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PREFACE

Many preach you are to be a **witness** of Christ. Sounds **spiritual**, but what does it mean to have **Christ In You**? Some might literally believe Jesus, as a “being” must be “in you.” Others place a very mystical definition for **Christ In You**. With others, it is a feeling in one’s heart.

Amazingly, you will see, it has to do with much more than human reason. **Christ In You** has to do with God’s very “**inheritance**” for each and everyone of you. This “**inheritance**” has to do with God’s “**will**” or The New Covenant. As with any **will**, two or three witnesses are required. This “**will**” or “**covenant**” must be certified to be enforced so its benefactors may receive their reward. Read this exciting and wonderful blessing of all of God’s **riches**.

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CHAPTER 1

THE MYSTERY OF GOD

Very clearly, The Apostle Paul said The Hope of Glory or Salvation is only through *Christ In You* (Colossians 1:27). The Apostle revealed this glory which is *Christ In You* is a mystery. This mystery is now made manifested by His saints. The saints are The Righteous Ones who become Christ's Bride (Revelation 19:7-8). Why are the saints in The Church of God able to reveal Christ in them?

Paul clearly said you must have **The Mind of Christ**, which is having a concern for others first and not yourselves (Philippians 2:1-5). As Christians, you need to have a mind, which is concerned about God and His **creation**. Concern for **all things** instead of always thinking of "self." That is **The Mind of Christ** or **The Great Commandment** (Matthew 22:36-40). How do Christians manifest this **Mind of Christ** or *Christ In You*? Paul said the answer is **A Great Mystery**. What is this mystery?

Spirit In Man

Job states there is a **Spirit In Man** and when The Lord gives this **Spirit In Man** – mankind will receive **understanding** (Job 32:8). It makes you able **to think** logically. What is lacking, is that God must give **understanding** to **The Spirit In Man**. In Hebrew the word for "spirit" is "*ruach*" and in Greek it is "*pneuma*" or "a blowing wind." It is merely **an energy** in the form of wind or blow-

ing when you see leaves or sand blowing in all directions. This **life energy** makes your bodies work or function, physiologically. It is what gave **life** to Adam (Genesis 2:7). It is a **blowing wind** to start the physiological elements of a new babe. It is used as the **trigger** or **genesis of life**. It is what makes **human life begin**. That is why it states “**man became a living being**” or “**soul**.” A **soul** is not immortal. As in Job, **The Spirit In Man** gives “**life**.” Christ said **the soul** can be destroyed (Matthew 10:28).

There are different aspects in a man (all human beings). You have a human body “**soma**” and you have a soul “**psuche**.” This you have in common with animals and Jesus said all these elements of human life can be destroyed (Matthew 10:28). **None** of these elements are eternal. That is why God told Adam he was “**a living being**” or “**soul**.” “**Soul**” merely is a “**life**” or “**being**.” When there is **life**, it is the “*psuche*” which is in both animals and mankind.

Humans, in the physical creation alone, have “*pneuma*” or **the Spirit In Man**. It is **the life energy** which comes from God and goes back to God when a person dies. Your “**soma**” or “**body**” becomes **dust** at death and **The Spirit In Man** goes back to God who gave it (Ecclesiastes 12:7). This soul is defined as “a living thing.” When the soul dies, the living being no longer functions. Once life is gone, the soul also dies or ceases. Christ plainly said only **The Spirit** “*pneuma*,” “quickens” or “energizes” **life** (John 6:63).

Only God Has Life

Jesus, Himself answers the questions everyone has about **life** and **death**. Nicodemus, a Pharisee believed in Christ. He asked “How can a man be born **again**?” He wanted to know if a man must

enter his mother's womb a second time. Nicodemus didn't understand **The Spirit In Man**. Nicodemus only saw a human as a physical being, just as science does.

Jesus told Nicodemus **not to marvel, that he must be born again** (John 3:7). He compared "**the spirit**" ("*pneuma*") to the wind. The wind is merely another form of energy. In fact, the word "wind" in Greek is "*pneuma*." As science understands, **energy** cannot be destroyed; it **just changes form**. Without a **physical entity**, it is not visible or cannot be **felt** when it is not wind, but just **Spirit** or **life energy**.

Since **energy** cannot be destroyed, **it is eternal** and can only come from God. There is no source of **perpetual energy** unless it comes from God, The Father, who is **the first cause** and the only source of **life**. God is The Only One who **was, is** and always **will be** (Revelation 4:8). Jesus clearly said it is The Father who has **life** or **perpetual energy** in Himself (John 5:26). It is The Father, only, who can give **life**. Even Jesus, Himself, said it is The Father, God, who gave Him **life**.

Christ did not have **eternal life** until The Father gave it to Him, just as it is promised to you. **Life can only come from life** and cannot come from **nothing**. There must be a **first cause** who has **life**, who always had, and can create **life**! Since **life** can only come from **life** and true Christianity is having **Christ in You**, so how does this happen? What does *The Bible* mean when it states ***The Mystery Of God is Christ In You*** (Colossians 1:27)?

The Laodicean Dilemma

One of God's **seven Christian churches** has had, and has today, a big problem (Revelation 3:15-22). Jesus tells them they believe

they have all **the spiritual riches** they need (about Christ). This **church** preaches they have **The Truth of God** and **they do not need anymore truth**.

They are **rich** but have **The Truth** of God. They feel they have all **the truth**, so it must come from them. But, Christ tells them they are **spiritually naked** and need **eye salve** on their eyes so they can really **see the truth**. They cannot fathom what they are lacking **spiritually**. He reminds them they must go into The Lake of Fire to be refined as gold. Since this is very serious, what was their problem?

Riches In Christ

Amazingly, *The Bible* clearly has the answer. *The Bible* interprets itself. Notice God's **biblical answer**. *The Book of Colossians* clearly reveals the problem with The Laodiceans. Paul said he was an able minister to fulfill God's **will** (Colossians 1:25-28). He tells The Colossians that this **Word of God is God's Mystery** which has been hidden for ages, and only now is made known to **His saints**. Saints are those Christians who grow **spiritually** to become The Bride of Christ in **the new heaven** and the **new earth** (Revelation 19:7-9). Notice, only **the saints**, or **the righteous ones**, are qualified to be Christ's Bride. How does this happen? This mystery among The Gentiles is **the riches** of God's **glory** (Colossians 1:27). This was The Laodicean's problem. They believe they had and still have all **the riches** or **truth In Christ** but are blinded to **the real truth** of Christ, which is **Christ in all of you**. The Laodiceans are filled with **church doctrines**, but they do not understand what **Christ in you** really means.

These are **the true riches**. You will find The **Laodiceans** believed **spiritual growth** or **Salvation** required **human effort**.

Church And The Body

Did you know that The Church of God is not necessarily The **Bride of Christ**? The Greek word for “**church**” is “*ecclesia*” and is defined as a “**general public assembly**” or “**the called-out ones**” who are invited to The Wedding Feast of Christ and His Bride. “**Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb**” (Revelation 19:9).

The church consists of those called of God who are being invited to Christ’s Wedding Feast. God said to His servants, “**Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage**” (Matthew 22:9). This is truly a **general assembly**. He says to call not only **the good**, but even **the bad** to the feast (Verse 10). But notice, “**many are called but few are chosen**” (Matthew 22:14). Not everyone in The Church of God will be **chosen** to be The Guests, let alone The Bride. Why?

The Apostle Paul answers this question when he states Christ is The Head of His Church and is responsible to sanctify, cleanse and wash His wife by The Word of God (Ephesians 5:23-28). **The church, the called-out ones**, who are to attend The Wedding Feast, must become **The Body of Christ** or you must have **Christ in you** to become Holy as Jesus and His Father. That is the difference. You must become Christ’s **body**. To just sit in The Church of God and doing human works doesn’t get you **an invitation** to attend The Wedding let alone be The Bride. Paul states this is **A Great Mystery** between Christ and **the church**. What is that mystery? **The Mystery is Christ In You** (Colossians 1:27)!

Laodiceans Are Blind

Why couldn’t **The Laodiceans** see they were blind concerning

Christ living in their very body? The Church of Colosse was not far away from their neighboring towns of Laodicea and Hieropolis. They were located in present-day central Turkey by The Lycus River. Christian preachers spoke in each town. Paul said he contended he was in **great conflict** when he thought of both **The Colossian Church** and **The Laodicean Church** (Colossians 2:1-2). This was no small matter. That is why Christ condemned **The Church of Laodicea** so harshly in Revelation 3:14-22. Their church teaching or doctrines **totally missed The Truth of God**. They were saturated in human efforts and works. What did they miss? **The Laodiceans** and **Colossians** needed to be knit together in love (*agàpè*) and to the **riches of the full assurance of understanding The Mystery of God** and of **The Father and Christ** (Colossians 2:2). They did not know what had been hidden was **The Mystery of God**, which is **Christ in you**. That was their **blindness!** They thought they were rich in **truth** but **the real purpose** of God's word, **Christ In You**, they did not understand. They were blinded to this **mystery**.

Paul pleads for The Colossians and The Laodiceans, as well, to pray for him to have an open door to speak of this **Mystery of Christ** (Colossians 4:3). What is that **mystery**? The **mystery** is **Christ In You – The Hope of Glory** (Colossians 1:27). Paul said he bore record of **the great zeal** Epaphras, their minister, had for **The Colossians** and **The Laodiceans**. Both **churches** had the same **spiritual deficiency**. They both thought they had **the truth** as God's **churches** and were already **spiritually rich**. The **Laodicean Church**, especially, couldn't see or understand they were **spiritually** destitute! What did they lack? They did not understand the cardinal basis of all Christian **spiritual growth**, which is **Christ In You**. Paul told The Colossians, after they read their letter, to be sure to send it to Laodicea to be read there, also (Colossians 4:15-16). What did Paul mean when he told Laodi-

cea and Colosse that **Christ had to be “in them?”** Evidently The Colossians finally got the point, although those in Laodicea were still blind to this **truth**.

Laodicean Blindness

What doctrines or teachings were blinding The Laodiceans? **Biblically**, there were **two false teachings** in Laodicea. These two false teachings were blinding them so they could not see **the truth** to obtain **Salvation** or **The Glory of God** (I Corinthians 15:28-38). One misleading **doctrine was temporary** doing works which **only to be a shadow** or prophecy to come (until Christ returns). The second was trying to overcome the sins of the flesh through self – denial. Both require human works or human effort, neither of which could change human nature nor write God’s Laws in their hearts and minds. It cannot be emphasized enough that all human religious effort or works by humans never pleases God (Romans 8:8). Christ said, “the flesh or your human effort, as sincere as it might be, **profits nothing** (John 6:63)!” This is **will worship** contrived only by human minds – to do works by their human efforts. They were doing religious human works which they thought pleased God. It was their way of acting **righteous**. It was their own effort to attempt to keep The Letter of The Law and, of course, they couldn’t (Hebrews 8:8).

Paul’s Answer

Paul said **Only In Christ** can all **fullness dwell** (Colossian 1:19). Anything and everything that is required for **Salvation is In Christ**. At **the resurrection** is the only way, that you can receive The Glory of God. God’s **purpose** is to be **all and in all** (I Corinthians 15:28). Nothing else counts for a Christian even if it seems good or seems pleasing to God. God does not want hu-

man ideas of how He gives you **Salvation**. Only God can give **life** through His Son, Jesus. Only **In Christ** are **hid all the treasures** of **wisdom** and **knowledge** (Colossians 2:3). No other **religious system or teaching** counts or matters to God. Paul warns those in Colosse and Laodicea to beware of **any man** or **any one** spoiling them from this **truth** with their philosophy and traditions (religious systems) after **the rudiments** of the world rather than **Christ In You** (Colossians 2:8-10). “Rudiments” in Greek signifies “any religious system that basically follows **works** in a **row**.” It is a “**religious system of works**,” following a traditional ritual or system in neat rows continually time after time.

In Christ dwells all **The Godhead – bodily**. “*Theotes*” in Greek defines “Godhead of all in God’s mind and thoughts,” which brings **Salvation** only by **Christ In You**, which is The Mystery of God. This **mystery** is only given to His **saints** so they can understand. Paul plainly clarifies God’s **entire purpose** in this *Epistle* (Colossians 2:10). **Any man teaching a different philosophy** whether by **judging** or **beguiling** God’s people contrary to **Christ In You** is false (Colossians 2:16-18). “**For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily**” (Colossians 2:9). “**Fullness**” in this case is “*pleroma*” or “**completely full**” or “**perfect In Christ only**.” This was the blindness of The Laodiceans and why they thought they had **all the truth they needed**. Christ warned, “If they do not understand **the truth**, they will have to go into The Lake of Fire and be refined as gold.” The Laodiceans and Colossians thought they had to do human works and follow a religious system, to be **saved**.

Two False Teachings

What kept The Colossians and especially The Laodiceans from learning **the truth** so they could receive **The Gift of Salvation**?

First, Paul said don't let **any man judge you** about **meat and drink, new moons, Holy Days, or The Sabbath Days**. Why? Because they were only **shadows** or a prophecy of things **to come**. Doing these traditions, which were rudimentary in The Jewish "**faith**," only pointed to Christ as a prophecy. Keeping the new moons, Holy Days, Sabbaths and its related works did not, nor could, produce **salvation**. (Only **Christ In You** where all of **The Godhead dwells**). The only **truth** Christians needed was to have **Christ in them**. That is why Paul said that "**The Body**," "**The Church**," is of **Christ** (Colossians 2). Keeping a rudimentary religious system doesn't offer you **Salvation**.

It does not mean it was wrong to keep those days. This *Epistle* was written in 60 A.D. when Paul was in prison and **the temple** having God's "**glory**" was still there. The Glory of God left **the temple** between 66 A.D. and 70 A.D. when Titus destroyed it. When **The presence of God** left, no one could keep **The Works** of The Sabbath and Holy Days. They still were a shadow or prophecy about The Messiah and what He would do to bring you to **Salvation**. Once Christ gave His **life**, and **the temple** was destroyed in 70 A.D. **God's presence or glory** was gone. No one could any longer keep **The Works** of The Sabbath, Holy Days and new moons. From that point on, God only wanted Christians to worship Him **spiritually**, having **Christ In You** (John 4:21-24). That is why all Jews, Christians, Apostles, as well as circumcised Gentiles, kept those days only as long as God's **glory** was there. Once God's **presence** was gone, the new moons, Sabbaths and Holy Days could never be kept.

Justus, as a circumcised Gentile, kept those days only as long as **the temple** stood (Colossians 4:11). **In the millennium**, all these days will once again be enforced for the whole world to observe so they too can come to Christ in everyone's individual or-

der. There was nothing wrong with God's "**days**," but they could never changed human nature and therefore, are **not required for Christians as a means to receive Salvation**. Christ already fulfilled those days for Christians. Only **Christ In You** can give you **Salvation**.

No Man Beguile You

So far, Paul states not to allow any man use religious philosophy, to fool a Christian and never have **any man judge** you about God's **days** because they are only to prophesy about Christ. Finally, never let **any man** beguile you about **will worship** (Colossians 2:23). "Will worship" is "doing something you do religiously by your own effort." This is the second religious philosophy which caused The Laodiceans to be so blinded.

The Gnostic philosophy also infiltrated The Laodicean Church. The term "*Gnostic*" merely means "**knowledge**." Gnostics with their "abundant knowledge" **had many spiritual levels of belief**. One was **the worshipping of angels**.

Others believed in **the denial of the flesh**, such as personal beatings or taking a vow of silence. They figured on any means if it could control the sins of the flesh.

They believed the human body was evil and everything associated with it was evil. Therefore, they even denied Christ was ever **human**. He was only **God in the flesh**. Christ was not really human according to The Gnostics.

These **two false human rudimentary philosophies of the world** were plaguing Laodicean's doctrine, and causing them to be blind and naked. They did not **see**, just as The Jews could not see that

only **Christ In You** brings you and everyone **the fabulous Gift of Salvation**.

All human religious efforts trying to please God by the Keeping of The Holy Days, Sabbaths, new moons, (which were only prophecies) could **not save** them.

Neither could the false Gnostic teachings which in actuality kept blinding Christians from **Salvation** and **true spiritual growth**. **The works and the false teachings could never save them**. Only **God's Mystery – Christ In You** – can give you **Salvation** (Colossians 1:27).

Who Is The Man?

Paul continually warns to **avoid** listening to **a man**. Colossians 2, Paul states **four times** not to follow **any man** who does not teach you that each Christian must have **Christ in them**. To receive The Glory of God or **Salvation** you must have **Christ In You**. Your religious human works or efforts are necessary. Who is Paul talking about when he mentions “**a man**” or “**any man**” or when he only refers to “man?” (“**Man**” in his human state is not directed by God's Holy Spirit, which is **Christ In You**). He is totally speaking from **the natural mind of man** – his own human imagination of what seems right to him.

Laodiceans Are Deaf

With the introduction to The Laodicean Church, John gives you Christ's statement, “**These things saith the amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God**” (Revelation 3:14). Notice, Jesus is **the faithful witness**. Christ is the **true witness** of God or **Christ In You** Revelation 1:5. Your Sav-

ior finalizes His plea to Laodicea specifically by stating, “**If any man hear my voice, Christ In You**” Revelation 3:20.

Jesus warns **the spiritually growing** Philadelphians, “**Behold, I come quickly, hold that fast which you have, that no man take your crown**” (Revelation 3:11). There are even more warnings against listening, or allowing **any man** to take away **Christ In You** by beguiling you or judging or teaching a different philosophy from **Christ In You**. Now, for a mysterious statement by God’s angel.

No Man Worthy

God, The Father, is holding a book in His right hand and a **strong** angel said, “**Who is worthy to open the book**” (Revelation 5:2)? Even a powerful angel wasn’t worthy to open the book. This book has **seven seals**, which kept the book closed. This book is *The Book of Revelation* and gives the answer of **Salvation** with the revelation of how The Kingdom of God will come. Only Jesus is worthy to enforce this **testimony** or **will** (Revelation 19:10). **No man** is worthy to open the book (Revelation 5:3-10). An important disclosure!

Time and again, in *The Epistle of Colossians* and *Revelation*, the words “**no man**” or “**any man**” are reiterated. The angel states Jesus of Judah proved **worthy** to open up the book. Why? He gave **His blood, He died and He was resurrected**. Christ truly is **the first worthy witness of God with His death and resurrection**. This is a **Great Revelation!** Both Paul and Jesus warned you not to allow **any man** to take, beguile, judge or to attempt to take away someone’s Crown of **Salvation**. The only one worthy to offer **Salvation** is when you have **Christ In You!** So there is **a man** *The Bible* talks about who can and **will deceive you**. Who

is this **man**? Does *The Bible* tell you? Yes, *The Bible* will reveal this **man** to you.

Paul Answers A Question

The Corinthian Church is called a **carnal church** by Paul. He claims they are only **babes** in **spiritual knowledge**. They know **very little** about gaining **Salvation**. What is the reason? Paul states they pick and choose what preacher they believe has more of **the truth** or **right doctrinal teaching about God** (I Corinthians 3:1-23). Some wanted to follow Apollos, Paul or others. The Corinthian Church was divided into **several denominations**, just as Christians today follow their **personal preferred preachers**.

Paul informs them that each preacher must be tested, just as The Ephesian Church did, to see if the preacher came from **the original Jewish Apostles**. What was **the truth** that Paul said would let Christians know they are hearing **the truth** about **Salvation**? Surprisingly, no doctrines or creeds are considered; only **Christ** as **The Foundation of Salvation**. **Christ In You** was what some preachers did not understand. Any other teaching was **false**. What was Paul's resolution?

Paul states every **man's teaching** will be tested or tried in **The Lake of Fire**. **Every man's preaching** is either of gold (truth), silver, precious stones (good and evil), wood, hay or stubble (I Corinthians 3:11). Some **man preachers** are teaching **the truth** while others are teaching a false message, **whether they are sincere or not**.

How will falsehoods be destroyed? In **The Lake of Fire**, but **the man** will be **saved** when after **the man repents** (I Corinthians 3:13-15). So, all the false teachings will be destroyed. This

can't get any clearer. Paul reveals that Christians, themselves, are God's **temple** because God's Holy Spirit dwells there, **The Glory of God or Christ In You**. *The Scriptures* reveal **The Truth of God**. What has been discussed here only scratches the surface of **false teachings** in many of God's **churches**.

Only Christ In You

“**Any man**” is “**a preacher**.” None, except Jesus, was worthy to open **the truth** about The Kingdom of God. Why? Only Jesus could have **died for your sins** (Revelation 5:9). **Christ In You** comes by God's Holy Spirit. Only **God's Spirit** opens **The Spirit In Man** to **God's truth** (I John 2:20). There is your *Bible* answer.

“**Any man**” that is “**any preacher**,” not preaching this **biblical teaching** was not (and is not today) worthy and it made The Apostle John cry. He realized how many preachers misled, intentionally or not having deceived Christians who do want **The Truth of God!** “**Preachers should take heed**.” The answer to **Salvation** has **nothing to do** with **human religious systems of works**. Even if those works or deeds have to do with **God's “shadows”** of future prophecy such as the meal offerings, **new moons**, Sabbaths, or Holy Days. Any days: Easter, Halloween, Valentine's Day, and so on, don't count. They are meaningless. God wants you to become Holy as Holy as He is (Ephesians 1). “Human works” or “human religious effort” may seem pleasing to many but it doesn't please God (Romans 8:8 and John 6:63). Anything you do physically isn't how God wants you to **worship Him**. God, in *The New Covenant*, only demands you worship God **spiritually** and **in truth** (John 4:23-24). There it is. **Christian Salvation only is possible by having Christ In You – The Hope of Salvation or The Hope of The Glory of God.**

The Bible answer is clear. **The mystery is to preach God's truth for Salvation** which is **Christ In You**. The exciting last chapter of this book declares all those who **do not** understand this **mystery** of **Christ In You** and its full meaning have the dreaded **Mark of The Beast**. Read and study each scripture very thoroughly and carefully. With this study and all the scriptures constant prayer, you will understand **Christ In You!**

CHAPTER 2

SPIRIT IN MAN

You now know Salvation and Spiritual Growth is only predicated upon Christ In You (Colossians 1:27). This is The Mystery of God which He reveals to His saints (Ephesians 1).

How can Christ be “In You?” Obviously it does not mean Jesus, as an INDIVIDUAL BEING, is to be in each and everyone of you. Jesus said He would send you a COMFORTER, which is “The Spirit” or in Greek, the word is “*pneuma*,” which is “The Spirit of Truth” (John 15:26). Plainly, Jesus told you this Spirit testifies of Christ Himself, or Christ In You.

It is God’s Holy Spirit which Jesus gives you at baptism, which reveals **Christ In You** (Matthew 3:11). How does this happen? First, you must know what a “Spirit” or “*pneuma*” actually means. Is God’s Holy Spirit another “being?” If God’s Holy Spirit is another “being,” then it means you would be possessed by another “god” or “being.” There would have to be billions and trillions of other beings, which would be available for each and every Christian or many, many Holy Spirits to be in each and everyone. This could never be. Remember, Jesus is filled with God’s Holy Spirit (John 3:34). Then John, The Baptist said this Holy Spirit given to Christ without measure, gives Him, The Very Words of God. So, God’s Holy Spirit, not another “being” are The words or The “**thoughts**” of God. How does this “**comforter**” lead you to

God's **truth**? Those who are "In Christ," walk not after the flesh or doing human works, but after The Spirit (Romans 8:1). This "**Spirit**" is the very **Essence of God, The Father** (John 3:34). Now, you are getting some *Bible* understanding about **Christ In You**. The Holy Spirit is **not** another god-being, but The Very **Words of God** and **God's very essence**.

God's Spirit And Spirit In Man

The **Holy Spirit** of God and **The Spirit In Man** are **both of God**. Both are "**a *pneuma***" or "**spirit**." "**Spirit**" which is "*ruach*" in Hebrew or "*pneuma*" in Greek is "not a being." Christ told you "as the wind" (John 3). A "**Spirit**" is **not** an **individual being** but **eternal life energy** sent from God. When humans die, this **life energy** goes back to God who gave it to you at birth. A "**Spirit**" is not a separate being, but **energy** or **life essence** from God Almighty who only has **life** to give. God is the only source of this **life energy** and God takes it back when He chooses. When he takes it back, death follows, but **the life energy** or "*pneuma*" goes back to God (Ecclesiastes 12:7). Now, an important question! If **The Spirit "in man"** goes back to God and is only a life-giving energy from God, it cannot be a **separate being** but a direct part of God, Himself.

In likeness, it is the same as the sperm from a man impregnating a woman's egg which starts a human life. All of the male genes are in the new babe. That is exactly what happens to a human being when God places His "**Spirit**" in a human and that "babe" becomes a **living being**. When that living being dies, that essence of **life energy** given by God then returns to God and that human no longer possesses **life**. Now, the all-important question about God's Holy Spirit. If "**Spirit**" is not another being, but only **life energy** from God – what is **God's "Holy Spirit?"**

God's Holy Spirit

Since “**Spirit**” – “*pneuma*,” is only **life energy**, what is the difference between God’s **Holy Spirit** and Holy “*pneuma*” from **the “Spirit” “in man?”** “**Spirit**” is “**spirit**.” God’s Holy Spirit is a **Holy “life energy”** of God, Almighty. It is all that God is – literally God “in you.” It cannot be another “god being.” If it were, then each and every Christian, when they receive God’s Holy Spirit, would be possessed by another “being.” Obviously, that is not true. God does not possess people. With God, it is always a matter of free choice and not possession.

God’s Holy Spirit is **the life energy** of God Almighty, Himself. It is **the essence of God Himself**, which is **undefiled**, and totally **God’s goodness**, and **God’s very Words** (thoughts) and all **the riches** of God’s “**glory**.” It is God imparting **His essence**, which as little babes, **you in faith**, accept from Him to become Holy as He is Holy. This Holy Spirit of God does not possess you as another being but reveals **truth or reality**. **God’s Word “is truth”** (John 17:17). Once you repent of sin, you become receptive to God’s very **truth** about Himself and His creation. That is why Paul said **all have sinned** and come short of The **Glory** of God. God’s Holy Spirit reveals **the very mind of God**, **the very way** He **thinks!** God firmly believes in your having free choice. This is the essence of the whole story of *The Holy Bible*. Your **faith** or “**the way**” you see and understand life is the knowledge you accept as **truth**.

Adam And Eve

From the original Garden of Eden with Adam and Eve, God enforced no laws, no forced restrictions or requirements. Adam and Eve were totally free to do whatever they wished. God told them,

only about two choices they could make and He left it up to them to choose. He told them what the results would be if they chose to eat from one tree or the other. He didn't even tell them it would be a sin if they were to choose the wrong tree. It was totally up to them. They had absolute **free choice**. God merely warned them what would happen if they made the wrong choice. God does not force His "**way**" upon anyone. Humans must come to seek God and want His "**way**." It's called **repentance**. God does influence events, at times, for you to come to reality or **the truth**.

Once you seek God and His "**way**," He then gives you a "**comforter**" to understand **truth** so you can make sound-minded decisions. Paul clearly said, "**For God hath not given us the spirit [His Spirit] of fear; but of power and of love and of a sound mind**" (II Timothy 1:7). God's Holy Spirit is **not another "being"** but God, The Father's very **MIND!** His **mind** is a **mind of love and power**. That is what God bestows upon each and every Christian upon **repentance** – then, **baptism** and **the laying on of hands**. Christians now have access to God's very **mind**, which is His **love** and His **power**. How plain and clear. The very Words of God are then understood and accepted by each Christian. You, then, in your mind and heart want to live by every Word of God, as Christ said (Matthew 4:4).

God's Holy Spirit And Our Spirit

Now to understand the complete reality of **the Spirit "in man"** and the need for God's Holy Spirit. Paul said he finds a **law** or a controlling force within his human nature (Romans 7:21-25). When he wanted to do **good**, he instead found **evil** in his nature. The law of survival is most paramount in both humans and animals. Survival of the fittest prevails within your flesh. Sexual drives, hunger and self-protection take precedence while in your

human bodies, as with any animal. Paul, however, said after his inward man (mind and heart) he delighted in God's Law, but in his members, flesh and survival of the fittest would come first. "**O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the BODY of this death**" (Romans 7:24)? Paul thanked God through Jesus Christ, so with the **MIND**, he served The Law of God; but with the **flesh, The Law of Sin**.

Very clear, the answer is **your mind** and how you see and understand things. "**Christ In You**" and having **God's Holy Spirit**, which is developing a **sound mind**, is the answer. How does "**Christ In You**" happen in your Christian life?

God's Holy Spirit And Your Spirit

Paul answers the question he previously presented in Romans 7 (Romans 8:1). With your flesh, you obey The Law of Sin; but with **your mind**, The Law of God can win over the flesh. Paul states those who fight against their own fleshly desires and **walk** (in Greek defined as) "not to follow their flesh," but are to achieve their goal of **Christ "in them"** (Verse 1). God's **mystery – Christ In You**, is the solution to become perfect (Matthew 5:48). As long as you are human and have the desire to **survive**, you will sin. That is why Jesus said if you **lose your life** – human life, you will **live**. If you try to **save your life**, you will **die** (Matthew 10:39). **Christ In You** must have something to do with **giving up** the human desire in your heart and mind – the desire for **survival of the fittest**. That is why Jesus had to be your High Priest, Melchizedek, to intercede on your behalf for all the sins you keep committing.

If you have **Christ In You**, then you will have no condemnation or not be held **guilty** for sinning against The Law (Romans 8:1).

Since Christ removed the **curse** or **death penalty** for breaking The Law, you are dead to The Law or in other words, The Law no longer makes you guilty when you sin or break The Law (Galatians 3 and Romans 7). As long as you continue to **repent** sincerely, when you sin, you are free from The Law of Sin and Death (Romans 8:2). **Christ is “in you”** and is your Intercessor and High Priest. Then, you cannot sin or be guilty. Christ lives “in you” by God’s Holy Spirit, but only in your hearts and minds.

To continue following the flesh is to be **carnally minded**, still making choices in your **mind** by the pulls or weakness of your flesh. Having *Christ In You* has to do with the **mind** and not your body. *Christ In You* only deals with your **mind** or **how you think!** Your heart is then flesh (God’s “**love**”) and not of stone (II Corinthians 3:13).

A carnal-minded individual, who tries to be either **good** on their **own** by human ability or through their works or effort, never pleases God. Even trying to please God, “**living right**” by your own human ability, never pleases God. Your flesh or human effort will never please God (Romans 8:8). God is “**the one**” who does **the work**, not you!

All **Christian growth** only has to do with your **minds** and **hearts**. **Spiritual growth** can never be achieved by human effort because the flesh will always be **weak**. Paul tells you what is required for **spiritual growth** or *Christ In You*. If you are not in the flesh, following human effort or works, and have The Holy Spirit of God “**in you**,” then your **body** is **dead** (Romans 8:9-17). Every time survival of the fittest such as reproduction (sex), hunger, thirst, clothing, safety or self-survival prevails over *Christ In You* or God’s Holy Spirit, **you will sin**. As Christians, you need to **repent** and be forgiven. Then, your High Priest, Melchizedek,

intervenes and your minds and hearts are clean to follow God's Holy Spirit because Jesus confesses your sins and you are **saved** (Romans 10:9-10). You are then, sinless, "**in Christ.**"

Paul said following human effort or works will bring you death (Romans 8:13). But if God's Holy Spirit leads you in your thoughts and minds, your fleshly desires **can be overcome**. God is a **God of "choice"** and as Christians, God demands **you begin to make right choices** because His Holy Spirit reveals His **truth** through *Christ In You*. God will never take possession of anyone. You are always **free** to choose to follow your flesh or **the truth** God reveals in your mind by God's Holy Spirit, His unblemished "**Spirit.**" The choice is yours just as it was with Adam and Eve. You either choose God's Tree of Life, The Holy Spirit or you go the other way and choose The Tree of Good and Evil (confusion) which is Babylon.

By making the right choice in your mind and heart, you then are led by God's Holy Spirit, and therefore, are The **Sons of God** (Romans 8:14). The Spirit of God removes bondage or confusion in your minds and you will be able to speak clearly, honestly, truthfully to God in your prayers and call out, "Daddy," "Father" or "Papa" (Romans 8:15). How does this happen? God has made a promise that He will hear you (Luke 11:13).

God's answer through Paul, "**The spirit itself [God's] beareth witness with our spirit [in man], that we are the children of God**" (Romans 8:16). That is **adoption**. You change from **fleshly human beings**, led by the flesh, to **Godly children** led by God's Holy Spirit, which makes your mind see and understand **the truth** or **reality**. You are now growing **spiritually**. You are God's family because you can understand and speak honestly and truthfully with your **new heavenly** Father, God, Almighty. That is what

Christ In You means and exactly how you come from an adoption of human birth to a **spiritual birth** because “flesh” is “**flesh**” and “**spirit**” is “**spirit**.” One with the **other** cannot be united. That is why God is not interested in Christians keeping **The Letter** of The Law or any other pagan religious system. It only applies to those **who live** or follow their human flesh or works with human effort. The flesh totally dies; The Law demands it (Romans 6:23). “**The wages of sin is death.**” Once you die, the body becomes dust or ashes. The “**spirit**” or “pneuma” (God’s **quickening energy**) goes back to God.

Once you grow **spiritually**, your “**spirit**” “pneuma” is combined with God’s Holy Spirit, which makes your “**spirit**” clean or Holy. The “**spirit in man**” is **neutral** and can be influenced by good or evil. Yielding to God’s Holy Spirit, by choice, only then will you be able to do **good**. Once you receive a “**Spirit**” body, as God and Christ has (I Corinthians 13), you will see them as they are because you will be just as they are (I Corinthians 13:12). That is the **mystery of Christ In You**. You truly become as God with His **mind** and **heart**. Now, you know God by His Holy Spirit. With **Christ In You** what must you do?

God Vs. Evil

What does it mean to be demon possessed? Did you know even Satan is possessed with many demons or unclean spirits? When Satan realizes he only has a short time before Christ’s **return**, his anger causes unclean spirits to come out of his mouth (Revelation 16:13). The English word “unclean” in Greek is “*akathartos*,” which means “**impure**,” but is derived from a root meaning “demonic.” **Satan has a demonic spirit**. Remember, “**spirit**” is “**spirit**” and “**flesh**” is “**flesh**.” A “**spirit**” or “pneuma” is **life energy**, but in this case “it is of foul or **unclean energy**.” That is

being **demon possessed**. Since it is energy, which is evil, it must have a body to function physiologically.

Jesus said, “**When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest [or another living body to occupy] and findeth none**” (Matthew 12:43). Demons cannot function outside of a vehicle or body. While still in the man, the demons asked Christ if they could enter the pigs. That is why when Christ cast demons out of a man, they wanted to enter the pigs. Jesus let them leave the possessed man and plunge into the pigs. They then ran all the way down and drowned in the lake (Matthew 8:28-32). Once these “**unclean spirits**” left the man, they could not speak since pigs only squeal. Demons must be in humans to be able to speak.

Now, the real warning to humanity. Christ said, when the demons are cast out of the man, he was now clean-minded. Christ used the example of the demons with no place to go, then wanted to enter back into the man who was clean-minded. They, then, could take seven more “**evil spirits**” with them and entered into the man. Jesus explained the last state of the man was worse than the first (Matthew 12:44-45).

The lesson is both **good** and **evil** – functioning by your desired choice. If you allow your minds to become **evil** in **thoughts** or **self-centered**, or evil towards God and His **creation**, you subject yourselves to evil or “**demonic spirits**” or energy. Science calls these people “psychotic.” Science finds a mentally psychotic mind or “*pneuma*” can only be controlled by drugs. They say they are mentally ill. This is true.

However, medical science cannot cast out the demons. They only can block their influence upon the mind. The drugs block the

message or “**evil spirits**” from the brain. A person who has a psychosis must stay on drugs. Why? Unless “the evil,” “**demonic spirit**” or “foul unclean energy” leaves a person, one can only function normally by temporarily blocking the brain with drugs, which allows the mind to function properly. Only by a demon leaving a person can one become well or normal permanently. This evil, unclean energy, must be cast out of this demonic mind. Drugs do not heal a psychotic mind since **spirits** are not physical. Therefore drugs only block the brain from the effect upon the mind.

Since a human mind in its normal or healthy state can make conscious choices because it has a **conscience** it can be hindered by a “**foul spirit**” or demon. When conscience is blocked, psychotic behavior is the outcome. There is **no conscience** in a demonic person. They are then in darkness and cannot see clearly.

That is why a **murderer** has **no conscience**. They have become so **obsessed** with hate or covetousness, which is idolatry; they no longer perform as normal with healthy minds. What has all this to do with becoming like Christ?

Three States Of Mind

When Adam and Eve were created by God, they were flesh or human. They were subject to all the desires of the flesh. Once they ate the forbidden fruit they knew they would die. Before this offense, they had **eternal life** available to them if only they ate of The Tree of Life, God’s Holy Spirit. They could choose to obey or not to obey, to be **good** or **evil**. It all depended upon **survival of the fittest!** This was a normal state of humanity with a conscience for either good or evil. In this state, you see God refers to “humanity” as an “**anthropos,**” in the Greek language.

The scientific term “anthropology” is the study of human beings in this condition. Humans in this mental condition are considered normal or mentally healthy. One has a **conscience** of good and evil. However, to have *Christ In You*, you must become perfect (Matthew 5:48). To do so, one has to have a change of nature. You must become Holy with God’s “**mind**” (Ephesians 1). You must grow into the maturity of Christ (Ephesians 4:13). There it is. Each person, **growing spiritually** in “**the resurrection**” receives his or her appropriate designated rewards. It all depends how much one becomes like Christ in their human life.

To be “in Christ” or have *Christ In You* by God’s Holy Spirit, you will, then, have **The Mind of Christ** (Philippians 2:5). It is, however, their matter of choice. God wants you to choose first as Adam and Eve had a choice to be “good” or “evil.” Remember, your normal human condition from birth is to be both, good and evil. This is because of your flesh and your desire to survive.

God, however, wants you, by your own choice, to **repent**, to be Holy like He is and His Son, Jesus, so you can have a truly healthy mind, which purges your conscience to **always be good** (Hebrews 9:14). Then **Christ is “in you”** until you fully mature to **the stature of Jesus** (Ephesians 4:13). The warning you must always be aware of, is the possibility you can, by choice, choose Satan and his mind. The choice is yours and God wants everyone to be **saved** and have **Christ “In You”** – The Hope of Glory (Colossians 1:27).

CHAPTER 3

CHRIST'S WITNESS

Many Christians believe preaching The Gospel is making non-Christians aware God's "kingdom" will come. Some even believe, they alone, have the only true message of what a Christian is and what a Christian should be preaching to others. God said everyone only knows "in part" (I Corinthians 13). This error wastes much effort and time duplicating the effort of other Christian groups. What did Jesus, His Disciples and followers say they should be busy doing?

God's "kingdom" will be on earth and it is The Good News of *The Gospel*. This Good News must be preached. Notice, however, what each personal Christian should be busy doing!

A Witness

Just before Jesus departed to His Father's throne in heaven, Christ said the following, "**But ye shall receive power, after that The Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth**" (Acts 1:8). There it is. Christians are to be witnesses of Christ. This is far more than just sitting in church every week, praying or giving donations. One of the greatest mistakes a Christian can make is to believe Christianity is to be left at **the church door** when he or she leaves. Your

very life and how you live it, determines if you are **witnessing** whether you know it or not. God and Jesus are interested in how you live your life. Just what is a Christian “witness” and exactly what are you to **witness**? You will, then, understand why Jesus has given Christians, God’s Holy Spirit.

Witnessing – A Legal Matter

Jesus Christ introduced a *New Covenant* or contract when He gave His **life**. *The Old Covenant* made by Moses was **only** to be a **witness** or **shadow** of the **new**. It was a **human effort contract**. When The Messiah came and died, *The New Covenant* went into force (Hebrews 9:14-17 and Hebrews 3:1-3). As Paul said, *The Old Covenant* under Moses with The Letter of The Law was **waxing old** (Hebrews 8). This *Old Covenant* ended with the destruction of **the temple** in 70 A.D. The **new wine**, which was Christ’s death and **not the old wine**, which was the blood of animals **was no longer enforced**. Christians are to **witness** Christ, not *The Old Covenant* any longer. Now, with the death of The Messiah, *The New Covenant* was in force for all Christians as Christ’s “**witness**.” *The New Covenant* becomes a **legal matter** and as with any **testament** or **will** must have **two witnesses** according to The Law or *Torah*, which was a shadow or type of **the truth** of *The New Covenant* (Hebrews 9:18-28). Who are these **two witnesses**? You will be able to see Christians are to testify as Christ’s **witnesses** that Jesus is The Christ (Matthew 16:18). But, *The Bible* tells you it takes **two witnesses** to ratify a “will” so as to make it legal. So, who are to be these witnesses?

The Two Witnesses

Just before Jesus **returns** to establish God’s **kingdom** upon earth, He has His **two witnesses** ratify His “**testament**” or “**will**” (Rev-

elation 19:10) to the world. Revelation 11:1-7 defines these **two witnesses** as God's **two candlesticks**. What are these **two candlesticks**? Jesus said they are **churches** (Revelation 1:20). What **two churches** are these? Revelation 7:1-10 reveals these **two candlesticks** are **144,000 Israelites** and **the innumerable multitude of The Gentiles**. What **two churches** are these? One is **The Church in The Wilderness**, the remnant of Israelites, and the other is **The Churches of God, The Gentiles** (Acts 7:37-38).

These **two churches** are to be **the witnesses** of *The New Covenant* as revealed in *The Book of Revelation*, which is **Christ's "will"** (Revelation 19:10 and Revelation 1:1-3). Reread *Revelation Uncovered*, and check with *The Bible* for proof. Notice, these **two churches** – **Israel** and **Christians**, and especially during The Great Tribulation are to **witness Christ's "will"** or *New Testament*. How are they to **witness**? By coming **out of the world** and being an **exact duplication** of their Savior, Jesus, The Christ (Revelation 18:4). Every Christian and Israelite is to come out of Babylon and all the **religious confusion** and **witness** the true Jesus, The Messiah and the real One God and Father of every human that ever existed. So, exactly how are you to **witness Christ**?

The Son And The Father

Jesus defines a witness of His, very clearly. Christ said, "**Verily, verily, I say unto you, He [a witness] that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation [judgment]; but is passed FROM DEATH UNTO LIFE**" (John 5:24). This cannot be any plainer. What "words" did Christ say you are to believe? Jesus told His **witnesses** to not exist by food alone but by every "**word**" or "**logos**" which comes from God, The Father's mouth! (Matthew 4:4). There it is. **A witness of Christ, in faith, lives by every**

“word” which comes out of God’s mouth. How simple to read, but so difficult to do. This **“word”** or **“logos”** is manifested by His Son, Jesus, through The Holy Spirit (Hebrews 1:1-3). You are to **come out of Babylon** or **worldly confusion** by living every Word of God (Revelation 18:4). God’s **“word”** or *The Holy Bible* is to be your standard. How are you to know **the truth**, which sets you **free** (John 17:17)? You must be checking your *Bible* and learning continually what it is really telling you (I Corinthians 14:29). You must do what The Bereans did when Paul preached (Acts 17:11).

By God’s **Word** in **faith** you are to believe every **“Word”** or **“logos”** of God and become just like The Son of God, Jesus, and The Father in Heaven (Matthew 5:48). That is a **true witness** of Christ’s **“will.”** By **witnessing** *The New Testament*, which is **Christ’s “will”** you validate by **faith** that *The Gospel* of God’s **“kingdom”** will come upon this earth with **The Return of Jesus** (Revelation 11:15). Then, these **two witnesses** certify **Christ’s “testimony”** or **“will” is the truth.**

Good Fruit

When **Christ dwells “in you”** by God’s Holy Spirit, which leads you to **truth** (John 17:17), you, then, can **bear fruit.** By **good fruit** it becomes apparent to others **Christ** is, indeed, **“in you”** with **the hope of glory or salvation.** Why is it important to show **good fruit** to others? By **bearing good fruit** in your lives, which manifests you are of **God as His children** and **not** one of Satan’s children (Matthew 13).

The Commission

Forty days after **His resurrection**, Jesus was ready to depart to

God. Then, The Apostles asked Him a very important question (Acts 1:4-8). During His forty days on earth Jesus taught The Apostles about God's coming "**kingdom.**" At this point, they only understood God's **kingdom** as a physical kingdom on earth (as during King David's day). They asked Him, if He would restore "**the kingdom**" to Israel.

Christ answered and said only The Father knows when that will happen. Now for an extremely important statement by Christ. Jesus said, "**But ye shall receive power, after that The Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth**" (Acts 1:8). Quite a statement, don't you think? Were they to preach *The Gospel* of The Kingdom? Yes! This, however, was a different commission. Besides preaching *The Gospel* of God's "**kingdom**" they were to bear **witness of Jesus**. That is **Christ "In You"** and you now have the proof. Why and what does it mean to **witness Christ**? This was a **new commission** not only for Christians but to the entire world.

What Is A Witness?

The common teaching over the years has taken the form, in many cases, of Christians coercing others to believe in Christ and God's "**kingdom.**" Some Christians believe this is **witnessing Christ**. But Jesus said to **not** go from **house to house**, but only where the **son of peace** is (Luke 10:5-7). Christ revealed you are only **witness** Him where "**the son of peace dwells.**" You are only to **witness** where you are asked or accepted (Luke 10:5-6). Force or salesmanship or even advertising was and is not **your Savior's way**. When He was invited, He had dinner and lodged where He was welcomed. The works of **your Savior** was **one of a servant or keeper** and not pushing or selling Himself to others (Philip-

pians 2). He was totally **a servant** and **never acted as a lord**. Christ specifically warned His Disciples and Apostles if they wanted to be greatest in God's "**kingdom**" they must be the best **servants** who only wanted to serve. The Greek implies "one who waits on tables." Jesus, as The Greatest, was and is the **best of all servants**. If Christ be "**in you**" and you are to be **His witnesses to the world**, then, you must be the best servant, a willing servant to everyone you come in contact with (Matthew 20:25-28).

Witness Defined

As humans, your natural impulse is to define your own "partial" meaning to what "a **witness** of Christ" really is. Too many times you may be in error. What does the word, "witness" in Greek mean? The Greek for "witness" is "*marturia*."

It encompasses "a plethora of values." "*Marturia*" in its root conveys "martyrdom." When one witnesses, they "attest to a truth of someone or something even to the death." In this case, **a witness of Christ attests to the truth that Jesus is The Messiah who saves you**.

It emphatically conveys with this **truth** you are willing to go so far as to die or be martyred in declaring **Jesus is The Christ** or **The Anointed One**. Jesus is "**the promised seed**" in Genesis 3:15 and Galatians 3:16 as **The High Priest, Melchizedek**. That is why Jesus said Peter had "**the keys to the kingdom**" which would show **Jesus was The Christ**.

Christ said only God revealed this to Him, and therefore, He understood and had the keys to God's "**kingdom**." Read completely Matthew 16:13-20. **Christian witnesses** attest to this **truth** even to the death.

The True Witness

Revelation 1:5 states Jesus is **the faithful witness**. How? By being the first to give **His life** or be martyred for **the truth** of God and "**the kingdom**." The Greek, referring to Christ, is "*martus*," in the singular. This **witness** is the **first** one, or God's Son who died for you. Now, you, likewise, are to be **witnesses** of Him, as He was, and to die for Him in declaring "**Jesus is The Christ**." There it is – *The Bible* makes it very clear. You are to be just as Christ was. **Christ**, then, is "**in you**" and Jesus, then, is "**ALL AND IN ALL**" (Colossians 3:11).

Why You Are A Witness

Why does God want you to be a **witness of His Son, Jesus**? Christ's servants have the **testimony** of Jesus (Revelation 19:10). It continues and declares you should only worship God. Why? Because the **testimony** of Jesus is **the Spirit** or **mind of prophecy**. What prophecy?

By Christ being your **faithful witness** with His death, you, yourselves, are to be **kings** and **priests** (Revelation 1:5-6). You must be **witnesses of His**, so He can prepare you to be **kings and priests**. Why is a **witness necessary**? You are to **witness** Christ's **testimony**, which is **prophecy in action by contract or covenant from God**. The Greek word for "testament" or "testimony" is the same word for "**witness**," or "martyred." The "**witness**" or "testifier" is willing to acknowledge **the truth** of this agreement or covenant with God even to the death. This is how Christians sign *The New Covenant's* "**will**" as **witnesses**.

Paul declares a **testament** or **will** only goes into force after a person dies (Hebrews 9:15-18). Until death occurs, **the will** is not in

force. For this **will** of God's to occur, Jesus was the first **faithful witness** when He died (Revelation 1:5). For any "**will**" or "**covenant**" to be enforced, it must contain two **witnesses**. After Jesus died, this **testament, if it is** to be **validated**, requires at least **two witnesses** according to God's Law (Hebrews 10:28-29).

Old And New Covenant

Many Christians and Jews do not realize God has **two witnesses**. That is why *The Bible* was divided into two parts, *Old and New Testaments*. Both Jews and some Christians do not really understand why there is a division between *The Old Covenant* and *New Covenant*. The Old is based upon **human works** and *The New Covenant* is to be **Christ "In You."**

Most believe **the only reason for the split** between **the two covenants** was when God rejected Israel. With The New Testament Church, Israel was no longer God's **witness** as The Church in The Wilderness (Acts 7:37-38). However, there is much more to it than just a change of "**witnessing**" – *The Gospel*.

Paul's Words

Paul describes the two olive trees, **natural** and **wild** (Romans 11) which represent Israel and The Gentiles as His **witnesses** in Revelation 11. Paul admits God had, for the time being, rejected **Israel as His witness**. Only a remnant is now **saved**. However, during The Millennium, the entire nation of Israel will be **saved** (Romans 11:26).

Now, for a real surprise! The Apostle states if some Israelites believe (The Messiah), then they will be **grafted back** into the natural olive tree (Romans 11:23-25).

Once some of The Israelites **repent**, God very willingly will graft them back into The Church in The Wilderness as His **witness**. Amazingly, once again, you have **two witnesses**.

The 144,000 **Israelites** will **repent** and an **innumerable multitude of Gentiles** grow **spiritually** (out of Babylon) (Revelation 18:4), and will be the **two witnesses** who come out of The Great Tribulation (Revelation 7 and Revelation 11). During The Great Tribulation "**time**" of world trouble and chaos, some Israelites and many Gentiles become **witnesses of Christ** at that time. They are now sealed by God with His Holy Spirit and they have **Christ "in them"** (Revelation 7:3). Both are Christ's **witnesses: The Church of God and The Church in The Wilderness**. **Scripturally**, it is very clear and simple to understand.

Witness Defined

The Greek definition for "a **witness**" and "a **testimony**" can be synonymous. A **testament** is a **will** or **covenant**. In this case, a **spiritual covenant** and **not** an *Old Covenant*. *The Old Covenant* was based upon animal sacrifice because they needed The Letter of The Law to know "**right**" from "**wrong**" (I Timothy 1:7-10 and I John 3:4). *The Old Covenant* is based only on **human effort** and **works**. *The New Covenant* is predicated upon Christ which **changes your very nature to be like Christ**. God will write His Law (The Ten Commandments) in your heart and mind. Christ becomes "**all and in all**" (Colossians 3:11). From this point on, whether Israelite or Gentile, you all become "**one**" **in Christ** or **Christ "In You!"**

Image Of Christ

Paul declared that God predestinated all **true Christians** should

be conformed to the **image** of His Son (Romans 8:29). The Greek for “**image**” in this case is “*eikon*” or “an icon” in English. An icon is an **idol** or an exact likeness of something else. In this case, Jesus, The Christ. Christians, when being observed by others, look just like Jesus. Their **behavior, attitude, nature** and even **thoughts** are alike. **Christ is truly “in you.”** That is what an “**idol**” is. You worship God’s Son by being just like Him. **YOU EMULATE CHRIST.**

Still Carnal In Body

Your “flesh” or “*soma*” must still battle **The Law of Sin** in your flesh or body (Romans 6 and 7). You still must battle sin in your body as Jesus did when He was human. You will not be sinless until you have a **spirit body** as well as a **spiritual mind** or Holy “*pneuma*” like God (I Corinthians 15). Since Jesus is a **Spirit Being** and has no sin and is totally like His Father, God makes the big difference **between you** and Jesus today (Hebrews 1:3). Jesus at the right hand of God has the brightness of God’s “**glory**” (all of God’s **riches**) and is the express **image** of His Father. The Greek for “**image**” in this case, because, you, being a “human” Christian, are only in “**a likeness**” of Christ (idol). Christ is the **exact** “character” or “character of His Father” in His “**being,**” **mind, heart** and **spirit**, which is now totally of God’s Holy Spirit. Jesus has God, The Father in Him and God is “**all and in all**” in Christ just as He will be “**in you**” when you have **spirit bodies** as Jesus does (I Corinthians 15:28). Jesus is now God or exactly as The Father. You will be the same when you receive **spiritual bodies.**

The Earthly Jesus

When Jesus was human, within His body “*soma*” of sin, He liter-

ally lived by every Word of God. How did Jesus live? Jesus was more **righteous** than **the scribes** and Pharisees because He kept The Ten Commandments **SPIRITUALLY** (Matthew 5, 6 and 7). He never judged anyone. He gave those in need whatever he had and only did **good works** such as healing people, healing their minds, feeding them and raising them when they died. He gave all He had. What is a **witness of Christ**? A **witness** is one who does everything His Savior did – all good works, in helping his neighbor, feeding the poor, assisting the orphans and living by every Word of God. That is a **witness** of Christ!

Being a witness is not running around and telling everyone about your “**church**” or religion. The Apostle Peter clearly explains how you are to **preach God’s “word.”** Peter said, “**But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asks you a reason of the hope [Gospel] that is in you with meekness and fear**” (I Peter 3:15). Nothing can be any clearer.

Peter relates seven points:

- 1 **Sanctify God** (“*Hagios*” keep God Holy).
- 2 **In your hearts, your very life purpose and motive.**
- 3 **Answer every man.**
- 4 **With the hope or *The Gospel* of God’s “kingdom.”**
- 5 **You must be asked, first and not pressure any one.**
- 6 **Be meek and cause no offense.**

7 Have humility, a Godly fear and do as Christ would do.

There you have it. *Christ In You* doesn't mean by trickery, salesmanship or other human efforts to convince others or even entertain others, but **first** and **foremost** those being **witnessed** must see you live **exactly like Him** in all you can be and know (according to your level of **spiritual growth**). That is *Christ In You*, as you **witness** being non-judgmental, non-offensive but completely giving with God's "*agàpè/love*" with a total attitude of sacrifice on your part. That is a **witness** of *Christ In You*, not so much by words but how you **live** as He lived. That is a **true witness** of Jesus and His **testimony** or **will** which is *The New Covenant of hope and faith!* Remember, Jesus as God's **faithful witness** gave His life for you.

CHAPTER 4

A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

The Apostle Peter said, “But ye are a chosen generation, a Royal Priesthood, a Holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light” (I Peter 2:9). This is amazing. Peter is telling Christians what a “witness of Christ” is to do.

Christians, as Christ’s witness, must show the praises of God through Jesus by being a Royal Priesthood. Christians, in this present life, are to be priests. Yes, part of Christianity’s future reward during The Millennium is to be kings and priests (Revelation 1:6). Amazingly Christians are to be priests right now. It is a part of what Christians are to witness!

Peter also said Christians comprise a **spiritual house of priests**. What is Peter telling you (I Peter 2:5)?

The Old Covenant Priests

Moses told Israel they would be a chosen nation and they would be a Kingdom of Priests (Exodus 19:5-6). Both of God’s **two witnesses**, **Church in The Wilderness** and **The Church of God** were to be **priests**. To be God’s **witness**, one must be a **priest**. What does that mean? You must be Holy or **righteous**. Israel was

to become **righteous** by The Letter of The Law or by their human effort or works.

Israel proved they couldn't do it by **the righteousness** of The Law (Deuteronomy 6:25). That was *The Old Covenant* or "**will**" which ended in 70 A.D. (Hebrews 8:13). Only a remnant of Israel becomes **spiritual** (144,000) before Christ's **return**. But Christians **presently** have that responsibility "**spiritually**" to be **Priests** and therefore, **witnesses** of *Christ In You*. What is a **Christian Priesthood**?

Purpose Of The Priesthood

Why does God have Priests? Why are they necessary for Christians? Read the chapter on "The Priesthood," in the book *God's Work* for a complete understanding. In Hebrews 5:1 Paul defines **the reason** for **The Priesthood**. He said every man picked from mankind is chosen by God to do **service** for God. This **service** involves giving gifts and sacrifices for sins.

Do you get the point? Priests are to pay by giving gifts and sacrifices for other people's sins. A **Priest** is not to be judgmental, but an intermediary on behalf of a sinner or criminal, even a criminal who is against God and His creation. What a difference. Rather than showing human ideas of worshipping God, you are to be serving the needs of others even though they themselves are criminals in the sight of God.

Paul declares, as chosen priests, you must have compassion on the ignorant who don't know better and those who have forgotten God's **way** (Hebrews 5:2-3).

As Priests, Christians must remember, they are also sinners or

criminals. You are as weak as those you are trying to help. Since you know everyone sins, you also must offer sacrifices for yourselves as well as others. There it is. Priests are to be humble, giving-type humans just as Christ was. You are to do the same thing as Jesus did. The Apostle Paul said the same in Romans 14:1. You are to accept those weak in **the faith**, but never try to convince them how wrong they are. No doubtful disputation. You should be ready to give an answer, however, whenever you are asked about the hope within you (I Peter 3:15).

Then Paul goes on and states, let Christians not, therefore, judge one another. You are to concentrate on not offending other Christians who are not as strong to cause anyone a reason to fail (Romans 14:13). There you have it. A **Priesthood** is established by God to intervene and help others and not yourselves. You are to give them gifts and sacrifices (Hebrews 5:1). You are only to do good works! That is **Christ “In You.”**

Jesus gave the ultimate sacrifice – His “**own life.**” Why? Christ said, “**Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends**” (John 15:13). Jesus sacrificed His own **life** to pay for your crimes. Why?

Christ’s **sacrifice** proved **Jesus loves you**. God is **love** and Jesus **witnessed** that love of The Father by being crucified for you. He and The Father are the same. God is “**love**” and therefore, “Holy” or “without blemish.” God does it all, and He does only for your good.

God And Sacrifice

David said God did not desire sacrifice or offerings. The killing of animals was not to God’s liking (Psalm 40:6). He only allowed

animal sacrifice to show Israel they were still carnal as an animal. A **clean animal** is teachable, but they still had a wrong heart and couldn't keep His Ten Commandments in their hearts (Deuteronomy 5:29).

God did not want a carnal priesthood and carnal laws with animal sacrifices since all this did was to remind them they were still criminals by sinning (Romans 5:20).

God wanted a body who would prove His ultimate love for them and God. David in his prophecy said, "**Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me**" (Christ) (Psalm 40:7). The entire *Scriptures*, called *The Old Covenant*, pointed to Christ and His "**sacrifice.**" Why? As a **witness of God's promise of salvation** for the world (I John 4:14). Now, you, as Christians, are to carry on that **sacrifice** as a **Holy Nation of Priests as Christ's witness.**

Good Works

During a Sabbath Day, Jesus healed a man and told him to rise, take up his bed and walk (John 5:8). The Jews, knowing it was The Sabbath, said Jesus violated The Law of The Sabbath. Not only did He heal the man, He told him to carry a big load. Notice Christ's reaction to their statement. Jesus said, even on The Sabbath, "**My Father works, and I work**" (John 5:17). This greatly upset The Jews. Christ replied, "**The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise**" (John 5:19). Do you understand what Christ said? Jesus told The Jews since His Father works on The Sabbath, so will He. What did He mean? The Greek in this case for "**work**" is "*ergozomai.*" "*Ergozomai*" in Greek signifies "**to toil**" or "**labor.**" In this case, the word

for “human efforts” or “deeds” would be “*ergon*,” but this word “*ergozomai*” literally means “to toil” or “**do hard labor.**” **Why would Christ say that He and His Father do hard labor even on The Sabbath?** Jesus answers by saying He and His Father do **hard labor** on The Sabbath. Christ said He, Jesus, Himself was a greater **witness** than even John, The Baptist (John 5:36). What was that **witness**?

Christ declared as The Father has **life** in Himself and He has given to The Son to have **life** in Himself (John 5:26). There it is. Jesus came to “**Save The World**” (I John 4:14). Therefore, “**For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth [energizes] them; even so The Son quickeneth [energizes] whom he will**” (John 5:21).

The Father and The Son have the same **purpose** to **save** humanity. Even if it means to do hard work on The Sabbath. Christ said it is right according to The Law to do good works even on The Sabbath. Why? That was what Christ was to **witness** when He was on this earth! (John 5:36). That is what a **priest** does. Priests have to lift heavy oxen when they sacrifice them on The Sabbath. **Salvation is the issue not religious works.** A **priest** intervenes on behalf of his own sins, as well as, the sins of others.

They must offer a gift or sacrifice for other people’s sins, as well as, for their own sins (Hebrews 5:1). That is **the purpose** of The Priesthood. That is their **witness**, and Jesus is the **faithful witness** of God in doing “**good works**” (Revelation 1:5). Jesus, The Christ, The Anointed High Priest gave His very **life**.

Since “**the mystery of God**” is *CHRIST IN YOU*, (the **hope of glory** or **salvation**), you are also to be **priests** comprising a Holy Nation to God (I Peter 2:9). To be a **witness** of Christ, you are to

be a **priest** just as Jesus was. You are to be **His witness**. You also must **do good works**. What **good works** are required of you?

Gifts And Sacrifices

Paul states each church member has **gifts** given by God (I Corinthians 12 and Romans 12). You are to use these **gifts** to help and serve **the church**. **The church**, therefore, as Christ's "**body**" is a **witness** of **who** and **what Christ was and is**. This **witness** reveals *CHRIST IN YOU* or you do exactly what Jesus did as Christ does exactly what The Father does. And it doesn't matter what day it is. Then you are **all** "**one** with The Father" through Christ. The English word "**gift**" in Greek is "*charis*." "*Charis*" is where the English word "*charisma*" comes from. It means "**a special God-given gift**." You, as **the body of Christ**, are to use those gifts, granted each and every member of **the church** to be of benefit to others. How about the **sacrifices of the priesthood**? Paul declares, "**I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye [Christians] present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service**" (Romans 12:1). There it is, the very definition of what a priest is (Hebrews 5:1). The Body of Christ is a priesthood, a holy nation, being a witness of your High Priest, Jesus, The Christ, after The Order of Melchizedek. This **Priesthood**, which has Christ "**in them**" is willing to use all the gifts God gives His **church** to do good works, even to the place of being a living sacrifice just as Christ was **your sacrifice**. There is your *Bible* proof of a true and faithful **witness** of Christ because everyone will be able to see *CHRIST IN YOU*.

The Eikon

You are at the place to ask the question, with *Christ In You* and be-

ing His **witness**, what are you to look like? Christians, as **priests**, offering yourself as a living sacrifice, what must you **witness** or look like?

Paul, after he told “**the saints**” they must have Christ “**in them**” (Colossians 3:9-10 and Colossians 1:27) and declared you now have put off the “**old man**” which in Greek is “*anthropos*.” This “human image,” which is being “human” with all your human nature can do either **good** or **evil**. Paul reveals you have put on the **new man**, which is renewed in **knowledge** after the **image** of Him that created Him. Now, you have your answer (Colossians 3:10). Christians are to be in **the image** of Christ, Himself. That is *Christ In You*.

The Greek word for “**image**” is “*eikon*.” An “*eikon*” is an “idol” or “a **representation** of the **idol**.” As a **witness** and **priest** who offers themselves as a sacrifice for others will look just like Jesus, your High Priest, who will always **intercede** for you. Just as Melchizedek, (Christ) **you too, must be ready to sacrifice yourself for the good of others**. When you **witness** Christ, the more you grow **spiritually**, the more you represent Jesus as He was upon this earth. Remember, you, still being human, **only look like Him** in “**the works**” you do, just as He did **good works**. You are only a **representation of “the works”** He did, but not in “**the glory**” He has with His Father.

Christ’s Image

Since Jesus is your High Priest, after The Order of Melchizedek, being **spiritual** in His **body** just as The Father is the **exact image** of God. Jesus was exactly like His Father and **not** a mere representation. Paul reveals Jesus is in **the express image** of His Father (Hebrews 1:3). In this case, the English word “image,” in

Greek is “*CHARAKTER*” or “an exact duplicate of God, even in character.” Christ’s image in His **glorified form** is an exact similitude of The Father in every way.

You, being human, with your weakness because of your flesh, can only be an image of Jesus in **representation** of the “**good works**” He did when He was human. **You, as Christians, are not an exact duplicate of Christ.**

Your **witness** is to be like Jesus, in what He said, did and how He behaved. You are truly to have *Christ In You* by **witnessing** and even sacrificing your lives “**to live by every word of God**” just as He did. Then you are offering your gifts and sacrifices to be just like Him. You are a Royal Priesthood, giving of yourselves to God and to your neighbors. As “**the body**” of Christ with “**many members**” you are also to be a Holy Nation representing Jesus on earth as **His witnesses** with **THE TRUTH OF CHRIST “IN YOU!”**

Melchizedek And Levi

Why did God change His Priesthood from Melchizedek to The Tribe of Levi? Understanding the difference helps define why being a **priest** is so important in having *Christ In You*. Amazingly, you find one reason The Levites were chosen by God to be His **Priests** was due to a carnal problem they had.

Paul relates that God replaced The Melchizedek Priesthood by a Priesthood which was very similar to Melchizedek. The English word “similitude” in Greek is “*homoiotes*” which merely means “**resemblance**” or “like.” Both **Priesthoods** were to look or appear alike, but as you will read, they are grossly different – **spiritually**.

A Carnal Priesthood

Paul explains this ‘**Priesthood**’ is based upon a **carnal commandment**. The Letter of The Law was written for **unrighteous, carnal people** who were stubborn, stiff-necked and therefore, **carnal** (Hebrews 7:16, I Timothy 1:7-10 and Deuteronomy 9:13).

Surprisingly even The Tribe of Levi was chosen because they were carnal. Jacob prophesied that Levi was **carnal**. God said Levites are cruel, fierce and full of wrath (Genesis 49:5-7). They had a hard time controlling their anger.

Moses lost the right to enter **the promised land** because he became full of wrath when The Israelites complained about not having water to drink (Exodus 17). So, Moses struck the rock in anger and then took the credit for giving them the water. So, by getting angry and not giving God the credit for the water, Moses did not enter **the promised land**.

God chose The Tribe of Levi to be **Priests** because of their hot temper and wrath. They needed to do more sacrificing than the rest of Israel. Israel was given a carnal Law for carnal people with a carnal priesthood. Why? They needed “**right**” and “**wrong**” spelled out for them. Being stiff-necked or carnal, they had a **wrong heart or nature**. “**Right**” and “**wrong**” had to be written out for them to know the difference between **good** and **evil**.

Even their “**Priesthood**” was fierce and needed to offer sacrifices for themselves, as well as, for the people. The Priesthood was changed because Israel was carnal, and God had to write out “**good**” and “**evil**” if they were ever able to be taught to be God’s **witnesses** to other nations. That is why they were **The Church in The Wilderness** (Acts 7:38). It was a carnal church so had “car-

nal testing” based upon human efforts or works. They failed!

King Of Righteousness

Melchizedek, as High Priest, had an entirely different purpose. The Apostle Paul reveals The Melchizedek Priesthood produces **eternal life** or **salvation**. The Letter of The Law could not offer **salvation**. The Levitical Priesthood could only lead them to Christ by showing them they were sinners (Romans 5:20 and Galatians 3:24). This is the reason The Priesthood was changed from Melchizedek to Levi.

Melchizedek, as High Priest, offers **salvation** and not merely a happy, long, prosperous life in “**the promised land.**” Israel was to be a **physical witness**, which only manifested God’s **righteousness** by The Law (Deuteronomy 6:25).

Melchizedek was a **spiritual** Priesthood based upon being **righteous** through **faith**. Melchizedek is made up of two Hebrew words. “Melec” means “king” and “*tsedaq*” which stands for “**faith.**” This Priesthood is **based upon faith** and **not** any human works of worshipping God. It is a totally based kingship of **faith** or **absolute faith** in God and His Son, even to the death. Hebrews 7:2 reveals Melchizedek is a Priesthood, which is King of Righteousness by “**faith**” and is, therefore, a **King of Peace**.

All **the riches, fullness** of God, with **His Holiness, power, creativity, success** and **prosperity** is contained in **The Priesthood of Melchizedek**. This Priesthood actually changes human nature by purging a person’s conscience and heart to be pure. This Priesthood is completely **faith-based** in belief that *Christ In You* changes your nature to come to the maturity of Christ (Ephesians 4:13). What a difference! All the fullness and riches of God Al-

mighty are in Christ **only**. *Christ In You* is the answer.

Christ's Witness

To be a **witness** for Christ, in The Church of God, you must become a **Priest** after The Order of Melchizedek, just as Jesus. When you become a **spiritual** priest, like your Savior, you must be willing to sacrifice your life just as He did. Then you can be a **true witness of Jesus in His likeness** so the world can behold *Christ In You!*

CHAPTER 5

A SEALED BOOK

In Revelation 5, Jesus is the only “one” worthy to open *The Book with Seven Seals*. No man or any human preacher has been worthy. Only Christ is worthy. This book with the seven seals is *The Book of Revelation*. Revelation 19:10 states this book is a testimony which is “the spirit” or “understanding of prophecy.” Do you grasp the significance of this statement? Without Christ opening the meaning of *The Book of Revelation*, you cannot understand the true meaning of any prophecy in *The Bible*. *The Book of Revelation* had to be part of *The Bible* if you wanted to understand “the truth” of God’s “word.”

Paul said his **apostolic ministry** was to manifest the very “**word**” or “*logos*” of God. In fact, Paul was to fulfill or complete it (Colossians 1:25). Why?

Jesus said **man shall not live by bread** alone, but by every “**word**” or “*logos*” of God (Matthew 4:4). This statement carries a **significant spiritual** meaning. Most people believe Christ said, besides needing food to survive, you must also understand and know how to eat God’s “**word**.” As they say, “there is more to these ‘**words**’ than meets the eye.”

Seeing these words is not enough. You must also understand their **spiritual significance**. Elihu, Job’s friend, said “**days should**

speak and teach wisdom.” Elihu was younger than Job and his friends, so he believed older people, having more experience in life, **should probably be wiser.**

Elihu then said, **“but there is a spirit in man.”** In Chapter 2 of this book, *‘Spirit In Man,’* defines this **spirit** as **life energy** from God. **“The inspiration of The Almighty gives understanding”** (Job 32:7-8). “Inspiration” in the Hebrew is *“neshamah”* or **“divine inspiration.”** “Understanding” in the Hebrew is *“biyn”* “to separate or distinguish.” Elihu is revealing a great **spiritual truth.**

The **“spirit in man”** the **“life energy”** came from God and God is allowing you to receive **this power so you too can know “the spiritual truth” of God.** **Spirit is “spirit”** as Christ said in John 3, but it is God who must reveal what is **the truth** by His Holy Spirit **being “in you.”**

This, however, must come through His Son, Jesus, who is **The Revelator of God’s “word”** (Hebrews 1:2). From Paul’s day, to the present, it is only Christ who is **worthy** to reveal God’s **truth** (Revelation 5). *Christ In You* is the answer. The full meaning of Matthew 4:4 is – **LIVING BY EVERY WORD OF GOD.**

Every Word Of God

Jesus, in reality, is stating a contradiction in Matthew 4:4. He declares humanity needs physical food to exist, but what is really important is to live and to saturate yourselves with **every Word of God** through and by God’s Holy Spirit. This Holy Spirit gives understanding to **“the spirit in man”** as Elihu said (Job 32:8).

Does mankind get it? The **spiritual impact** of Christ’s statement

is food only preserves **one's natural life** which **profits nothing**, but living by every Word of God should be primary in a Christian's life (John 6:63). That is the real significance of Matthew 4:4. However, eating The Word of God can only be understood by Christ manifesting God's Holy Spirit "**in you.**" Eating God's "**word**" produces **salvation**.

The Old And The New

God purposely divided *The Bible* into two parts. One is known as *The Old Testament*, and the other *The New Testament*. Only Jesus has **the testimony**, which reveals God's "**word**" in prophecy. Paul said the same thing in Hebrews 1:3. Understanding only Christ's "**words**" reveal **the truth** of God by Jesus giving you understanding so you can know God's "**word.**" This is a big key in studying *The Old Testament* as opposed to *The New Testament*. If one wants to clearly understand *The Bible*, you have to listen to Christ's "**words**" since Jesus is **the "logos"** or **The Word of God** (Deuteronomy 18:18). That is why Jesus told The Jews that they did not have **God's "words"** in them because they did not understand God's **Word**. *The Scriptures* or *Old Testament* only speaks of The Coming of Christ (John 5:38-47). *The Old Testament* was written to reveal The Messiah or Christ. The Law, (the first five books), was only a **shadow** of things to come which was **prophecy**. You understand it is **only** by **The Words of Christ** which teaches you and gives understanding to *The Old Testament*.

The New Testament tells what *The Old Testament* reveals only as a **prophecy** or a **shadow of things to come** (Hebrews 10:1). That is why I Timothy 1:7-10 states, "**The Law is only given for the unrighteous or unconverted.**" *The Scriptures* or *Old Covenant* was totally based upon **human effort** or **works of the flesh** which could never **please God** (Romans 8:8).

God wants you to worship Him **spiritually, only** (John 4). *The Old Covenant* could never accomplish this. That is why **spiritual growth** is vital. It gives you **salvation** and will give you great rewards (Revelation 22:12). *The New Covenant* was based upon **better promises** for you (Hebrews 8:6). Paul said Christ's **testament** was a **better testament** because it gave **salvation** not merely a successful human existence. This **better testament** also gives each person a chance to multiply his/her own personal rewards.

So plain, so clear, so logical to understand but difficult to do without *Christ In You*. Jesus is The Revelator! Only He is worthy to reveal **the truth** by God's Holy Spirit. *The New Covenant* or "**testament**" reveals how to achieve **eternal life**. When studying *The Bible* you must clearly understand the difference between *The Old* and *New Testament*. Both **testaments** are necessary to understand God's **purpose**, to be **ALL AND IN ALL** and how God is bringing it to pass (I Corinthians 15:28).

A Question

Some time ago a man asked why God is bothering with all of this in the universe. It seemed to him, **very complicated** and **a lot of trouble**. He believed there was a God and He understood God's **purpose**. God firmly answers this question.

Paul in Ephesians 1:9 states God's **purpose** is to be "**all and in all**" because it gives Him **great pleasure**. Since God is **love**, He must share His **riches** or **glory** (I John 4:8). Love is outgoing or totally and completely giving. Love sacrifices **all** to **give**. God's great **purpose** is to make you one of His children so you can share **the great glory** or complete **riches** in Christ, His Son. Nothing makes God happier or more joyful than sharing "**all**" **He has**. That is why God is "**love**" or "**agapè**" which is totally His "to give."

That is *The Bible's* answer as to why God is going to all this **trouble just to make you Holy** as He is Holy. The only reason is it gives Him extreme pleasure to give **His children all the gifts and the riches or glory** which Christ sacrificed so you could be **saved**. God wants His family, all the multiple billions, to be **saved and do all the things He has planned for everyone's inheritance**.

Why Holy?

Besides receiving great pleasure, what is God's reason to make everyone Holy? God wants to be "ALL AND IN ALL" **in everyone**, which can only be done through Christ. The only way to **guarantee, absolutely, God's "kingdom family" lives forever in abject happiness and peace** is to be "**good**" and "**just**" as He is "**good**" and "**just**." Anything less would destroy His "**kingdom**" and bring nothing but misery and pain and suffering to all concerned. God must become **all and in all** (I Corinthians 15:28). There is no other way. Take a look at today's world.

A Matter Of Choice

God has complete freedom or liberty to do whatever He chooses for you. God had a **purpose** and a **plan** whereby all humanity will be able to choose and finally all will confess Jesus is The Savior and then can be **saved**. That is why God created such a perfect plan to **save everyone**. Since **salvation** can only come through His Son (I John 4:14), finally, everyone will confess Jesus is The Lord (Romans 10:9-10). Everyone ultimately will **repent** and choose God's "**way**" (Romans 10:9-10).

Why A Firstborn?

Was it really the best way to have a Firstborn Son, Jesus to die for

you and pay for your sins to be able to bring humanity to God's **way** of being just like Him? To understand the wisdom of God, you need to ask, "Why didn't God just teach mankind Himself?" The answer is: God did.

God taught Adam and Eve personally by **His messenger** as **God's "Ambassador."** Why couldn't God be there, and do the speaking? Remember, Jesus told you "**no man has seen The Father and no man has heard The Father's voice**" (John 5:37). The answer is simple. Paul said "**God is a consuming fire**" (Hebrews 12:29). The universe and Adam and Eve would have been burned up. God, therefore, deals through His **chosen angels who act as agents or messengers**. These messengers must have the ability to take on a human form or mankind would burn up.

The second reason God does not deal directly with mankind is when people sin (and all humans do) Isaiah states God will not even hear you, let alone show Himself to you (Isaiah 59:1-2). Cain was cut off from God, even from His messengers because Cain killed Abel. Cain became a Gentile or **one cut off from God** and left to decide **right** from **wrong** on his own terms. This is when God gave them over to a **reprobate mind**. This is "**man**" as created in his natural state. Man can be good or evil. That is mankind in its natural creation, capable of **good** and **evil** to go their own way (Romans 1:22-28). They now had free choice without knowing "**good**" from "**evil**." "Man" was truly an "*anthropos*" or "animal-like" as defined in Greek. But, why was a Firstborn Son necessary?

God's Witness

Paul said Jesus is the author of your **faith** (Hebrews 12:2). Why did He have to be "**the author**?" Jesus said His Father gives you

the true bread (John 6:32). That is why Christ said, “**Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God**” (Matthew 4:4). In Christ’s final prayer, Jesus said, “**I have given them thy Word; and the world has hated them**” (John 17:14). There is your answer. Christ is **the author of your faith**, and therefore, has lived every Word of God. He had to become perfect to prove He was The Son of God. Paul stated Jesus was **made perfect** (Hebrews 5:7-9). He had to live every **scripture** proving He was The Messiah. He, by **His life, witnessed by living every Word of God**, that, indeed, He was Jesus, The Christ (John 17:12). Christ had to be the **FIRST FAITHFUL WITNESS** (Revelation 1:5).

How? By living every Word of God (Matthew 4:4). Why? God’s “**word**” is **truth** or **reality**! (John 17:17). Jesus, God’s Firstborn Son, had to **witness** or **prove** that man could live by every Word of God “**if**” he/she **repented** and received God’s “**Spirit**.” Then, God’s “**Spirit**” leads a person to **reality** and **truth**. Why was it necessary for Jesus to prove He was The Messiah as God’s **faithful witness**?

Righteous Judgment

Clearly, Jesus said in God’s “word” that Christians are not to judge by **appearance** but to judge **righteous judgment**. According to God how does one judge **righteous judgment**? The Law states, “**At the mouth of two witnesses, or three, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.**” Very plain, without two or three **witnesses**, one cannot be put to death. No Lake of Fire without two or three witnesses.

Jesus said that God has **life**, and therefore, He **gave life** to The Son

to **have life in Himself**. Obviously, *The Scriptures* are telling you at one time, The Son did not have “**life**.” God gave “**life**” to Jesus just as Christ will give you “**life**” in The Judgment (John 5:26). Because Jesus can now give “**life**” to others, since He now has “**life**,” God has given Him **authority to execute** judgment. Why? Because Christ is **The Son of Man** (John 5:27).

Many ponder why Jesus kept saying He is The Son of Man. Very simply, one who is born or a son of man is **human**. Being human, they in the natural **unconverted** state can be both good and **evil**. In every way, Jesus was a human being and therefore, subject to sin. He, in every, way was tempted as you are tempted. Paul said in Hebrews 2:18, “**For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted he is able to succor them that are tempted**” (Hebrews 2:18). The Greek word for “succor” is “*boetheo*,” defined as “to help,” “aid” or “relieve.”

There it is. **Jesus judged righteous judgment always to help the guilty to change or become a righteous one**. Even those thrown into The Lake of Fire are thrown in to help them **repent**. Read the book *God's Work*. Jesus said, “**for The Father judges no man**” (John 5:22). “Man,” in Greek is “*anthropos*” or “the natural born man which is good and evil.”

Jesus was born **The Son of Man** or **The Natural Man**, totally human with carnal nature or that innate desire; survival of the fittest. Still being human and **tempted** like all **humans**, he lived by every Word of God and by doing so became **perfect** like His Father. This qualified Jesus as a **true witness** and **faithfully** proved He was The Messiah. That is why He became the **author of your “salvation.”** How simple, The Father couldn't come to earth because **He is a burning fire** and secondly, God is sinless, totally good, therefore, has no companionship with sin.

Finally, God could not judge each human **righteously** unless God became human and experienced human nature with all its **temptations**. **Only when He won over His flesh could He be a righteous judge**. The ultimate reason Jesus was The Christ or Messiah was **He gave His “life” for all the sins of humanity**. This qualified Jesus as Melchizedek, The High Priest who loved **righteousness** and gave His “life” though sinless and as a **faithful true witness** qualified to be **the righteous judge of the world and save it** (I John 4:14). That is why God had to have **His First Begotten Son** be a **faithful witness** to the world, and therefore, becoming its righteous judge. Oh, the greatness and goodness of God!

True Witness

Christ said the reason He proved He was God’s **witness** was His **witness** was not of Himself (John 5:30-31). If Jesus continually said He was The Son of God, it would only be His own “**words**” or “**thoughts**.” That is why He was reticent to acknowledge who He truly was. **True servants** of God do not **witness themselves**, but it is The Father who does **the witnessing** that you are God’s **servant** (John 5:30). Notice that is exactly what Christ said, “**There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true**” (John 5:32).

Then, besides The Father as His **witness**, Christ said, “**The works, which The Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that The Father has sent me** (John 5:36).

Then in the next verse, Jesus said with The Father as His **witness** and His **works** you have **two witnesses**. Therefore, according to The Law, Jesus was The Messiah and was sent from God. That is why Christ continued and said, “**Search the scriptures; for in**

them ye think ye have eternal life and they are they which testify [or witness] of me” (John 5:39).

Now, **you have three witnesses to prove Jesus was The Christ** or Messiah. The **three witnesses**, which give you the **righteous judgment** or **the truth**:

- 1 The Scriptures validated Christ.
- 2 God, The Father, witnesses Jesus who lived every Word of God.
- 3 Finally, Christ’s “works” proved He was The Messiah.

Jesus is truly the faithful witness of God’s truth and therefore is worthy to give salvation and unseal The Truth of God in God’s **word**.

CHAPTER 6

WHO HAS THE MARK OF THE BEAST?

When you read the book, *Revelation Uncovered*, you find The Mark of The Beast is a revival of The Holy Roman Empire. It calls itself Holy because it claims to be God's "kingdom on earth." However, it is totally of human origin and not of God. Why? It is based upon competition, one outdoing the other, rather than by God's way of "inheritance." Read Chapters 4 and 5, '*Who Is The Beast*' and '*Mark of The Beast*' in *Revelation Uncovered* to fully comprehend this phenomenon.

Mark Is A Number

Those with The Mark of The Beast have a number marked within them (Revelation 13:18). That number is 666. The number is defined as The **Number of a Man**. Man was created on the sixth day and therefore, man's number is "6." Three sixes, 666, denotes "finality" or "completion." Those with this number are in the final stages which mean "**The Times of The Gentiles**" are about to be fulfilled or end. Christ is ready to **return**.

Since "six" is man's number (created on the sixth day), this was the first man given **life** which was Adam. Man in his natural-born state is a mixture of **good** and **evil**. He is free to choose his own personal path. Each can create their own little gods. This Mark of The Beast is totally carnal or as a wild **animal**, a lion, leopard or a bear (Revelation 13). This fourth beast, The Holy Roman Empire,

is a **composite** of all the previous three beasts, the lion, leopard and a bear, completely carnivorous and **competitive**. Survival of the fittest dominates this end-time government composed of **ten world rulers**, one competing against the other, yet **united** for their overall benefit. They are truly a **mixture** of **iron** and **clay** (Revelation 13). How can you tell who has this Mark of The Beast?

Not A Sign

Many interpreters of this number, **666**, have theorized that it is an **observable sign**. Some say it is one's social security number. Others claim they are cardholders who are members of The United Nations. On it goes, but let *The Bible* tell you what type of **sign it is**. The Greek word for "mark" denotes "**an etching**" or "**scratching**." Therefore, it is a sign that is **visibly observable**. But, what kind of a **sign can it be**?

A Witness

In *The Book of Revelation*, Chapter 7, The Apostle wrote God **seals His servants** with a seal to **protect them** from the catastrophes which will encompass the earth. These are **the seven trumpets**. God's servants are His **witnesses** (Revelation 14). The Greek word for "seal" is "*sphargis*." The **word** defines a "**genuineness**," "fencing in" or "protecting" which means "private" or "off limits to anyone." This also represents a **stamp of approval for the converted**, just as The Mark of The Beast is a stamp for **the unconverted**.

One **seal** is **genuine** and is protected. The other **mark** denotes carnality or a mixture of good and evil at its worst. Now, you can understand these two signs. One sign is real and true. The other is

false. How do you tell these two signs apart? One has The Mark of The Beast while the other has **the seal** of God. The Beast Mark is not real, but God's **seal** is real and very genuine.

The Images

You now find **two signs**: God's **sign** and The Beast's **sign**. As God pours out His **wrath** upon **The Beast**, the third angel with the third vial cries out with a loud voice, "**If any man worship the beast and his image, and receives his mark [beast] in his forehead or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God**" (Revelation 14:9-10). So, they end up going into The Lake of Fire.

This **mark** or **sign** is an **image**. What kind of **image**? The Greek word "*eikon*" is "**image**" in English. An "*eikon*" is an "**idol**." This **idol** "looks like something or someone else." The Greek definition is a "representation" or a "resemblance." This **idol** resembles **The Beast**. Who is this Beast? This Beast gets its power from the dragon (Revelation 13:4). The **dragon** is **Satan**, the devil (Revelation 12:9). **Since The Beast's power comes from Satan, he carries The Real Mark of The Beast**. This **mark**, 666, is **Satan's mark**. Satan's **way** or **image** in one's forehead, the **mind** or in the hands denoting the lifestyle of earning a living. It is formed totally by **Satan**. The Mark of The Beast is Satan's type of living and it began in The Land of Eden or paradise when Adam and Eve ate of The Tree of Good and Evil.

Eve was deceived and bought Satan's story so she could know **good** and **evil** as a "god" herself (Genesis 3). That is Satan's "image" as a **way of life** whereby a person decides for themselves what is **good** or **evil**. Remember, this image is an "*eikon*" or "**idol**." It resembles Satan and his image. The world will be **de-**

ceived because this human system, based upon **competition**, is very attractive. Why? The world will be prosperous and worship this image. Who wouldn't want a successful life? In fact, they will want to be just **like this image** because the world will be so successful and so prosperous. **Peace, peace, when there is no peace.**

It's Genuine

Contrary to Satan's **mark**, God's **seal** or mark is **genuine** and **real**. It isn't as Satan's, which is a deception claiming to be God's "**kingdom**" on earth **with a human system of religion** which will be a complete lie!

On the other hand you know Jesus is the express **image** of The Father (Hebrews 1:3). In this case, the word is "*charakter*" in Greek, which is "character" in English. Christ is an exact image of The Father. Jesus has the express "**character**" of The Father. This is no "*eikon*" or "**idol**" merely resembling God, The Father. Jesus is genuine, the real image. The Greek word for "express" is the same word as "image" when you read Hebrews 1:3. Paul said Jesus is the **express** character and essence of The Father. He is **the genuine article** of The Father. Both have **spiritual bodies** and **Holy spiritual hearts** and **minds**. They are exactly alike. If one saw one, they would be seeing the other, as well. Jesus does not merely have a resemblance.

Human Image

Paul said God predestinated or fore-ordained, that Christians are to be in the same "image" as His Son. This word, however, is different than the word "image" in Hebrews 1:3. Christ is exactly like The Father. They are both alike with **spirit bodies** and **hearts**

and **minds** and **character**.

Christians in a carnal human body, cannot exactly look or be like The Son of God. They are still human. The Greek for “image” in this case is “*eikon*,” “idol” or “a resemblance.” How? You can only be like Christ in **your heart, mind and lifestyle**. That is why Jesus said, “**I am the way, the truth and the life**” (John 14:6). You must live exactly the way Jesus did. You, as Christians, must **copy or resemble His way of living**. Jesus lived by every Word of God and proved He was **The Faithful Witness**.

He only did God’s **will** and only did **good works**. Christians must be just like Jesus when He was human upon this earth. He, also, was tempted by his flesh just as you are tempted. You need time to mature to the stature of Christ. The Greek word for “stature” is “*helikia*” or “the same age.” Jesus became “**The Author of Your Salvation**.” And, He continued to grow **spiritually** just as Christians should grow, if you have *Christ In You* (Ephesians 4:13).

You will know God’s **seal is** genuine or real when others **witness** *Christ In You* doing **the same works He did**. Although in the flesh, as a Son of Man, He was **The First Begotten, Faithful Witness of God’s “word,”** you are to follow suit. That is the definition of “**spiritual growth**.” Christians are to be and do just what Jesus did when He was human as The Son of Man. When you are a **witness of Christ**, then you know, Christ is “in you.”

The Unrepentant

Those who **repent** and get **victory** over the **mark of the beast** are **saved** and thankfully, do not have to go through God’s **wrath** (Revelation 15:2). These are God’s **servants** who have grown to come out of Babylon (Revelation 18:4). What is the difference?

They do not have **the mark of the beast** any longer and now have God's **seal** (Revelation 7:1-3). Those with **the mark of the beast**, actually, resemble Satan and his way in their foreheads and hands. They worship Satan's **way and lifestyle**. **They are totally human and carnal**. "**The Survival of The Fittest**." They worship Satan's system of **completion** or the "**outdoing**" of others. So, again what is this **mark**? Simply, it is individuals with their **faith, belief and their lifestyle following Satan and beginning to resemble Satan, The Beast and False Prophet**. All you have to do to see this **mark** in Satan's followers is to see how they **live or believe**. It is an obvious **mark**! **They are unrepentant** (Revelation 16:11).

True Witnesses

Since God's servants are coming out of Babylon, they are **the genuine witness** or likeness of Christ when He was human on this earth (*Revelation Uncovered* goes into further details). Amazingly, they are a **genuine witness or likeness of Christ**. Of course, they are only in "the image" or "*eikon*" (idol) or have a "resemblance of Christ" (Revelation 18:4).

They are attempting to be **perfect or holy in their works** just like Jesus. They, however, are a **true witness or likeness** of the same **good works and seek, only, to live by every Word of God**. They are "**spiritually growing**" in Christ. They are faithful witnesses of Christ. Christ showed His **servants "the way"** when He was on this earth as The Son of Man. His **servants are in His resemblance** or idol and look like Christ when He was in the flesh. **His servants are genuine as Christ was genuine**. They pattern their way of **living according to the truth by following Christ**. They are His **true witnesses**. **Christians can emulate Christ because Christ is "in you."**

What **mark** or **seal** of **genuineness** do they have? Just as those with **the mark of the beast** begin to resemble **Satan**; **Christians who have grown spiritually and come out of Babylon resemble Christ**. That is their sign. **THEY ARE THE REAL OR TRUE WITNESSES OF GOD.**

Christ's Early Years

Many people are probably surprised but **Jesus had to grow in God's grace** like any human (Luke 2:52). "Grace" in Greek is "*charis*" meaning "gifts." As Jesus grew in stature, God was with Him continually increasing Him in **gifts** or **riches**, just as He is doing with you. That is why so little is told of His childhood. *The Bible* explores **the life of Jesus** when He received His commission as The Messiah. Prior to that event, Jesus as any other Christian was **spiritually growing** to do "**the will**" of His Father. However, He did have God's Holy Spirit from birth. That is why He displayed such wisdom when He was twelve years old (Luke 2:42, 47).

The Commission

When Christ was thirty, He came to be baptized by John. However, John, The Baptist, refused to baptize Him. Jesus said, "**Suffer it be so now: for thus it becomes us to fulfill all righteousness**" (Matthew 4:15). Christ had to **live every Word of God as His Father's witness**. Jesus was buried in water and put His human flesh (Son of Man) to death. At this precise moment God had His Holy Spirit descend upon Jesus as a dove. Then, a voice from heaven said, "**This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased**" (Matthew 3:16-17).

From that moment and for the next three and a half years, Christ,

as The Messiah, began to **restore all things**, thus defeating all of God's enemies (Matthew 18:11). His first activity was to defeat Satan in the wilderness. Christ was starting **His commission as The Messiah**.

Christ In You

From the day you became a Christian and received God's Holy Spirit, you, likewise, like Jesus, need to continue and grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ. As long as you are human, this process must continue until you achieve the stature or maturity of Christ (Ephesians 4:13). Why do you need to continue to grow **spiritually**? So you can mature – no longer tossed to and fro – but **living and speaking only the truth**. Growing in God's "**word**" makes you like Christ. The head is Christ. This is how you have *Christ In You!*

Genuine Seal

When you resemble Jesus in all He thought and all He did, you are becoming genuine, an **etching**, idol, "*eikon*" of *Christ In You*. All **your works** are **His works**. You give to the poor, help the sick, encourage the downtrodden along with all the other Godly "**good works**." That is why Jesus said if you do it to one of His, you have done it for Him. Then you have **witnessed** *Christ In You*.

Eventually, the mark of the beast becomes evident. One who has **the mark of Satan** lives like Satan and it becomes obvious to everyone. Those with **the mark of the beast** worship this beastly system of competition, one outdoing the other and not loving or wanting to help one's brother.

Those with God's **seal** are doing good works helping others as

Christ did. To the point of sacrificing one's life for others. What a difference a **true witness** of Christ is. ***Christ In You*** will be obvious to everyone. Those with **the mark of the beast** will stand out by their very natures and lifestyles. Be sure you, yourself, grow **spiritually**, like Jesus and have **God's genuine seal of *Christ In You!***

CHAPTER 7

GOD'S TWO WITNESSES

Christ In You is the answer to salvation with all its rewards. *Christ In You* is the answer to God's mystery. You are, literally, changed in your hearts and minds. You begin to look like Him and you begin to be like Christ. For now, you can be a true witness of Christ and God, Your Father. Have you ever wondered why you have to witness or even who has to witness.

A Will

Did you ever think why a “**will**” is needed when someone dies? Or when a person dies, why you call the contract – a “**will**?” The word “**will**” is a peculiar title for a “contract” or “covenant.” **The biblical story** is startling and yet, you will find it manifests and reveals a “**being's personal mind.**”

Christ said, “**He did not come to this earth to do his own will, but the will of Him who sent him**” (John 6:38). Jesus came as a human being to do God, The Father's “will” and not his own “will.” What is The Father's “will?” Paul said, “**Who will have all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth**” (I Timothy 2:4)? Only God has the “will” to **save everyone.** **Christ said He came to this earth to do just that** (I John 4:14).

The Apostle Paul expands upon God's “will” and explains exactly **what** God wants done and **why** God wants it done. Paul

declares that **God actually “wills” the adoption** of Christians to be His Sons (Ephesians 1:5-10). From “**a human state**” to “**a spiritual state.**” Why? He does it for only one reason. It gives God pleasure because God is **love**. **God is motivated by the act of giving.**

Paul said, “**In Christ everything in heaven and earth, that is all of humanity, will be saved**” (Ephesians 1:10). Jesus consistently said He came to the earth to do His Father’s “**will.**” A “**will,**” therefore, as a **contract** or **covenant** is nothing more than what **living beings** in their minds want to do for someone else. A “**will**” is the **intent** and **purpose** of a person’s wishes of what they want done with anything and everything they possess.

Paul said God appointed Christ to **inherit** all that God has. As God’s Firstborn Son Jesus is the one who **inherits all things** (Deuteronomy 21:17 and Hebrews 1:1-3). God has appointed Jesus as **His Bishop** or **overseer** to take care of **God’s family**, which is to include the whole world (I John 4:14). That is God’s **will** or **purpose**. Jesus is The Overseer of all mankind (I Timothy 5:8).

Executive Director

Every “**will**” or **contract** has an executive director or overseer – bishop. Now, you start to see truly **what a “will”** or God’s **covenant** really is. The executor, once “**the will**” is to be enforced, is to make sure everything in that “**will**” is executed properly. That is exactly what Jesus said He came to do (John 6:38). Christ is The Overseer or Executive Director of that “**will**” which His Father gave only to Him (Hebrews 1:1-3). Originally, it was lost in The Garden of Eden and Christ had to come to restore what was lost (Matthew 18:11). Once a “**will**” is properly executed it must be **certified** as completed according to its **every directive**. The

judge or **court** stamps its final approval and this is exactly what Christ does.

Paul declared once **all things** such as God's enemies, even **death**, is done away and then The Son, Jesus, gives all authority back to God, **the final judge**, for the certification of this "**will**," God can finally **become "all and in all."** God's "**will**" or **covenant** will be perfectly **executed** (I Corinthians 15:28). What God has ordered of Jesus, as His Executor, is the completion of everything according to God's terms. The Father's "**will**" is **everyone should be saved** and be **Holy** as God so God can be "**all and in all!**" **What a perfect, glorious and Holy plan.**

Jesus, The Qualifier

The Apostle Paul said Jesus is the author or one who qualified by living according to God's "**will**." Christ fulfilled or completed every Word of God written about His qualifications (Hebrews 12:2). Christ is The Anointed One (Matthew 16:16), The High Priest and Intercessor on your behalf (Hebrews 8:6 and Hebrews 7:25). Jesus is The Executive Director to do God's "**will**" as contracted in *The New Covenant* (Hebrews 9:16-17). As your High Priest, after The Order of Melchizedek, Jesus intercedes for you and your sins so you can qualify **to inherit your reward.**

Faithful Witness

As God's **faithful witness** to God's "**will**" now Christ needs two more **witnesses** to His "**testimony**" of the "**will**" (Revelation 1:5). You have read The Law requires two or three witnesses to substantiate **the truth**. Any "**will**" **in court** needs **two or three witnesses** to **certify its conditions**, benefits and benefactors are of a truth, and the bestowers full intentions. No judge or court will

validate a “**will**” without the two witnesses. Who are the two witnesses in **God’s “will”** as testified by His Son, Jesus?

A Witness

A true witness is one who is not merely saying **the will** or **covenant** is factual but also must be honest and trustworthy themselves. Otherwise, the witnesses could be lying and would be therefore, **frauds**. The witnesses themselves must have impeccable credentials. Notice some of God’s examples who were faithful witnesses. Jesus, as proven, has already qualified as a **faithful witness**. Paul lists many examples **through history** of God’s faithful witnesses (Hebrews 11). He starts with Abel and states the list is so long it would take too long to cover everyone. Then, because of these personal individuals who were faithful witnesses, Paul makes an announcement concerning The Church or Christianity (Read Hebrews 11).

Paul summarizes and declared, “**Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us**” (Hebrews 12:1-2). What race does The Church of God have to run? You need to qualify, as **true witnesses**, living every Word of God, as Christ did. Then, you can certify, as **the second witness**, that God’s “**will**” of a **truth** is all **true**! To do so, you must have **Christ In You**, and be just as faithful a witness as Christ was. Now, there is one more witness to go into. **Who is the third witness?**

Two Prophets

A Prophet is nothing more than one who substantiates something, which as yet, has not occurred, but in fact, is **true** and will hap-

pen. This is the reason for a “**will**.” That is why Paul said all **the witnesses** listed in Hebrews 11 received a **good report** because of **their faith** (Hebrews 11:39). They looked to this prophecy of Christ, **His testimony** (Revelation 19:10), which is The Spirit of Prophecy, destined to happen. They were willing to die to substantiate **the truth** of God’s “**testimony**” or “**will**” (Hebrews 11:13).

When you have read *Revelation Uncovered*, it will be a little simpler to steer you to verses which will verify **the biblical truth** that these **Two Prophets** in Revelation 11 are “**two churches**.” They are composed of **The 144,000 Israelites** and **The Innumerable Multitude of Gentiles**, who go through The Great Tribulation, even to death. They declare they are The Two Witnesses who certify The Testimony of Christ, God’s “**will**” (Revelation 7). One Witness, The Innumerable Gentiles are God’s “**called-out ones**,” **The Church of God**. The others are The 144,000 Israelites called by God as **The Church in The Wilderness**. **There you are – all three witnesses of God’s truth and God’s “will” and “purpose” is to be “all and in all”** (I Corinthians 15:28).

Covenant Is Fulfilled

The Law can now be satisfied (Deuteronomy 17:6). The two covenants, *The Old Testament* and *The New Testament*, are now validated to be true and righteous. There are **three witnesses**, Jesus, The Executive Director of “**the will**” and **the two witnesses**, The Church in The Wilderness and the Church of God. **The “will” is certified** and can be put in force or enacted. How?

Kings And Priests

Jesus, as The Christ or The Anointed High Priest after The Order

of Melchizedek, is humanity's mediator to bring the world to **salvation** (I John 4:14). This is God's "**will**" (I Timothy 2:4). As The Author of Salvation, He is truly **the faithful witness**. What about the other two witnesses? You have already proven that Israel and The Church of God are to be a Royal Nation, a peculiar people and a **Priesthood**. A Priest is one who offers gifts and sacrifices for their sins and for the sins of others (Hebrews 5:1-2).

Until Israel became God's **chosen people** and nation, The Priesthood was an **individual order**. God was now ready to **witness nationally** and **internationally**. The Levitical Priesthood was ordained since Israel sinned as "**a human priesthood**" not being faithful and righteous, but being told by The Letter of The Law what was **good** or **evil**. The Law was to be their **righteousness** (Deuteronomy 6:25). They, in their hearts and minds were still **carnal** (I Timothy 1:7-10). They could still be A Nation of Priests and Kings as God's **witnesses** by The Righteousness of The Law (Deuteronomy 6:25). Kings are those who have the power of judgment and Priests are "**the intercessors**" for their sins and others. A King/Priest was a **judge** and **mediator** for their sins and the sins of others. This was what King/Priests do. That is why Christ's true witnesses are to be King/Priests in The Millennium (Revelation 1:6). However, you can, also, be a Priest today. You are to be a living sacrifice, now, in your human lives (Romans 12:1). To be a testator to Christ's **will** or **testimony**, you must presently be A Nation of Priests. As **true witnesses**, with *Christ In You*, you also should be willing to sacrifice your lives for Jesus and God, Your Father. Then you are **true witnesses of the testimony of Jesus, The New Covenant**. You are to be just as He is. You are His **representation** of exactly as Jesus was when He was human.

With The Church of God and The Church in The Wilderness, you, with Jesus, certify and validate that **the testimony** of Jesus, **His**

“will,” *The New Covenant* is true. This, then, fulfills the very “will” of God “the testimony” of Jesus Christ. The “will” is certified and to be enforced now that it has been substantiated, according to the “will” by **three witnesses**. Now, the enforcement of this **testimony** ushers in The Kingdom of God. **The time of Christ’s “return” is imminent.**

The mystery of God, “*Christ In You*,” is accepted by the entire world as Jesus appears in the clouds from the east, with all “**the angels**” and His “**saints**” who are His true witnesses and the time of **the judgment** of this world is about to transpire. The seven last plagues are released upon all with “**the mark of the beast**” and Satan’s false system. **God’s two witnesses must be a shining light to the world.**

What Is Sickness?

The scientific medical field attests **all sicknesses** are attacks by outside influences like a virus or bacteria. All ailments, physical and mental, are caused by some physical hostile force to the body. This is partly true. Why is it your immune system can no longer defend itself against attack? The answer is your defense mechanism isn’t strong enough. But, why is the immune mechanism not able to be healthy enough to do the job? Medical science asserts you experience a breakdown of your hormonal balance or other physiological difficulties. The answer is usually drug therapy or some other physical answer since they assume the body functions totally on a physiological basis and nothing else.

Is Sickness Caused By Sin?

The Bible adds an additional causal factor for mental or physical illness. Jesus asserts some sicknesses are caused by sin. The

medics look upon this assertion as a myth. As usual, when one does not understand **biblical terminology**, just as scientists who say only medical knowledge is reality, they then document their own **biblical** ignorance.

Sin, by its **biblical definition**, is to “**miss the mark.**” What “**mark**” does sickness miss? Is it mental or physical? Biblically to be sick because of sin, carries **the meaning of less than whole.** Whether missing the mark “physiologically” or “mentally” it is still caused by sinning.

One can get sick because of a lack of vitamins or minerals, which the body needs for health. Scurvy, because of a lack of Vitamin C can inflict a condition of sickness. The body needs proper care and nutrition to last its normal life cycle or it dies. The body is in a constant state of decay and continually needs recycling to maintain health, both physical and mental.

Jesus said, “**Man shall not live by bread alone but by every Word of God**” (Matthew 4:4). Christ certifies human wellness requires proper eating habits and food for physical and mental health. In addition, He also asserts to have “**spiritual**” health, you must continue to feed yourselves by The Word of God.

Humanity, therefore, besides a **physiological breakdown** can also have a **spiritual breakdown** as well. In both cases, physical repair and growth must be maintained along with the “**spiritual.**”

Sick Spirit

You have found **the life energy**, which causes your human bodies to function, is of itself, either good or evil. This is called a **neutral state** of consciousness. It can be influenced by the pulls

of the flesh, to survive, or have a conscience, which motivates the heart to be a moral being. This is the condition of the natural man from the time of birth. If you continue to feed yourselves **spiritually** by God's "**word**" and care for yourselves physically, then **biblically** you are without sin and not **missing the mark** "**spiritually**" or "physically." Impairing your physical well-being or spiritual life leads to death physically and **spiritually**.

Since your human bodies ultimately die, your paramount concern should be your **continual spiritual growth** or *Christ In You* as critical goals for all Christians. You must continue to **spiritually grow**. Your **eternal life** is at stake, but also a responsibility to be true witnesses of Christ. Why? Jesus answers the question. Christ said, "**Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning**" (Luke 12:35). Going further Jesus warned, no man lights a candle and hides it. Then He said, "**Take heed that the light has no dark in it.**" Concluding, Jesus declared, "**If thy whole body therefore be full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light**" (Luke 11:33-36). Why is it important to be an example or light to the world as **Christ's witness**? After Jesus **returns**, only those who keep growing in The Word of God with God's "**word**" manifesting itself in your life, then with The Return of Christ you will be accepted as The Bride of Christ (Luke 12:35-38).

Mark And The Seal

When you have *Christ In You* and are witnessing as God instructs, you will know of "**a truth**" you are a **Son of God**. You will receive your "**inheritance.**" God has **sealed** you with a genuine reality of Christ and God "**in you.**" You will appear as a **bright light** on a hill and there will be no resemblance of those with **the mark of the beast**. Those with "**the mark of the beast**" will be

obvious to all because their very “**life**” and “**hearts desire**” will show in their foreheads and hands and will manifest “**the world of Satan.**”

It will, also, be obvious when **growing Christians** manifest Christ “**in them**” by doing “the works” that Jesus did. It is guaranteed at **the seventh trumpet**, you will meet Jesus in the clouds. Only then with “**spirit bodies**” can you be exactly like Him and God, Your Father. Then, and only then, you will know you’ve won “the race” in winning **eternal life.**