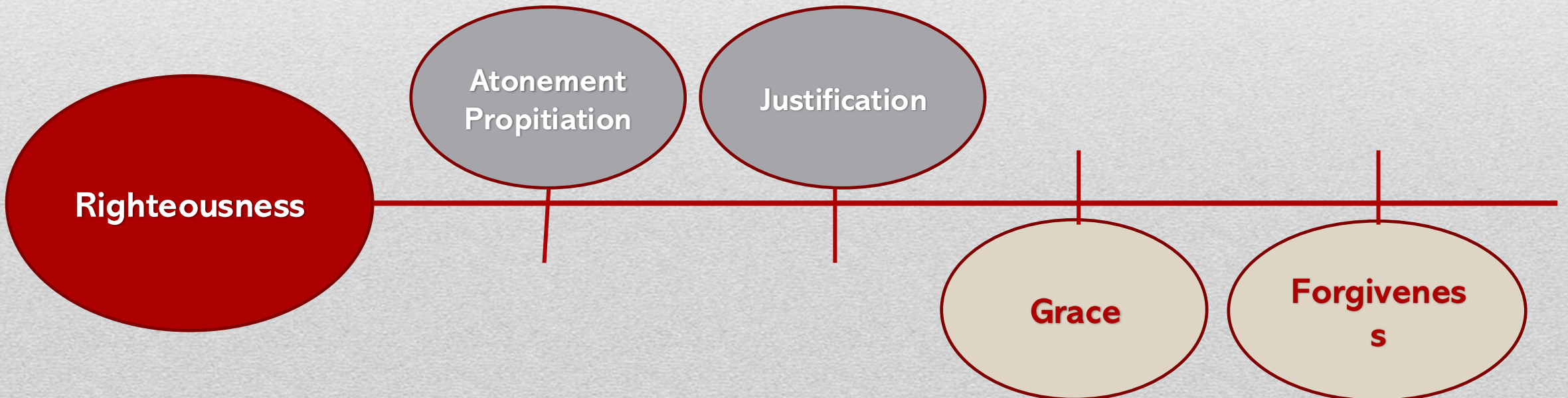
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Positional

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**Blood of
Christ
Jesus**

- **Sanctification begins at conversion (the “New Birth”), when the Holy Spirit regenerates the heart of the believer, and that it's appropriated by faith, the same way that salvation is.**

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**Experiential
(Daily)**

**Daily
Work of
the Holy
Spirit**

- Is that continuous work of the Holy Spirit by which the child of God is cleansed from inherited depravity and empowered for more effective service through faith in Jesus Christ.
- Genuine faith produces inward and outward holiness. The regenerative process inwardly cannot help but find expression in an improved moral character outwardly.

Fruits of Sanctification:

1 Thessalonians 5:13 And be at **peace** among yourselves. 14 Now we exhort you, brethren, **warn** them that are unruly, **comfort** the feebleminded, **support** the weak, be **patient** toward all men. 15 See that **none render** evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is **good**, both among yourselves, and to all men. 16 **Rejoice** evermore. 17 **Pray** without ceasing. 18 In every thing **give thanks**: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. 19 **Quench not** the Spirit. 20 **Despise not** prophesyings. 21 **Prove** all things; **hold fast** that which is good. 22 **Abstain** from all appearance of evil. 23 **And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly**; and I pray God **your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ**. 24 Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

1 Peter 1:1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, **2** Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, **through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ:** Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

1 Peter 1:10 Of which salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the **grace** that should come unto you: 11 Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. 12 Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that **have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.** 13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the **grace** that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: **15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; 16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.** 17 And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear: 18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not **redeemed** with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; **19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:**

Hebrews 10:9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. 10 By the which will **we are sanctified** through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ **once for all**. 11 And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same **sacrifices**, which can never take away sins: 12 But this man, after he had offered **one sacrifice** for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God; 13 From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. **14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified**. 15 Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, 16 This is the **covenant** that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; 17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. **18 Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin.**

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Sanctification

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Sanctification

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For by means of a single sacrifice he has brought to completion in perpetuity those being sanctified.” This (for) connects with all that has been said regarding the “teleiosis” (= completion, reaching of the goal) which the whole O.T. system lacked and could never achieve, but which **Christ’s single sacrifice did achieve at one stroke**. To see to what extent the Holy Spirit uses in scripture the idea of completeness, of reaching the “telos” or goal. It is God Who sets the goal; this goal is our complete restoration. Christ brings completely to the goal yet is Himself made complete by suffering in order to do this (“made perfect” = teleioo in Hebrews 5:9). His complete sacrifice attains the goal. By His sacrifice we become eternally complete, are at the

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- Grace = “χάρις” pronounced “charis”
- Grace is the undeserved gift of God.
- In the Bible the word often represents that which is limitless, since it represents realities which are infinite and eternal. It is nothing less than the unlimited love of God expressing itself in measureless grace.

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- In His grace, God is willing to forgive us and bless us, despite the fact that we fall short of living righteously.
- "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).
- "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God." (Romans 5:1-2)



Grace

- Ephesians 2:1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience 3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. 4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved 6 and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

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Grace is forgiveness
without consequences

Forgiveness

Forgiveness means
canceling of the debt

Reconciliation

Is Restoration of
broken relationship

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Micah 7:18 Who is a God like You, who pardons iniquity And passes over the rebellious act of the remnant of His possession? He does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights in unchanging love.¹⁹ He will again have compassion on us; He will tread our iniquities under foot. Yes, You will cast all their sins Into the depths of the sea.

Psalms 86:5 For You, Lord, are good, and bready to forgive, And abundant in lovingkindness to all who call upon You.

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a **new creature**; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.¹⁸ Now all these things are from God, who **reconciled us to Himself** through Christ and gave us the **ministry of reconciliation**, ¹⁹ namely, that **God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself**, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us **the word of reconciliation**.

- **Christians are given the responsibility by God to help others be reconciled to Him. Christians follow God's ministry of reconciliation by being His ambassadors**

Covenant Benefits

Grace + Forgiveness + Reconciliation



- **Restoration** of the covenant relationship that was lost by Adam in the Garden
- **Kingdom position** – We become the “sons & daughters” (*1 John 3: 1 See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. 2 Beloved, **now** we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.3 And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.*)
- Although the “visible manifestation” is to come we must believe the inner transformation has already taken place!

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- **Restoration** of the covenant relationship that was lost by Adam in the Garden
- **Kingdom position** – We again freely have access to God the Father (through Jesus Christ) *(Hebrews 4:14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. 15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need..)*
- Here stands Jesus in the role of “Eternal High Priest”. He stands as our legal representative before the very throne of God the father, pleading our cause as a “lawyer in the courtroom of Heaven”!

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- **Eternal Life**— Genesis 3:22 *And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:* 23 *Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. 24 So he drove out the man;* and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

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- **Eternal Life**— *1 John 5:11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12 He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. 13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye **have** eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.*

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Redemption
Righteousness
Atonement/Propitiation
Justification
Sanctification
Grace
Forgiveness

Reconciliation
Inheritance
Election/Predestination
Ascension
Exaltation
Reigning

Sanctification

**Experiential
(Daily)**

**Daily Work
of the
Holy Spirit**

- Is that continuous work of the Holy Spirit by which the child of God is cleansed from inherited depravity and empowered for more effective service through faith in Jesus Christ.
- Genuine faith produces inward and outward holiness. The regenerative process inwardly cannot help but find expression in an improved moral character outwardly.

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Steps to "BECOMING"

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Kingdom Citizenship

God restores us again into the realm of "Dominion" that Adam lost in the garden!

God does a "greater work" on the inside of us! (process of changing)

God himself pays off our debt to Sin and Death!

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Redemption, Righteousness, Atonement, Justification, Sanctification

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Grace, Forgiveness, Reconciliation

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Inheritance:

- Romans 8:14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15 For you **did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear**, but you have received the **Spirit of adoption** as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that **we are children of God**, 17 and **if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ**, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

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Inheritance:

- Galatians 4:1 I mean that the **heir**, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, 2 but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. 3 In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. 4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to **redeem** those who were under the law, so that we might receive **adoption** as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7 So you are **no longer a slave, but a son**, and if a son, then an **heir** through God.

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What is our Inheritance?

- **Our inheritance is future glory with Christ including all the rewards promised to us for eternity.** *(Romans 8:16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.)*
- **Right now we are only living in the “blip of a moment of eternity!”** *(Romans 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.)*

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Our Inheritance will cost us!

- **Our inheritance comes with a price!**
- *Mark 8:34 And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For whoever would save his life 4 will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. 36 For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? 37 For what can a man give in return for his soul? 38 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."*

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The Magnitude of Our Inheritance is in the "Unseen" Realm!

- We need to reflect on the "Bigger Picture" of eternity!
- Revelation 20:4 Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. 5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

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Our predetermined Destiny as Sons and Daughters of God!

- **Romans 8:29** For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.
- **Ephesians 1:3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love 5 he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,

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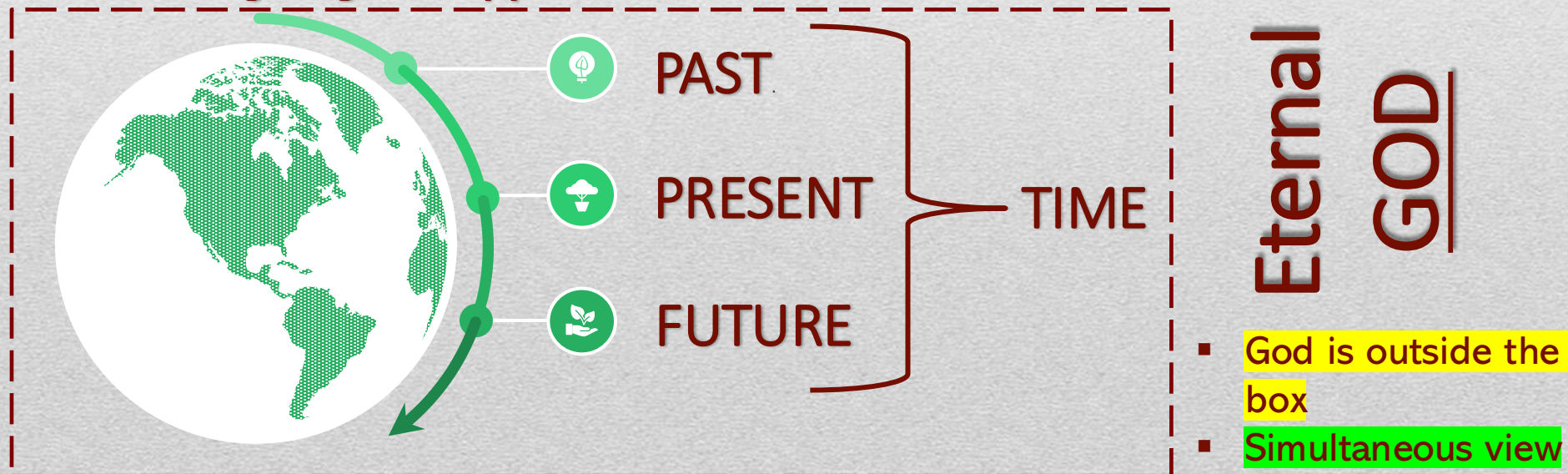
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God always had a PLAN for the human race!

- Understanding "Divine Foreknowledge"
- Before God ever created the universes, he already knew everything that was going to happen!



Eternal
GOD

- God is outside the box
- Simultaneous view

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Election does not mean that God picked over us choosing some to be saved!

- Although every human was given free will, God **foreknew** who would choose Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior
- That through this final **New Covenant**, they would be **Justified** by the **sacrificial blood death** of Jesus and be **Glorified** or given a **prominent place/position in the Kingdom of the Heavlies**
- God predetermined that those individuals would be conformed (re-imaged) into the "image" of his Son Jesus Christ and **"be like him"**, not in the image of Angels, but of his Son Jesus Christ
- **A completely "NEW" species of beings inhabiting eternity!**

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We have always been destined to be bearers of his image !

- Genesis 1:26 And God said, **Let us make man in our image**, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. 27 So **God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.**
- 1 John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that **we should be called the sons of God**: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 2 Beloved, **now are we the sons of God**, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, **we shall be like him**; for we shall see him as he is. 3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.



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Our "Earth Suit" cannot exist in Heaven!

- **1 Corinthians 15:45** The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. **46** Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. **47** The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. **48** As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, **such are they also that are heavenly.** **49** And **as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.** **50** Now this I say, brethren, that **flesh and blood cannot** inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.



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Power (Exousia=Authority) to Become the "Children" (Tekna=Children) of God !

- 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. 6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. 8 He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. 9 That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. 11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not. 12 But as many as received him, **to them gave he power to become the sons of God**, even to them that believe on his name: 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God



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The New Testament (Covenant) Authority of the Believer!

- Understanding Authority and Ability
- Exousia = Authority
- Dunamis = Ability
- The Lord Jesus Christ has invested the Church his Body with both Exousia and Dunamis
- As New Covenant Believers we must know how to operate in these empowerments
- This is a key understanding that separates us from other world religions
- In this context we will seek to understand the following;
 - Our delegated "responsibilities" as the church of the Lord Jesus Christ
 - The gifts, empowerments, and workings of the Holy Spirit
 - The functional operation of the "Body of Christ"



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Our delegated "Responsibilities" as the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ



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- **Purpose:**
 - Worship
 - Fellowship
 - Discipleship
 - Ministry
 - Mission
 - Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37–40) Great Commission (Matthew 28:19–20)
- **Mission:**
 - Proclaim the gospel
 - Perfect the saints
 - Redeem the dead
 - Serve the poor and needy

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The gifts, empowerments, and workings of the Holy Spirit

The early Church had an abundance of the "Gifts" of the Spirit in Operation

1 Corinthians 12:1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, 2 brothers, 3 I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit. 4 Now there are **varieties of gifts**, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are **varieties of service**, but the same Lord; 6 and there are **varieties of activities**, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. 7 To each is **given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good**. 8 For to one is given through the Spirit the **utterance of wisdom**, and to another the **utterance of knowledge** according to the same Spirit, 9 to another **faith** by the same Spirit, to another **gifts of healing** by the one Spirit, 10 to another the **working of miracles**, to another **prophecy**, to another the **ability to distinguish between spirits**, to another **various kinds of tongues**, to another the **interpretation of tongues**. 11 All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.



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The gifts, empowerments, and workings of the Holy Spirit

- The "Fruit" must guide the "Gifts"
- They define the "Character" of the Christian worker

Galatians 5: 16 But I say, **walk by the Spirit**, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17 For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, 21 envy, 4 drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do 5 such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22 **But the fruit of the Spirit** is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.



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- The early Church had serious problems when they placed the "Gifts" before the "Fruits"!

1 Corinthians 3 :1 But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. 2 I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, 3 for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? 4 For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human?



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1 Corinthians 5:1 It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that is not tolerated even among pagans, for a man has his father's wife. 2 And you are arrogant! Ought you not rather to mourn? Let him who has done this be removed from among you. 3 For though absent in body, I am present in spirit; and as if present, I have already pronounced judgment on the one who did such a thing. 4 When you are assembled in the name of the Lord Jesus and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus, 5 you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord. 6 Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump?



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The 1000 year millennial reign !

- Revelation 20:1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that the should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. 4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; **and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.**



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