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GOD'S REST



Hebrews 4:9 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. 10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his. 11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

We ought not to marvel at the strange things happening around us in this present world, because the Master has already declared that "in this world you will have nothing but tribulation, but only in me will you find peace and rest for your souls". Some this very day say that the world is getting worse, but if you are careful to look back into history, you will discover that the world has always been in this state. Crimes, murders, injustice, diseases, poverty, wars, natural disasters, depression etc have always been and will always be in this realm of existence we call the world. Noah and Lot are allegorical examples of those who discover the secret of life and escape the corruption that is in this world. If either of the two were to descend from the High spiritual mountain peak today, they will recognize that same lawlessness and imperfection that covered the face of the earth in their days. The world represents spiritual darkness; it is a dimension of existence which can in no way yield the peaceable and charitable fruits of God's Spirit no matter how we try as men. Research after research will not solve the problems, theories after theories will only lead to more and more theories, and neither can the innumerable religions along with their moral codes of conduct in anyway heal the rot that is in this world. This is what the preacher meant when He says, "*That which is crooked cannot be made straight: and that which is wanting cannot be numbered (Ecclesiastes 1:15).*"

There is a way out of this madness and rot though, a way that the wise of the age refrain from because it rubbishes the many towers of beliefs that man has erected unto Himself. This is the way that the love of God manifest through the appearing of His Son has consecrated for us today, a pathway to rest and delights which is hid from the wise of this age and revealed to babes.

Speaking out of the Christ consciousness, Jesus once said, "*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest*". With this statement, Jesus who speaks in the capacity of the Offspring of the living God has declared the only means by which a man can escape the horrors and tribulation associated with life in this present world. Escaping the tribulation in this world is not about dying physically or acquiring the goods of this world, but rather ascension into truth. The voice of the eternal Spirit is beckoning unto men who inhabit this present Dark Age to awake from the dead and come up hither, back into Christ consciousness where they can once more reign in the true abundant life of God.

Christ is the beginning of the creation of God, through whom all things were created and consists; in Him is the true eternal life of God which in reality is the true life of all men from the beginning. So He says. "Come unto me all of you who inhabit the realm of hell and death,

repent from the falsehood of your illusionary terrestrial life and ascend back into that true spiritual self who is one with the only true God for that is where you originated from.

Revelations 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works;

No matter how many million ways you might hear it, the center piece of all of it, is that all men with open faces should contemplate the mystery of the offspring of God, believe in it, and enter back into life by Him. The labor of every saint who has this sacred revelation is that He be found in Him, perfect without spot or guile for in Him dwells the fullness of God without measure.

1John 3:3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Purifying oneself is not about becoming a better mortal, neither has it got anything to do with being more religious, but rather it is more like loosening oneself from the falsehood of His individual earthly identity which subtly stands as a barrier between man and His portion in the Omniscient, Omnipresent and Omnipotent God. We purify and sanctify ourselves by recognizing the word of truth that is from the beginning, knowing it as our life and uniting with it, for therein lays the unlimited grace of God.

Psalms 85:10 Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed *each other*.

Realizing ourselves in and as the one and only offspring of God represents the rest of God and the end of the faith that the everlasting gospel from heaven freely gives to all men who hunger for truth. In this rest the many struggles of man ceases as he becomes once more aware that He is the ONE who lives forever and besides Him there is no other one. The running to and fro in search for solutions to the innumerable problems in the world ceases, and man becomes aware that He is the true Holy one who reigns on the throne of God and inherits all things forever.

Remember the prodigal son [**Luke 15:11-24**]? While in His dead insane state, living far away from His country of origin, he suffered the torments of a sense of lack and abandonment until He came back to his senses. The tribulation He suffered is a clear pointer to the realm of Hell and death where men live in the ignorance of the flesh, far away from the reality of their oneness with the eternal spirit of the living God. Paul

says that they walk in the vanity of their fleshy carnal minds and are therefore alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in their heart. Let no man be fooled by the appearances and glories of men in this present world because surely the famines will come, then man begins to suffer a sense of lack (insatiability), insecurity and tribulation in his soul.

How dare you forsake the fountains of living waters for the vain glories of mortal man. This is the folly of the men who inhabit this age; they stray away from their place in the Spirit in God for the vain glories of this world below only to discover at the end that they played the fool.

Jeremiah 17:11 *As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool.* **12** *A glorious high throne from the beginning is the place of our sanctuary.* **13** **O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters.**

When the prodigal son came back to His true self, which is one inseparable entity from His Father. He once more became aware that all the Father has is His for He is one indivisible entity from the Father; in this realization His struggles and tormenting fears seize. When man awakes from the illusion of His individual terrestrial identity He seizes trying to immortalize the mortal and to perfect the imperfect because He becomes aware of the fact that He is already immortal and perfect as the morning Star throughout all eternity. The struggle for the vain glories of this world as seen in the realm of the swine seizes, for man now rules and rests in the only glory that there is, the glory of the Father.

The prodigal son has to however ascend; He has to ascend into Christ consciousness, fulfilling the voice of the Spirit which says: *"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest"*. Along with remembrance and contemplation of the hidden mystery of the offspring of God is a need for the son to ascend by faith back into the everlasting arms of the eternal Father. The prodigal son doesn't just remember; He leaves all that He thought He had in the strange and foreign land and journeys a long way back to His own country, typifying the ascension. Herein lies the labor and the patience of the son, He must be prepared to leave all, even up to the His very flesh stained garments that He may obtain that which is true and celestial, never looking back again into the realm of the dead. He must not be discouraged along the way, by some outer condition in this present life, or by voices from the mortal mind that seek to dissuade Him; His face must be set as a flint

towards the everlasting dwellings of God, for it is the Father's good pleasure to give the son the kingdom, the glory and the power forever.

Luke 12:32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

This ascension into boundless glory and rest revealed through the parable of the prodigal Son represents the center piece of the gospel we hear today. The parables right from the book of Genesis chapter one unto the book of Revelations chapter twenty-two all speak of this great ascension and rest. Even beyond the books, nature and the things seen all speak of this great ascension and rest of God, therefore it must be our meditation and hope day and night.

GOD RESTED ON THE SEVENTH DAY?

From the creation accounts recorded in the ancient sacred texts, God labored for six days and entered into His rest on the seventh day.

Genesis 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. 2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

Many years later on, Paul admonishes the Hebrew brethren who share the same faith that they should labor to enter this same rest of God, following after the example of God who labored for six days and entered His rest on the seventh day. (Hebrews 4:9-11)

Meditating deeply on all of this, the creation account in Genesis chapter one depicts a scenario where God's world was in an absolutely desolate state. Imagine a scenario of absolute desolation after a nuclear attack or something like that. Genesis chapter one also reveals how God labors to rebuild it out of its desolate state, after which He rests on the seven day. Meditating further, one begins to wonder; something looks clumsy here. Why did God need to labor to enter into His rest? Is He not already rested eternally? It is understandable that a man encompassed with the many pains and sorrows of hell beneath will seek for rest for His soul, but what about God. Why did God have to labor to enter His rest? Did God ever suffer the torments that men suffer? Did he ever suffer tribulation and pain like men suffer? The one that needs to labor to enter His rest is the one that does not have rest. So if we are to read the creation account of Genesis literally it would seem to mean that God was perfecting something in Himself that wasn't perfect etc.

God is God, He represents the realm of rest, beauty and eternal life; He is the same yesterday today and forever and in Him there is no shadow of turning for he is pure light. So let us never think that the creation account that describes God laboring to enter the rest is something literal. Think of it, if the creation account is literal, it would mean God created the world and everything in it in six days comprising twenty-four hours each; after each day's work he had to rest, then the next day he went back to work, it's ridiculous. All these things are rather an allegorical reference to the eternal working of the eternal Spirit within fallen man to restore Him back to the impeccable glory of God.

Many are unaware that they are instances of the living God, meaning every man is a manifest expression of the invisible God. He is the ONE that manifests in different shades, colors, shapes, form etc. If we are unaware of this great mystery we in spiritual darkness, desolation and poverty and we die like mortal men.

Psalms 82:5 They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course. 6 I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High. 7 But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.

Christ has come as the light of the world to give understanding, so that we no longer walk in darkness (Spiritual ignorance) like this world does, unaware of our selves the way we are known from eternity. That understanding simply restores us back into the sacred realization that we are that offspring of God who only inhabits eternity, the Almighty One.

Revelation 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

This sacred knowledge and awareness brings comfort, assurance and rest; it is our rest forever.

Look at the stars in the heavens; they all appear at different locations, they have different sizes and diverse burning intensities yet they are all instances of the light. Look at the rays of the sun that reach nations spread all over the world at the same time; in some place they might be more intense yet they are simply a manifestation of the same one Sun.

That Spirit within man is what we call Christ within; it is an instance of the living God; this represents the true life of all men. Mortal man who in reality is in a deep state of sleep spiritually classified as death, is absent

from reality of the life of God embedded within Himself. This is the eternal life we are called to lay a hold on. The whole idea is to bring man back into alignment with the inner man, which we call the Spirit; this is the only way to eternal rest and glory.

When Paul says we should labor to enter the rest of God the way God labored to enter His, it is obvious that He realized that the account of the creation in the book of Genesis chapter one, which depicts God laboring to enter His rest is an allegory of you and I. When man awakens from the illusion of His limited and inglorious terrestrial life, His labor is to lift Himself out of that human material state in which he lived back into His glory in light from the beginning. This is the message being preached in symbols from Genesis chapter one.

The old sacred texts as seen in the book of Genesis were written before hand so that they can serve as spiritual guidance for the sons of God as they ascend back into their glorious eternal realm in God, where they can find true rest for their souls. It is like a map or puzzle leading us back into the dimension of all possibilities. The unsealing of the mysteries sealed within these sacred texts brings light to the darkened hearts of men as they seek to relocate their lost glory.

Proverbs 25:2 *It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.*

Today like the Spirit has revealed to us, the immeasurable glory of God is concealed within every man, but he must seek it out with all His heart and soul; in so doing surely he will find it. He will find it as He listens to the eternal Spirit speaking through these allegorical presentations be it in the sacred texts or in things seen and experienced.

WHY ALLEGORIES

A pastor friend once invited me to give a sermon in His church, after which He scolded me openly in front of his congregation, wondering aloud on why these things are always expressed as allegories. His question to me was, "why doesn't God just say it the way it is". My answer is how can you express things of God's spiritual invisible realm to men who have been groomed in a purely material realm. Jesus once told a highly religious man by the name Nicodemus: "If you being a religious leader groomed in a purely human institution can't comprehend earthly things, how can you comprehend heavenly things".

Nicodemus represents the crèam de la crèam of the intellect of this world. These are the same ones Paul calls the principalities and the powers which govern the religious realm of men. PhD's, Doctorate degrees in theology, pastoral trainings etc, can never give insight and understanding into the deep things of God and His eternal Spirit. It is only inspiration from the Spirit that can unveil the invisible things of God to Man so that He can partake of the same.

We hear in parables here and there, and like a jigsaw puzzle, pieces are put together, and eventually we get a clear picture of the whole. If most men would hear things directly from the Spirit undiluted, at times it can be very unbearable, and seemingly unlawful and awkward in the ears of the men who inhabit the lower places of the earth called the world. Paul once said He was caught up into the Paradise of God also known as the third heavens, where He clearly heard things that are extremely unlawful for mortal men to utter. In reality He heard things that pertains to God's invisible eternal realm which contradict the orderly arrangement and exalted concepts of men of these present age. However no matter how unlawful and out of place these spiritual truths might sound in the ears of men of this present age, these same things that Paul heard must eventually be received by all. They might initially come as baffling mysteries, but eventually they will become eternal life to those who receive them.

THE WHOLE PICTURE

Bear in mind as we read on that there is only One, and this One fills all in all. There is nothing like Christ somewhere and God elsewhere, for they are one inseparable entity. Somebody may ask: Then why did Jesus always refer to a Father in heaven while he prayed? The answer is simple; He too had to ascend and transcend the terrestrial life he inherited by virtue of his birth into this material world. He had the revelation that he was one with the Father, but he too had to labor to overcome His human life which says the contrary. The human mind which is actually the control center of the devil seeks to convince us that we are independent entities from God's Spirit; herein lays the root of annihilation from the bountiful life of God.

In the same breath we must be aware of the fact that there isn't anything as we Here and Christ elsewhere. We have always been Christ the offspring of God. Never let the outer inglorious form and appearance of man deceive you into thinking that He is anything less than what Christ is. Ignorance of this mystery represents abysmal darkness and

death. Herein lies the reason why men suffer the things that they suffer, they are unaware of who they truly are. The god of this material age working through the carnal mind has blinded the eyes of mortal man so that He becomes absent from the reality of His true boundless celestial self who is eternally one with God. If I awaken to the reality of Christ in me, then I consciously realize I am one with God. In this sacred consciousness who and what can be against me? Absolutely nothing, for I rule over all and I live forever.

For this reason, the prayer of Christ is that we awaken to this great mystery, knowing that we are in Him who is one with God the Father; this is the salvation that the gospel has unveiled for us. God is the One that fills is all in all and in Him there is no hell or death. The son however must loosen Himself from the intriguing web of humanity and rediscover Himself in this One who spans eternity. This is His rest forever, for God's rest is found only in the exalted unchanging realm of the living One.

The prayer of Jesus for those who are being gathered unto Him and the world at large is, because when the world sees it, it becomes converted unto the truth:

John 17:21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

He is not praying for castles in the skies, neither is He praying for a physical lifting up into the sky, but rather that we are gathered spiritually from the many nations, tribes, and tongues (beliefs) of this carnal age back into the One that fills all in all. It is an awaking from the illusion of our individual independent lives in the flesh back into the One, in whom dwells the fullness of the living God. To be fitted into the Whole, the son must rediscover Himself, and then he will see true rest and delights. Like I said, it is like gradually putting the pieces of a puzzle together to finally get the whole picture.

EDEN, AN ALLEGORICAL PRESENTATION GOD'S REST

As we dig into scriptures from Genesis, let us bear in mind that these are extracts from the many sided wisdom of God, meaning that they do not necessarily go to forth to contradict what other brethren have written or preached. Just like light which reveals many colors at the same time when viewed from different angles and wavelengths, the word of God is never bound to one literal translation, though they all eventually reveal

the light. These early chapters in the book of Genesis reveal's the whole mystery of God in one breath, things like our oneness in God and eternal spiritual marriage, the mystery of iniquity and death, the new Jerusalem etc, but in this message we are focusing solely on hidden secrets of God's rest.

Adam in the Garden of Eden represents the finished work of God; it is an allegorical view of the rest of God, or you can call it God in His rest. This rest is a realm or state of being that is purely incorporeal (Spiritual), for that which is God is pure Spirit. The Man we see ruling and reigning in the garden is not a mortal man with some natural birth after the flesh, but rather it represents a purely celestial personality without genetic attachment to the natural dimension. This is a presentation of the living one whom we fondly call Christ who is the true God and eternal life. In Eden there is no such thing as Adam and God, there is only God. All that exists in that realm is a fellowship light hid in the invisible God which no mortal man of this age can partake of, because in that realm there is no such thing as a mortal man; it is God's realm, the real world.

The false idea of a separate God without came alive when Adam slipped into the realm of death. Adam descended into material consciousness, the realm of mortal man where the dead inhabit. It is the realm of the dead, because in reality there is no such thing as a mortal man; it is all an illusion which will be eventually disintegrated and dissolved with the fire of God's truth. To be dead is to be absent from all reality of truth and this is what happens when man carries on with the illusion that He has some form of life of His own after the flesh in a material world. Human life after the flesh represents ignorance and death, and this is very thing that has plunged men into many sorrows and pain. The state of man who is consciously unaware of His being in God is likened to desolation and death. To enter into true life and rest, the labor of God is to bring forth a celestial creature from the desolate ruins of our terrestrial life.

The early part of Genesis chapter two summarizes the creation of the heavens and the earth as seen in Genesis chapter one.

Genesis 2:4 And that is how the universe was created. When the LORD God made the universe, 5 there were no plants on the earth and no seeds had sprouted, because he had not sent any rain, and there was no one to cultivate the land; but water would come up from beneath the surface and water the ground. 7 Then the LORD God took some soil from the ground and formed a man out of it; he breathed life-giving breath into his nostrils and the man began to live. 8 Then the LORD God planted a garden in

**Eden, in the East, and there he put the man he had formed.
(GOOD NEWS BIBLE)**

If you read Genesis 2:4-8 closely, you will understand that the labor of God was to bring forth out of desolation and nothingness, the celestial man who eventually inhabits God's Paradise. The Man created and exalted into the realm of Eden represents the resurrection and the life; this is the finished work of all that God set out to achieve in Genesis chapter one.

LABORING TO ENTER REST

The creation account in the early chapters of Genesis is purely prophetic utterance by the Spirit indicating our labor, travails and groaning to bring forth the perfect creature of God (Christ). Using the language of light (seven), the Spirit is indicating a process whereby the eternal Spirit of God in man awakens to restore man back unto the pinnacle dimension of the most High. The number seven, six days of labor and the seventh rest, speaks of illumination, for we all originate from that light and are of the light. Light is eternal, incorruptible, immeasurable and without limitations; that is us, our identity and realm.

Having found ourselves in the impoverished state of mortal man by virtue of our natural birth and consequent induction into this material age, our groaning and work as God is to ascend back into the light, which is purely immaterial. Only in the light can man reign in life and see true rest and abundance for His soul. Living outside the light represents mortality, spiritual poverty, blindness, nakedness and death; this is the state of man who walks in the ignorance of this age. Out of the ruins and desolation of mortal man's lowly, finite and materialistic life, the labor with which He labors, is to bring forth the pearl of great price within. The pearl of great price within is the glory of God in man which knows no limits, for with God all things are possible.

The Spirit within man has to arise to put an end to darkness and folly, and search out that immeasurable glory within Him. He must rediscover deity bestowed on Him by virtue of His identity as the offspring of God. This is man's labor unto the rest of God, for he rests when he discovers God within who is omnipotent, omnipresent and omniscient. Like the miner, man must beam the search light of the eternal Spirit to rediscover within Himself that place of sapphires, dust of Gold and manna without limit. This is a blessed path of life hidden from the wise men of this age; they are totally unaware of the realm and bliss reserved for those who know the name of the Lord [**Job 28:1-6**].

When man puts an end to darkness (spiritual ignorance), the perfect day of the Lord appears as seen in Genesis 1:4-5. Those who walk according to the spirit of this material age are of the night, while those who walk according to pure spiritual light radiating from the Father of lights are of the day. Those who are of the day are a purely Spiritual people, from whom nothing is hidden from. We can liken this to man's awakening from the finite material realm back into the infinite immaterial light realm.

1Thessalonians 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

This is the same spiritual communication from day two up unto day six in the creation account of Genesis chapter one. Using the language of light, the Spirit is through the creation account, speaking about man's labor in truth to ascend from the His lowly natural state back into the Spirit.

On day two God energizes the waters and causes some water to ascend above the firmament (Genesis 1:6-8). These represent a spiritual body of people in the heavens, for we know that in the awakening we are caught up into the glory cloud which incidentally is a representation of the Lord's body (1 Thessalonians 4:17).

Psalms 148:4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens.

On day three He causes the trees which yield fruit and seed to come forth (Genesis 1:11-12). These represent the plantings of the Lord and the trees of life which bear fruits in all season. We should bear in mind that only Spirit is able to bring forth good fruits acceptable to God, for flesh is known to yield thorns unto death.

On day four He brings forth the luminary celestial bodies in the heavens, the stars (Genesis 1:14-18). The stars represent light bodies or the resurrection body that those who enter into the new dispensation in Christ do put on. All who awaken into this dispensation put on the pure light attributes of the bright and morning star. (Revelations 2:28 And I will give him the morning star.)

Psalms 148:3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

On the fifth day God creates the winged creatures which mount up and soar in heavens (Genesis 1:20-22). This represents an elevation from carnality back into spiritual consciousness.

On the six day God creates man in His Spiritual, invisible image and likeness and gives Him all dominion and power (Genesis 1:26). This man created on the Six day is the man that rules in the paradise of God.

On the seventh day God (an allegorical presentation of you and I) enters His rest after He as finished the work of conforming Himself back into His true celestial state from the beginning (Genesis 2:1-3).

In all of this we can see how God separated the light from the darkness, the clouds from the waters beneath the firmament, the fruitful trees from the barren trees, the winged creatures from the monsters of the deep, the man from the beast. This shows us that the work of God is all about conforming from that which is below, earthly and natural into that which is above, heavenly and Spiritual, for we are all purely spiritual light beings.

The will of God for all men is that with open faces they behold the mystery of Christ their true image and be converted back into it. If we truly see Him, we will know that he is not of this world or material age, but rather He is from a spiritual Kingdom of pure light without beginning or end.

2Corinthians 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. 18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

To see true rest and to be free from sin, fear and the innumerable horrors that besiege humanity, the Lord is in this very hour reminding us of things we have heard over and over in times past. We are being reminded that to see true rest and delights for our soul we must let go of all in this world of illusion and ascend back into Christ the Spirit.

Amen

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