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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 works of John 14:12 in this rapture generation

Introduction

By way of explanation, the “concepts” or “segments” from which this letter was written, or expanded to conclusion, were given to me at four different times on March 19, 2016: in the morning, again at 1:15 PM, at 1:55 PM and at 2:05 PM. From these four *concepts* or *segments*, I have prepared this letter. This is only one reason why learning to listen to the voice of God (thoughts are the language of the Spirit and of the spirit) is the most important thing the new God Incarnate apostles will teach. Should you desire that blessing, with practice, I believe you have that ability. **A number of the details in this letter are “new territory,” but fully supported by scripture.** “Connecting the dots” to write this letter has been an interesting, unique experience for me.

This is a “timely” letter, since God has confirmed to me that we are living in the last few years of this **RAPTURE GENERATION**. This means many believers living today will not die, but will be “caught up together with them (the ‘dead in Christ’ who will rise first) in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.”¹ To my knowledge, some of the details of the *Rapture* contained in this letter have never before been written or published.

They are not my ideas. They have been obtained from rhema words God has given to me at several times from which I have “pieced together” the details that follow.

Join me in this exciting adventure, never before written or published, all of which has originated from rhema words from the mouth of God.

I have ignored the separation of each of the four *segments* on *The Rapture* so that this letter will have uninterrupted continuity. If you will read the footnotes of this letter concurrently with the text reference, you will get a better understanding of the content of this letter, which is true of all of my letters, since I use footnotes unlike any other writer.

My Disclaimer

I, therefore, commend this letter to you in the name of our Lord, whose self sacrifice on the cross, whose death and whose resurrection made this letter possible. Otherwise, it would not have been written. I, therefore, am only His “middle man” doing what He tells me to do, that others may benefit therefrom. The door He opened to God at His resurrection, through which all of us who believe in Him may enter, made possible everything I write. Should anything written in this letter offend you, it was not intended; charge that to me. Therefore, if this writing is of benefit to you, He, and He alone, is solely responsible. Therefore, to Him be all praise, glory and honor forever. What an honor is to serve Him. Amen.

THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH **An Understandable Explanation**

Basic Rapture scriptures used in this letter:

1 Thessalonians 4:

13 But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope,

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.

15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep.

16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

¹See 1 Thessalonians 4:17.

1 Corinthians 15:

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed –

52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality,

54 So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: *“Death is swallowed up in victory.”*

2 Corinthians 5:

8 We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

An expository rhema explanation of these scriptures:

You now know what it means when I call someone home to Me. That is not as easy as it might seem to you.

First, the war in the heavenlies, that began with Adam’s sin, is still raging. And, as you know, I am short-handed. This means I must utilize My spiritual forces very efficiently.

Then there is the riot in the heavenlies that began when Our common foe learned of the twelve God Incarnate apostles who will be released, or unleashed against him at twelve select points of the world.

I have been dealing with that riot for several weeks, so that **NOW** I am beginning to see signs of a quell in this fierce battle in preparation to release you. But, as you know, I have My hands full since this involves all of My spiritual warfare activities world wide 24/7.

So patience with Me, My son.

We are almost there.

You need have no concern.

But you now know how the Christian’s soul

and spirit, which together are the real person, leaves the physical body on the earth at death, and comes home to Me in the third heaven. On the way up, escorted by angels, they are filled with the Godhead bodily to remain that way until the Rapture. That “filling” is not an unexpected, major shock or adjustment. Instead, as God has revealed to me, “it will simply be like trying on a new coat that will be ‘just a fit.’” He also said, “That transition will be effortless and ‘seamless’ and will require only a short minor ‘adjustment’” to become used to the promotion. While living on the earth, until death, the body of man is temporary housing for the spirit and soul, that is configured as the physical body.

Believers who are alive on the earth at the Rapture, on the way up, will be given a new, perfect, youthful, bloodless, Godhead-filled body, like the resurrected bloodless, perfect, Godhead-filled body Jesus had when He was resurrected from the tomb, after three days in the heart of the earth.

Believers raptured from the earth, therefore, will thereafter be guided and directed in all they do by the Godhead within them, whose life will no longer be in their blood, but in the Godhead within them. In essence, **the eternal life of God** within them, becomes a replacement for **their temporary life**, formerly in their blood, or expressed more concisely: Blood-life is temporary; God-life is permanent until we get to the New Jerusalem, where God Incarnate man will have blood-life eternally, as it was originally in the Earth One world.

An example of this “*internal GPS*” guidance system, Believers who are raptured from the earth will experience, may be seen in the visible ministry of Jesus (See Jim Ash letter No. 93 at my Website: www.jimash3.com).

At the Rapture, the soul and spirit (the real person) of the Godhead-filled Believers now in the third heaven, will supernaturally return to earth to put on their new, resurrected, bloodless, perfect body, just as the soul and spirit of Jesus, together with the Godhead bodily, returned to the tomb to put on, or to enter into His dead body, then made new, perfect, Godhead-filled and bloodless, at His resurrection.

In this manner, both the resurrected Jesus and the resurrected Church become, in one sense, as “*angels*,” that is, bodies without blood within whom

dwells the soul and spirit of the individual and the fullness of the Godhead bodily (to replace fallen Lucifer and his staff of fallen angels), to rule the world beginning at the Millennium. They then will exist “in eternity,” but will live “in time” with a permanent, youthful, perfect, bloodless, body, no longer subject to physical laws. Hallelujah!

Thereafter, they will live above the physical problems of the world such as ageing, illness, debilitating diseases, or death, all of which are caused by the Adamic sin curse and sin nature. And an important thing about all of this is, it will have been accomplished while living in a world ruled by Satan.² This is the partial will of God for man, that is, to be completely delivered from the clutches or the influence of fallen Lucifer.

As their Godhead-filled soul and spirit enter their newly-formed body, they will experience their “*resurrection*” like Jesus experienced His resurrection, as His soul and spirit, united with the Godhead bodily, re-entered His dead body after spending three days in the heart of the earth.

The reason scripture states that when we see Him, we will be like Him, is because we will have experienced the same resurrection that He experienced – it’s just that simple in principle.

The apostle Paul, and other Christians who have “fallen asleep in the Lord,” are now in the third heaven, in one sense, as “dead persons,” (since their body died while on the earth and was left there), whose Godhead filled soul and spirit at the Rapture, will descend to the earth where God will re-form their new bloodless body from the dust of the ground as He formed Adam on Earth two. This fully fits scripture, since, over time, the dead body deteriorates and returns to dust from which it came. For this reason, whether a body was buried yesterday or 1900 years ago, or disintegrated over time, or evaporated in a nuclear explosion, or destroyed in a violent plane crash, or cremated soon after death, or sealed in a mausoleum crypt, makes no difference whatsoever to God, since He will re-form each body from the dust of the ground as He formed Adam as recorded in this

²For proof from the mouth of Jesus that Satan rules the world today, see John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11.

verse from Genesis chapter 2:

7 And the Lord God formed man (*Adam*) from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

The only difference is that the resurrected bodies they receive will be bloodless (like the body of Jesus at His resurrection), wherein their life is in God within them, whereas, the life of Adam was in his blood. In this manner will “the dead in Christ” rise first at the Rapture, confirming the apostle Paul’s writing in 1 Thessalonians, chapter 4:

16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ (*those whose soul and spirit are in the third heaven*) will rise first.

If you can’t wrap your mind around this, or if it seems to you to be too much for God to handle, or if this seems to be a “stretch” for your imagination, consider this: Scripture declares that God forms each of us in the womb of woman (See Jeremiah 1:5; Job 31:15). Beginning with Adam, one estimate of the number of humans born on the earth to today, is eighty billion (80,000,000,000).³ If He can do that, in the womb of woman, He, as Jehovah God, can reform a much lesser number from the dust of the ground, perfect, youthful, bloodless, eternal bodies for Christians transferred, or I believe *translated*, from the third heaven to earth at the Rapture. Nothing is too hard for our omnipresent, omnipotent, omniscient God. To know Him personally is such a great blessing.

The apostle Paul, compared with Jesus, for example, made a distinction between **entering** the kingdom of God or the Kingdom of heaven, and in

³Discounting the “scientific approach,” of the number of humans born on the earth from the beginning of time, estimates of the number of humans who have lived on the earth since Adam (approximately 6000 years) vary from sixty-nine billion to one hundred ten billion (69,000,000,000 to 110,000,000,000). I have taken an approximate average between these two figures, i.e., 80,000,000,000.

inheriting the kingdom of God (*or the kingdom of heaven*), which Paul mentions four times in his writing. "*Inheritance*" implies death, whereas "*enter*" or "*entering*," as Jesus used the terms, implies *life*. For example, Jesus said, "The kingdom is within you," which implies an occurrence while alive, while the word "inherit" implies an occurrence at or after death.

Yes, flesh and blood shall not inherit the kingdom of God,⁴ as Paul wrote. Said another way, a flesh and blood body shall not enter the third heaven, since the *body* is left behind on the earth. Man must therefore, either die, or be raptured, to shed his flesh and blood body. That body, which exists "in time," will be exchanged at the Rapture, for a God Incarnate body, whose life is no longer in the blood "in time," but a body that exists in eternity exactly like Jesus now has, wherein God dwells in His fullness thereof. That *Indwelling* will become his life in eternity. That indwelt body will return to earth with Jesus to govern the world during the Millennium.

Thus, shall we (the Church) always be with the Lord⁵ to replace the fallen angels, as fallen Lucifer will be replaced by the Lord Jesus Himself.

The apostle John's writing tells us that we shall see Him (Jesus) as He is, for we shall be like Him (1 John 3:2), whose blood was placed on the altar in the third heaven immediately after His resurrection (Heb. 9:12). He, therefore, was no longer flesh and blood, but a God Incarnate body of flesh and bones, confirmed with these words from Luke chapter 24:

36 Now as they (*the disciples*) said these things, (*the resurrected*) Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them, and said to them, "Peace to you."

37 But they were terrified and frightened, and supposed they had seen a spirit.

38 And He said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do doubts arise in your hearts?"

39 "Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I

⁴See 1 Corinthians 15:50-54.

⁵See 1 Thessalonians 4:17(b).

Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have *flesh and bones* as you see I have."

Lucifer, the archangel, and his staff of angels created to rule the original Earth One world, were not flesh and blood, for angels neither have a fleshly body nor blood. On the other hand, the Lord Jesus and the redeemed Church, are created to rule the earth **WITH FLESH AND BONES BODIES**, not with flesh and blood bodies. For this reason, Jesus and the raptured Church will be both like and unlike Lucifer and his staff of angels. We will be like Lucifer, in that we will be filled with the fullness of the Godhead bodily. We will be unlike Lucifer and his staff of angels, since we will have bodies of flesh and bones, compared with their spirit bodies.⁶

Now about the antichrist:

During the latter part of the Tribulation, "the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held," (Rev. 6:9), "cry out with a loud voice saying, 'How long O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?'" (Rev. 6:10). "Then a white robe was given to each of them and was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren who would be killed as they were, was completed." (Rev. 6:11)

The way they were killed is described in Revelation, chapter 20:

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those **who had been beheaded** for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a

⁶There are many prophesies on the Rapture hidden in the Psalms, in the Prophets and in the New Testament, but here are several scriptures on the Rapture, grouped together for your convenience, should you desire to read them yourself. From these scriptures you may obtain proof of the Rapture about which I have written in detail in this letter: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-10; 1 Corinthians 15:47-54; 1 John 3:2.

thousand years.

It appears to this writer that these verses from Revelation chapters 6 and 20, clearly point out that “the antichrist” or “the beast” will have his origin in Islam, whose mandate from their “Allah” or their “false god” of the Koran (Quran) is to make the world subject to the Islamic religion during the Tribulation. Decapitation has recently been clearly demonstrated to the world to be the method of “capital punishment” of “infidels” by followers of Islam who believe and follow the teaching of the Koran.

I believe “that person” is alive today awaiting his moment in time to literally become an influential world leader (perhaps originating through the United Nations?) who will become “the antichrist” or “the beast” of the seven year Tribulation after “the Church” has been raptured up to the third heaven, which is The New-Jerusalem-in-waiting (See Revelation chapter 21).

To those who may have their doubts about the proposed violence of Islam, the Koran (Quran) contains more than 100 verses that call Muslims to war with non-believers for the sake of Islamic rule. Some are quite graphic with commands to chop off heads and fingers and kill infidels (*non-believers in Islam*) wherever they are hiding. Muslims who do not join the fight are called “hypocrites” and warned that Allah will send them to hell if they do not join the slaughter.

Here are a few of these verses of violence from the Koran:

2:191-193; 2:244; 2:216; 3:56; 3:151; 4:74; 4:89; 4:95; 4:104; 5:33; 8:12; 8:15; 8:37; 8:57; 8:67; 8:59, 60; 8:65; 9:5; 9:14; 9:20; 9:29; 9:30; 9:38, 39; 9:41; 9:73; 9:88; 9:111; 9:123; 17:16; 18:65-81; 21:44.

The purpose of Jesus and the Church is to replace Lucifer and his staff of angels, who fell, to rule the world during the Millennium, as Lucifer once ruled the Earth One world. This is something Lucifer did not believe God could do, (which fostered his rebellion against God), because it would necessitate that God create duplicate rulers of the world, which His original immutably spoken words of creation would prohibit. Otherwise, His originally-spoken words of creation of the Earth One world would not

have been truth.

To replace fallen man from man who fell has taken about 6000 years of God’s “patient time,” beginning with Adam’s sin, to correct the mistake in giving Lucifer authority to rule the world.

Our “life insurance” against the coming seven-year Tribulation is knowing Jesus as Savior and Lord of our life with at least two exceptions that I know of:

(1) There are certain Believers God has predestined, or chosen to remain on the earth **AFTER THE RAPTURE** during the seven-year Tribulation, (to successfully challenge the “antichrist” or the “beast”), who will be protected from his wrath by our God. I believe they will become God Incarnate under the teaching of one of the twelve special apostles soon to be released. They then will have no fear of the *antichrist* because of the Godhead within them, which is why and how they may successfully challenge him. I personally know of three men who have been told by the Lord that they will be among those chosen by Him to remain on the earth at the Rapture, and

(2) The 144,000 Jews, 12,000 from each of the twelve tribes, as evangelists who will be sealed by God and protected from the wrath of the *antichrist* (See Revelation chapter 7).

As sure as you read these words, the Rapture is real, and by prophetic proclamation from the mouth of God, I have been told that we are **NOW** living in the few remaining years of this **RAPTURE GENERATION**. That, of course, is a part of the Gospel, which means “good news.”

As far as the definite time the Rapture will occur compared to the seven-year Tribulation, I will leave that to others. Much has been written on this subject.

Since I have learned to listen to God, He has never debated with me on the exact timing of the Rapture. He simply has confirmed to Me, in His rhema words, that the Rapture, about which I have written in this letter, will occur immediately preceding the seven-year Tribulation. That settles it for me.

A GLIMPSE OF THE NEW JERUSALEM A Synoptic Overview

The judgment seat of Christ will occur soon after the Rapture. As Jesus sits on His stately-looking

judgment seat, He will call to the front the two members of God's New First Family.

As they walk together from the left side of the judgment seat, the husband whispers to his wife, "Let's lay our gold crowns at the feet of Jesus." His wife whispers to him, "Yes."

Then as they arrive at the front of the judgment seat, they turn side by side to face Jesus on their knees, take their gold crowns off and lay them at the feet of Jesus while bowing prostrate before Him.

Jesus then takes each one by the hand, lifts them up to a standing position and places each gold crown back on each head and beckons them to sit at His side, one on the left, the other on the right. There they remain until the judgment seat of Christ is concluded.

Both will be at the side of Jesus for each judgment to confirm or to affirm each judgment pronounced by Jesus. Each judgment stated, whether of a reward gained or a reward lost, Jesus will be uttering the righteous judgment of the Father because they are of one accord.

The reason both members of God's New First Family will be beside Jesus is because Jesus will be judging men and women who have had the responsibility of establishing and maintaining a home, the responsibility of marriage, of having and rearing children in the real world ruled by Satan while Jesus, as a celibate man, had **NEVER** experienced any of these responsibilities.

For these reasons, the husband and the wife of God's New First Family will be of "comfort support" to Jesus on **EACH JUDGMENT**.

Later, at the judgment seat of Christ, both members of God's New First Family, in a ceremony overseen and directed by Jesus, will be enshrined into the Godhead, just as Jesus was added to the Godhead after He was resurrected and placed His own blood on the altar in the third heaven and sat down at the right hand of the Father.

The remainder of the seven-year period of time the Church is in the third heaven, will be spent in training for their return to earth with Christ to rule the world during the Millennium.

When the last Believer on the earth is beheaded by the antichrist, that will give Jesus the correct number of "angels" to rule the world under

His authority. This will also give Him the authority to send an angel with a large chain to bind Satan and cast him into the bottomless pit for the thousand years of the Millennium (Rev. 20:1-3).

Then Christ and His Church will triumphantly return to earth, when He will slay with the breath of His mouth massive armies marching against tiny Israel (See 2 Thes. 2:7-12).

After the bodies and the remaining bones are buried and the battle field is cleaned up, ruling the world from Jerusalem by Christ will assume full sway.

Everyone who enters the Millennium will be saved. But there will be children born during the Millennium, who, like their parents, as they grow and mature, will be led to accept Jesus as Savior and Lord. That will be easy to do since Jesus, who will literally be visible during the Millennium, will reign over the earth. This will continue throughout the Millennium, when, at the end, Satan will be released "for a little while."

His release is to test the validity of Believers who have been born during the Millennium, that is, whether or not from the heart they were born again into the kingdom, and have an intimate, personal spiritual relationship with the Lord Jesus.

In that regard, there are, in one sense, two categories of "Christians:" Confessing Christians and professing Christians. Confessing Christians are those who confess with their mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in their heart God raised Him from the dead (Romans 10:9, 10), to be born-again into the kingdom.

Professing Christians are "professionals" who may intellectually know facts about the Bible and about Jesus, but to the "professional level" only, who **NEVER** get to the "confessing level" so as to believe in their heart and confess with their mouth Jesus as Lord, in order to be born again into the kingdom of God and experience that personal intimate relationship with a risen Lord.

To such "professionals," going to Church, singing in the choir or teaching a class, or doing certain other "Church work," for example, is the essence of their Christianity.

Those who attend such "Christian Denominations" may hear a "Bible message," but

may **NEVER** hear an invitation at the end of a sermon to clear or cleanse the dross from their heart. God spoke to me one day and said, “At a Church service when the Gospel is preached, and an ‘invitation’ is not given at the close of the message, that is a crime against the Church.” Getting saved or “getting right with God” is the sole purpose of the Gospel.

When God directed me to visit all the different Churches in the Dallas area, for nineteen consecutive Sundays, Dale and I visited a different kind of Church, to include the Orthodox and Catholic Churches, the main-line denominations, as well as the lesser known denominations, to include the Independent Churches, the non-denominational Churches and the Inter-denominational Churches.⁷

After attending a “Bible Church” in the Dallas area, we heard a good sermon from a Pastor, trained at a Seminary, who finished his sermon, closed his notes and sat down. I later called him and asked why he did not extend an invitation after his excellent sermon. His response was that invitations were not given in the Church until a certain date (which I do not recall) in the distant past.

Like the notes he closed after his sermon, his mind was closed by his advanced seminary degree.

When the “testing” of those born during the Millennium is finished, the Great White Throne Judgment will follow. At that Great Judgment, Three will be seated: Christ in the Judgment Seat and two beside Him to confirm or to affirm His words of righteous Judgment.

And the devil will be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever (Rev. 20:10).

Then all the dead who had not been resurrected are brought before the Judgment Seat and judged according to their works written in the books kept on everyone.

⁷Since the Orthodox, Catholic and most all other “Churches,” Denominational or otherwise, regardless of their names or intentions, have “split” more than once, it would be literally impossible to visit all of the “splintered groups” who identify themselves as a “Church.” What we did was to visit a Church with a different name for nineteen consecutive Sundays.

Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire which is called the second death (*meaning the death or the cessation of death for those on the earth*, See Rev. 20:14), and anyone whose name was not found written in the Book of Life will be cast into the lake of fire (Rev. 20:14).

This concludes the Great White Throne Judgment and completes **EVERYTHING** God had planned to occur on the earth within the solar system.

Then there will be another mass evacuation or “rapture” from the earth. Everyone alive on the earth will then be evacuated, or “raptured” to the present third heaven, which is the New Jerusalem-in-waiting, in preparation for the fulfillment of the apostle Peter’s prophecy found in 2 Peter, chapter 3:

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

12 looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat?

13 Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

The mass destruction of the solar system, to include the sun, the moon, the stars, and everything God created beginning at Genesis 1:3, will occur because **THAT creation** was temporary, intended to fail. That failure was necessary because God knew man had to fail (sin), in order to raise up from man who fell, a replacement for fallen Lucifer (the Lord Jesus) and his staff of angels (the Church), to rule the world.

Since **THAT CREATION** was destined or intended to fail because of sin (*of Adam*), it was contaminated and had to be destroyed.

After that mass destruction, to include the complete obliteration of God’s creation that began with Genesis 1:3, what the imprisoned apostle John

saw, is recorded in his own words beginning in Revelation, chapter 21:

1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.

2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem,⁸ coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.⁹

3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

4 “And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.”

5 Then He who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.” And He said to me, “Write, for these words are true and faithful.”

6 And He said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.”

⁸The reason it is called the **New** Jerusalem is because it will literally become the **New Capitol City** of the “new earth” that exists today beyond our solar system, on which the third heaven is now situated. The present third heaven is the New Jerusalem-in-waiting. The New Jerusalem (or the present third heaven on which God’s throne is now located), will supplant, or take the place of the **Old Jerusalem, Israel**, from which the Lord Jesus will rule the present earth for the Millennium. It’s as simple as this: **The New will replace the Old.**

⁹The term, “a bride adorned for her husband,” is further evidence that the purpose of God Incarnate mankind is to first serve the needs of, and to content, satisfy and fulfill Jehovah God **as His wife**, while that will simultaneously content, satisfy and fulfill God’s “bride adorned for her Husband,” Who is Jehovah God, Himself. This again emphasizes that the purpose of the kingdom of God and the purpose of The New Jerusalem is contained in this one word: **MARRIAGE!** The “bride, adorned for her husband,” is **all mankind in the New Jerusalem who will be the God Incarnate bride of Jehovah God. Hallelujah and glory to the Lamb who was slain, for He made all of this possible!**

22 And I saw no Temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

Notice in verse one, there was “a new heaven and a new earth” because “the first heaven and the first earth had passed away.” “The first heaven and the first earth,” were obliterated – melted with fervent heat – as Peter reported in 2 Peter 2:10-13 quoted above on page 7 column 2 of this letter.

Here is another measure of God’s love for his people: The New Jerusalem is the final destiny of the saints of God of all ages.

Notice in the above eight verses from Revelation, chapter 21, there are seven important things about the New Jerusalem:

(1) The New Jerusalem is God’s new and final destination or “resting place,” for all mankind.

(2) God’s Throne will be in the New Jerusalem, because that is where it is today: in the present third heaven which is the New Jerusalem-in-waiting.

(3) In the New Jerusalem, the fullness of the Godhead bodily will indwell mankind forever, which means we shall all be God-Incarnate, just as Jesus was in His visible ministry.

(4) God Incarnate mankind in the New Jerusalem will be as mankind was originally in the Earth One world, for several thousand years before Lucifer failed.

(5) There will be no need for a Jewish Temple because God and the Lamb will be its Temple. The Jewish Temple was only a “temporary edifice” in a sinful world, for the High Priest to meet God once each year, portending the New Jerusalem. There, mankind, himself, will be God Incarnate as God’s wife, and where God’s Throne will be for all mankind (God’s wife) to behold without restraint, throughout eternity, all for His glory.

(6) There will be no need for a solar system to provide sun-light and moon-light, because: (a) the glory of God will illuminate it, and (b) “time” will not exist in the New Jerusalem, because it will exist forever in eternity.

(7) The Lamb will be its light.

In other words, in the New Jerusalem, God will have “come full-circle.” In the Earth One (or the pre-Adamic) world, mankind originally was God Incarnate, sinless and perfect (before the solar system was created), on which was located the Throne of God, whose omnipresent light was its illumination that cast no shadow.

Then Lucifer failed.

In the millennia that have passed since Lucifer’s failure, everything God has done, has been done, first, to restore Himself, and secondly, to restore mankind to his original God Incarnate status.

Therein is the measure of the love of Jehovah God, the Ancient of Days, the Alpha and the Omega.

The purpose of all of God’s activity in the many millennia since Lucifer’s failure, is to restore His marriage. That was the purpose of creating God Incarnate man and his God Incarnate wife, to become one flesh in marriage.

As the consummation of that marriage occurs, God, Himself, is fulfilled. When God told Adam that it was not good for man to live alone, hidden in that statement, was also God’s desire for Himself, meaning, it is also not good for God to live alone.

When a God Incarnate virgin man, becomes one flesh with his God Incarnate virgin wife, that one act, first, contents, satisfies and fulfills God, Himself, **as His wife**, while simultaneously, the consummation of that God Incarnate marriage, also contents, satisfies and fulfills the husband and the wife.

For that reason, the purpose of the kingdom of God and the purpose of The New Jerusalem may be stated in one word: **MARRIAGE**.

God’s New First Family, soon to emerge on the world scene, will portend the God Incarnate status of everyone in the New Jerusalem. Those two, after having prayed the nine-step prayer back to conception in their mother’s womb, were freed of the Adamic sin curse and sin nature, just as was Jesus when He emerged from the womb of Mary. Since the seed in Mary’s womb was fertilized by the Holy Spirit, instead of the sperm of man, Jesus avoided the Adamic sin curse and sin nature.

Those two also passed the same Six Measure Standard that Jesus passed before His baptism by John.

Those “two *acid* tests” equipped both

members of God’s New First Family to be filled with the fullness of the Godhead bodily and become God Incarnate immediately at God’s chosen time for their public release into ministry.

Mankind in the New Jerusalem will be like mankind in the original Earth One world. Everyone will be God Incarnate again, which means that God, Himself, will guide and direct their activities. Then, as a God Incarnate virgin man becomes of marriageable age, God will choose a young God Incarnate virgin woman and bring her to him.

Even though man failed, and threw away his God Incarnate status with Adam’s sin, that “practice” of choosing a bride for a young man of marriageable age carried over into Jewish tradition (see Genesis 24:3, 4; 38:6).

God created marriage of one man to one woman as husband and wife in the home, to establish that union as His eternal societal unit in the world.

The reason marriage is so important, is because GOD, HIMSELF, IS INCOMPLETE WITHOUT A WIFE!

Any desecration of that union is a sin against God, to include homosexuality and lesbianism, both of which are engineered by the enemy to distract one’s focus **from God to self**. That is why Jesus said, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny **himself**, and take up **his cross** daily, and follow Me.” This means there is also a cross for you and for me. Finding **that cross** is a great blessing.

That concept may neither be understood nor followed intellectually. It is contrary to the world view which exalts self. It may only be understood as it is revealed spiritually. Ask God for that blessing.

All Satan did was to distract Eve’s focus from God to self. For example, to what self could do, what self could experience, what gives pleasure to self, what is done to self, and almost ad infinitum.

Anything – everything – self may engage in, or indulge in, without the express approval or leading of the Lord, is of the enemy.

The best example of denial of self is Jesus on His cross. He set the example for you and for me. Therefore to Him be praise, glory, honor and thanksgiving forever. Amen.