

## NOW CONCERNING SPIRITUAL THINGS

an historical account of one man's walk with God

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Boldly declaring **the new things** of Isaiah 42:9 and **the greater things** of John 14:12 in this rapture generation

### THE NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES

Saul of Tarsus, who was a first-century terrorist among Christians, became Paul, the apostle, the most prolific New Testament writer. He called himself a preacher, an apostle and a teacher of the Gentiles.<sup>1</sup> It is believed that while Paul was imprisoned in Rome because of his faith in the Lord, that he wrote his letter to the church at Philippi between the years of 60 and 62 A.D. In that letter, delivered by Epaphroditus, were these words descriptive of Christ Jesus, found in the second chapter of that epistle:

**5** Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,

**6** who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,

**7** but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.

**8** And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

**9** Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him *the name which is about every name*,

**10** that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

**11** and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Paul also confirmed the same exaltation of the name of Christ Jesus in His letter to the church of Ephesus.<sup>2</sup> This message, God's exaltation of the name of Christ Jesus above every other name, may be considered the theme of the New Testament. That theme was triggered by an event one Pentecost morning in Jerusalem almost two thousand years ago.

While Paul in his writing exalted the name of Christ Jesus above all names, I want us to look at the

name of the Lord Jesus compared with the name of Jehovah God. For example, how does the name of Christ Jesus compare with the name of The Father Himself, who sent the Holy Spirit to fertilize the seed (egg) in the womb of Mary from which Jesus was born? The Gospels reveal that Jesus and the Father were One, that the Father guided and directed Jesus in everything He did and that *Jesus came to glorify the Father*. This seems to mean that the Father's name is to be exalted above the name of Jesus, and that the name of Jesus is to be exalted above *every other name*, as this writer understands the bible.

However, since I have lived in the Listening Method 24/7 for many years, the Lord has revealed to me some things about the Father's relationship to His only begotten Son that were new to me. That revelation will endear both the Father and the Son to your heart, and will also endear their hearts to yours, *beyond anything you have experienced*, as you are able to accept this new revelation.

The reason for this new revelation may be seen when you consider John 14:12:

Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

Some will claim that this prophetic word from the mouth of Jesus has been fulfilled because there have been many miracles done, particularly through Spirit filled believers who took what Jesus said literally as recorded in Mark 16:17-20. Since the resurrection of Jesus, there have been resurrections from the dead and countless miracles done by believers who simply did by faith what Jesus said. The writer of this letter has seen a few miracles himself by stepping out in faith and acting on what Jesus said.

There are countless books written confirming miracles done by the Lord through believers who prayed by faith, both with and without the laying on of hands, and saw miracles take place. Sid Roth, a Messianic Jew, has a television program entitled, "It's Supernatural," that showcases believers in whose ministries miracles

<sup>1</sup>See 2 Timothy 1:11.

<sup>2</sup>See Ephesians 1:20, 21.

occur. But these miraculous occurrences, or “works” as Jesus calls them, are not greater than those done by Jesus according to His prophetic words recorded in John 14:12. For example, He walked on water. He stilled the waves, the wind and the storm. He translated Himself and a boatload of His disciples on lake Galilee to their destination instantly. On several occasions, the multitudes so thronged Him that there were too many to minister to individually. The bible records that in these instances, virtue flowed through Jesus to the multitude and **EVERYONE** was healed. He told Peter to go fishing and take a coin out of the mouth of the first fish he would catch to pay the temple tax for both of them. He multiplied small quantities of food to feed two hungry multitudes. He resurrected three people from the dead. He turned water to wine. He twice created a large “catch” of fish within a net in a moment of time when the disciples had fished all night and caught nothing.

And He did none of these things by praying and asking God, the Father, to perform the miracles. After John’s baptism, He became God Incarnate. Then as the need arose, He simply set aside physical laws that superior spiritual laws might prevail and either spoke or acted into existence the miraculous results. That is what a miracle is – the setting aside physical laws that spiritual law might prevail. Because He and the Father were One and because the Father directed all of His activities from within Him, Jesus simply spoke and acted as God Incarnate and the miracles occurred.

I remind you here that this also, in principle, demonstrates one example of how the enemy operates within one possessed by demons under his control. The demons use the vocal cords of the individual to communicate. For example, this occurred in the synagogue in Capernaum<sup>3</sup> and with the Gadarene demoniac.<sup>4</sup> It is interesting to note the similarity between the use of the vocal cords of Jesus by the Father and the use of the vocal cords of the Gadarene demoniac, for example, by a legion of demons. These two examples of the spiritual control or the spiritual directing of the activity of two men, defines the spiritual war in progress.

The Lord has requested that I explain the way that Jesus became God Incarnate in order to command physical laws to obey Him. Here is the explanation:

The spirit-man of Jesus, prior to John’s baptism,

was like the spirit-man of you and me. The spirit-man is one’s soul, comprised of his mind, his will, his emotions, his intellect and his personality, configured the same as his physical body. And the life of the *soul* of every individual *is eternal*. Death only changes the attire of man from the physical to the spiritual. There are many such examples in the bible. The mountain of transfiguration<sup>5</sup> and the parable of Lazarus and the rich man<sup>6</sup> are two such examples. It is the spirit-man, the soul, that has eternal life, not just at birth, but from the moment of conception. While this may be new to you, it is the truth of God.

The immortality of man’s soul was established by God when He originally created man on Earth One. Evidence of that immortality lies in the fact that disembodied spirits of Earth One are now alive and under the direction of Satan and are known as evil spirits or demons. And I remind you that those Earth One disembodied spirits have been alive for many millennia.

God Himself, or the Godhead, is also a spirit body, for Jesus said, “God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”<sup>7</sup> After Jesus was baptized by John, the Godhead bodily, as a spirit, entered or infused the body of Jesus about which I have previously written.<sup>8</sup> The Godhead bodily, then as a spirit, became one with the spirit-man (or the soul) of Jesus. The two spirits then merged and became One. That’s why Jesus said, “If you have seen Me, you have seen the Father,” and “The Father and I are One.” That’s also why He said, “Before Abraham was, I am.”

These three statements by Jesus are understood in the fact that when the spirit-man, or the soul of Jesus, was merged with the Spirit of God bodily, they became One. Jesus could not have said these three statements prior to John’s baptism, for at that time He had not been infused with the Godhead bodily.

Let me state again that Jesus did not come forth from Mary’s womb as God Incarnate. Mary was not the mother of God. She was the mother of Jesus who was born from her womb, the same as Adam would have been as an infant. That’s why Paul called Him the last Adam. Jesus therefore had the same supernatural characteristics that Adam had before he sinned. But Jesus did not become God Incarnate until after John’s

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<sup>5</sup>See Luke 9:28-36.

<sup>6</sup>See Luke 16:19-31.

<sup>7</sup>John 4:24.

<sup>8</sup>See Matthew 3:16, John 1:14 and Colossians 2:9.

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<sup>3</sup>See Mark 1:23-26.

<sup>4</sup>See Mark 5:1-21.

baptism.

No one has appeared on the scene since the resurrection of Jesus, who has fulfilled John 14:12. But fasten your seat belt. That is about to change, big time. There are twelve new apostles who for years have been in training by the Lord to fulfill John 14:12. They will be equipped by the Lord with the same spiritual attributes that Jesus had temporarily before the cross but permanently after His resurrection.

But the twelve new apostles will not be bound by the restrictions under which Jesus ministered. During His ministry, the purpose of His coming had to shrouded in mystery or in secrecy in order to become the bait to spring the trap to catch the enemy about which I have written previously.

The twelve new apostles will all be equipped with the Godhead bodily and will all do greater works than Jesus did to bring in the final abundant harvest prior to the rapture within nine years from the date of this letter.

Now, back to our original premise, the relative importance of the name of God compared with the name of Christ Jesus. Recall that the bible premise seems to be, that excepting God, Himself, the name of Christ Jesus is above all names.

But could it be that the Son, with the Father's consent and approval, could do something for the Father, that the Father could not do for Himself, and for that reason in this instance, make the name of Son of more importance than the name of Father? Evidence of such an occurrence may appear in the following rhema words from the mouth of God given to me on the dates as indicated.

#### **Word received on Tuesday, September 7, 2010**

I still grieve over My loss of Earth One but having someone to whom I may freely confess My faults means more to Me than you may now comprehend.

My son I am like you. Confession releases you from Satan's grip and relieves you of the grief. The cleansing of confession is a two fold procedure. One is external, the other is internal. Both are essential to attain peace. **Not until I, as Jehovah God, had done both did I find the peace that passes understanding.**

**My son, I had to devise the procedure to deal with transgressions, sin, faults and iniquity for Myself. My people do not know that. You are to tell them.**

For Me to have someone with whom I may freely

share and discuss such issues means more to Me than you know.

Over the past number of years, as you aggressively responded to My prompting, to My leading, I observed with joy knowing that one day you and I would be able to openly share and discuss such matters.

Do you remember when you led the woman at church through the steps of forgiveness? She was set free from a mistake made twenty years before by openly and freely forgiving herself with words of her mouth. In like manner, My relationship with you is now to the point that I may share the intimacies of My past to you.

***I therefore say to you, after I have confessed to you My mistakes, My faults, I forgive Myself of My failures of the past, of Lucifer's failure, of the destruction of My perfect Earth One model and its countless numbers of souls still under the control of Satan.***

One of the major regrets of My past was to realize the souls of the pre-Adamic earth (Earth One) would be at large under the evil control of Satan. Those evil spirits or demons are still under the authority or control of a fallen Lucifer. *I realized that when I considered the destruction of Earth One.*

**That destruction did not solve My problem. It exacerbated it. I knew that prior to the destruction. But I also knew that I must devise a way to recreate a perfect earth environment on which and in which perfect man could dwell in peace and harmony on whom I could once again, lavish Myself in love.**

These are the things I had to consider in the destruction of a world under the complete control of a fallen Lucifer.

So you see, to have someone with whom I may freely confess and discuss such matters openly and freely is a great blessing to Me.

It's like I said before to you. A confessor relieves the one who confesses without regard to rank, position or authority. That's the way I designed it originally for Myself. That's why Jesus and My super apostles are special to Me. I may freely confess and discuss such things through a mutual trust while faith remains intact. That is why you and the eleven are special to Me.

Realize, however, it has taken many years to bring you to today. That was My desire in the beginning. That is why I went to the Father for His approval for you to be one of the special twelve.

Now you know.

I know confession endears each party to the other, but one must attain a certain stage of spiritual maturity before one may act as the confessor to his superior. That requires the highest level of faith.

#### **Word received on Friday, July 23, 2010**

The reason angels do not have the right of repentance is because they were not created in sin as is man. The reason man is created in sin is because he is created from the sperm of man, who bears the mark of the Adamic sin-curse and sin-nature.

Angels, on the other hand, are all created by My Spirit<sup>9</sup> and are therefore perfect. Included in their creation is the parameter within which they were to operate with an admonition to love and serve Me. So long as they remain within their call and election, they remain as perfect spirit beings.

On the other hand, the moment they disobey their call and election, they pass the boundary of My perfection and calling and protection, and simultaneously pass the point of no return. From that moment, they begin to corrupt into evil so grotesque it is hard to imagine.

*Man has a choice of when to obey because Satan is responsible for his downfall. That's why I developed the blessing of repentance.*

**My son, the blessing of repentance was devised by Myself for Myself. After My colossal failure of Earth One, I was so disappointed, it took Me many, many millennia to work through waves of anger and grief even to get to devising a way of recovery for Myself. I never intended for Earth One to fail!**

**So realize that everything I devised for the restoration and recovery of man was devised first for Myself and thereafter for fallen man. Think through that and you will see why I have compassion for one who falls – why I have compassion for one who fails, because I have been there.**

I sent Jesus with mercy: forgiveness with compassion, for I, Myself, experienced failure.

But My failure was different than yours. Mine was without sin for it was Lucifer who sinned. But My failure was not to foresee that My love, given to Lucifer in abundance, was not sufficient to keep him perfected and pure. *He was so much like Me*, he thought he could

rebel and take the earth for himself with no evil consequences.

*He was like Me.*<sup>10</sup> He did not see that claiming for himself that which was created for Myself would immediately bring him to the point of no return. Thereafter, he corrupted himself into evil without repentance.

In a similar manner, I could not, I did not foresee that Lucifer could fail because of all the attributes of Myself with which he was created.

So Lucifer's failure and My failure were similar in nature. And that is what I have had to live with. You have no idea of My blessing in having someone who would understand My need for a private confessor. My son I am free. You have helped Me to be free – to be Myself again – and thank you for that.

Now you know why I led you to forgive everyone who has ever lived on planet earth and everyone who will ever live on the earth. It set you free – and you remember what I said to you: "That's what Jesus did." He came with that mandate. Then when he forgave everyone, lived a sinless life and shed his blood to ransom man, the job was done.

***Jesus went to the cross for My failure.*** Man does not know that, but in time you are to tell him. You are to tell both the world AND My church in adultery. That is a great responsibility but also a great calling.

Now you know why I need you and the eleven. You are the only ones, other than Jesus, to whom I am able to reveal such things. That means more to Me than you can realize so long as you wear your earthly cloak. When that is removed, I have a surprise or two for you.

The fact that My teaching on forgiveness was predicated upon mistakes that I, Myself, Jehovah God made, is far beyond the concept of every believer. So be prepared for much old wine static on this one.

The reason all of My prodigals<sup>11</sup> are so precious to Me is because they – all of them – are the result of My failure. Now that puts an entirely different light on all of the judgments doesn't it? My precious son, all of My judgments must be done in the light of My past failures. The judgment with which I judge others must be a measure of Myself first; then others second.

That is why Jesus was sent on the scene to judge or to introduce mercy. *Forgiveness with compassion was*

<sup>9</sup>This is also the way Jesus was created and why He was also perfect. The reason why He did not fail, as others before Him failed, is because He was trained to pass the six tests as outlined in Jim Ash Letter No. 117.

<sup>10</sup>Realize what this means. Lucifer, prior to his fall, **WAS LIKE JEHOVAH GOD.**

<sup>11</sup>God's definition of a prodigal is one who has been deceived by the enemy. Eve was the first prodigal.

designed because of My own failures.

**Word received on Wednesday, December 8, 2010**

My son, confession of a fault to another endears each party to the other because We all live in a fallen world. But confession by Jehovah God to one of His children, endears each to the other as in no other way.

Yes, My son, having twelve private confessors to whom I may bare My soul is therapy I have needed for many millennia. That is special to Me because the special twelve will give that same message to every tribe and every tongue of the earth.

This means that twelve men to whom I have revealed Myself without the frills, who still love Me, to the ultimate, so as to be drawn to Me in love to give My message to the world, blesses Me more than you can understand.

You see, when I confess My faults, My mistakes, to one of My children whom I formed in the womb, I, Jehovah God, become vulnerable.<sup>12</sup> I, Myself, risk rejection.

Then when your training is sufficient so that you have passed My six tests,<sup>13</sup> I know your love for Me has passed the point of no return and will meet the ultimate test of love: the confession of faults of endearment. Then is when the marriage passes the ultimate test.

And remember, all of this was brought about, all of this was made possible, by the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus. The only way one may even begin to understand what He did for mankind is for his earthly cloak to be removed. Even at that time in the spirit, the accomplishments of Jesus are still too awesome to comprehend. Only eternity will reveal the true extent of His accomplishments for His Father, for the world and for mankind.

You see, My son, the vapor<sup>14</sup> of life is a school room in a fallen world in which one determines his own destiny for eternity. As one is able to grasp this and

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<sup>12</sup>Vulnerable means “at risk.” When God confesses His faults, His mistakes to one of His children that He formed in the womb, He, Jehovah God, is at risk, or at the mercy, of one of His children. This is a side of God that none may see until that one has spent years listening to rhema words from the mouth of God. When that has occurred for a sufficiency of time according to His standard, your love for Him will grow to the point that the confession of His faults to you will endear Him to you and will also endear you to him in unfathomable love. And this is the result of God’s love.

<sup>13</sup>For the six tests, see Jim Ash letter No. 117.

<sup>14</sup>Life is but a vapor that remains for a little time and then vanishes away. (James 5:14).

understand that only a little more than nine years remain in which to determine his destiny for eternity, he may begin to redeem the time.

To redeem the time means that one may use or spend time seeking Me and My will for his life. When that choice is made, life begins afresh and anew again.

And that, My son, is your job to teach My people. You are now My teacher because you enjoy sharing what I have taught you. That has always been your nature – to share with or to teach others what you know or have learned.

Now, My son, is your greatest opportunity to do just that for Me as none other has previously had. You, as My teacher, will be able to impart Me to others as no one has yet been able to do.

That is special to Me **AND** to you. I want you to enjoy doing that for Me.

**My son, My son, realize that I, Jehovah God, am free – I have been set free for the first time, since in My fierce anger, I destroyed Earth One.**

My son, I am now free to enjoy My existence, both now and in the future, as never before. Remember, Jesus is the key to all of My blessings as the Father. **The Son, My son, has set Me, Jehovah God, free.**<sup>15</sup>

The significance of My freedom, granted to Me by My Son’s sacrifice, may only be comprehended after your earthly cloak is shed. He is the reason I am free. He is the reason you are free and He is the only reason anyone or everyone may be set free in a fallen world.

That is only the beginning of how much My only begotten Son means to Me, to the world and to mankind.

**That, My son, is your responsibility to teach My people, My precious prodigals, My church and a fallen world.**

Enjoy that, for I will be in you doing just that. The two of Us will make a mighty Duo against the enemy of God and of mankind.

My son, you are now in a position to rob the robber of **EVERYTHING** he has stolen, killed and destroyed.

Please believe this. You are honored above most. You are revered by many in the unseen, all of which has been made possible by the Lord Jesus.

While He (Jesus) has acted under My (the Father’s) authority, He is the One to whom you owe

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<sup>15</sup>This is new. The fact that Jesus set the Father free from the grip of the enemy is new revelation. That revelation is repeated four times in this prophetic word.

every blessing that may befall you forever.

**Yes, My son, Jesus set Me (Jehovah God) free.**

The special twelve will confirm that to the world in the greatest harvest of souls ever to occur on planet earth that lies just ahead.

Just be patient with Me. Your time is at hand as I have said to you.

My son, I am not dependant upon electronic technology to get My message out. My super twelve will do that. Electronic technology will only facilitate that. The means I will utilize, through the super twelve, will surpass all electronic technology knowledge in existence, for I am even in control of that.

Whom the Son sets free is free indeed<sup>16</sup> now means more to you than it did previously, doesn't it?

And yes, you exist, live, move and have your being in Him and in His accomplishments. To Him, therefore, is due all the glory, honor and praise for every blessing of mankind and the world.

But remember, through all of this, I, the Lord Jesus, will be secretly infused within you to guide and direct all of your activities. That will enable you to enjoy Our being together to the full.

**The Son set His Father and the super twelve free and the super twelve will confirm that to every tribe and every tongue.**

(end of prophetic rhema word)

Because of the failure of Lucifer, God had to destroy Earth One in His fierce anger. Even though a fallen Lucifer caused the failure, the result was the same as though God did it intentionally. God, therefore, needed a private confessor to set Him free of the grief and free from Satan's grip. Jesus first served that purpose and therefore set the Father free for the first time since the destruction of Earth One. The Son, therefore, did for the Father, something the Father could not do for Himself. For this reason and in this particular case, the name of Christ Jesus is above all names, including the name of the Father.

Only eternity will reveal the total blessings accessible through the Lord Jesus. To both the Father and the Son be praise, glory and honor forever. Amen.

#### **By way of brief explanation and admonition**

For years I have been writing about the Listening

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<sup>16</sup>See John 8:36. This is new revelation again. The fact that the Father is included in this statement of Jesus is a most unusual revelation for these last few years before the rapture.

Method of spiritual maturity compared with the almost two thousand year-old Pentecost Method. Both are valid. The Pentecost Method is foundational for the Listening Method. But the Listening Method is one of the **NEW** things prophesied in Isaiah 42:9.

The Listening Method is *new* for this last generation on the earth prior to the rapture of the church.

Some of you who read My letters who faithfully walk in the Pentecost Method have said or thought something like, "So what's the big deal? For years I have heard the voice of the Lord." One who so thinks and so speaks has not seen the blessing of the Listening Method.

Please listen. Those in the Pentecost Method do not get prophetic rhema words like those in this letter. They are given only to those who set aside time daily to listen, receive and record His rhema words. You have that capability.

Jesus warned about a time, an end-time, when even the elect could be deceived. Here are His words: "For false Christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. See I have told you beforehand."<sup>17</sup>

The Lord has warned me that those who refuse to learn to hear his voice daily will be the ones most likely to be deceived by the enemy as Jesus prophesied. That is only one blessing of learning to hear His voice daily. Those who walk in the Pentecost Method will be the ones most likely to be deceived.

I have told you.

When you set aside time daily to learn to listen to His voice, it will change your life and make you more useful to the Lord in these closing end-time years of the church age. Additionally, you will be more able to participate in the abundant end-time harvest that lies just ahead.

You won't want to miss that!

In the Name above all names

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

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<sup>17</sup>Matthew 24:24, 25; Mark 13:22.