

# Workbook Ascension 101

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#### Dedication

I would like to dedicate this work to my dear friends and family in Christ, Ritch and Connie Wood. Your strong pioneering spirits, lavished with the richness of God's love, has encourage me to step out beyond the 'beyond'. I would also like to honor my mentors Gil and Adena Hodges, founders of Kingdom Equipping Center, (KEC777.com) for their love and support in training and equipping me to go 'beyond' the Greek mindset and press into a Kingdom mindset.

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#### Foreword

Jesus proclaimed that His Kingdom is not an earthly kingdom. "For behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you. You wont be able to say, 'Here it is!' or 'It's over there!'" (Luke 17:21)

Entering the 'spiritual kingdom' became the core of the gospel preached in the early church. During the forty days between Jesus' resurrection and His ascension, He prepared His disciples to preach the message by "speaking of the things concerning the Kingdom of God." (Acts 1:3) Paul told the Corinthians that "the kingdom of God does not consist of words only, but in power." (1 Cor 4:20) This mystery, which has been hid from ages and from generations, has now been made manifest to His saints. (Col 1:26)

In reading this then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ.

Apostle Paul

#### Preface

My life was turned upside down when the Holy Spirit overwhelmed me with His presence on the morning of December 14, 2013. On that day, as I began reading Isaiah 49, suddenly the fire and the voice of the Lord came upon me saying, "You will do more than restore the people of Israel to me. I will make you a light to the Gentiles, and you will bring my salvation to the ends of the earth." I later found out that this was the same calling given to the Apostle Paul.

While I didn't understand the meaning at that time, over the next three years I would come to know that there's more to our spiritual life than what we have been taught in the church. Going forth as the Lord commanded, I found that not everyone was as *excited* about the revelations and encounters of the Spirit as I was. In fact, *repudiation* is the best word to describe what immediately followed the commission. Believe me when I say, that I was deeply troubled as to *why* my Christian family would shun me, why my church leaders would reject me, and why I was having so many dreams, visions, and encounters (over 100 per year).

While the intimacy of God was increasing, so was the spiritual warfare. Later, I would call this my *wilderness time*. But then came a very special day. During one of my quiet writing times, the Lord spoke intimately saying,

"Who is this coming up from the wilderness, leaning

on her beloved? Beloved, it is I who has sheltered you and protected you. I have hidden you in the palm of My hand where no enemy could access your life. Though it may have felt to you like he did, My Word is true, no weapon formed against you can prosper. Now, I am bringing you into a land fruitful with milk and honey. But 'know' this, there will be a new protocol for your new land. You won't be able to live your life in the Promised Land the same way you lived it in the wilderness. Focus is required. You must destroy the giants of doubt and unbelief. You must press into the sacred mandate I have placed on your life with everything you have. Where I am taking you, you have not gone before but My presence will go with you and I will hold your hand. I am making all things new in your life. Therefore, do not remember the former things nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, and I say to you today, that you will know it. You will know it as intimately as a husband knows his wife, for you shall experience these new things from My hand."

The Lord has held true to His promises. He has opened my eyes to *see* His Kingdom, *my promised land*. The audios and writings in this study have become the 'new thing' foundation. Taught by the Spirit through engagements in heavenly realms, known as ascension, and studying under great forerunners of the *mystic* faith, I am excited to share with you great mysteries that will guide you into the *full stature of Christ* as Paul desired us to know and walk in.

The purpose of this inspired teaching is to give you a solid 'biblical foundation' that will encourage you to participate in the call to 'come up here'. (Rev 4:1) This introduction to spiritual ascending will lead you on an incredible journey, thrusting you into greater depths of the Father's heart.

I pray that if you are hungry, thirsty, and desiring the *more*, that you lay aside all that you have learned from the Greek mindset teaching of the church and allow the Spirit of God to guide you into the fullness of what He has originally planned since the beginning of time. The call is to "Come up here!"

May you enjoy your Heavenly Moments!

Shalom



INTRODUCTION

The acknowledgment of spiritual ascension is being unveiled at this appointed time as one of the key components in God's 'end-time' grand plan to prepare His bride to be *without spot or wrinkle*.

We know that God created mankind for His pleasure to love, honor, and cherish forever. We, being made in His image, also have the ability to love, honor, and *behold* Him as we are being perfected through the Spirit and the Word.

Isaiah prophesied that we would *see* the King in His beauty. (Isa. 33:17) This will ultimately and finally be fulfilled in the 'generation' that Jesus returns to. The question is: Are we that generation? The good news is that Jesus' work on the cross tore the veil so that we *can* have access to the Father.

# Spiritual ascension is a way to BEHOLD THE KING! To transcend and be where He is.

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. (Gen 1:1) This is not just describing the earth and sky's atmosphere. The Hebrew word for 'Heavens' is Has-Samayim. It's plural, meaning more than one heaven connected to a single source. The word *heavens* include all spiritual dimensions, as well as the physical atmospheres. Amos describes it like this: God has built his stories [layers, steps] in the heaven. (Am 9:6) Within our physical realm there exists two governing Kingdoms; they're known as the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of this world. The word 'kingdom' is synonymous with government. People who belong to God and do His will are part of the Kingdom of God. People who reject God's will and do their own will belong to the Kingdom of this world. These two groups of people are physically existing, mixed together, and interacting with each other in a 'system' of governments.

# Let both grow together until the harvest. Then I will tell the harvesters to sort out the tares, tie them into bundles, and burn them and to put the wheat in the barn.

(Matt 13:30)

The spirit realm is a dimension of realities *beyond* what we can see with our natural eyes. Although we cannot 'see' the eternal in the natural, the Apostle Paul still commands us to *fix* our eyes on the unseen, since what we see in the 'natural' is temporal. (2 Cor 4:18)

The 'unseen' eternal supernatural realm has two groups of beings, holy and unholy, and they actively exist alongside the physical realm. These two realms overlap and interact with each other making the events in the spiritual realm shaped by activities in the physical realm. In fact, the supernatural realm overrules the physical realm, and that's a good thing especially when the diagnosis from the doctor comes back negative.

Throughout history, we've seen that man has had a tendency

to ignore what he does not understand, calling it a myth, superstition or irrelevant. However, Adam and Eve didn't 'see' it that way. They saw God and walked with Him in the cool of the day. They *saw* Satan, in a snake-like form, when he tempted them. They *saw* in the spirit realm until the day of the fall when their spiritual eyes were 'closed' and their physical eyes (so to speak) were opened, and what they saw changed their lives.

Since the veil has been torn, and Jesus has made us spiritually alive, our 'eyes' are now open to the spiritual realm.

# What Jesus has for you to SEE will change your life!

He promised to show you that which *eyes has not seen, nor ears have heard.* He promised to show you where *the exceedingly abundantly above all you can ask or think* resides (Eph 3:20) It's a place beyond your faith. It's the place where the bride is to make herself ready. (Rev 19:7)

The scope of this study is to help you establish a deeper connection with the divine Godhead, to *have your eyes enlightened* as Paul prayed in Ephesians 1:18 and to experience the heavenly dimensions that you were originally created to participate in. More than anything, may this study deepen your intimacy with the Godhead so that you may behold your King!



### ESSENTIAL OILS

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While it's only the Word and the Spirit of God that transforms and transcends us into a deeper intimacy with the triune Godhead, the following essential oil *blends* are recommended solely for enhancing the physical senses, while strengthening the inner spirit-man.

At the end of each audio session, there is a heavenly engagement interaction. I recommend the following essential oils be used.

**Part 1a** Faith<sup>™</sup> Essential oil blend has been specially formulated to help you feel grateful, humble, and fully secure. This confidence-boosting blend enhances spiritual influences,

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## **Recommended Application of Oils**

Rub a drop or two of the essential oil in the palm of the hand. Rub palms together then inhale the oil's fragrance with a deep breath. Exhale all negative thoughts and emotions. I encourage you to do this several times before participating in the activation practices.

## **Other Recommended Resources**

Releasing Emotional Patterns with Essential Oils

By Carolyn L Mein D.C. A step-by-step guide providing a natural remedy for emotional cleansing. It offers over 160 pages including charts, diagrams, and easy-to-follow instructions.



THE CALL

Beginning with the basics, one definition for the word 'ascend' is *a movement or a return toward a source or a beginning*. That truly is the perfect definition of a spiritual ascension. We are *born from above* and now we want to return to *our* source or beginning.

Paul stated that it was Jesus who *first descended, then ascended.* (Eph. 4:10) When looking at the word 'descend', one definition is: *to appear or become manifest, as a supernatural being.* By definition we can say that Jesus, a supernatural being, manifested (descended) then returned back to His source or beginning (ascended).

# He came down from heaven, and then returned to the Father.

(John 6:38)

The foundation I want to layout for this study on ascensions begins with understanding the purposeful meaning of Jesus' PHYSICAL ascension.

- 1- His physical ascension signaled the end of His earthly ministry, and ended His period of 'human limitations'.
- 2- It signified success in His earthly work and that He accomplished all that He had come to do.

- 3- It marked the restoration of His heavenly glory.
- 4- It symbolized His exaltation by the Father.
- 5- It allowed Him to prepare a place for us.
- 6- It indicated the beginning of His 'new work' as High Priest.
- 7- It set the pattern for His return.

Jesus' death, burial, resurrection, and ascension made a way for each of us to become *the one new man*. (Eph 2:15) We are born from above; *we are born of the Spirit* (John 3:3) to be able to ascend, that is, to move or return to that place where the Father resides. The entrance to this place begins at the torn veil. We now can ascend (move or return) to that 'secret place' that was not accessible to mankind before. We now can ascend (move or return) to that 'Holy place' that's not on earth but in a heavenly kingdom. It's the place described by Jesus when He said, "Verily, Verily, I say to ALL of you, [not just to the Apostles] that you will see heaven open, you will see the angels of God, you will see the Son of Man..." (John 1:51) In other words, Jesus put a HOLE in the devil's ozone layer through the torn veil.

## Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension grants us the SAME heavenly access that He had while He was on the earth.

Did you know that Jesus had spiritually 'ascended' to see what the Father was doing? He spiritually moved or returned toward His source or beginning. He confirmed this saying, "Truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself but that which he 'sees' his Father doing because whatever the Father does, the Son also does." (John 5:19)

Now, He says to His beloved, "You *too* will see heaven open. You *too* will see what the Father is doing. You *too* have been invited to this same 'Heavenly Holy place' by way of the Spirit."

Spiritual ascension occurs when our spirit engages with the Holy Spirit and interacts in a heavenly spiritual dimension where God dwells, entering by the way of Jesus Christ, for *he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him.* (1 Cor 6:17) Yes, we can ascend because we are a NEW CREATION. We have been made to ascend. We have been made to return to our original source.

Ascending into the heavenlies was the plan of the Father from the foundations of the earth. Jesus is the ladder, the door, and the way. The torn veil gives us access to the heavenly throne room to *see* things that eyes have not seen and to *hear* that which ears have not heard. We are 'born from above' and now we want to return – we want to ascend.

## We don't have to wait until physical death to answer the call to COME UP HERE!



## ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

### **Point to Ponder:**

Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension grants us the *same* heavenly access that He had while He was on the earth.

### **Memory Verse:**

And the same one who descended is the one who 'ascended' higher than all the heavens, so that he might fill the entire universe with himself. Ephesians 4:10

### **Reflections:**

1. In you own words, define the term 'spiritual' ascension.

2. What is the significance of Jesus tearing the veil?

3. List some purposeful meanings of Jesus' physical ascension.



**COME UP HERE** 

Ascending into the heavenly realms is a greater extent to the Apostle Paul's term of *walking in the spirit*. The best part is we have been invited. Jesus has invited His bride to 'Come up here'! He says, "Ascend unto me! I have great things to reveal to you. Things that your eyes have not seen, things that your ears have not heard nor has your mind ever imagined, things which I have prepared for you." Why? "Because I love you!" (1 Cor 2:9)

One day Jesus spoke to His disciples saying, "You know where I am going..." (John 14:4) In fact, "Whoever serves me must follow me, because my servants must be WHERE I AM!" (John 12:26) Did you hear that? We must be where Jesus is.

## We must COME to BECOME as He is. Transformed and glorified!

When looking at the purpose of spiritual ascensions, I found that it has the same seven-fold purpose of Jesus' PHYSICAL ascension.

1- Just as Jesus' human limitations had to come to an end, His ascension made a way for our human limitations to be removed also. THIS IS EXCITING TO KNOW! Jesus said, "All things are possible with God." Do you believe that? Nothing is impossible to you when you believe. (Matt 17:20) There are no LIMITS! The restrictions have been removed. The veil has been torn. 'Come, let me show you things that you have not seen or heard', is the call.

2- Jesus accomplished His earthly work and said, "IT IS FINISHED." That means we now enter into rest with Him. For whoever enters God's rest, also rests from his own work just as God rested from His. (Heb 4:10) The writer is not talking about death, because verse seven says, that God set a time for entering His rest, and that time is T O D A Y!

We are not of this world. We are not to toil and spin. We have a Kingdom work to do and we have to operate and work in the ways of His kingdom *while it is yet day*. (John 9:4) What is our WORK? It's to believe. It's to grow our faith and continue doing it until we reach *wholeness in faith, and in the knowledge of the Son of God, becoming mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.* (Eph 4:13) That's a big boy scripture. We need to get to the 'measure' of the fullness of Christ.

# We have to BE like him before we can DO like him!

3- Jesus' ascension marked the return of His glory. Jesus prayed, "*Father, I have given them the glory that you gave me.*" Why? "So they may be ONE as we are one." (John 17:22) Paul came along and said, "All of us who have had the veil [of the flesh] removed, can now see and reflect the glory of the Lord." (2 Cor 3:18)

## YOU HAVE THE GLORY!

However, the veil of the *flesh* must be removed to reflect it. How is this done? By pressing in through the veil of His flesh. Hebrews 10:20 says, that Jesus *opened a new way* through His BODY (that is, the curtain or the veil) *into the most Holy place*. Where is the MOST HOLY PLACE located? It's in a spiritual place – Right?

4- Jesus was *exalted* by the Father. Our spiritual exaltation began when Jesus made us a new creation. The *old man is dead*, and *we are now alive in Christ Jesus*. (Eph 2:5) The sinful nature has been *cut away by a spiritual circumcision*. (Col 2:11) We no longer have a 'sinful nature' because the *nature* of Christ (Spirit of Christ) *now resides in us*. (Rom 8:9) With *that* nature, Jesus gave us His power (dunamis) through His blood. He gave us His authority (escousia) through His name to use *over all the powers of the enemy*. (Lk 10:19)

# We have been AUTHORIZED to rise above the works of the enemy.

We have been authorized to *walk in the spirit so that we do* not fulfill the lust of the flesh. (Gal 5:16) We have been authorized to do more than what Jesus did, for greater works than these shall ye do. Why? "Because I go to my Father, (John 1:12) and where I am – YOU MUST BE ALSO!"

5- Jesus Physical ascension allowed Him to prepared a place for us. That 'place' is a position in the heavenly kingdom. *The kingdom of God is* (ENTOS) *inside of you*. (Luke 17:21) Paul said that *God has raised us up with Christ*. (Eph 6:2) I can assure you that he wasn't talking about when we die. He HAS raised us up, and to top it all off, the Father *has seated us* (or positioned us) *with Him*. WHERE is that? In the heavenly kingdom.

# Our goal is to 'stay' seated in the Heavenly Kingdom!

6- Jesus' physical ascension positioned Him as High Priest and mediator. The work of a priest is to intercede between God and man. Jesus has made us part of His *royal priesthood*. (1 Pet 2:9) In that priesthood, we are to learn, grow, and mature then take our *position* as kings and priests. (Rev 1:6)

Jesus is our KING. We are honored by Him and made worthy to rule with Him, ruling first and foremost over our own temple which is our body, soul, and spirit. How do we do this? By being obedient to His Word. We are then to rule over our household, being faithful with *little* so that we can rule and *judge* over the house of God and His courts. (Zech 3:7) In other words, it's a progression of ruling and reigning.

7- Lastly, Jesus' ascension set a pattern for His return. The pattern is that Jesus ascended, returning to His original source or beginning, to seek the *will* of the Father. He then accomplished that will so that *the glory of His Father could be seen on earth*. (Matt 6:10)

May I ask, are you willing to take Him at His word when He said, "COME (ascend) UP HERE!"? Are you willing to ascend, that is *to return to your original source or beginning*, to see what

the Father is doing, then accomplish His will on earth as it is in heaven? If you said, YES, but wonder how? I can tell you that it's truly as easy as stepping through a door. *Jesus is the door, the way, and He tore the veil.* (John 10:1) It's through faith and by the *blood of the lamb* that our spirit-man steps through 'that' door (the veil of His flesh) entering into the Holy of Holies.

Paul put it this way, "Since you have been raised up to be with Christ, you must look for the things that are *above*, where Christ is. Let your thoughts be on things *above*, not on the things of the earth," Why? "*Because you have died, and the life you now have is hidden with Christ in God.*" (Col 3:1-4)

## You truly have been 'Caught Up' and now your journey begins.

Jesus' death, burial, resurrection, and ascension qualified Him to enter into heaven itself and *appear before God on our behalf.* (Heb 9:24) He entered the Most Holy Place *once, for all,* by His own blood, (v12) and now we are to enter *that* same heavenly dimension called the Holy Place.

## Are you ready to ascend, to *come up here*?



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### **Point to Ponder:**

Jesus' physical ascension allowed Him to prepared a place for us. That 'place' is a position in the heavenly kingdom. It's through faith and by the *blood of the lamb* that our spirit-man steps through 'that' door (the veil of His flesh) entering into the Holy of Holies.

### **Memory Verse:**

*"Whoever serves me must follow me, because my servants must be where I am."* John 12:26

#### **Reflections:**

1. Our work in the Kingdom of God is to grow our faith. Why must we grow our faith? (See Ephesians 4:13)

2. How have we been made to be part of the royal priesthood?

3. What is 'it' that Paul tells us to keep our eyes focused on? (See Colossians 3:1)



STRENGTHENING THE INNER MAN

The promise of heaven has been given to us as our inheritance, *for we are joint heirs with Christ Jesus*, (Rom 8:17) and *desire* is the motivation that keeps us pursuing that promise.

Jesus said, "*I am the gate...*" (John 10:9) then He said something very profound, "*They will come* IN *and go* OUT *and find pasture.*" We are not just living to someday die. We are, right now, an eternal being; *for eternity has been placed in our heart.* (Ecc. 3:13) That means, not all of the promises God has made are to be experience after a physical death.

# Encountering Heaven is a promise that can be experienced now!

John 4:24 tells us that *God is Spirit*, and we are *made in His image*. (Gen 1:27) We have a body, a soul, and a spirit. Our spirit-man is considered the supernatural side of us. Think about this: If your spirit-man were to come out of your physical body, what would it look like? You would be correct to say, "It would look like ME!" Not only would you be clothed, but you would have the ability to see, hear, taste, touch (or feel), and even smell things that are not available to the natural senses. Hence the term 'super' natural.

These senses are not 'special' gifts or even 'spiritual' gifts given to a select few who have fasted, prayed, and done mighty works. Your spirit-man is YOU! And like your natural senses, your spiritual senses have to be exercised to become stronger. Paul's prayer was that Jesus would *give you strength in your* '*inner' being* [or spirit] *and power through His Spirit*. (Eph 3:16) He also encouraged that our spirit would 'rise up' to the attention of the Holy Spirit who strengthens, leads, trains, and guides our spirit, to take master control over our *soul* which reacts in bodily a c t i o n s – Are you hearing me?

David penned that our soul reacts when it's not at peace. That's why he said, "*I have* [learned to] *calm and quiet my soul, like a weaned child with its mother*." (Ps 131:2) How did he do that? When a child is weaned, it's being cut off from its source; it's being cut off from that which it's feeding on – Right? So the question is, what is your *soul* feeding on?

Your spirit became HOLY when it was *quickened and made alive by the Spirit of God.* (Eph 2:5).Your spirit is now perfect, and it desires to do right because it's made in the image of God. When your spirit, following the leading of the Holy Spirit, *makes the 'soul' submit to the work of the Spirit*, (1 Cor 12:11) then the soul finds rest and peace. However, when it's not at rest and peace...

## it's the SOUL that will sin!

(Ezek 18:20)

The SOUL can and will sin when it's *drawn away from the presence of God;* when it's not submitted to the spirit. James put it this way. "*Everyone is tempted* [first] *when he is drawn away...*" Drawn away from what? Drawn from the presence of God. "*Then when drawn away, he is enticed by Satan through fleshly desires.*" (Jam 1:14)

# The enemy knows what your SOUL desires!

The enemy knows that you have all power and authority over all his works, that's why he does everything he can to stop you from walking in the spirit and the presence of God. His lies and counterfeits are ways to bring fear and rejection to your mind, causing your focus to be on natural circumstances rather than *thinking about the things of heaven*. (Col 3:2) The enemy tries to push every button he can so that you will agree with him, and when you do, he has 'legal rights'. That's why you must *submit to God, resist the devil, then he will flee*. (Jam 4:7)

When you are 'in the spirit', Paul promises that *you will not fulfill the desires of the flesh*. (Gal 5:16) That's a guaranteed promise.

# The enemy cannot TEMPT you when you are in the Spirit!

Continuing Paul's prayer, he prayed that *the eyes of your heart be enlightened*. (Eph 1:18) The 'eyes of the heart' is not just about getting a revelation, they are made to *see* in spiritual dimensions.

Spiritual hearing is also very important because *faith comes* by hearing. Seven times Jesus warned in Revelations, "Anyone with [spiritual] ears to hear, must listen to what the Spirit has to say." Isaiah said, that your [spiritual] ears will hear [the Holy

Spirit] say in a voice behind you, 'This is the way you should go, whether to the right or to the left'. (Isa. 30:21) Are you listening?

Strengthening your spiritual sense takes time and commitment. Unlike most charismatic teachings that encourage strengthening the spirit-man by means of *physical* participation, which *is* good for building up faith, developing your 'spiritual senses' begins with INTIMACY.

## It's a 'spirit' to Spirit communication!

This is why James encourages to *draw close to the Lord, and He will draw closer to you*. (James 4:8) In other words, it's our spirit being drawn to His Spirit. It's finding our *first love* relationship and cultivating it into spiritual *maturity*.

We are called the Bride of Christ. The King has a bridal chamber for His bride, and His love for us is passionate. He says to His beloved, "*Thou hast ravished my heart. Yes, thou hast ravished my heart with just one look of your eyes.*" (Song 4:9) We must *desire* to ascend to His bridal chamber because He is all about a Kingdom marriage. His bridal chamber is the place you must engage in to cultivate first love!

Since your spirit-man was made to communicate with God, who is spirit, the desire of the Father is that you *seek Him first* in 'spiritual intimacy' so that your supernatural senses will be strengthened to access the greater depths of His heart.

Hebrews 5:14 says, solid food is for those who are mature,

who through training, have their spiritual SENSES exercised. Why training? Because your spiritual eyes and ears are the most important spiritual senses. It's how you see and perceive the face of God. Even Jesus could do nothing by himself unless He saw the Father doing it. (John 5:19) Then He said, "I say nothing on my own. I say only what the Father taught me." (John 8:28) Simply put, His training came by hearing and seeing the FATHER. Likewise, our training comes by hearing and seeing the SON, and we do that by ascending.

Unfortunately, many Christians don't know what it means to *walk* in the spirit, let alone understand the process of spiritual ascension. The KEY lays in the words Jesus spoke in John 3:6,

## "That which is born of the Spirit – is Spirit."

The Spirit of God created something new. We are born from above. We are a new creation. (2 Cor 5:17) God takes 'out' of us a heart of stone *that rebels against Him*, and he puts 'into' us a new heart *that trusts and follows His ways*. (Ezk 36:26) Then Paul came along and said, "*Since you are alive in the Spirit, then walk in the Spirit.*" (Gal 5:25) Another way of saying this is, since your spirit-man is now *alive* and your spiritual senses are now *activated*, then step into the spiritual dimension and begin operating by your spiritual senses, because apart from the spirit we are mere flesh. Apart from the spirit the FLESH RULES! When I operate from the desires of my flesh, *no good thing comes from it*, (Rom 7:18) *for the works of the flesh is hostile to God's law and does not submit to it*. WHY? *Because it cannot*. (Rom 8:7) However, if we walk in the spirit (that is, abide in the presence of God) then the TEMPTATIONS thrown at us from the enemy will not rouse the desires of the **soul**.

Walking in the spirit is the *beginning* of a progression to the higher level of 'spiritual ascension'. The natural progression from child to adult is similar to the spiritual progression of *babes* in Christ, to Kings and Priests. The progression of crucifying the flesh, to walking in the spirit, to spiritual ascension is a maturing progress through intimacy in Christ. When you get into the presence of God, when you see His amazing, beautiful, glorious face, then...

## the things of this world grows strangely dim!

God has had a redemption TIME plan from the very beginning to restore our 'fallen' relationship and connect heaven and earth, giving us access to the heavenly realms. In our natural life, there's an age or *time* of crucifying the flesh. There's an age or *time* of walking in the spirit, then a moving to an age or *time* of operating in the Kingdom.

Looking at a biblical timeline, we see that Jacob had a vision of a stairway, found in the book of Genesis. We clearly see that this stairway connected heaven and earth with angels ascending and descending. The pillar of fire over the tabernacle, found in the book of Exodus, connected heaven and earth like a rope. Jesus on the mountain, transfigured before the Apostles, connected the two realms by becoming the ladder and the DOOR to heaven. It was *the day of Pentecost* that completed the preparation, when tongues of fire rested on each person. While a language barrier closed the door at the tower of Bable, the language of the Spirit opened it for *whosoever* will!

When we read the gospels, we see that the Apostles had already been doing signs, wonders, and miracles, including casting out demons *before* the outpouring of the Spirit. So what is different on *that* particular day? It's the principle that the corrupt and perishing cannot access the *incorruptible* and nonperishing realm. Now, our spirit is infused with the Holy Spirit. Now, the spirit-man part of us is able to ascend, because NOW it's holy and incorruptible.

### Now, we can go where Jesus is!

Jesus said *we can enter boldly*... WHERE? Into His throneroom. Where is the throne-room located? Think about that!

The book of Revelations is filled with events where John had seen, heard, and felt things in his spiritual engagements. He said, "*I was in the spirit on the Lord's day*!" John's spirit, INFUSED with the Holy Spirit, ascended into a heavenly realm and met with Jesus – even interacted with angels.

While this doesn't mean you will be the next end-time revelator, it does mean that revelations will be opened to you, about you, and about God. Why? For the purpose of transforming you into the image of Christ to do 'the greater works' of Christ. You see, the great news is, that you are filled with the *fullness* of God to walk out your unique super-natural journey and bring heaven to earth.

Since the fullness of God has been granted and He's dwelling in you, begin to move and transcend to your position in Christ. The word transcendence means to *surpass beyond the normal or physical level*. This defines Paul's command to *walk in the spirit*. Walking in the spirit is surpassing the natural and carnal realm. It's having the ability to see, hear, and respond beyond the natural realm, to walk in perfect peace with the Prince of Peace.

## Training your SPIRIT to rule over your soul is the key to keeping your soul at rest.

Remember, the biblical purpose of spiritual ascension is to enter into God's Spiritual Kingdom to learn the mysteries of Him, then impact the physical realm on earth.



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### **Point to Ponder:**

The progression of crucifying the flesh, to walking in the spirit, to spiritual ascension is a maturing progress through intimacy in Christ.

#### **Memory Verse:**

Instead, I have calmed and quieted myself, like a weaned child who no longer cries for its mother's milk. Yes, like a weaned child is my soul within me. Psalms 131:2

## **Reflections:**

1. Hebrews 5:14 says, that solid food is for those who are mature, who through training, have their spiritual SENSES exercised. Why training?

2. What is the 'principal' of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit?

3. What does the word 'transcendence' mean? How is that similar to Paul's command to *walk in the Spirit*?



ALIGNING WITH THE SPIRIT OF GOD

Our spiritual walk is a 'super-natural' walk. We now live and move in Christ by using our spiritual senses, especially seeing, hearing, and feeling. Our spiritual senses are strengthened by exercising them through a continual *drawing nearer* into the presence of God.

One day David said, (paraphrased) "Lord, you made all the delicate inner parts of my body and knitted me together in my mother's womb. You watched over me as my soul and spirit were forming, weaving them all together in the darkness of the womb. Your workmanship is marvelous. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex!" (Ps 139:13-14) The marvelous workmanship is that God created our body, soul, and spirit with the intention that our spirit would be joined to His Spirit to RULE over the carnal soul, then 'bodily' walk out His plans and desires for our life.

Genesis tells us that the fall in the garden created a 'death' to the spirit, making the soul and body to *rule* instead of the spirit. This understanding caused Peter to proclaim that the Good News is NOW *preached to those who are 'spiritually' dead*, (1 Pet 4:6) and it's only through Christ Jesus that our spirit has come ALIVE! We are now made holy in every way. (Rom 15:16) Thus, Paul admonishes to keep your whole spirit, soul, and body blameless until Jesus comes again. (1 Thes 5:23) That means, in order to 'walk' in the spirit as Paul commands, there must be an aligning of our spirit, soul, and body with the Spirit of God.

Walking in the spirit is what Paul says, "...will keep you

*from desiring the ways of the flesh*..." (Gal 5:16) or reacting from a SOULISH realm.

The sanctification process begins with being 'birthed' into the Kingdom of God, by faith, through Jesus who is the 'true GATE'. (John 10:9) Then, in turn, allowing Him to have access to all the 'gates' of your spirit and soul that the enemy tries to contend with.

When you asked Jesus to come into your heart, that's exactly what He did. His Spirit quickened you and made you 'spiritually' ALIVE, then He set up residence in your heart. This quickening by the Holy Spirit initially opened the *gate* of first love, the CORE of your spirit being, allowing you to receive God's love, and in turn, loving Him back the way He desires to be loved.

# For it's God's love that has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit

(Rom 5:5)

This gate of first love can be likened to the entrance of the garden of God's heart. It's your place of rest and communing with the Lord. It's your place of hearing His voice and knowing Him intimately. The *agape* circle of love starts by receiving love from the Father. Loving others comes *after* loving God and yourself, because the truth is, you can't *love others as yourself* until you love God FIRST with all your heart, soul, and mind.

Jesus warns in the book of Revelation that it's imperative for

this 'gate of first love' to remain open at all times because He knows that this love gate can easily be *shut* through circumstances and traumas that life brings. He knows that when this gate gets closed, then the 'other gates' can be closed off too. Your *soulish* response to times of rejection, neglect, offenses or other trials can put chains and even locks on this love gate, keeping you from experiencing the *fullness* of God's glory and presence in your life.

The good news is, Jesus gave us KEYS to reopen this gate. Repentance and appropriating the blood of Jesus cleanses the gate and reopens it so that you can freely receive the ultimate impact of God's unfailing love.

Jesus said, "Come to Me, all you who are weary, heavyladen and overburdened, and I will give you rest." (Matt 11:28)

# COME! Ascend to me! I will ease, relieve, and refresh you.

When your spirit is ruling over your soul, you're fully surrendered and 'equally yoked' with Christ, and therein abides a peace in your soul. However, if your soul is in turmoil, it's a likely indicator that your *spirit* is not leading. James illustrates that the Word of God is like a mirror. Just as you can see your body in a mirror, it's the Word of God that shows you what your soul *looks* like. That means, the Word becomes the divider (or a splitter) that reveals the difference between your soul and your spirit, *for it's the Word that divides the spirit from the soul*. (Heb 4:12) Choosing to be spirit-led does not come 'naturally'. Negative emotions, stresses, and pressures of life can cause the soul to REACT, even burst out. When your soul is not content it tries to rise up to take control to get *its way*. Why? Because your soul is trying to seek 'peace'. It's seeking that promised place of REST. Therefore, true satisfying peace can only come when you're seated in rest and your *spirit* is ruling.

Are you seated with Christ or are you standing in your circumstances? Are you *led by the Spirit,* (Rom 8:14) or are you led by your feelings? It's okay to have feelings, but it's your words and actions leading the feelings that give an indication to what SOURCE you're living from. Either we perpetuate the problem with our soulish response, or we secure the solution with a spirit-led response.

David had an amazing revelation during a time when he was running for his life. He said, "*It's the Lord, who restores my soul.*" (Ps 23:3) David knew that he could run to the gate of first love even while running from his enemies. He knew he could abide with the Father, in the spirit, and have his soul calmed by God's peaceful living waters. In the beginning, David confessed that his 'soul' did not want to lay down, but it was the Lord *who maketh him to lay down*. (Ps 23:2) In time, David learned to calm and quiet himself claiming that *his soul could be trained like a weaned child that no longer cried for its mother's milk*. (Ps 131:2)

Training your soul to rest is a process of continually making the right decision to run into the presence of the Lord, to ascend where He is, and when you do, you can be sure that He will help your soul to 'lay' down so that your *spirit* will again be ruling.

Living a spirit-led life begins by opening the gate of *first love* each day and allowing the Lord to direct you to *gates* that may need to be cleansed and reopened. It's using your 'spiritual eyes' to *see* the love gate open, to *feel* the love of God pouring into your spirit, then taking your place at your seat of rest.

The *components* of our inner-man, referred to as the gateways of our spirit, need to be examined regularly and 'cleansed' by repenting and appropriating the blood of Jesus. Adapted by author and speaker Ian Clayton, your soul's components or 'gates' include: *the mind, the will, emotions, choice, reasoning and imagination.* Your spirit's components or 'gates' include: *faith, hope, intuition, revelation, worship, the Fear of the Lord, prayer, and reverence.* 

As you daily practice walking in the spirit, and keep your soul at rest, you will find that your decisions over situations will come from the *spirit* rather than the *soul*. It's *your* spirit engaging with the Spirits of Wisdom, Knowledge, Counsel, and Understanding that will help you become more responsible and trust-worthy to handle kingdom affairs, moving into ruling and reigning in a 'kingship' position with Christ Jesus.



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### **Point to Ponder:**

Training your soul to rest is a process of continually making the right decision to run into the presence of the Lord.

#### **Memory Verse:**

"Come to Me, all you who are weary, heavy-laden and overburdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

#### **Reflections:**

1. Why is it important to keep your 'love gate' open at all times?

2. What is the key principal to keeping your *soul* at rest?

3. Name the gateways of the soul and spirit.



**BODY AND SOUL GATEWAYS** 

It's important to continually focus on making an intentional alignment of your body, soul, and spirit with the Spirit of God so that you are *equally yoked* with Him. This is the 'sanctification' process, living from your spirit rather than from your soul and body.

When Jesus said, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If any man hears my voice and open the door, I will come into him, and I will sup with him, and he with me." (Rev 3:20.) He was revealing that YOU are the only one who has the authority over the opening and closing of the door, and the only one who can give access to who can come through your door. In the same manner, a 'gateway' is a place of authority where dominion is exercised. That means whoever controls your life's gateways, exercises authority, dominion, and control over you. Recognizing who has control over your gateways can only be revealed by taking the time to examine them on a regular basis.

In order to move in greater realms of authority, it's necessary for the Spirit of God to flow through all your spirit, soul, and body gateways. It's His greatest desire for all your gateways to be fully functioning to accomplish His Kingdom work.

While the goal is to have your spirit ruling over your soul, the 'soul' cannot just be 'shut off', 'shut out' or 'shut down'.

## The soul is connected to the spirit.

It's important to know, if you are a *born-again believer*, that you DO NOT have a SINFUL nature. Paul clearly states that Jesus circumcised you spiritually, claiming that the 'sinful nature' was *cut away* in that circumcision. (Col 2:11) The soul is known as the 'carnal nature' of man. Carnality is not necessarily sinful, but ALL sin is carnal.

# It's the enemy who contends for your soul. For the soul that sins will surely die.

(Ezek 18:20)

Paul put it this way, "People who are carnal minded cannot receive the things of the spirit... but those who are spiritually minded will understand what the Spirit has in mind." (1 Cor 2:14) Paul recognized that if the carnal nature is 'in control', it can and most likely will be led into sin and death. However, being controlled by the spirit, that is allowing the Holy Spirit to lead your spirit, leads to life and peace. (Rom 8:6)

When examining your gateways, always remember...

# Your battles are not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the principalities, against the powers of this dark world, and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. (Eph 6:12)

As stated in the introduction, the spirit realm consists of real dimensions beyond what we can see. Two groups of beings interacting in these realms are *holy* and *unholy* angelic beings. Since the spirit and natural realms overlap and interact with each other, our interactions can affect the heavenly realms just as much as the angelic hosts can affect the earthly realm. That's exactly the point Paul was making, stating that our conflict is against the *unseen* non-flesh rulers, powers, principalities, and evil spiritual forces.

If we were to look at the activity in the spiritual realm, no doubt we would see a sky full of spirits coming and going like a busy highway. We would see demonic hosts taunting and tormenting people, while the angelic hosts would be protecting and ministering to them. The whole plans and purposes of the demonic realm are to get humans to change their course from that which God has destined for their lives.

The dark hosts prowl around *looking for someone to devour*... (1 Pet 5:8) *to kill, steal, and destroy*. (John 10:10) They don't care if you die, because their intent is to stop you from *running the race that God has set before you*, (Heb 12:1) and to keep you from fulfilling your destiny. Paul even stated that he tried again and again to visit the Thessalonian church...

### but Satan prevented him.

(1 Thess 2:18)

That's why he strongly reminds us, that it's our job to make the wisdom of God known to all the 'heavenly rulers'. (Eph 3:10) What is that wisdom? That Christ died, was buried, resurrected, and ascended, then gave us His authority over all the powers of the enemy. (Luke 10:19) When we are in right standing with

God, unholy beings are subject to our command. However, you can't take ground from the enemy when He has ground in YOU!

Let's examine how the body and soul play a part in the *unseen* dimensions. Have you ever considered that when God was forming Adam's body from the dust of the earth that He was creating a 'sand castle' to dwell in? That may sound funny, but it's true. Your body, made from the dust of the earth, is the temple of the living God. (1 Cor 6:19)

## The 'fullness' of the Godhead dwells in you!

Your body, that which is made of flesh and blood, has become a vehicle to function as a mature Son of God, to 'FLESH OUT' that which has been established in heaven. In other words, your destiny is to be manifested in the earth or 'fleshed out' so that God's glory will be displayed through YOU!

Grade school taught the five body senses of taste, touch, smell, sight, and hearing. We were taught that 'outside things' stimulate those senses. However, when these body gateways are defiled, a domino effect occurs in the soul effecting the spirit.

Let me give you an example. Sexual impurity generally starts in the eye. The physical *sight* gateway controls the soul's *emotion* gateway. David 'saw' Bathsheba, then his 'soul' engaged, following up in 'bodily' actions. Visual stimulates engages the 'mind of the heart' which many times engages the body. We see within social advertising media how visual stimulates are used to get you to purchase something for the *body*. Later, David vowed to *set no evil thing before His eyes*. (Ps 101:3) He said, "Don't look! *for the eyes of a man are never*  *satisfied.*" (Pr 27:20) God wants us to live from the *inside* out, having our spirit ruling over our body and soul. To live with *a pure heart and clean hands.* (Ps 24:4)

Cleansing the *soul* and *body* gateways can be done by humbly submitting to the Holy Spirit and allowing Him to reveal the condition of our 'gates'. Remember the soul's gateways include: mindsets and belief systems, your will, emotions, choice, reasoning, and imaginations.

Cleansing the gateways:

- Ask the Lord to reveal any darkness, blocks or hindrances of the body and soul gateways.
- Acknowledge any sin and take responsibility for not guarding these gates.
- Renounce and cast out any unholy spirits that may be associated.
- Repent for agreeing and allowing or opening the door to demonic spirits and giving access to your gateways.
- Then appropriate the blood by faith, and ask Jesus to wipe the gateways clean.
- ♦ Finally, set a guard over your heart, eyes, ears, and mouth and be accountable.

Don't be afraid to ask God to judge you, for the time has come for judgment, and it must begin with God's people, [His household]. If judgment begins with us, what terrible fate [do you think] awaits those who have never obeyed God's Good News? (1 Pet 4:17)

Judgment is not a punishment to the child of God. It's the wonderful act of identifying and assessing those parts of you that cannot 'inherit' eternity. Yes, judgment is sometimes a 'painful moment' because of the separation from those mortal parts. However, James said, "When trials come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy..." (Jam 1:2) Why? Because "...in the end, you will be found mature, complete, and lacking nothing." (v4)

The judgment of God is simply making you a *more* eternal and glorious vessel. It's the casting away of the corruptible so that all that's left are the incorruptible things of your heavenly destiny. Just as the earth shakes, our lives are being shaken in the sifter of the Lord, and that which remains is of *great value* and vital to the manifestation of greater works to come. Peter eloquently put it like this, "*It's what's inside the heart, the imperishable* (incorruptible) *quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight.*" (1 Pet 3:4)

Eternity has been placed in our hearts. The 'gateway' of the universe is in the heart of man, and it's the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit who gives us access to this 'eternity'.

# The warfare that we are dealing with is spiritual.

Paul reminds us that the temptations in our lives are no different from what others experienced. God is faithful, He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted [of the enemy] God will show you a way out so that you can endure. (1 Cor 10:13) Therefore let no man say that he is tempted of God. (Jam 1:13a) What good is it to have ALL

power and ALL authority over ALL the enemy, only to yield, give in, and agree to the evil that the enemy does? We have been *sent out among wolves*, sent out in the midst of unholy, angelic hosts with the warning: *to be wise as serpents and innocent as doves*. (Mat 10:16)

While it's true, that the adversary is able to fire thoughts into our minds by his influences and tireless efforts, (Eph 6:16) if we are not alert and watchful to *cast down every vain imagination and thought that exalts itself against the knowledge of God*, (2 Cor 10:5) the enemy can overpower our 'common' sense and implant deceptive schemes into our minds and play upon our carnal desires and passions.

# The enemy seeks opportunities to INFLUENCE the human ego.

Peter's rebuke by Jesus was legitimate because his words were under the *influence* of Satan. (Matt 16:22) David sinned and took a census under the *influence* of Satan. (1 Chr. 21:1) Later, Peter discerned that Satan had *influenced* and filled Ananias and Sapphira's hearts with greed. (Acts 5:3) How many words have you spoken or actions have you made that were considered under the *influence* of an ungodly host? This is something to think about! I encourage you to do research on the Leviathan spirit.

Make no mistake, Satan uses all available resources to take advantage of us. First, creating a *desire* for the pleasures of this world; *for when desire is conceived it gives birth to sin, and sin when it's fully grown, brings forth death.* (James 1:15) The demonic forces try to sell their commodities of pleasure, excitement, thrills, and ego-building traps, doing whatever it takes to 'influence' you to take the *bait*. They persistently work on your mind to accept their tempting offers, but remember this:

# The real battle is about who has AUTHORITY in the spirit realm.

You and I have been given *all* authority, and Satan is trying to take it back. He knows SIN removes our authority! How? Through our participation with him. John said, "*The one who does what is sinful, does the works of the devil.*" (1 John 3:8) Our participation in sin gives Satan 'all the rights' to stand before God and *accuse us day and night*. (Rev.12:10) However, we do have a weapon! Repentance gives us back our authority. Repentance is a POWERFUL weapon and the enemy knows it. Repentance is agreeing with God's word. That's why the enemy tries to get you to 'excuse' your sin, flippantly saying, "Well, God will forgive me." "I am under grace." or "All things are lawful." Do you remember what Jesus said He will say? "*I will tell them plainly, I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers*!" (Matt 7:23)

Even though it cannot be confirmed naturally, the activities in the spirit realm are very real. On the contrary, the things of the spirit can only be spiritually discerned through our spirit's communication with the Holy Spirit, because *the natural man cannot relate to the things of the spirit*. (1 Cor 2:14) Paul goes on to say, "...*but we have received God's Spirit*, [not the world's spirit] so that we 'can' know the wonderful things God has freely given us." When we walk in power with God, our spiritual authority overrides all authorities of opposition, because greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world. (1 John 4:4)

### Our 'walk' must begin in true humility.

Humility begins with knowing that we cannot do anything on our own. As you have guessed, the *flesh* doesn't like that. However, I have found that 'fasting' can resolve this problem.

There are many definitions for humility. When I *found* true humility I found a *place* to run to, and that place is in the arms of Jesus, in my secret place – in the heavenlies!

It's a natural human *soul* response to protect ourselves when we get hurt. Walls of self-protection made from 'bricks' of hurt, pride, judgmental attitudes, bitterness, isolation, loss of love, and insecurity are formed. If we let it get a stronghold, then ungodly vows can be made and/or our relationship with the Lord diminishes. Why is this? Because the gateways of the *soul* are defiled and it flows into the spirit's gateways, finally to the core gate of 'first love'. To avoid this, we must repent for trying to protect ourselves rather than seeking the Lord who is our protector.

## HE IS JEHOVAH-SABAOTH The Lord of Hosts – our Protector!

We must choose to forgive, choose to love, choose to *bless* those who despitefully use us and persecute us. (Luke 6:28) This doesn't do away with our boundaries, allow abuse or hide the truth. Forgiveness is choosing to not harbor *feelings* that can close the gate of *first love* with God. We must run to Him, not put up walls. It's seeking His will in the situation, *laboring in*  *love*. (1 Thess 1:3) The final breaking of the 'walls' of self-protection will require a self-crucifixion, a dying to SELF, and a taking up of our cross. You see, our message to a lost and dying world means nothing if we do not LOVE; *for love covers a multitude of sin*. (1 Pet 4:8)

# Always choose humility by running to the arms of Jesus, the ONE whom you can trust!



## ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### **Point to Ponder:**

The real battle is about who has *authority* in the spirit realm.

#### **Memory Verse:**

For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:12

#### **Reflections:**

1. Why does Satan try to remove your power and authority?

2. Judgment is not punishment to the child of God. Describe in your own words what judgment is. (See Hebrews 12:6)

3. How do *walls* of self-protection block the *gate* of first love?



THE COUNSEL OF THE LORD

Allowing the Spirit of the Lord to have access to all the gateways of your spirit, body, and soul that the enemy tries to contend with, is a proclamation to *strip OFF every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up.* It's running with *endurance the race God has set before us.* (Heb 12:1)

While holy angels are guiding us to fulfill our destiny, unholy beings are out to derail and destroy it. The GOOD NEWS is, when we get derailed or pushed off course, repentance and appropriating of the Blood of Jesus are weapons we can use to take back our spiritual authority.

Diving deeper into the understanding of our spiritual authority, the *Counsel of the Lord* is another dimension in the heavenlies, beyond the Holy of Holies. The Counsel of the Lord is about coming to JESUS. It's about coming to the Wonderful Counselor. (Isa. 9:6)

The Council of the Lord is the place to find out about our destiny so that we can begin to speak it forth. More importantly, the Counsel of the Lord is engaging with God, seeking His purposes, and participating with Him through intercession.

Through the mouth of the prophet Isaiah, the Lord said, "I am God, and there is NO other; I am God, and there is none like me." The Lord continues saying, "I declare from beginning to end things not yet done. My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish ALL My purposes." (Isaiah 46:9-10)

## That's a GOOD THING to know!

God knows exactly what will take place long before it happens. He said, "*That which I have spoken, I have purposed. I* will bring it to pass, and it is I who will do it." (v11) In other words, God plans the future then He accomplishes it. That means 'our future' is the purpose and the counsel of God being accomplished. Everything that has happened or will ever happen is purposed by God. Then He says, "I will accomplish it! For that which I have started in you, I will finish." (Phil 1:6) He wants you to know this, to rest in this, and to trust in this, because the sovereignty of God is Him saying, "I AM GOD!"

Diving a little deeper into God's sovereignty, we can divide it into two governing events. First, His sovereign governing over natural events, that is, over the physical processes of life. Second, His sovereign governing over human events or human choices.

## Everything that exists is at God's command!

Whether it's for correction, for His land or for His love, God has a purpose. In fact, the worst *sin* that ever happened, the murder of His own Son, was an accomplishment of His purposed plan, and by that sin – 'sin' was conquered!

What that means for you and me is, all the trials and troubles we go through can be over-written with the words in Genesis saying, "Satan, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good. (Gen 50:20) Because that trial and that problem will perfect my patience, and I will be complete and LACK NOTHING!" (Jam 1:4)

# God's sovereign governing over human choices is part of the Counsel of the Lord.

An aspect of God's sovereignty is His 'knowing' of the future, even the future of human decisions. If you are like me, you may be thinking, if God has sovereignty over everything, where does FREE WILL play into all of this – Right? The important thing to understand is, that it's not that your choices that affect God's will and purposes, it's that He *foreknew* your choices and He works with it. That's a GOOD thing! He works with your choices. That's why He's able *to make all things work together for our good who are called according to 'His purposes'*. (Rom 8:28)

Think about this, the word says that God hardened Pharaoh's heart. Almost to say that Pharaoh had no choice. I believe it was the working of God's miracles that hardened his heart, after all, his own magicians could do the same works. God foreknew that and He worked with it by stripping Egypt of its wealth and blessed His people. It's as if God was saying, "Pharaoh, you meant evil against my people, but I will use it for their good."

We know that God worked with Adam and Eve's choices, and through it He gave the promise of the Messiah, *who was slain before the foundation of the earth*. (Rev 13:8) You know what? He worked with Judas Iscariot's choices, and lead Jesus right into God's perfect plan.

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### He knows you, and He works with you!

Everything that's purposed by God begins in a book. David proclaimed, that *the counsel of the Lord stands forever, and His intentions can never be shaken*. (Ps 33:11) He also said, that the Lord foreknew *every moment of his life and every detail was written in a book*. (Ps 139:16) Jesus said, "IT IS WRITTEN!" It has been established and it has been purposed. Our life's destiny, our church's destiny, our city, and nation were written out to be fulfilled exactly as God intended, and you and I have a part in it. We are a scroll that's to be *fleshed* out. John 1:14 tells us that Jesus, *the Word, became flesh*. His life and our lives were written before the foundation of the earth to be 'fleshed out' to accomplish God's purposes.

# We are VALUABLE and ESSENTIAL to the success of God's plans!

The word counsel in Hebrew is the word *sod*. It means by implication: *intimacy, consultation, or a secret*. The three Hebrew letters of the word *sod* are Daleth, meaning a door that signifies a pathway, Vav, meaning a nail that signifies a securing, and Samech, meaning to support or to hold up. Together 'sod' speaks of a person – namely Jesus. *He's the Door* (John 10:9) who was *nailed to a cross*, and He's the one *who upholds all things by the mighty power of His word*. (Heb 1:3)

The glorious meaning of SOD – the Counsel of the Lord, is coming to Jesus to know the *secrets* of His heart, to know His plans and purposes, to receive His wisdom, His thoughts, and His judgment of things on earth. It's coming into the secret chamber of His heart. It's an invitation to 'COME' *and let us reason together*. (Isa 1:18) For this reason, ascending into the Counsel of the Lord is to come to JESUS, the SOD, the wonderful counselor. It's coming to the Word Himself to see and hear Him. It's abiding in Him and being intimate with Him. It's having a face-to-face, heart-to-heart encounter with the Lord.

David Penned, the secret [sod] of the LORD is for those who fear Him, and He will make them know His covenant. (Ps 25:14) The Lord gladly says, "Ask of me and I will tell you remarkable secrets that you do not know, even about things to come." (Jer 33:3) When we enter into His counsel, Jesus reveals to us our destiny, then He seals in our heart the most intimate desires of His heart, which is to restore all things back to the Father so that He may be all in all. (1 Cor 15:28)

Isaiah was shown the council room in the Spirit. During the meeting, he heard a voice say, "Whom shall I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?" (Isa 6:8) God is looking for people who are willing to obey and partner with heaven's intentions. Amos stated that...

## the Sovereign LORD never does anything until He reveals his plans to his servants the prophets (Amos 3:7)

Once decisions are made in the council room, then assignments are delegated. In Isaiah's passage, the Lord was asking for input as to *who will speak forth His message*. When Isaiah heard this, he spoke up and said – "SEND ME!" That must be our heart's cry too.

# Send me LORD, that I may accomplish your will on the earth!

In another passage, we read that Abraham was allowed to participate in the Counsel of the Lord. The Lord said, "*Should I hide my plan from Abraham*?" (Gen 18:17) Notice that God did not tell Abraham His plan just so that he could prophesy them out. When a prophetic word is given, God is asking you to partner with Him. The prophetic word given to you is a *future* word. It's God saying, "My beloved, I have a plan for you. I have designs on you, and I need you to GET READY! I want you to come to Me and find out how to partner with Me in it. I also want you to remember, that no circumstance you go through can change it, because I purposed it, and I will accomplish *all* My purposes!" For some, that past prophetic word given is about to be a 'now' time. That means, *now* is the time to speak it forth in agreement, to *decree and declare a thing*.

Not too long before this council with God took place, Abraham had rescued the city of Sodom, including his nephew Lot, in the war with four kings against five kings. No doubt Abraham had a heart for the city; his family was in that city. Because of His intimate relationship with the Lord, he was allowed to intercede for the cities pleading for fifty righteous down to ten. We know ten righteous were not found, but God would have granted Abraham's request if there were. I believe God's purpose of sharing His plan to Abraham was to give Himself the right to be MERCIFUL! God desires to be merciful. He said, "*I searched for someone to stand in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none.*" (Ezk 22:13) You see, it's His will *that none should perish.* (2 Pet 3:9)

The invitation to enter into the Counsel of the Lord is to show us His divine 'blueprints' for the problems we are facing in the world right now. Whether it's our own circumstances or issues like abortion, sex-trafficking or holding the president up in prayer, God is looking for *one* to stand in the gap, to be on the same page with Him, to partner with Him, granting Him the right to show mercy. We are to *ask, seek, and knock knowing that it shall be given.* (Matt 7:7)

Jesus said to the church of Laodicea, "I counsel you. I advise you. I instruct you. I am telling you what you need." They didn't know what they needed. They thought they were rich... They thought they had it all... Instead, they were wretched, poor, blind, and naked... (Rev 3:17-18) and they didn't know it. He who has an ear, let them hear what the Spirit is saying.

> He's calling us up to step into the higher realm called The Counsel of the Lord!



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### **Point to Ponder:**

The Counsel of the Lord is about coming to Jesus, who is the Wonderful Counselor.

#### **Memory Verse:**

The Counsel of the Lord stands forever, and His intentions can never be shaken. Psalms 33:11

#### **Reflections:**

1. Give two main reasons for ascending to the Counsel of the Lord.

2. Why did the Lord allow Abraham to participate in His plans?

3. What did the Laodicean church fail to see?



YOUR LEGAL IDENTITY

Entering the Council of the Lord is a way to find out what is written about your destiny, to be in agreement with the Father's will and plans so that you can begin to speak it forth. Proverbs 25:2 says, "*It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, and the glory of kings to search it out.*" In fact, we have the Father's blessing that when we *decree a thing, it will be established and light will shine on our ways.* (Job 22:28)

Adam was given the ability to speak and create into existence his world, just as the Father had done. As descendants of Adam, the words we listen to and speak over ourselves, all frame our lives. That means *words have the power to create and build up or to condemn and tear down*. (Pr 18:21) In fact, our words are so powerful that Jesus said. "*It's by your OWN words that you will be justified, and by your OWN words that you will be condemned*." (Mat 12:37) He then reiterated this saying, (paraphrased) "*Whatever you bind or loose on earth shall be done in the heavenly dimensions*." (Matt 18:18) That means you will give an account [on judgment day] for every idle word spoken. (Mat 12:36)

# Do you fully understand the power of your WORDS?

If you think about it, the only weapon the enemy can really use against you is WORDS through lies and deceit to cause strife and division. Why? Because where envy and strife lay, there's confusion and every evil work. (James 3:16)

His tactics today are no different than the day of the fall with Adam and Eve. Although these *word weapons* are seemingly harmless, their effects have sent many to sickness, disaster, and even to eternal damnation.

The good news is, while the enemy continually 'accuses' the saints day and night, Jesus *disarmed* him on the cross of Calvary, then gave us the promise that *no weapon formed against you shall prosper*. (Isa 54:17) This promise has been given to all of God's children, and when applied by faith, it will nullify the accusations of the enemy and bring victory to their lives. Yes, you have a 'legal identity' in Christ Jesus that entitles you to a legal inheritance, with legal rights and authority. You and I have been *qualified to share in the inheritance*. (Col 1:12) We are qualified by justification, or as I like to say, by 'vindication'. We have been rescued and translated from the Kingdom of darkness to the Kingdom of light. Since we now have changed jurisdictions, we must *renew our minds* through the Word of God that tells us our 'legal rights' in the new kingdom government.

It's *always* the desire of the Father to upgrade you into the fullness of power that was accomplished on the cross through the work of His beloved Son. In contrast, it's always the work of the enemy to weaken you and try to defeat you. I am always amazed when I think about how a *little* lie and words in the form of deception caused such disastrous results in the garden. At some point in your own life, you may have chanted the nursery rhyme,

sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me.... all the while crying from the hurt and pain of it all.

Have you ever considered *that* some of the words you have spoken in the past few days, weeks or years may have been a *curse* spoken over others? Even over yourself? This is something to soberly think about. God wants us to be free from the lies and deceit of the enemy. Jesus said, "*By your repentance justification is granted*." (Matt 12:37) That means freedom from word curses is only a confession away. Repentance and guarding your words is the path to freedom. In fact, it's only when...

## You *agree* with God's Word, He is able to redeem all things.

Maybe you are currently experiencing the effects of *negative* words spoken over you by others. Maybe there has been word curses spoken from *previous generations* that are affecting your destiny. If so, then you should know that you have a 'promised heritage' that you can stand in authority and *silence every negative word, every word curse, and every voice raised up to accuse you.* (Isa. 54:17)

When a word curse comes at you, DO NOT AGREE WITH IT! Simply reject the words spoken, apply the blood of Jesus over the words, then SPEAK God's words of blessings. On the other hand, we also need to be sensitive to the words that we speak. Daily, more than once if needed, anoint your lips and ask the Lord to *guard your lips* so *that you do not SIN against Him* as David prayed. (Ps 141:3)

While we know that we're not under the curse of *sin and death*, curses do exist and will continue until Jesus returns. However, Jesus gave us the *power* to break and renounce all negative words and word curses spoken over our lives. He then gave us the *authority* to pronounce blessings, *for every intended curse shall be turned into a blessing because the LORD your God loves you.* (Duet 23:5) This power and authority comes from our position in Christ as kings and priests.

Part of our *legal identity* is that we have been made kings and priests. Jesus proclaimed that we need to be *both* because it's kings who have authority and priests who have the access. As kings, we have the authority to use the name of Jesus, *to decree and declare a thing to be established*...(Job 22:28) As priests, we have access to the throne of grace. Hebrews 4:16 tells us to *come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need*. The first temple in Jerusalem portrayed the royal high priest as, 'the man' who passed between heaven and earth. Our access to entering the throne-room is an entitlement of belonging to the 'royal priest-hood'.

## God is saying, "I want you to be regal. Therefore, walk worthy of this calling." (Eph 4:1)

Our role as priests is an intercession ministry, and it's the ultimate in spiritual warfare. Intercession defeats Satan and his strongholds over people and unleashes the forces of heaven. True intercession is God praying *through* you, it's yielding to the Holy Spirit, allowing Him to guide you as to how and what to pray on behalf of whom you have compassion. Paul claimed that we are Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. (2 cor 5:20) The amazing blessing of priestly intercession is, that it takes you deep into spiritual maturity because it requires you to be led by the Spirit, for as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. (Rom 8:14) May I emphasize, they are MATURE sons of God.

Here's something to think about: Jeremiah tells us that there's a time when we're not to intercede for a person. The Lord said, "*Therefore do not pray for this people, nor lift up a cry or prayer for them, nor make intercession to Me; for I will not hear you.*" (Jeremiah 7:16) It's only when led by the Holy Spirit that you will know this. We should always ask the Father, "May I bring *this* person before you in the throne room of heaven?" Why? Because many times we want to 'rescue' people when God is wanting to do some *character* building.

The definition of intercession is found in Luke chapter 11. Jesus gave the parable of a man going to a friend's house to get bread for a *visiting* friend. Intercession is going to the Father, like a friend, and asking for the needs of others. Compassion is the fruit of intercession. It's the indicator of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Compassion includes the components of grace, mercy, and forgiveness. When we feel compassion for someone, then we have already forgiven their sin, because compassion always comes from God. It flows through us, knowing that God has grace, mercy, and forgive someone's sin, then they have already been forgiven by God. Jesus put it this way (regarding the unsaved), *"If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you* 

*withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.* " (John 20:23) This is not saying that they don't have to repent and confess – they do, but it's the beginning of our interceding for their salvation.

When dealing with a believer, Jesus taught that if someone in the church has something against you, and may I add, if you have something against someone as well, "Go and be reconciled to your brother before bringing any gift to the Lord." (Matt 5:24) Offenses will come. Bad attitudes will manifest. Unkind words and unjust judgments will happen. In fact, Paul puts it like this, "If you bite and devour each other, watch out! or you will be destroyed by each other." (Gal 5:15) Because an offended brother is harder to win back than a fortified city, and arguments separate friends like a gate locked with bars. (Pr 18:19)

# So, the remedy is don't be offended – Right?

I know, it's easier said than done. There's a deeper revelation on forgiveness that I want to expound on that may help you meet that seventy-times-seven forgiveness goal. Jesus said, "*If you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins.*" (Matt 6:15) When we have been wronged there's hurt, there's pain, there may even be trauma. However, many times, it's not so much 'what' the offender did or said, but the *feelings* and *thoughts* that linger and remain in our memory.

# Wouldn't it be great if we could get amnesia right after that argument or insult?

Unfortunately, the memory can and does remain. On top of that, our emotions are enhanced. Now we have a choice make, and that choice is, how long are we going to hold onto that MEMORY? If you're like most Christians, you're probably just going to *try* to 'ignore it'... 'be tough'... 'shake it off'... 'don't let it bother you'... 'they are the immature ones'... Or we may say, 'they have a demonic attachment' – Right? You're laughing because you *know* what I'm talking about. I know, because that's exactly what I did.

There was a time, about two years after a great 'drama ordeal' in my church, when the Lord gave me a dream. When I asked the Lord about it, He said that I had not forgiven the persons involved. "Oh! but Lord, I have! What is it that I haven't forgiven?" Immediately the Lord showed me the 'original' offense. Ohh yeah...that...suppressed memory. "So Lord, if I thought that I had forgiven, and now you're saying that I haven't, then how do I forgive?" The Lord immediately took me into a vision showing Himself on the cross. As I looked at Him, and the accusers mocking Him, I heard Him say, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." Then the Lord said to me, "You get on the cross." Immediately I was on the cross with my arms outstretched (it wasn't voluntary). Then I saw my mockers and accusers. I felt the emotions all over again. I then heard the Lord say, "Now, what did I say?" As I began to repeat His words, what came out was...

# Forgive them Lord, for they don't know what they did to ME!

Suddenly, I realized that I could *not* hold them accountable. How can I hold them accountable? They don't *know* the hurt they caused. They don't *know* what they did to me; they just don't know. I immediately asked the Lord to forgive me for the unforgiveness that I held. I extended forgiveness to them and released them. But then, one more thing occurred. I remembered that Jesus had asked the Father to forgive *them*. I proceeded to ask the Father to forgive *them*, to forgive those who had wronged me. I named off the offenses that was done, asking that forgiveness be granted for their offenses.

## **Now, IT IS FINISHED!**

I felt the most awesome blessing of God come upon me. I was set free! I felt a burden lift that I didn't even know I had. When Jesus said, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy," (Matt 5:7) that's what I felt. I felt God's compassion and mercy come over me, filling me to overflowing. Amazingly, a few days later, while making my bed, of all times, the Holy Spirit spoke in my ear and said,

## "Now that you are free, STAY FREE!"

Offenses will come – and they did. On that day, the Lord took me to a *new dimension* of forgiveness that I had never known. Yes, my brothers and sisters in Christ had sinned against me, but now they are fully forgiven, not just by me, but also by the Lord. Now, Satan has no right or legal hold! Soon reconciliation began taking place.

What I thought was forgiveness, was not. Until we go before the throne of grace, in front of the mercy seat, and appeal for God to forgive the people who have wronged and offended us, we have *not* fully forgiven. John the beloved counsels us saying, "*If anyone sees his brother commit a sin that does not lead to death, he should pray and God will give him life.*" (1 John 5:16)

### This is our priestly duty!

The primary function of our position as kings and priests, after the order of Melchizedek, is to bring heaven to earth. While we *can* do priestly tasks, such as praying and interceding for others, and while we *can* do kingly duties, such as decreeing and declaring using our authority in the name of Jesus, a maturing process must take place before stepping into the Melchizedek priesthood and kingship position. We cannot operate in the *full measure of the stature of Christ* until we have dealt with all our STUFF, until we have dealt with the non-essentials that we have *within* ourselves, including and not limited to those *soulish emotions* and feelings.

It's only when we are truly ready to ask the Lord to examine and judge us, to have our issues dealt with and burned out with holy fire and not be attached to them any longer, to die to the flesh and be transformed, that are we able to walk in heavenly manifestations. When Adam and Eve were in the garden they stood before the Lord *naked* and *unashamed*.

### Jesus has removed our shame by way of the Cross!

We must now stand before Him bearing ALL! That means we need to stop covering ourselves with 'fig leaves' of excuses, pride or fear. For all who are baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. (Gal 3:27) We are to put on the new nature of Christ (Rom 13:4)

There's a *fullness of stature* that we have to measure up too, there's some growing up that we have to do. We must crave, above all else, to be clothed in Christ so that what is temporary and mortal can be completely wrapped up in LIFE. Not just life, but life in abundance, fullness of life, life beyond life. Not life of this world, but a life of the SPIRIT, operating in the LAW of the SPIRIT of LIFE (Rom 8:1) We are to be emancipated, liberated, and set free from SIN and DEATH so that we may be filled with new life. We are not saved just so that we can go to heaven when we die, we are saved so that we can access heaven now and bring it to the earth. Jesus marks a new fullness, a new manifestation, and that is...

# Christ is in me! I am in HIM! and WE ARE ONE!

As we carry His heart and grow in maturity, He will include us in the deliberations of the councils and assemblies of heaven.



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### **Point to Ponder:**

Our access to entering the throne-room is an entitlement of belonging to the 'royal priesthood'.

#### **Memory Verse:**

No weapon formed against you shall prosper. And every tongue that rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. Isaiah 54:17

### **Reflections:**

1. What 'power' do words have according to Proverbs 18:21 and Matthew 12:37.

2. Part of your 'legal identity' is that you have been made a king and priest. Describe your spiritual *rights* as a king and a priest.

3. How does intercession and true forgiveness work together?



### INTRODUCTION TO THE COURT OF ACCUSATION

Our spiritual authority comes from our 'royal priesthood' position. It's a HIGHER ruling and reigning that we are called to be part of. The Lord says in Zechariah 3:7, "*If you follow my ways and carefully serve me, then you will be given authority to 'judge' my house, and also to 'judge' in my courts.*" Paul elaborated further reminding us, that *we shall 'judge' the angels.* (1 Cor 6:3)

### We shall judge the 12 tribes of Israel. (Matt 19:28)

Paul also tells us that we need to be *mature* in order to judge those in God's house, to judge those in the church who are *active* in sin, not unto condemnation but unto restoration. (1 Cor 5:12) In other words, judging unto LIFE.

Our position as PRIESTS gives us access to the throne of grace. It's an entitlement given for our *intercessory* ministry, which is the ultimate in spiritual warfare. Our position as 'kings' gives us the legal right to use the name of Jesus, to *decree and declare a thing to be established*. (Job 22:28) On the other hand, the enemy uses words of accusations to rob our identity and strip us of our authority and power. The good news is, repentance over the negative words we have spoken and refuting every word that rises up against us are weapons of warfare that maintains our power and authority.

Going a little deeper, the biblical term throne represents

authority. Jesus has established thrones, and in His Kingship position He has granted us ALL AUTHORITY over all the powers of the enemy. That means our authority is to *dethrone* the enemy from areas of our sphere of influence; our personal lives, our home, our family, our church, even our community, then expanding over states and nations.

Our kingship position gives us the authority to rule on thrones to fulfill our destiny. Part of our journey is to learn which thrones to rule from to bring God's will and purposes to the earth.

The 'Courts of Heaven' have been revealed as the *new* battleground. It's a change in strategy from conflict to petitioning, going from the battlefield to the courtroom. What took days, weeks, and even years of praying, fasting, and warring can now be accomplished in as little as a few minutes in the Courts of Heaven.

Many times we *know* what is right, and we honestly want to *do* what is right, yet there's still a struggle to leave a particular sin behind. Many want to be free, but they just can't seem to shake some bad behaviors. Paul put it this way, "*I desire to do good, but evil* [temptations] *lurk around me*." (Rom 7:21) If your desire is to be totally set free, then you are ready to enter the Courts of Heaven.

By now you should be seeing a common denominator in each chapter, and that is, we have an ADVERSARY. Satan is the *prince of this world's system*. (John 12:31) He affirmed this to Jesus in the wilderness, stating that he *can give authority to whom he pleases*. (Luke 4:6) However, it's Jesus' death, resur-

rection, and ascension that legally gives back our rightful authority, for having canceled the charge of our 'legal' indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us, JESUS has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. (Col 2:14)

### This created a problem for Satan!

Now, Satan has to find a *legal right* to 'take' your rightful authority. Now, as an adversary, he brings legal CASES against you to hinder and stop you from using your authority, even to hinder and stop you from your destiny. For this reason, when dealing with the adversary, Jesus tells us to approach God as a JUDGE.

Adapted by Robert Henderson, author of the book *Operating in the Courts of Heaven*, Jesus taught how to pray from three different perspectives. When addressing your personal needs, Jesus said to pray to God as your Father, *for how much greater will your Father in heaven give to you.* (Luke 11:11) When interceding on behalf of others, pray to God as your friend, as in the parable of a man asking a neighbor for bread for a visiting friend, *asking, seeking, and knocking knowing that it shall be given.* (Luke 11:9) Thirdly, when dealing with the adversary, Jesus said to pray to God as your judge, *for God will surely give justice to His chosen people who cry out to Him.* (Luke 18:6) Paul reiterated this to Timothy urging, that *prayers* [to God our Father], *intercession* [to God our friend], *and petitions* [to God our judge] *be made for all people with thanksgiving.* (1 Tim 2:3)

Each circumstance requires a different approach, and how we interact with Him will vary. This makes the journey exciting!

The parable Jesus gave in Luke chapter 18 regarding the woman and the unjust judge, correlates the earthly court system with the heavenly court system. In this parable, it appears on the surface that if we beg and plead long enough and drive the Lord CRAZY, that we will get what we want. I can assure you that wasn't the point of the parable. The point is,

### How much greater is our Heavenly JUDGE...

who will surely give justice to His chosen people? You might say the courts are rigged – because God is on our side!

Satan is our adversary. The Greek word for 'adversary' is *Antidekos*, meaning an *opponent in a lawsuit*. He's known as the accuser, (Rev 12:10) a counterfeiter, (2 Cor 11:14) and he's a legalist who knows the government of God. However, the adversary can only bring a case to court when there is a 'legal' right, *for a curse without a cause cannot land*. (Prov 26:2)

Biblically speaking, sin is a vice that has *a legal right* to defile and pollute areas of your life. When there's a legal right given, God must allow it until someone comes to contest that right. We know that Satan is 'limited' to the degree of his tormenting actions, for God will not allow you *to be tempted beyond what you can bear*. Now here's the good news, *God has made a way of escape*. (1 Cor 10:13) The verdict is in our favor!

In a court of law, when the judge grants a legal verdict, if it's not executed by all the parties involved, it remains ineffective. When the Judge of the universe said, "You are not under the curse of sin anymore, for My Son has set you FREE," Jesus your advocate said, "Now, take My power and My authority and execute My FINISHED work, for *I have stripped the enemy of His powers*." (Col 2:15) You can now take the enemy to the 'heavenly court' and have any and all curses removed *legally* through the appropriation of the blood of Jesus.

In dealing with the adversary, Jesus gave these instructions: *Agree quickly with your adversary*, why? *lest he deliver you to the Judge*. (Mat 5:25) Agreeing with your adversary is admitting your sin, iniquity, and transgressions, then appropriating His blood through repentance thereby nullifying the effects of the curse. Am I saying that you need to go to the courts of heaven to repent? Absolutely NOT! Paul admonishes to mediate your case and *settle outside of court* whenever possible.

### What's the purpose of Heaven's Courts?

The purpose of Heaven's Courts has the same purpose as the courts on the earth, to obtain justice and recompense because *that which the enemy has stolen has to be repaid seven-fold!* (Prov 6:31)

Just as there are different levels of courts in our government, there are different levels of courts in the heavenlies. Daniel described that he *saw* what appeared to be a 'Supreme Court' after praying for his nation. He said, "*I watched as thrones were put in place, and the Ancient Of days sat down to 'judge'. His clothing was as white as snow, his hair like purest wool. He sat on a fiery throne with 'wheels of blazing fire', and a river of fire was pouring out, flowing from his presence. Millions of angels*  ministered to him; many millions stood to attend him. Then the 'court' began its session, and the books were opened." (7:9-10)

For simplicity of this study, the *Court of Accusation* will be discussed. Author and speaker Ian Clayton identifies the Court of Accusation as a *Mobile Court*. While Daniel was dealing with national issues, as stated in the reference above, the Court of Accusation is a 'lower level' court where personal and family issues are dealt with.

The Bible clearly portrays Satan as the accuser. He's considered the 'prosecutor' in the Court of Accusation, and it's in this court that we can *boldly come to obtain mercy and grace to help us in our time of need*. (Heb 4:16)

# The Court of Accusation addresses issues that hinder our destiny.

Anything that hinders, including attacks and accusations against your actions, against your character, attacks against your personal possessions, such as finances or anything stealing your peace and joy is a hindrance and can be resolved in the Mobile Court of Accusation.

Most likely, but not always, there's something that you have done to cause the *prosecutor* to make a case! You have opened a door, even unknowingly, that has allowed an accusation to be brought forth. Digging a little deeper, there may be a destiny blockage or accusations coming from 'generational' iniquities causing a legal right for a curse to operate, and the enemy is using it as leverage to keep you from succeeding. Generational iniquity is what I call the proverbial 'Black Cloud'. A spiritual black cloud working against you so that no matter how hard you try, you never seem to succeed. Generational iniquity is an *invisible conspiracy* caused by an OPEN DOOR to sin that will not allow you to succeed.

### SIN has a curse attached to it!

Deuteronomy 28:19 says, *if you sin, cursed shall you be when you come in, and you shall be cursed when you go out.* If it seems like nothing is working for you, no matter how promising it may seem, it may be generational iniquity operating in your life. However, once it's removed through repentance and appropriating the blood, those same efforts that failed in the past will become successful in the future. Why is this? Because it's not an 'effort' issue, but a generational *sin* issue.

Jesus did His part. His work on the cross is the FINISHED side. Repentance and appropriating His blood is the EXE-CUTION side, and that's our part. Revelations 12:11 says, "*They over came* [triumphed, conquered, defeated] *him* [the adversary] *by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their 'testimony'*." Our testimony, through repentance, applies the blood and removes the iniquity.

As a faithful, loving Father, God delights in every detail of your life. He joyfully meets all of your needs. On the other hand, it's the just and righteous JUDGE who rules in accordance with your destiny. The question to ask is, does Satan have a CASE? Well, I can guarantee that he will use the littlest thing to block you. Do you realize that he accused Job of having a wrong motive? He said that Job only worshiped God because of the blessings. We know, in reading further, that God proved Satan to be a liar. On that note, here's something to think about: It just may be that the trial you're going through is God proving to Satan that *his* accusations are not true. If that be the *case*, [no pun intended] be joyfully encouraged to *endure the tests and trials*.

The book of Job opens with a very unique scene, then, halfway through the book we read that Job cried out, "*Why doesn't God open the 'court' and listen to my case?*" (Job 24:1) Job wanted to have a day in court with God to answer the charges of injustice.

Since we know that Satan is not in Heaven, where our departed spirits go, where is it 'before God' that Satan is standing to accuse, that Job speaks of?

# The Court of Accusation is located in a spiritual dimension.

It's a place where Zechariah described in his vision, Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and 'Satan' standing at his right side to accuse him. (Zech 3:1) It's a place where, the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and 'Satan' also came with them. (Job 1:6) It's a place where: the LORD was sitting on his throne with all the armies of heaven around him. And the LORD said, "Who can entice Ahab to go into battle so he can be killed?"... finally, a

'spirit' approached the LORD and said, 'I can do it!' 'How will you do this?' the LORD asked. And the spirit replied, 'I will go out and inspire all of Ahab's prophets to speak lies' and the LORD said, 'You will succeed, go ahead and do it.' (1 Kings 22:19-22)

Although John saw in the spirit, Satan, *the accuser*, [who accuses our brothers day and night before God] *has been thrown down*... (Rev 12:10) that event has yet to take place. That means the accuser is still accusing – Right? He calls you a liar, a blasphemer, an adulterer, a fornicator. He calls you a thief, unforgiving, selfish, a hater, a gossiper... Is he a liar or is he accurately accusing you? Carefully think about this. Sin gives Satan legal rights to attack you, to hinder you, to hold you back from your destiny and from exercising *your* power and authority over ALL the powers of the enemy.

Satan is your adversary. He's your accuser and the one who brings cases against you. He's the one in the court telling the SUPREME JUDGE of the universe that he has a legal right to STOP you, to BIND you, and to HINDER you because of an open door to sin.

When Jesus said, "I have given you authority to tread over snakes and scorpions, and over all the powers of the enemy," (Luke 10:19) that authority was given to use against the demonic hosts. It was given to 'YOU' to use against the principalities, against spiritual wickedness in high places, and to bind and cast them out. Sin puts 'restrictions' on your power and authority. Sin short circuits your power supply and may even cause a power outage!

## You can't take ground from the enemy when he has ground in you!

Jesus not only died for our sins, He made a way for us to *overcome* it! I hope you can picture how grieved Jesus is when He has to 'legally' *turn you back over to Satan* because of sin. (1 Cor 5:5) But, there's GOOD NEWS! That's not the end of the chapter. Jesus is also your advocate, another courtroom term.

You know God as Father, you know him as a friend, but do you know Him as Judge? He's *the Judge of all the earth*. (Gen 18:25) He's *a just judge*. (Ps 7:11) And He's *coming to judge the earth*. (1 Chron 16:32)

Just as a citizen of a country has legal rights to the court system, it's the FINISHED work on the cross that gives you and me an open invitation to participate in the government of God and to *come into His 'courts' with praise*. (Ps 100:4)

The Hebrew writer says, that you *have come* to the mountain of God, and that mountain is called Mt Zion, the 'government' of God. In that mountain God is seen as 'The Judge'. Jesus is seen as 'The Mediator' and a cloud of *witnesses* are operating in truth and justice, grace and mercy.

### The veil has been torn so that we can see the bigger picture!

What is the bigger picture? It's you being a BRIDE without spot or wrinkle. It's you being a MATURE SON. It's you being

# a KING and a PRIEST. It's you partnering with God so that His GLORY WILL BE DISPLAYED on earth THROUGH YOU!

You can be sure that the enemy is out to stop you at all costs, and he uses the Court of Accusation to try and stop you from walking out your written destiny. Regrettably, that means, it's possible that you may NOT fulfill your destiny.

# How does that make you feel right about now?

Hopefully, it kindles a 'righteous anger' that will motivate you to find out how to defeat the enemy's accusations and live out the wonderful plans that the Lord has promised. *Plans for good and not for disaster, plans to give you a future and a hope*. (Jer 29:11)

Having established that the Court of Accusation exists, a place where Satan stands before God making accusations, and that its purpose is to *silence* the accusations of the prosecutor who's trying to stop you from your destiny, the next question would be how do you proceed?

The foundation of your appearance is based on a relationship through faith. Just as a civilian needs an attorney, you need a spiritual advocate in the Court of Accusation. The work that Jesus did on the cross removed every 'legal issue' that *separated* us from the Father so that we can now confidently go before Him. But also remember, a legal transaction has no power unless it's executed. For example, to be saved, a person has to grab hold of the 'legal right' of the *work* on the cross through faith and be reconciled *back* to God. That's done when we confess our sins, *knowing that God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.* (1 John 1:9)

### No one gets into Heaven 'illegally'!

(John 10:1)

In Robert Henderson's book *Ascending to the Courts of heaven*, He stated it like this, "The 'Just Judge' can now legally show us mercy because a legal *precedent* has been set from the cross that allows Him to be merciful!" God can now legally FORGIVE and cleanse us when we meet the legal requirements of CONFESSION by faith. Now, *whosoever calls on the name of the Lord*, has a 'legal right' to be saved. (Rom 10:13)

# Faith, repentance, and confession is the execution of the legal 'grant' of salvation!

Your entrance or legal permission into the court is done by faith through Christ Jesus. Since we know that God longs to grant mercy, once the legal objections are dealt with, He will rule *immediately*! Are you ready to get off the battlefield and go to the courtroom?



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### Point to Ponder:

The 'Court of Heaven' has been revealed as the *new* battleground. It's a change in strategy from conflict to petitioning; going from the battlefield to the courtroom.

#### **Memory Verse:**

Let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our need. Hebrews 4:16

#### **Reflections:**

1. As an adversary, what is Satan doing in the Court of Accusation?

2. List three scriptures that describe God as Judge.

3. Give two reasons for accessing to the Court of Accusation.



### JUDGING UNTO LIFE

Wouldn't it be amazing if every Christian actually took time to judge themselves before judging anyone else? Unfortunately, *for this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would 'judge ourselves', we should not be judged.* (1 Cor 11:30-31)

# The key to being 'Judged unto Life' is YIELDING.

Paul calls it *yielding our members*... He's saying, "Don't let sin dictate you how to live." Don't let any part of your body [gateways] become an evil device or a tool to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God... use your whole body [soul and spirit] as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God. (Rom 6:13)

When you enter into the heavenly court, the first thing you want to do is to ask the Father to judge *your* heart in the situation that you're petitioning. You want to ask Him to judge and expose *hidden* things inside 'your' heart, to judge and expose your *faulty* ways of thinking, to judge and expose any harbored *offenses* that you may be unaware of. Remember, offenses put blinders on our eyes.

Judging unto life is the most critical part of the court case. Why? So that you will know, through the *Spirit of Understand-ing*, why this situation is taking place. Why is there friction? Why are there accusations? Sincerely ask, "What's my part in this situation? Are my thoughts and attitudes wrong? Are any of my gateways defiled?"

Allowing God to judge you unto life is a time of letting Him examine all of your heart's chambers. There's a wonderful confidence in knowing that you're safe to open yourself to the Lord, to be transparent before the One who knows the mind, thoughts, and intents of the heart.

When you ask to be judged unto life, be aware that 'stuff' will come up. Issues regarding your thoughts, actions, emotions, and mindsets will be brought to light under the Spirit of Truth's illumination. Having your heart issues judged and dealt with before dealing with others is how you remove the '*log*' in your own eye first. It's asking for the LIFE of God to come and shine His light on your soul so that darkness will be revealed.

# Asking God to Judge unto Life, isn't necessarily an 'instant fix'.

When darkness or sin is exposed, it's our responsibility for making necessary changes. It's the glorious grace of God, that *in our weakness, He will be made strong*. (2 Cor 12:9) In our weakness, His power will strengthen us to display His glory.

As you enter into the presence and intimacy of the Lord, some 'things' will just fall off, while other things may require deliverance, renouncing, and casting out. Many times ungodly spirits are a major influence behind the situation. I recommend two books by John Eckhardt: *Routing Demons* and *Fasting for Breakthrough and Deliverance.* 

Bloodline issues and mindsets may need to be dealt with. Don't assume that you know, because you don't. I remember asking the Lord one night, if there be any sin in me to reveal it through a dream. Oh boy, did He! I repented and went to court to receive a judgment. I asked again the second night. Again another dream, again repentance and going to the court. As you can imagine, I was almost afraid to ask again, but I keep asking. It's not that I am 'sin' conscious, but that I want to be *without spot or wrinkle*. I want everything that stands between me and the fullness of God's presence to be removed.

# Having the Father 'Judge unto Life' helps us gain the *mastery* of purity and integrity.

When the word and the spirit connect, a revelation is created. We then take *this* revelation to the Father in intimacy, sharing it with Him and allowing Him to show us how to *'move and live'* in that revelation to create a change or a newness of life.

This is why we need to deal with our *ways*. We are His bride and our ways are to be like His ways. While we know God's ways are *higher than our ways*, (Isa 55:9) *there's a way which seems right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death*. (Pro. 14:12) We have *ways* about us that we 'think' are right – but *they're not*! In my testing time I cried out, "Lord, what's wrong with me?" Soon, He led me to a book entitled *Living the Truth*, written by Keith Ablow, MD. This book revealed my *ways* of wanting to rescue people, stemming from a childhood trauma. I needed to be rescued, therefore I *want* to rescue. I learned that I also have *ways* of not wanting to hurt other people's feelings, stemming from a fear of not wanting to be rejected.

While the Lord was blessing me and maturing me spiritually, there was a subtle conflicting *war against the law of my mind*. (Rom 7:23) I was drained emotionally, physically, and financially because of my 'ways'. My ways are like *mold* growing in darkness, slowly over-shadowing my spiritual foundation. It's 'opposing' that which I *knew was right to do; for he who knows to do good* [and right] *and does it not, to him it is SIN*. (Jam 4:17)

## God is faithful, He will not let us stay in our WAYS!

Our God is a *Jealous God*. (Ex 34:14) Having this "junk" removed makes for greater intimacy with the Him. Just like there's nothing between a man and a woman during intimacy, there must be nothing between you and the Lord. It's to be a passion with FIRE!

The Hebrew word for 'judge' is made up of three letters: *Shin, Peh,* and *Tav. Shin* has the meaning of 'teeth' to consume or break into pieces. Its shape is like three branches of flames. It has the meaning of purifying by fire, transformation or changing.

The book of Leviticus prescribed *judgment by fire*, representing a complete and total destruction. Certain sexual sins committed required death by fire. During sieges, certain towns along with the inhabitants, livestock, and possessions were to be burned. Asking for the *fire of God* to consume you is asking for His righteousness to consume all the 'unrighteousness' in you.

When we talk about the fire of the Lord 'consuming us', we're asking for a powerful, radical transformation within us.

# He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

(Matt 3:11)

*Peh* has the meaning of a 'mouth'. It's meaning defines the power of speech. Hebraicly speaking, mankind was created as a 'speaking spirit' with the ability to have *life or death* in their speech. (Pr 18:21) The power of *Peh* is liken to a double-edged sword that divides the *spirit and soul*. Our speech is to be used for speaking forth destiny and life, *separating the common from uncommon and holy from unholy*. (Lev 10:10) James tells us *if we could control the tongue we can control the whole body*. (Jam 3:2) The goal is to create a balance between soul and spirit, requiring the 'inner' and 'outer' life to match.

Tav is the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet. It has the meaning of a mark, sign, omen or seal. It expresses truth, perfection, and completion. Tav shows us that the 'end' was set from the beginning. (Isa 46:10) God set in motion all existence to reach a final state of perfection. Our life is not linear but circular,

meaning that the end is never 'the end' but the beginning of something new. In summary, these three letters combined together make the following statement:

# 'Judging' is defined as a purifying by fire (*Shin*), through the power of speech (*Peh*), in truth for completion (*Tav*).

The second thing you want to ask the Father to judge is the 'situation'. You want to see the situation from His heart. You want know the intent of a person's heart involved, their wounds, and the pain that caused them to act this way towards you. Paul said, "It isn't my responsibility to judge outsiders, but it certainly is 'your' responsibility to judge those inside the church who are 'sinning'. (1 Cor 5:12)

How are we to judge? Judge unto LIFE! The enemy has infiltrated the body of Christ, twisting scriptures about 'judging' saying, "We are *not to judge* [at all] *lest we be judged*." (Matt 7:1) Jesus did not say we are not to judge 'at all', but that there are RULES to judging. In fact, He expects us to judge, *for a righteous person will talk of judgment. He will not REFUSE to judge*. (Ps 37:30) We are to *hate the evil, and love the good, and 'establish judgment' in the gate*. (Amos 5:15)

# Humility, Love, and Honor are keys to Judging unto Life.



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

#### Point to Ponder:

There's a wonderful confidence in knowing that you're safe to open yourself to the Lord, to be transparent before the One who knows the mind, thoughts, and intents of the heart.

#### **Memory Verse:**

For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would 'judge ourselves', we should not be judged. 1 Corinthians 11:30-31

### **Reflections:**

1. Why is it important to ask the Father to judge *your* heart in the situation that you're petitioning?

2. What are the keys to Judging unto Life?

3. The Hebrew word for 'judge' is made up of three letters: *Shin, Peh,* and *Tav.* In your own words describe each meaning.



**PROTOCOLS IN THE COURT** 

The primary purpose of participating in the Court of Accusation, known as the Mobile Court, is to silence the prosecutor's charges against you whose goal is to stop you from fulfilling your destiny.

Once again, this is not a *new age* concept but a reestablishing of what Jesus proclaimed that 'we're to do' when addressing our adversary. Since our bodies were made to be the temple of God, to FLESH out what has been written in heaven before the foundations of the earth, you can be sure that the enemy will do everything to stop you from fulfilling your destiny.

Our petitioning in the Court of Accusation is now clearly being revealed because *Satan is filled with fury, knowing that his time is short.* (Rev 12:12) Operating in 'this' court is another approach in gaining victory over all the works of the enemy.

Diving deeper into our legal authority, this final chapter will give you greater insight on the protocols for operating in the Court of Accusation.

### If a man cannot manage his own household, how can he take care of God's HOUSE? (1 Tim 3:5)

Jesus said it like this, "How can you think of saying, 'Friend, let me help you get rid of that speck in your eye, when you can't see past the log in your own eye'." (Matt 7:5) These scriptures are a *call* to examine ourselves more deeply, to get rid of the log in our own eye first. This 'proverbial log' can be called generational sins.

So far, the scriptures have shown that Satan can legally use generational sins against you to stop you from fulfilling God's blueprints for your life. Please understand, it's not that your ancestor's sins will keep you from going to heaven, but that your ancestor's sins can be used by Satan to HINDER you from 'walking' out your earthly destiny.

You may remember the saying, *the apple doesn't fall far from the tree,* spoken in a negative connotation. The APPLE SEEDS (if you please) of generational curses are created through an open door of sin, and those curses [familiar spirits] will continue *generation to generation* until it's NULLIFIED through repentance.

### Curses don't visit your family without cause.

When someone up the family tree gives spirits the right to visit because of iniquity, they come looking for a reason to mess up your life. Deuteronomy chapter 28 gives examples of generational curses: Emotional instability and fear, family sickness, bareness and impotence, family breakdown and divorce, lack and poverty, debt, no vision or direction, bondage and slavery. Other examples are curses made from covenants through Masonic or religious and demonic cults. Anti-Semitism, dishonoring parents, rage, idolatry, illicit and unnatural sex, sexual abuse, participating in the occult, ouiji boards, séances, horoscopes, tarot cards, injustice to those who are helpless or weak are iniquities that create curses and allow continued access in a linage. For some, this may be difficult to receive, but the truth is your salvation alone does not stop the demonic influence of *generational curses*. Because you were *born* outside of God's covenant, there may be curses handed down to you, from family, and doors were opened to demons giving legal access to operate in your life. Once you've accepted Jesus, those curses are broken automatically, however, the demons that entered in before you accepted Jesus still needs to be cast out. Now, *because* of your salvation, you have power and authority to enter the heavenly courtroom to be set free of those influences. You can humbly repent and renounce those spirits on your behalf, as well as your family's behalf, then appropriate the blood of Jesus to remove it.

### This is called 'Identificational Repentance'

Identificational repentance is how Danial prayed saying, "Lord, we and our kings, princes, and ancestors are covered with shame because we have sinned against you." (Dan 9:8) He stated that 'we' (including his ancestors) have not obeyed, and that 'we' (including his ancestors) have not followed the instructions of the Lord. He recognized that the sins of his ancestors opened a door for the 'legal right' of the enemy to force them into captivity.

Take a moment and ask yourself, are there any generational curses operating in my life? Is there a history of additions, illnesses, lack in finances, lack in advancing forth, premature deaths, divorce, sexual assaults? Are these issues resulting from the iniquities of disobedience, ungodly covenants made or covenants broken or from robbing of God or man? Keep in mind, as we look at these curses, *there's no condemnation*. (Rom 8:1) It's through wisdom that we see the enemy as a legalist, who is

*always* looking for ways to take ground from you, who is *always* looking for ways to keep you from walking in the fullness of your power and authority.

An example of a past generational curse being passed on to a godly man is found in 2 Samuel chapter 21. Four-hundred years before the reign of King David, Joshua made a treaty with the Gibeonites, Even though Joshua was tricked into the covenant, God allowed it to stand. Generations later, King Saul broke *that* treaty. Seventy years later, a severe famine occurred during King David's reign. When David inquired of the Lord, it was found that 'this famine' was a direct result of Saul's disobedience and it was David who had to make arrangements to rectify it.

### Seven of Saul's descendants were put to death.

David *knew* he was supposed to be prosperous. He also knew the drought was a *sign* that something was wrong. This story shows the importance of recognizing 'signs' arising from a curse that may have been set in motion from past generations. Why? So that it can be reversed. The reversal processes can now be done in the Mobile Court of Heaven.

Summarized into seven steps, the protocols of operating in the Mobile Court are:

- 1- Honor the Judge and the participants in the court
- 2- Acknowledge the accusations
- 3- Repent and appropriate the Blood of Jesus
- 4- Ask the Judge to judge you 'unto life' through Christ
- 5- Ask the Judge to judge the demonic
- 6- Request your petition be granted in your favor
- 7- Record and execute the verdict

Before getting starting, it's important to know the participants who will be joining you in the court.

First, the Judge is our God and Father. He's sovereign over all His creation, and He can do absolutely anything He wants with His creation. *Nothing is impossible with God, do you believe this*? (Mark 9:23)

Jesus is our Advocate, defined as the one who pleads the cause of another before a tribunal or judicial court.

Paul once asked, "Who is it that can condemn us?" (Rom 8:34) The obvious answer is, NO ONE! Jesus said to Peter, "Satan wishes to sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you." (Luke 22:31) We're no different. Satan wishes to 'sift' us, but Jesus fights for us and comes into agreement with our petitions in the court.

The Holy Spirit's appearance in the court is to help direct us in accordance with the *perfect will* of the Judge. He knows the perfect will of God, and He helps us make *petitions* and speak the will of God.

Satan is in the court *day and night* accusing on three fronts: First, he tempts you and tries to convince you that God won't 'mind' if you sin because, well...you're special...or you can't help yourself because 'God made me this way'. He will even use the Word of God to convince you that it's okay to SIN. Remember, that's what he told Eve in the garden. He con's you into believing a lie because he's the father of lies, and he's good at it. (John 8:44) Unfortunately, when you fall for his lies and tricks he immediately makes a case against you in the Court of Accusation. If you don't repent and put it under the blood of Jesus, that SIN is hanging out there for him to use against you at an opportune time because he knows unrepented sin brings judgment. Secondly, one of Satan's primary strategies is to convince you that God is 'holding out' on you, that God's motives are evil towards you, that God loves everybody *but* you. Then he sets up circumstances that seem to add weight to his argument. When you fall for it, he watches as you begin to withdraw from the Lord. The further you back away, the stronger his case gets.

Lastly, the enemy uses your own words against you. The bible clearly states that *life and death are in the power of the tongue*. In other words...

### You will eat the fruit of your lips.

(Prov 12:14)

Satan listens very carefully to your words. When you say things that are negative and full of doubt and unbelief, he grabs on to those words to use against you. Once he has prepared his case, he goes to the court to present it. If he makes his case, then he has *legal rights* to attack you. Solomon said in his wisdom, "*If you have been trapped by the words of your lips, ensnared by the words of your mouth, then do this my son, go and humble yourself, and 'appeal' firmly.*" (Prov 6:2-3)

Other attendees in the court are the Angels. They are eagerly waiting for a favorable verdict. When the Judge grants a verdict, the angels are assigned to work it out for us. The Court of Angels is filled with angels assigned to our situation. We partner with them by faith, agreeing and believing that they are sent out to do warfare in the heavenlies against Satan's powers and authorities. They are also sent out to bring messages to us, and to work out circumstances in our lives to bring about the favorable verdict.

The Great Cloud of Witnesses testifies on our behalf. Hebrews 12:1 says, "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses." The Greek word for cloud is *nephos*. It's pictured as the highest seats in a sports stadium. That means you're not alone.

### The fight of faith is on!

If you look up into the bleachers of Heaven for just a moment, you'll see that they are stacked all the way to the 'clouds' with people just like you. They have *faced the impossible*, they have *accomplished the unthinkable*, and they *stand* as *proof* that you too can make it. They're cheering you on to victory! This Hosts of Heaven, as seen in 1 Kings 22:19, sits at the right and left-hand side of God's throne.

The Twenty-four Elders sitting on thrones are present, as spoken of in Revelations 4:4.

The Seven Spirits of God stand before the throne of God. Wisdom, Knowledge, Understanding, Counsel, Might, Spirit of The Lord, and the Spirit of the Fear of the Lord as spoken of in Isaiah 11:2.

Lastly, the Four Living Creatures, who carry the Mobile Court, are present. Ezekiel describes these creatures and the Mobile Court (Ezek 1:14) saying, "The living creatures darted to and fro like flashes of lightning. As I looked at these beings, I saw four 'wheels' touching the ground beside them, one wheel belonging to each. Spread out above them was a surface like a sky, glittering like crystal. V26 Above this surface was something that looked like a throne made of blue lapis lazuli. And on this throne high above was a figure whose appearance resembled a man. From what appeared to be his waist up, he looked like gleaming amber, flickering like a fire. And from his waist down, he looked like a burning flame, shining with splendor."

Daniel saw something similar saying that "The Ancient One, sitting down to judge, sat on a fiery throne with 'wheels' of blazing fire, then the court began its session and the books were opened." (Dan 7: 9-10) Anytime you need to step into the Court of Accusation, by faith, you can call the Mobile Court to come down to the very throne of God. It's acknowledging your Father as Judge of the universe, who is *full of eyes in front and behind*. *God stands in the congregation of the mighty; He judges among the gods.* (Ps 82:1) Can you see how the court is rigged in your favor? This is why David could say, "I will enter His COURTS with PRAISE!" (Ps 100:4)

We were taught our *rights* (Bill of Rights) and the laws that governs our responsibility as citizens of the United States. The Bible is both our *Bill of Rights* and our governing laws for the Kingdom of God. To live and operate in the Kingdom of God you must use the Word of God. We take the scriptures and present them to the Father, the Just Judge of the Universe, where we *bind and loosen*. (Matt 18:18) The enemy is bound, and the people and situations are loosed. It's bound or loosed in the Court of Heaven FIRST, agreeing with God's Word, then it manifests in the earth.

### Breakthrough is the result, and God is *glorified* through it all!



### ENGAGEMENT APPLICATION SECTION

### **Point to Ponder:**

It's through wisdom that we see the enemy as a legalist, who is *always* looking for ways to take ground from you, who is *always* looking for ways to keep you from walking in the fullness of your power and authority.

### **Memory Verse:**

If a man cannot manage his own household, how can he take care of God's house? 1 Timothy 3:5

### **Reflections:**

1. What is the primary purpose of participating in the Court of Accusation, also known as the Mobile Court?

2. What is 'Identificational Repentance'?

3. List the 7 protocols of operating in the Mobile Court.



**COURT ENGAGEMENT PRACTICE** 

As believers, the Mobile Court is VITAL to our spiritual warfare efforts. We must learn to operate *there*, however, it's only through intimacy that we can confidently know God's motives and love towards us.

The following is a sample petition to use in the Court of Accusation to be 'divorced' from any accusations and judgments that you are currently facing that may be blocking you from moving forth.

By faith Lord, My Spirit, intertwined with the Holy Spirit, ascends into the heavenly place where I am seated with you. You are the Door, you are the Way, and you tore the veil, and I now step in through you and take my seat of authority. With your permission Lord, I engage with with the Mobile Court where truth, justice, mercy, and grace resides. I ask that the *court be in session and the books be opened*.

### Honor the Judge!

FATHER, I honor you. I engage in the very presence of you, who stands at the door of heaven beckoning me to come up and engage you.

I also honor you, Holy Spirit, who stands to the right.

You are Ruack Ha'Kodesh, my helper, my teacher. I engage in the presence of you.

I engage the presence of you JESUS, my Lord and Savior, and by 'faith' I step into you, where I *live, breathe, move and have my very being.* (Acts 17:28) Lord, you said in John 14:6, "*I am the way, the truth, and the life, and no one comes to the Father except through Me*!" Thank you for allowing me to stand in the court of your judicial system.

The second step is to present the accusations before the Judge. The language of the court is based on the Word of God. The more you enter the court, the more you will be required to use the Word of God. If you know what the accusations are, and you probably do because someone has said something to you and you may be a *bit perturbed about it*.

# Address the Judge

FATHER, I have been accused of \_\_\_\_. (state the accusations. Examples are: *anger*, *fear*, *worry*, *stealing*, *being judgmental*, *unforgiving*, *gossiping*, *controlling*, *lying*, *and so on*)

FATHER, according to your word, I *quickly agree* with the adversary on these charges so that I will not be handed over to the Judge or officer of this court. (Matt 5:25) I ask that the books be opened, and if there be any further accusations or charges against me by the enemy, that they are revealed.

# The enemy cannot lie in the presence of a Holy God.

Allow time to hear any accusations by the enemy or convictions by the Holy Spirit. Do not discredit any thoughts or old memories that come to mind, even if it was when you were a child. If you are not hearing anything, ask if any accusations are from your parents or grandparents. There may be a generational sin that the Holy Spirit will reveal.

I remember an incident when petitioning about my finances. The Holy Spirit revealed that my *attitude* in giving, many times, had not been right. Giving is to be done as worship, not treated as an automatic 'bill pay' – Right?

The third step is to REPENT of the accusations presented. We must repent, bringing everything under the blood, lest we give the enemy a voice to throw us in bondage.

# **Repentance is our defense!**

FATHER, your word says, that I overcome the enemy by the blood of the lamb and the word of my testimony. (Rev 12:11) I testify that I have sinned. I know that it's against you, and you alone, that have I sinned. (Ps 51:4) and I repent for \_\_\_\_\_. (state your transgression)

JESUS, I ask that your blood wash and cleanse me. I ask that the record of *this* sin in my DNA be wiped clean and that the record of your Living Word rewrite the RECORD of my bloodline.

If you hear in your spirit, something that 'you know' you personally have not done, like murder, it's because there's a record in your DNA that's crying out giving Satan the right to accuse you. When the accusations are related to your ancestor's blood-line, repent on behalf of you and your ancestors, as Daniel did. Then go one step further, and forgive them for allowing the curse in your bloodline.

The fourth and fifth steps are for you and the accuser to be judged unto LIFE (as stated in the previous chapter). Judging unto life is asking the Father to take the accusations and actions that are against you and judge it under the blood of Jesus. Since Jesus has already paid the price for sin, it will now be judged unto life and not DEATH.

FATHER, with whatever measure of accusations are true, I call them unto repentance, bringing them under the power of the blood of JESUS. I ask you to judge me unto life. I ask for the FIRE from your throne to come down and consume the dark markers and records in my DNA and bloodline until there be no more.

FATHER, Zechariah Chapter 3 speaks of you rebuking Satan and removing Joshua's filthy clothes and taking his sins and iniquities away from him.. I agree with your word saying, "I, the Lord, reject your accusations, Satan. Yes, the Lord, who has chosen [me], rebukes you." I thank you for removing my filthy garments, [iniquities] and robing me with your right-eousness.

The sixth step is requesting a favorable verdict. For simplicity, your petition is requesting 'divorce papers'. Later you may want to ask for restoration of the damages done to you. After we have the SIN and our DNA records judged, then we need to be divorced from 'those spirits' in operation that are oppressing and driving us. In this Mobile Court, we are asking to be divorced from the *familiar spirits* operating in our life. I like to think of it as a 'restraining order' against the enemy, removing all legal rights of coming near me.

FATHER, I ask for divorce papers from all these accusations and the demonic behind them to be granted in my FAVOR.

Wait for approval in your spirit. You should feel a joy and a resounding yes. If not, there may be more repenting to do. When you receive your verdict, REJOICE! Thank the Father for the verdict of 'Divorcement'.

JESUS, I now ask that you serve the enemy their papers.

See with your spiritual eyes Jesus handing them divorce papers.

FATHER, I now ask that you judge my enemies. Since there's NO LIFE in them, I ask that you release the bailiff to escort the accusers and his imps out of this court to the place of sentencing.

The final step is to record and execute the verdict. For future reference, I recommend 'writing out' your petition before going

to court. When the verdict is given, sign and date it, for that which is established in heaven shall be made manifest on earth.

FATHER, I honor you and thank you for granting my petition. I now trade these papers to receive my true inheritance of who 'you' say I am, and what 'you' wrote over my life when you said, "*I knew you before the foundation of the earth was laid.*"

# I am NOT what I have been accused of!

LORD, I desire to see my true identity manifested in and through my life. I also trade these papers for *deep* intimacy and relationship, becoming so one with you that I no longer find myself reaching out for you, but rather releasing you from within me, into the earth and into my sphere of influence.

By faith, I release the angels assigned to my case from the Court of Angels to go to war for me, removing those things out of my path and the path of my blood relatives. For the battle is the LORDS, and the victory is mine!

While it's the greatest desire of the Father to grant your petitions, remember, He must follow His own 'legal system'. Following the right protocols will ensure success and victory in the Courts of Heaven!



SAMPLE COURT PETITIONS

As believers, it's important to remember that we are to be FREE from a life of sin. The closer we are to Jesus, the more 'hidden' we are in Him and the less we will sin. Why is that? Because He never sinned, and the more we look and act like Him, the less we will too. Jesus won total victory over sin for us. We are not just sinners saved by grace, No! We are Saints washed in the Blood of Jesus and we have the power through grace to live VICTORIOUSLY ABOVE SIN. However, because we live in a fallen world, getting to the place where we 'look' like Jesus is a journey that isn't done overnight. Chances are we are going to mess up. Sometimes people get caught up in wrong situations before they know it, such as lying, false business transactions, fraud, betrayal, slander etc. The following prayers deal with the 'repentance part' of restoring our fallen state. You will need to seek the Lord's will for any apologies or restitution that needs to be made. While that may be difficult, it's worth it in the end.

#### PETITIONS FOR VICTORY AGAINST ENEMY ATTACKS

FATHER, I COME BOLDLY TO THE COURT OF ACCUSATION ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD AND I COME IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH.

FATHER, THE ADVERSARY HAS ATTACKED MY LIFE IN THE FOLLOWING AREA(S) \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER, I PETITION THE COURT FOR THE GIFT OF DISCERNING OF SPIRITS AND AN IMPARTATION OF WISDOM TO SEE THE ROOT CAUSE OF THIS ATTACK. FATHER, I ASK FOR REVELATION KNOWLEDGE OF ANY SIN IN MY LIFE AS THE ROOT CAUSE OF THIS ATTACK IN THE NAME OF JESUS. (IF UNKNOWN SIN)

FATHER, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOUR WILL FOR MY LIFE. I CONFESS THAT I HAVE SINNED BY \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I REPENT FOR THESE SINS AND ASK YOUR FORGIVENESS. I ASK TO BE CLEANSED BY THE BLOOD OF JESUS. I PLACE THESE SINS ON THE ALTAR AND ASK THAT THE BLOOD BE APPLIED. THANK YOU FATHER FOR YOUR GRACE AND MERCY TOWARDS ME. THANK YOU THAT ONCE AGAIN, I AM IN RIGHT STANDING WITH YOU.

FATHER, AS A CHILD OF THE KING, I HAVE AUTHORITY TO TRAMPLE ON SNAKES AND SCORPIONS AND OVER ALL THE POWER OF THE ENEMY— SATAN. JESUS, MY SAVIOR PURCHASED THIS RIGHT FOR ME! I APPROPRIATE THIS RIGHT INTO MY LIFE RIGHT NOW IN THE MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS!

FATHER, I REMIND YOU THAT OUR COVENANT SAYS THAT MY ENEMIES ARE YOUR ENEMIES. I PETITION THE COURT FOR THE HOST OF HEAVEN TO ROUT ALL OF THE ENEMIES RANGED AGAINST ME TODAY IN THE MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS!

SATAN, YOUR ASSIGNMENT AGAINST ME IS CANCELED. YOU HAVE NO MORE LEGAL GROUND BECAUSE I HAVE REPENTED AND MY SINS ARE GONE! I BIND YOU AND COMMAND YOU TO GET YOUR HANDS OFF ! VICTORY IS MINE IN JESUS' NAME!

#### **OBJECTIONS TO SATAN'S ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES**

FATHER, I COME BOLDLY TO THE COURT OF HEAVEN IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH. I OBJECT AND CHALLENGE SATAN'S LEGAL RIGHT TO OPERATE AGAINST ME BASED ON MY RIGHT STANDING WITH YOU. I REMIND YOU THAT I AM NOW FIRMLY IN THE BLOODLINE OF YESHUA, WHICH MEANS THAT ANY AND ALL OPERATIONS THAT WERE LEGAL IN MY NATURAL BLOODLINE IS NO LONGER PERMITTED IN THE BLOODLINE OF YESHUA!

SATAN CANNOT LEGALLY ATTACK ME IN THE AREA OF \_\_\_\_\_\_ BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN RENOUNCED IN JESUS' NAME! I COMMAND YOU SATAN, IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH TO CEASE ALL EVIL WORK AGAINST ME USING LEGALITIES IN MY OLD BLOODLINE! IT IS NO LONGER VALID! YOU ARE OPERATING ILLEGALLY AND YOU HAVE TO FLEE BECAUSE I RESIST YOU NOW IN JESUS' NAME!

#### PETITIONS FOR THE SALVATION AND DELIVERANCE OF OTHERS

FATHER, I COME TO THE COURT OF HEAVEN IN THE MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS CHRIST! I BRING \_\_\_\_\_\_ TO YOUR COURT AND PETITION FOR THEIR SALVATION. FATHER YOUR WORD SAYS TO PRAY FOR ALL MEN'S SALVATION.

FATHER, I PAINT A DIVINE TARGET ON THEIR LIFE AND ASK THAT YOU MOVE IN \_\_\_\_\_\_'S LIFE IN JESUS' NAME! I ASK THAT INTERCESSORS BE RAISED UP AROUND THE WORLD TO LIFT \_\_\_\_\_\_'S NAME TO YOU TWENTY-FOUR HOURS A DAY FOR SALVATION!

I PETITION FOR THE HOST OF HEAVEN TO BE RELEASED INTO HIS/HER/THEIR LIFE TO BRING THEM TO A PLACE OF DECISION FOR JESUS! I ASK HOLY SPIRIT THAT YOU WOULD TAKE OUT THAT STONY HEART AND PUT IN A HEART OF FLESH...A HEART THAT HUNGERS AND THIRSTS FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS AND RIGHT STANDING WITH YOU. A HEART THAT HUNGERS FOR THE TRUE AND LIVING GOD: JESUS CHRIST!

FINALLY, FATHER, I PETITION THE COURT TO PUT LABORERS ACROSS HIS/ HER/THEIR PATH(S) EVERY DAY TO PLANT THE GOSPEL SEEDS. LET SIGNS AND WONDERS BE BEFORE THEIR EYES IN JESUS' NAME!

I THANK YOU FATHER THAT \_\_\_\_\_\_ IS COMING INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD! THEY ARE SAVED, SET FREE AND HEALED IN JESUS' NAME!

#### PRAYER TO REMIT OFFENSES

FATHER, I COME TO THE COURT OF HEAVEN TODAY IN THE MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH! I COME ON THE BASIS OF HIS SHED BLOOD AS ONE WHO IS IN A BLOOD COVENANT WITH YOU O GOD.

I BRING \_\_\_\_\_\_ BEFORE YOU TO REMIT THE OFFENSES I HAVE INCURRED FROM MY RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM/HER. I CONFESS THAT I AM OFFENDED AT \_\_\_\_\_\_ BECAUSE \_\_\_\_\_ (TELL THE LORD THE OFFENSE).

I CHOOSE TODAY TO OBEY YOUR WORD THAT SAYS "LOVE COVERS A MULTITUDE OF SINS." THEREFORE, FATHER, I NOW REMIT EVERY OFFENSE AGAINST ME FROM \_\_\_\_\_\_ TO THE COURT AND ASK THAT THE BLOOD OF JESUS COVER THESE OFFENSES EVEN AS MY LOVE COVERS THEM. I ASK THAT THEY BE CAST INTO THE SEA OF FORGETFULNESS. CAST THEM BEHIND YOUR BACK NEVER TO BE REMEMBERED AGAIN.

#### **BLOODLINE CLEANSING**

FATHER, I COME BEFORE YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH—YESHUA. I COME BOLDLY TO YOUR THRONE OF GRACE ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD. I STAND BOLDLY BEFORE THE COURT OF HEAVEN TO RECEIVE YOUR RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT OVER MY BLOODLINE.

FATHER, I CALL AS WITNESS THE HOST OF HEAVEN, LORD JESUS AND HOLY SPIRIT. I CALL UPON THESE AS MY WITNESSES TO THIS BLOODLINE TRANSACTION TODAY. IT IS BINDING IN YOUR COURT AND A RIGHTEOUS DECREE IN JESUS' NAME!

I DECREE AND DECLARE IN THIS COURT THAT ALL DEMONIC POWERS THAT HAVE BEEN OPERATING DOWN MY GENERATIONAL BLOODLINES ON BOTH PARENTAL SIDES OF MY NATURAL ANCESTORS: YOU WILL HEED, RESPECT AND HONOR THIS RIGHTEOUS DECREE MADE THIS DAY IN THE COURT OF HEAVEN!

FATHER, IT IS WRITTEN THAT IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, YOU ARE FAITHFUL AND JUST TO FORGIVE OUR SINS AND TO CLEANSE US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS. FATHER, I HUMBLY ASK YOUR FORGIVENESS FOR HOLDING MY FAMILY ANCESTRY INSTEAD OF RELEASING IT TO YOU AND EMBRACING YOUR DIVINE BLOODLINE BEFORE NOW!

#### RENOUNCE NATURAL FATHER'S BLOODLINE

FATHER, IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH, I NOW FULLY AND COMPLETELY DENOUNCE THE \_\_\_\_\_\_ LINEAGE! I

DENOUNCE EVERYTHING THIS NAME REPRESENTS AND ALL THE INIQUITIES AND TRANSGRESSIONS THAT ARE AVENUES FOR DEMONIC OPERATIONS. I DENOUNCE THIS LINEAGE BACK A THOUSAND GENERATIONS. I NOW RELEASE IT TO EMBRACE JESUS' HOLY, DIVINE AND PROPHETIC BLOODLINE. THE BLOODLINE INHERITANCE OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH IS NOW MY BLOODLINE INHERITANCE!

#### **RENOUNCE NATURAL MOTHER'S BLOODLINE**

FATHER, IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH, I NOW FULLY AND COMPLETELY DENOUNCE THE LINEAGE! I DENOUNCE EVERYTHING THIS NAME REPRESENTS AND ALL THE INIQUITIES AND TRANSGRESSIONS THAT ARE AVENUES FOR DEMONIC OPERATIONS. I DENOUNCE THIS LINEAGE BACK A THOUSAND GENERATIONS. I NOW RELEASE IT TO EMBRACE JESUS' HOLY, DIVINE AND PROPHETIC BLOODLINE. THE BLOODLINE INHERITANCE OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH IS NOW MY BLOODLINE INHERITANCE!

#### FOR MARRIED WOMEN ONLY

FATHER, IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH, I NOW FULLY AND COMPLETELY DENOUNCE THE \_\_\_\_\_\_'S (HUSBAND'S LAST NAME) LINEAGE! I DENOUNCE EVERYTHING THIS NAME REPRESENTS AND ALL THE INIQUITIES AND TRANSGRESSIONS THAT ARE AVENUES FOR DEMONIC OPERATIONS. I DENOUNCE THIS LINEAGE BACK A THOUSAND GENERATIONS. I NOW RELEASE IT TO EMBRACE JESUS' HOLY, DIVINE AND PROPHETIC BLOODLINE. THE BLOODLINE INHERITANCE OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH IS NOW MY BLOODLINE INHERITANCE!

#### FOR PEOPLE WITH UNKNOWN PARENTS AND ANCESTORS

FATHER, I DO NOT KNOW MY NATURAL PARENTS BUT I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I BEAR THEIR BLOODLINE INHERITANCE. FATHER, YOU KNOW ALL THINGS ABOUT MY NATURAL LINEAGE THEREFORE, I PUT MY TRUST IN YOU TO SET ME FREE FROM ANY INIQUITY ATTACHED TO THIS LINEAGE! I NOW FULLY AND COMPLETELY DENOUNCE THIS UNKNOWN LINEAGE! TRANSGRESSIONS THAT ARE AVENUES FOR DEMONIC OPERATIONS. I DENOUNCE THIS LINEAGE BACK A THOUSAND GENERATIONS. I NOW RELEASE IT TO EMBRACE JESUS' HOLY, DIVINE AND PROPHETIC BLOODLINE. THE BLOODLINE INHERITANCE OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH IS NOW MY BLOODLINE INHERITANCE

# There is now therefore, NO condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the FLESH but 'after' the SPIRIT.

(Rom 8:1)