

THE MINISTRY LETTER 2020 ISSUE 9

To all those who are truly seeking first the Kingdom - those who love God with all of their heart:

THE "THRESHOLD OF THE THRESHOLD"

We, as the remnant Church are on the "threshold of the threshold" concerning entrance into our true Kingdom-position and destiny in Christ - both individually and corporately. Therefore, it is of the utmost importance that we all are found positioning ourselves to partake of the "fullness" of the ministry of the Holy Spirit *[day in and day out]* - for, in doing so, it is certain that He will instruct us and guide our paths perfectly on EVERY front *[spirit, soul, body, financially, location/environment-wise and ministry-wise]*.

.... "The entrance and unfolding of Your words give light; their unfolding gives understanding [discernment and comprehension]".... Psalms 119:130 The Amplified Translation

THE GREAT IMPORTANCE OF FOCUSING ON THE JOY THAT HAS BEEN SET BEFORE US

Some time ago, now, the Father gave me a word that has become EXTREMELY IMPORTANT as His glorious plan continues to unfold both in my life and, also, in the lives of others who are truly seeking first the Kingdom *[and entrance into the fullness of their destiny within]*. This particular word has become the very center of my focus for a number of months now - as I came to a deep realization very quickly that it was the Father's perfect provision for us to maintain our "spiritual equilibrium" in the face of every "storm".

This was the word:

* *Disregard your present circumstances by "distancing" yourself from them [spiritually - through a perfect obedience in your thought-life] and focus on the joy [vision - dreams - revelation] that I have set before you.*

In this word, we see three distinct instructions:

1. "Disregard" your present circumstances.

In giving this instruction, the Father was not saying that we should try to "escape" our present circumstances - physically-speaking. It was an admonition to "disregard" the Enemy's attempt to work through them - even though one may be surrounded by a number of adverse conditions *[financial pressures, health issues, an unfavourable work or church environment - and any other schemes of the Enemy's that are aimed at hindering one from entering into their Kingdom-position and destiny]*.

.... "we consider and look not to the things that are seen *[the lower reality - that which is real to the five physical senses]* but to the things that are unseen *[through faith in the higher Reality of God's Word]*; for the things that are visible are temporal (brief and fleeting) *[subject to change]*, but the things that are invisible are deathless and everlasting *[Eternal]*".... 2 Corinthians 4:18 The Amplified Translation

2. by "distancing" yourself from them *[spiritually - through a perfect obedience in your thought-life]*.

The key in this whole matter of "distancing" ourselves from our present circumstances *[spiritually speaking]* is to be found faithful to bring EVERY thought captive to the revelation that is abiding in our heart. By this, I am speaking of the Word of God that has both entered into and produced much understanding within one's heart - a supernatural understanding and Wisdom *[the fruit of the indwelling Spirit of wisdom and revelation]* that the Enemy cannot "influence" in ANY way, as we are faithful to guard our heart with ALL diligence.

.... "We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the true knowledge of God *[and who we ALREADY are, in Christ]*, and we are taking every thought captive *[through proclamation]* to the obedience of Christ *[a revelation of the Father's Will]*".... 2 Corinthians 10:5 NASB

3. and "focus on the joy" *[vision - dream - revelation]* that I have set before you.

"glimpse" - a brief or incomplete view;

"cumulative" - growing in quantity, strength, or effect by successive additions or gradual steps;

The third aspect of this word was that we are to continually "focus on the joy" that has been set before us through the years. This "joy" we are to focus on speaks again of the revelation *[vision, dreams - glimpses and their cumulative effect etc.]* we have been blessed with concerning both our calling and our positioning in the Body - as we have continued to seek after the true Christian life.

It is ONLY through "perfect focus" on a revelation of the Father's Word/Will that has entered fully into our heart that we are EMPOWERED TO ENDURE any present circumstances in preparation for entrance into *[and the fulfillment of]* our precious Kingdom-position and destiny, in Christ.

.... "let us strip off and throw aside every encumbrance (unnecessary weight) and that sin which so readily (defly and cleverly) clings to and entangles us, and let us run with patient endurance and steady and active persistence the appointed course of the race that is set before us, **Looking away [from all that will distract] to Jesus, Who is the Leader and the Source of our faith [giving the first incentive for our belief] and is also its Finisher [bringing it to maturity and perfection]. He, for the joy [of obtaining the prize] that was set before Him, endured the cross,**

despising and ignoring the shame, and is now seated at the right hand of the throne of God [Ps. 110:1.]".... Hebrews 12:1-2 The Amplified Translation

...."the joy of the Lord is your strength".... Nehemiah 8:10 NASB

...."When the LORD brought back the captive ones of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with joyful shouting; Then they said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them.' The LORD has done great things for us; We are glad..... Those who sow in tears shall reap with joyful shouting. He who goes to and fro weeping, carrying [his] bag of seed, shall indeed come again with a shout of joy, bringing his sheaves [with him.]".... Psalms 126:1-6 NASB

"SPIRITUAL EQUILIBRIUM"

"equalibrium" - a state of rest or balance *[in this case, the place wherein one's spirit and soul {mind, will, emotions} are "garrisoned about" {protected, defended} by the supernatural peace and joy of God, in faith].*

a word from the Father:

* *The "inner chamber" is the key to one maintaining their "spiritual equilibrium" - a spiritual equilibrium that allows a supernatural peace and joy to sustain them through ALL that they may face.*

In seeking after *[through proper focus]* one's "spiritual equilibrium" to remain in effect *[regardless of outside circumstances]* - positions the one doing so to obey with pin-point accuracy concerning "physically separating themselves" *[when necessary - and as soon as possible]* from their present circumstances to enter into the "inner chamber" *[secret place of God's Presence]* with a view to "calming the storm" within - in any given instance.

In this place of separation unto the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit in the "inner chamber" is found the necessary empowerment to "rise above" the storm and, at the same time, gain the necessary revelation that will restore both their peace and joy and establish their heart in faith - FAR ABOVE the fear-filled lies and turmoil *[smokescreens]* of the Enemy. In acting on the revelation *[instruction]* received from the Holy Spirit in the quiet place it is certain that they will be found doing and saying *[as well as proclaiming in prayer]* whatever is best in any given moment

Also, this entrance into the "inner chamber" with a view to having their spiritual equilibrium restored makes it VERY much easier for one to bring every thought captive to a revelation of God's Word - with great precision and clarity.

...."Be still, [in a certain and steadfast trust] and know that I [am] God".... Psalms 46:10 NASB

....*"Do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, continue to make your wants known to God. And God's peace [shall be yours, that tranquil state of a soul assured of its salvation through Christ, and so fearing nothing from God and being content with its earthly lot of whatever sort that is, that peace] which transcends all understanding shall garrison and mount guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus"....Philippians 4:6-7 The Amplified Translation*

WHAT IS YOUR TRUE IDENTITY?

....*"But by His [the Father's] doing you are IN Christ Jesus, Who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption".... 1 Corinthians 1:30 NASB*

As I was spending time in the Father's Presence a short time ago, He spoke to me and stated that He had a very important question for each and every one of His precious children that needed to be answered by them - deep within their heart - in this most critical and glorious hour.

This was the question:

What is your true identity, My beloved children?

"identity crisis" - period or episode of psychological distress, often occurring in adolescence but sometimes in adulthood, when a person seeks a clearer sense of self and an acceptable role in society; confusion as to goals and priorities;

"sin-consciousness" - any belief or mind-set that constitutes one "believing" that that which they have actually been redeemed from is still to be in force in their life;

"righteousness-consciousness" - a continual awareness through revelation of who we "actually" are in Christ;

If the Father posed such a question then it is certain that there remains a form of "identity-crisis" in the lives of many of His children. Maintaining some form of "identity-crisis" in one's life is a scheme that the Enemy attempts to establish in one from a very early age BUT, as Christians, it is certain that we have taken on a new Identity since the womb - the Identity of the Lord Jesus Christ *[and the "righteousness-consciousness" that is its spontaneous fruit]*.

Thus, there should be absolutely NO confusion as to what our true identity is *[IN Christ]* but, due to sin-consciousness *[an unworthiness-consciousness]*, false doctrine and every other lying scheme to pervert the absolute Truth of God's Word *[and the Kingdom-principles found therein]* many remain bound to "sense-knowledge and perception" *[fear, selfishness, pride, unbelief etc.]* far from the position of absolute victory that is theirs, as "joint-heirs" with Jesus *[sons and daughters of the Most High God!]*.

....*"For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ"....*
Romans 8:14-17 NASB

TO THE DEGREE ONE GAINS A REVELATION OF THEIR "TRUE IDENTITY" IN CHRIST IT IS TO THAT DEGREE THAT THEY WILL GAIN A REVELATION OF SATAN AS AN ALREADY DEFEATED FOE

a word from the Father:

* *Many shall repent and experience the fullness of My salvation in this final hour.*

The "repentance" called for in the word above is for many to "turn around and go in the opposite direction" from the exercising of fear, "unbelief" and self-righteousness to a believing *[knowing]* faith and trust in God based upon a revelation of their true identity IN Christ.

Up until this time, the Enemy has been given far too much "leeway" in the midst of God's people *[ANY is too much!]* BUT things are about to change - as many are beginning to gain a revelation of their true identity *[who they truly are]* in Christ *[and what He purchased for us at Calvary]*. It is certain that to the degree one gains a revelation of their "true identity" in Christ it is to that degree that they will gain a revelation of Satan as an ALREADY DEFEATED foe.

....*"[God] disarmed the principalities and powers that were ranged against us and made a bold display and public example of them, in triumphing over them in Him and in it [the cross]"....* Colossians 2:15 *The Amplified Translation*

A REVELATION OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD LEADS ONE INTO AN EVER DEEPENING REVELATION OF WHO THEY TRULY ARE IN CHRIST

A "revelation" of the precious Blood leads one into an ever deepening revelation of who they truly are IN Christ *[their true identity]*. And, thus, in these days, MANY shall come to truly know "the fullness" of who they are in Christ and, in gaining a deep revelation of their "true identity", they shall go forth in His Name and in the power of the Holy Spirit *[Who is the Spirit of Christ]* to effect things such as this world has never seen.

For in this final hour the true *[faithful]* servants of God shall decree *[proclaim]* a thing and it shall be so *[come to pass]* and, because of these things, they will "turn the world upside down". For in this hour, it is certain that the Father is raising up a people who will take the "fullness" of their authority and walk in the dominion that is theirs in Christ. And so shall the Kingdom advance radically in the earth until such a time as the fullness of "harvest" is complete.

....*"You will also decree a thing, and it will be established for you; And light will shine on*

your ways".... Job 22:28 NASB

...."if we walk in the Light [a revelation of the Truth] as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son [continually] cleanses us from all sin".... 1 John 1:7 NASB

...."Therefore if any person is [ingrafted] in Christ [the Messiah] he is a new creation [a new creature altogether]; the old [previous moral and spiritual condition] has passed away. Behold, the fresh and new has come!".... 2 Corinthians 5:17 The Amplified Translation

...."For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of Grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need".... Hebrews 4:15-16 NASB

"TAKE NO THOUGHT, SAYING"

...."Therefore I say unto you, TAKE NO THOUGHT for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?".... Matthew 6:25 KJV

...."Therefore TAKE NO THOUGHT, SAYING, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?".... Matthew 6:31 KJV

...."Take therefore no thought FOR THE MORROW".... Matthew 6:34 KJV

The above portions of scripture are taken from a well known discourse of Jesus in Matthew 6. In these portions of scripture a number of very important Kingdom-principles are clearly uncovered. Of course, Jesus is proclaiming the faithfulness of the Heavenly Father to meet His children's needs and that is of the utmost importance for one to have a deep and abiding revelation of *[the Father's trustworthiness]*. But, also, He spoke words that clearly define just how we are to "rise above" the lying, fear-filled tactics of the Enemy by showing us the connection between "taking NO thought" and "saying".

One of the most important principles found in Paul's writings *[2 Corinthians 10:5]* is the need for each and every one of God's children to be found "bringing EVERY thought captive" BY continually speaking words that are in perfect alignment with a revelation of the Father's Will/Word *[and who we are IN Christ]*. It is in the "mind" *[and through the tongue]* wherein the victory is won or lost - for it is ONLY the exercising of faith and obedience *[diligence]* in the aforementioned revelation *["bringing EVERY thought captive"]* that will empower the child of God to "overcome" on every front.

...."But having the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I BELIEVED, THEREFORE I SPOKE," we also believe, therefore we also speak".... 2 Corinthians 4:13 NASB

....this is the victory that has overcome the world - our faith".... 1 John 5:4 NASB

SHUTTING THE ENEMY AND HIS LYING AND FEAR-FILLED THOUGHTS DOWN!

In Matthew 6:31, Jesus, in summing up, admonished us to "take no thought" for our lives *[one might add "NO worried or anxious thought"]* then, a little further on, He stated emphatically, "take no thought, SAYING". In this portion of scripture we learn the secret of shutting the Enemy and his lying and fear-filled thoughts down! As one refuses - regardless of anything they are going through - to allow the Enemy to "access" *[influence, give voice to]* THEIR words, his lying thoughts *[thoughts that do not line up with the reality of God's Word]* will dissipate as we give voice to the words *[portion of God's Word]* that the Holy Spirit is instructing us to speak and proclaim IN DIRECT RESPONSE to the "thoughts" the Enemy has attempted to influence us with.

The third aspect of Jesus' admonition was, "take NO thought for the morrow". In other words, He was saying, do not allow your thoughts to be influenced by what is out ahead of you *[bills to pay, future expenses, deadlines etc.]* but continue to focus *[right down to the moment, if necessary]* on the revelation that is abiding in your heart - as this will shut down the fear-filled and anxious thoughts that the Enemy attempts to afflict you with.

As the conflict of the Kingdom with the "domain of darkness" intensifies in this final hour it is certain that we must be found diligently bring EVERY thought captive to the spiritual reality of God's Word. For, as we do, it is certain that Satan will be crushed under our feet and the spontaneous fruit of his devastation will be that vast multitudes of captives will be set free to enter into the fullness of all that they were created to be, in Christ, from before the foundations of the earth.

....*"For this reason also, since the day we heard [of it,] we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please [Him] in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light. For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son".... Colossians 1:9-13 NASB*

a word from the Father:

* One speaking *[giving voice to]* whatever "thought" enters into their head - or a word spoken based on *[in alignment with]* what they "feel" *[see or hear from an "outside" source]* - is a certain way for one to remain in bondage to "strongholds" of fear and unbelief - as well as suffer continual defeat at the hands of the Enemy.

....*"Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and they who indulge in it shall eat the*

fruit of it [for death or life] [Matt. 12:37]".... Proverbs 18:21 The Amplified Translation

THEREFORE

...."We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the true knowledge of God [and who we ALREADY are, in Christ], and we are taking every thought captive [through proclamation] to the obedience of Christ [a revelation of the Father's Will]".... 2 Corinthians 10:5 NASB

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we thank You and praise You for the Kingdom-revelations that are coming forth from Your Throne Room in this most critical and glorious hour. We are truly a blessed *[divinely empowered and prospered]* people - true sons and daughters who are constantly gaining a deeper and deeper revelation of who we are IN Christ.

We thank You and praise You for all that You have revealed to us concerning the importance of maintaining a perfect focus in this hour - a perfect focus that will surely empower us to reach the destination *[our true Kingdom-position and destiny]* You planned out for us from before the foundations of the earth.

We thank You and praise You, Father, that there is a place in Your Presence wherein we can always come to regain our "spiritual equilibrium" - a place that allows You to establish, perfectly, Your divine order and balance in our lives, with a view to us continually rising above each and every one of the Enemy's schemes.

We thank You and praise You that we are free from any form of "identity crisis" BECAUSE we find our identity in You *[our loving Father]* and in the Lord Jesus - Who became to us *[by Your doing]* ALL things.

We thank You and praise You that You have raised us up a people who have an "abiding" *[indwelling]* revelation of the importance of words and their place in helping us to overcome the fear-filled thoughts and lies of the Enemy at EVERY turn.

And, finally, we thank You for the ongoing and perfect preparation You have brought us through in order that we might step into the fullness of our precious Kingdom-position and destiny, in Christ - in this most critical and glorious hour in history. And we declare *[on an ongoing basis]* all of these things DONE, in Jesus' Name, to Your greatest Glory. Amen.

Quote: Fear knocked at the door, faith answered - and there was no one there.

NUGGETS FROM THE INNER CHAMBER

* **An excellent confession of faith for the overcomer:**

My heart will not fear for You *[Father]* did not give me a spirit of fear but a spirit of power and love and of a sound mind. I am not staggered at Your promises through unbelief but, rather, I am strong in faith - always giving Glory to You in ALL things. For I am fully persuaded that what you have promised you are also able to perform - and I thank You and praise You, Father, that you are continually watching over your Word *[Will]* to perform it!

I walk by faith - and not by sight *[sense-knowledge and perception]*;

I walk by love - and not by sight *[sense-knowledge and perception]*;

I walk by obedience - and not by sight *[sense-knowledge and perception]*;

I walk by revelation - and not by sight *[sense-knowledge and perception]*;

I walk by the anointing that abides within - and not by sight *[sense-knowledge and perception]*;

I walk by trust *[in the Father and His Word]* - and not by sight *[sense-knowledge and perception]*.

I walk in a continual state of thanksgiving before You Father, Lord Jesus - for I am TRULY thankful for ALL that You have Done for me.

"sense knowledge" - that which is perceived by what one feels, hears, sees or thinks based on their outward circumstances; that which is perceived through the soul *[mind, will, emotions]* - apart from "revelation" in the inner man *[spirit, heart]* through the Holy Spirit - Who is the Spirit of wisdom and revelation;

....*"When I am afraid, I will put my trust in You"*.... Psalm 56:3 NASB

* It is very important in this hour for every last child of God to begin to focus clearly on what it means to position themselves to enter into the place of living *[abiding]* in the "supernatural". It is a place far above the schemes of the Enemy - a place wherein the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit are more real than anything or anyone else.

....*"But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ [by grace you have been saved], and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly [places] in Christ Jesus"*.... Ephesians 2:4-6 NASB

.... "Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God"....
Colossians 3:1-3 NASB

* Seek the Holy Spirit for Wisdom in every situation and, in even the smallest details, He will lead you perfectly in all of your ways.

.... "Lean on, trust in, and be confident in the Lord with all your heart and mind and do not rely on your own insight or understanding. In all your ways know, recognize, and acknowledge Him, and He will direct and make straight and plain your paths".... Proverbs 3:5-6
The Amplified Translation

* This is what it is all coming down to now for the remnant Church: "maintaining" a perfect and absolute trust in God - for ALL things.

.... "For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand [outside.] I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD gives grace and glory; No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly. O LORD of hosts, how blessed [divinely empowered] is the man/woman who trusts in You!"... Psalms 84:10-12 NASB

* "Agreement" [true unity and one accord] is SO important on every level - and at ALL times.

.... "Can two walk together, except they be agreed [have a concurring revelation of the Father's Will]?".... Amos 3:3 KJV

"concur" - to agree; be of the same mind [in this case the Mind of Christ]; be in one accord;

.... "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious oil upon the head, Coming down upon the beard, Even Aaron's beard, Coming down upon the edge of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon Coming down upon the mountains of Zion; For there the LORD commanded the blessing - life [love, truth, revelation, righteousness] forever".... Psalms 133:1-3 NASB

* Satan is terrified of true unity and one accord between true believers [true sons and daughters] - and when the "divine connections" that God has planned begin to be brought together in an accelerated manner [through revelation] there will be NO looking back - and we, as the remnant Church will walk "non-stop supernaturally" right to the end of the age.

.... "Again I tell you, if two of you on earth agree (harmonize together, make a symphony together) about whatever [anything and everything] they may ask, it will come to pass and be done for them by My Father in heaven. For wherever two or three are gathered (drawn together

as My followers) in (into) My name, there I AM in the midst of them".... Matthew 18:19-20 The Amplified Translation

* Satan is a liar and there is NO truth in him. True ministry *[in other words, the ministry of Jesus]* does not reinforce *[magnify]* the lies of the Enemy it ALWAYS reinforces *[magnifies]* the "finished" work of Christ - the revelation of which will lead one into a "true" *[and everlasting]* deliverance from the lies of the Enemy into the perfect liberty that is ALREADY theirs, in Him.

...."If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know [discover] the Truth [gain a revelation of Who I truly am and what I have Done {My Finished Work}], and [that revelation of] the Truth will make [and keep] you free.....So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed".... John 8:31b,36NASB

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