

THE MYSTERY OF “DYING TO LIVE”

Adam re-enacted the fall. He did not initiate the fall. The earth was already without form and void. Adam, like Judas, was foreordained to spiritual death (Rom. 8:20, John 17:12). But Adam had within himself the Seed Principle -- The Principle of Submission to a Higher Purpose. The Seed Principle, or the “Mechanism of the Seed of Submission,” was in Adam and when separated -- it was named Eve, the Mother of all Life (her role was to produce the Life of a New Man, a Spirit Ruled Man submitted to the Father’s Will -- not human life, NOT a separated independent living soul life, but a Christed Life Giving Spirit.)

The key in this mystery is that the Elohim invested Messianic Authority in the Principle of Submission. This hidden Principle was portrayed in the female, but it is necessary in our study to understand this point: In the Spiritual Dimension “female” is not a gender -- physical male and female genders do not exist in “Heaven,” the Spirit Realm. In the Heavenly (Higher) Dimension, the One in submission is considered feminine and given the power and authority to fulfill the assignment of the Father, and is called Son. He Reproduced the Father.

**The Father is Masculine (Creativity).
The Son is Feminine (Submissive) (Reproducer).**

The Son is perfectly expressed in Jesus. He was in submission to His Father’s Will. “**Of mine own self,**” said He the Son, “**I can do nothing.**” (John 5:30). “**For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of Him that sent me**” (John 6:38). Spiritually -- He portrays the feminine Submissive Soul.

In the Biblical Pageant -- given to help our understanding -- the Woman (Soul) could only be saved by reproducing the Seed through Child Bearing, or Seed Bearing, or Son Bearing. “**And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. Notwithstanding she [the Soul] shall be saved in childbearing....**” (1 Tim. 2:13-15). Her assignment was to produce a Man Child, a Kinsman Redeemer, a Saviour. He would understand the Principle of Submission. Reproduced behavior is the spiritual form of child bearing. Anyone who understands and applies the Principle of Submission, unlocks the Creative “Atomic” Power within “**and shall be saved in childbearing [re-producing the Father’s Nature], if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety**” (1 Tim. 2:15).

Very important! We are not just talking about only one Woman, one Eve, in history. That is not the case -- otherwise Mary would have “Saved” the earth by birthing the Saviour, Jesus the “Way Show-er.”

I'm burdened in this assignment -- for you to see -- **when the Woman acted independently, a ruling Ego was "born."** "What's in it for me?" became the dominant subconscious rule. Remember, this is a Pageant to show us how the Earth had become without form and void before Adam was formed. The "First Couple" were simply re-enacting the birth of the Ego, which had been the result of the desire to be greater than the Father's Throne.

The Ego is a part of the feminine Soul (the Woman), the deceptive power, in every person. The Ego is that Dictatorial "Need" in every person to be independent and to be "Some Body."

It is the Human Ego which was the **child** of deception and has kept us from seeing the latent potential in every Soul: Every Soul has the saving potential of birthing the Life of The Father Who is Spirit. His Life-Giving Word is present in every person who comes into the world. Salvation must happen personally. Salvation will never happen, can never happen, from or by an exterior power. You can stop looking for a Saviour to come in the sky -- He already is within you! **"In Him was Life; and the Life was the Light of men. That was the true Light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world"** (John 1:4, 9). His Life is within every man. Christianity is an "Inside Job."

That is the Dunamis Message from Christ to you: **"I will be in you. The Father and I will be in you"** (John 17:21-23). The Messianic Power is closer than breathing. It is not a person -- it is a Principle -- it is a Law of Spirit Life. It is inherent in every person.

But "It," the power to save, is hidden behind the veil of the Ego flesh. Your Ego is your "Man/Wo-Man of Sin" which is **the Deceiver** and must be exposed. Your Deceiver (Ego), which wants to rule independently, which demands importance, which lives on recognition -- must be dethroned and "die." And that happens only One Way -- at the Altar of Sacrifice. The Ego is the wild and independent carnal animal nature within all of us which must die -- and when the Ego dies -- the woman (the Eve, the Soul) can and will in her natural submissive role reproduce the Man Child. Like Mary she will say, **"Be it unto me according to your Word."**

When your Ego finally dies -- there is no Ego remaining in your soul -- only the Spirit of the Submissive Son of God remains in you. It was Paul's insight that the Son of God was already within him. He wrote in Galatians 1:15-16, **"But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, to reveal his Son in me...."** Paul's Ego was stripped from his beastly nature when he was knocked off his beast on the road to Damascus. But Paul did not instantly experience freedom from the warring Ego flesh identity (Romans 7). You must understand that everything is a process.

It is also most important to recognize that **you** cannot nullify the power of your Ego. **You** cannot kill your own Ego. You may try to starve it to death; you may buffet it and try through discipline to destroy its power; you might try to drown it with intoxicating beverage or drugs -- but the Ego will not die at the hands of self. Only the Holy Spirit of God can deal with your Ego. When you go to the Altar, you are “submitting” your Ego to God, giving the Spirit of God permission to burn and remove your Ego with the “baptism with fire.” The goal, exemplified by Jesus is: **“I come to do Thy Will O God”** (Heb. 10:9). That is what the “trials and temptations of your faith is about. Your Hope is that Christ manifest in your temple quickly.

Our great expectation (Hope) is to see that the process has already been in progress for 6,000 years. This is the 7th and the great and terrible Day of the LORD.

The Father’s Creative Power is in your Spirit -- not the hu-man spirit, but the Christ Spirit. (Hue means to weaken by mixing, i.e. to hue a color weakens the intensity.) Man was not created to be hu-man but to be the Image/Son of God.

The Creative Power of the Father is in your Christ Spirit.

His latent, reproductive Egg Power is in your Soul (Eve). The death of Ego releases the Egg to be fertilized with the Sperm of God’s Engrafted Word (James 1:21).

They two -- the Father’s Word and the Soul’s Egg -- must become one and reveal to you the Son [in you, as you] (Gal. 1:15-16).

They two, the Father and the Soul, reproduce the Son in you. The Soul cannot reproduce with “the Father” unless and until she submits in trust to His Love. When she is submissive, she will reproduce a Son, after her kind -- a Son who is submissive to His Father’s Will. The Power of the Most High “over shadowing” the submissive hand maiden of the Lord (Mary) is the Pattern. The “Seed” produced was Jesus the Submissive SON.

Yehwah said to Abraham, **“I will make my covenant with you and your Seed”** (Gen. 15:18).

There is therefore now no condemnation!

It is the Creator’s Law of Nature that every seed will reproduce after “its kind.” When there is a Submissive Soul, submissive to the Word of God, the Seed of the Woman will produce a Submissive Son (behavior) -- after her kind. (The non-submissive Soul also reproduces after her kind -- a non-submissive offspring.)

Paul said, **“Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy Seed, which is Christ”** (Gal. 3:16). He spoke of the promised Spiritual Seed of Abraham. **“For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil”** (1 John 3:8).

In Genesis 2 the LORD God Yehwah promised, **“...her Seed [the Seed of the Woman]; it will bruise [destroy] thy head...”** The promise was to the Woman’s Spiritual Seed.

Another “seed” reference is made in Hebrews 2:14, 16: **“Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil... For verily He took not on *Him* the nature of angels; but He took on *Him* the seed of Abraham.”**

Our dilemma is how to get rid of the non-submissive counterfeit son, the human Ego, so that the True Seed (the Son of Promise) can fulfill His written and decreed victory and destroy him who still illegally perpetrates death and holds nature in bondage to vanity. How? Put our Father in remembrance that it is time!

“I, *even I*, am He that blotteth out thy transgressions for Mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins. Put Me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified. Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers have transgressed against Me. Therefore I have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and have given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches. Yet now hear, O Jacob my servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen: Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, *which* will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen. For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My Spirit upon thy seed, and My blessing upon thine offspring” (Isaiah 43:25-28, 44:1-3).

We are confident that “it is time,” otherwise we would not be able to see that the Phantom Ego has delayed the finished work of our Lord from becoming our experience as His Body. The “Deceiver,” the “Man of Sin,” is exposed. We are willing for the Holy Spirit to dethrone him, and remove him, and replace him with the Nature of the Submissive Christ.

Even so, come quickly, Lord Jesus.

THE LAVER

(Exodus 30:17-21, 38:8)

The Laver was placed between the Altar of Sacrifice and the Holy Place of the Tabernacle. We know by its placement that its function was to correct something in the flesh or the exterior visibility. God’s Spirit does this from the inside out.

In the order of the listing of the furnishing and appointments of the Tabernacle, the Laver is mentioned last or at the end, which suggests to me that its function has to do with a finishing aspect. In the arrangement of the Holy Furnishings, its placement is second, after the Altar. The Priests were instructed to wash their hands and their feet at the Laver, before they could enter into the Holy Place, **“lest they die.”** So, we are to learn that if our walk and what we do, (our behavior), doesn’t line up with our testimony -- our effectiveness dies.

In the pageant, the Priest is acting out the progression of Salvation, showing us that man must begin at the Gate and move toward the Ark of the Covenant which is his goal. The Priest, representing the Spirit of Man having been loosed from the flesh nature at the Altar, is actually washing away the memory of the flesh when at the Laver. The Priest is washing away the memory of who he thought he was; and looking into the perfect Law of Liberty (the Laver), he is **“beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord,”** focused by the Spirit on the Truth of Who he is.

**The position of the Laver causes us
to reflect on its purpose.**

We find listed in Exodus 30:17-21 the placement and its physical purpose, i.e. the washing of the hands and feet of the priests before they could enter into the Holy Place. But the material and the source of material to “make” the Laver, are not mentioned until Exodus 38:8. The references seem to be scattered throughout Exodus making it less than easy for the casual reader to find. Only the student seeking Spiritual Truth will find the extremely valuable facts.

The Laver actually functioned as a lavatory, a place for washing; but it was a vessel made of the polished brass **“looking glasses of the women assembling, which assembled at the door of the Tabernacle”** (Ex. 38:8). So we see that the Laver has something to do with the feminine aspect of the Spirit of Man.

The word “assembled” is a military term “assembled for battle”; which tells us that the Soul (the woman) is being prepared for a fight; the fight of faith. The flesh mind does not willingly submit to the Spirit.

Let’s focus first on the fact that the Laver was made of mirrors. A mirror plays the role of allowing you to examine yourself. The purpose of this mirror, which has become also a place of cleansing, is to teach the Priest how to “walk in

the Spirit.” The result of the Altar was that the consciousness had been altered from the physical to the spiritual. So the lesson in the Laver applies to washing and cleansing the spiritual consciousness. We, as Priests, must learn the principle of **“Beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord.”**

Hebrews 10:22 seems to address this lesson; **“Let us draw near [to the Holy of Holies] with a true heart [not concealing] in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.”** (*Conscience - Strong’s #4894: An informed understanding.*) So we must conclude that the Laver had to do with correcting the conscience. “Peace,” the gift of Christ, operates in the consciousness (conscience).

James 1:25, **“But whoso looketh in to the perfect law of liberty [the spirit of the Law], and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work [a Believer (Jn. 6:28-20)], this man shall be blessed in his deed.**

The function of the Laver was not to see what was wrong in the flesh that had been dealt with previously at the Altar -- but to reveal what was True in the Spirit.

James 1:23-24 basically says that if a natural man beheld his face in a mirror and forgot what he looked like, he is not practical to say the least. If you look into the Mirror of His Spiritual Word and “see” that you are One with the Father and the Son, and still think of yourself as a separated sinner -- that is unwise and causes you to “walk” ineffectively because our role is to reproduce our Father’s Life by making Him visible.

**The WORD was not sent to condemn,
but to save (Jn. 13:3-10).**

The Laver was not complete without the water. The only water they had was the “Holy” Water which flowed from the Rock (Psa. 105:4).

When Jesus said in John 7:38, **“He that believeth on Me... out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water,”** He was speaking of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Water from the Rock was symbolic of the work of God’s Holy Spirit. The physical water was for physical washing, but was also a tool to teach the cleansing work of the Spirit, i.e. Jesus told Peter, **“If I don’t wash your feet [your walk, your perspective, your attitude], you will have no part in me”** (Jn. 13:3-10 paraphrase). We must be cleansed **“by the Laver of the Word”** (Eph. 5:26, E.W. Bullinger).

We are shown that the feet are a most important symbol, beginning with the instruction given to Moses to “remove his shoes.” The feet represent the thoughts. Moses was commanded to uncover his thoughts of himself when asked, “What do you have in you hand?” God was actually asking Moses, “Who do you think you are?” The LORD’s purpose was to change Moses’ thinking -- his conscious understanding of who he was. Even the Priests, at the Tabernacle, ministered before the LORD -- bare foot.

The ultimate pageantry is at the River Jordan -- after Moses had died; Joshua instructed the Priests to take the Ark of the Covenant upon their shoulders, and put their feet in the Jordan, which was overflowed. When the Priests placed their feet in the water, which flowed toward the Dead Sea, the water stopped. The place of their crossing was a place called Beth Bara. And, it was where John was baptizing, 1500 years later, when Jesus came to “fulfill all righteousness” by re-inacting every scripture which concerned His Ministry.

The One who imparts eternal Life stood in the Jordan. He interrupted and stopped the flow of thinking toward death. Those who are baptized with Him and into Him must learn to think Life, and not death.

Sadly -- many, many Christians have accepted the many different modes of baptism -- and gone through the rituals and traditions -- without understanding the Spiritual Purpose. They have accepted the act of sprinkling, pouring, or immersion as a requirement of church membership, or even salvation, without experiencing the wonderful cleansing of the conscience. They still think of themselves as flesh, as carnal, as sinners, and that death is their destiny. The ritual of baptism is the burial of “dead” flesh thinking.

The Holy Spirit will quicken this Word for honest seekers.

God originally designed the Higher Conscious Mind to be that awareness -- that “Consciousness” of Man’s Oneness Connection with his Spirit’s Creator. It became “Sub” when man looked beyond his God Covenant Union, losing his Consciousness of that Oneness.

(Remember; God owns the Earth and all that therein is; He also created men’s Spirit, formed Man’s body, and gave His Life to Man’s soul. So, Man was given Life on the Earth as a “lease agreement” which God called “Covenant,” but Man broke the lease.)

The consciousness is the mechanism God designed to control human behavior. Due to the separation from God’s Spirit, the consciousness began to receive sub-standard information and now every human born is genetically pre-programmed to the sense world -- which is reinforced by childhood environment.

**The sub-conscious mind is in Reality
The Higher Conscious Mind in the Christian.**

When a person receives the Christ Spirit, the Spiritual Connection is re-established which makes it possible to re-program the consciousness. This re-programming takes place gradually as the Spirit of God’s Word (the Laver) washes the sub-conscious and replaces its program with the Higher Consciousness. Until the re-programming is accomplished -- you may know intellectually that a

better way to live exists, but you find as the Apostle Paul found, that “the very thing I do not want to do, I find myself doing” -- And he had a fabulous conversion experience, but was still under the power of **memory** stored in the flesh which creates double mindedness (James 1:5-8).

So we see that re-programming the Higher Spiritual Consciousness and de-programming the lower sub-consciousness is a gradual process. When we are totally conformed to Oneness -- sin will be remembered NO MORE!

Hopefully, and I believe we are... the Holy Spirit Generation to fulfill every prophecy. We are the 42nd generation, and we are the Seed of Christ (Psa. 22:30, Luke 21:32). A seed is counted for a generation (Psa. 22:30).

As important and as powerful as memory is -- memory is the record of the past -- it is not Today. God as Christ is Truth -- He is Truth NOW. He is TODAY Truth. Our problem has been in separating memory (of the past), from Truth; i.e. “**Christ in You is** [present tense] **Truth NOW**” (See Romans 7 & 8).

Do you understand “spiritually” how to remove your shoes?

Spiritually your feet represent the programmed thinking which causes you to “walk” out your attitude toward life. You, as a resurrected part of the body of Christ, must be willing to remove from yourself inherited and humanly shaped viewpoints. As Jesus told Peter, “**If I don’t wash your feet, you will have no part in me**” (John 13:8 paraphrase).

You are a New Creation, but living the reality of your potential in Christ is not automatic. You must “work out your own Salvation, by faith.

“Get a life” is a phrase you hear in the secular world -- but I say to you, “Be sure you get the Life which belongs to you... ‘The Overcomer’s Victorious Life.’”

**“ And she brought forth a man child,
who was to rule all nations...”**

(The Revelation 12:5)

There is coming forth in this day a Priesthood which is referred to scripturally as “the Foot Company.” In the birthing of the “Man Child” (as in the natural), the feet are the last part of the body to pass through the birth canal. Isaiah 52:7, “**How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet** [the Foot Company]....”

THE LAVER CONTINUED

The Laver tells the story of the Hidden Mysterious Power in the Re-Productive Mirror of the God Who Re-Produces Himself in you.

Physical life perpetuates itself by the process known as Mitosis, a method of cell division in which the RNA, working like a mirror, copies exactly the DNA. First, we can learn from the natural -- then the spiritual.

**“Beholding as in a glass [mirror] the glory of the Lord,
[we] are changed into the same image from glory to glory...”
(2nd Cor. 3:18).**

We have already seen in our study that there are three levels in every truth. The Laver is characterized as: 1) The Laver in the Court of The Tabernacle; 2) Solomon’s Sea in the Temple which Solomon built; and 3) the Sea of Glass in The Revelation of Jesus Christ.

I need to reiterate that we are studying the historical Tabernacle as it represents the operational functions of your Spiritual body which you now possess. If you (we) learn to recognize our Spiritual body as the real me -- the Life of the real me will energize and correct every thing out of ease (dis-eased) in the physical body with “Eternal Life.”

At whatever level of spiritual development the Holy Spirit of God is directing your life, you will find that the Laver represents the Spirit of the Word of God.

The Laver is the first article of furniture in our study to suggest that The Tabernacle has definite feminine characteristics. I trust as we progress in our study that you will grasp the fact that whether we are physically male or female, we all are designed spiritually to “be fruitful and replenish our earth. We each have that re-productive capacity within our own person. We all are both Female and Male spiritually; but it is the female aspect which is the re-producer.

The Laver was the product of the women’s mirrors. Women were not given a visible physical role in the pageant of worship portrayed by the Priest in the Tabernacle Parable. The reason for this, I believe, was a hidden truth in the Hebrew word **Male**. In Strong’s Concordance, the word **Male** and the word **remember** are the very same Hebrew word **Zakar** #2145, “remembered, i.e. a male,” or **Zaker** #2142, “to mark (so as to be recognized), i.e. to remember; also to be male.”

Let's try to put this into a practical perspective for you. After the work of the Altar (the "Altarer," which shows us the work of the Cross of Christ altering the flesh and giving the Spirit the superior role) -- the Laver addresses every one spiritually in their role of Re-remembering. It is vitally important that you begin to relate to studying and learning spiritual things as Re-remembering. Spiritually Remembering the Word (Male) always precedes Re-Production. The masculine Spirit must be wed to the feminine Soul for Re-Production.

Everything -- yes, everything you learn or know about yourself spiritually is a function of "the Mind of Christ," or of your Anointed Mind -- which already knows everything you need to know in order to victoriously fulfill God's Will for your life on earth. And It is within you now, so we need to focus on the Holy Spirit's role to "call to your remembrance" the things our Lord taught us in the "Beginning."

One function of a mirror is to provide you with the ability to look behind you, i.e. to look back; (spiritually, to look back to where we came from -- Spirit).

In the Tabernacle, the Laver was positioned in such a way that when the Priest looked into the Laver Mirror... he would see the reflection of whatever was above, toward the heavens. He (or you "the Re-memberer") would see above himself the Cloud which covered the Tabernacle. The Cloud symbolized: 1) the "Presence of God," 2) the Ministry of Angels, and 3) the Cloud of Witnesses. All three reveal qualities and levels of your Spiritual life.

As the Priest looked more closely, he would see the white bonnet covering his head and also the white coat which he wore -- symbols of his original Spiritual Righteous self. He was constantly reminded of the symbol of the gift of Righteousness which covered (overshadowing) his humanity. And he also was reminded of his anointing into the Priesthood. His priestly role commissioned him to not only represent his covenant people Israel before God, but also to represent the Spirit of God before the people. He had the ultimate role as both covenant intercessor and ambassador for God.

The Laver represented the mysterious reproductive process of the woman. The female was not given an audible speaking role in the Pageant. But the re-productive female, the mother of all living, was given a symbolic pictorial role which spoke more than a thousand words. She, the Laver, represents the mystery of "**Beholding as in a glass...**" (2nd Cor. 3:18). The Priest could not function to fulfill his role without constant interaction with the Laver. The Priest was required to visit the Laver before he ministered at the Altar of Sacrifice; and also he was required to wash at the Laver before he could enter the Holy Place of the Tabernacle "**lest he die.**" The Female Laver could never be bypassed (Exodus 30:20, 21).

Now let’s go back and carefully examine some scriptural facts:

1. The woman was not given a personal physical part in the Pageant of Worship of the Tabernacle.
2. The woman had been deceived (tricked, deluded) and fell into transgression (1st Tim. 2:14).
3. The woman is saved in child bearing (Gen. 3:15 and 1st Tim. 2:15).
4. Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin. The woman, as a part of the re-productive process in child bearing, sheds blood.
5. **“It is the glory of God to conceal a thing...”** (Prov. 25:2).

Let’s begin our investigation as our Father does, at the end:

5. **“...but the honor of kings is to search out a matter”** (Prov. 25:2). The word matter is the Hebrew word **Dabar** #1697, from #1696, which means “to *arrange*.” This is what we are doing.
4. What are we to learn spiritually from the woman’s menstrual cycle? It is the removal of an unfruitful (unfertilized) egg. There is also in this process a cleansing and a renewal. What does this have to say to us spiritually?

This is what I believe the Spirit has shown me: “The shedding of the animal blood at the Altar of Sacrifice is to show us that the flesh is unfruitful. The dominant flesh nature (animalistic and carnal, carnivorous) interferes with and interrupts the submissive, patient flow of the Nature of the Character of God. The **power** of the flesh must be taken away before the **POWER** of Spirit will function. The power of the flesh egg must be removed by the shedding of blood. The Submissive Christ went to the Cross to get rid of the power of the Adamic flesh egg. The effectiveness of what Christ did only works through believing.

“...without shedding of blood is no remission”
(Hebrews 9:22).

God does not “hate” the flesh. He created the flesh. God does “hate” the flesh having the ruling role in man’s life and thereby robbing the Spirit of God the King’s position. **“So then they that are in the flesh [in the ruling flesh] cannot please God”** (Rom. 8:8). Can you now see why God did not want Israel to have a “man” as their King? Only the Spirit of God can fulfil God’s purpose as King. Selah --

God's Plan of Salvation (His Will) works only when His Spirit leads; when His Spirit initiates man's Soul activity. Mary -- representing every Soul -- said in obedient submission, "**Be it unto me according to your Word**" (Luke 1:38). "**And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us**" (John 1:14). The Word that became flesh was birthed by the Spirit. The pattern never changes in our life.

3. The woman is saved in child bearing. What is the message? Spiritual child bearing is re-producing a flesh or visible physical expression of the Life of our Husband Father... Re-Producing His Image.

God designed man with the "designed purpose" of making "His Life" visible. Life is invisible because Life is Spirit. God is Life and Life is God. When the feminine Soul receives the invisible Seed thought from the Holy Spirit and translates that thought into visible life, the woman aspect of every person (male or female) has visibly given birth to God's Life.

All day, every day, each of us is constantly birthing God's Life unto Salvation or perpetuating death by giving visible expression to life which is initiated in the "flesh." Every person is either giving life to the Truth or to a lie.

2. The woman (Eve) had been deceived because she acted on her own, independent of -- separate from and exclusive of her Spirit Life -- Adam, her male part. The male Adam was actually the Breath of God. Ruling flesh is behavior which reacts responsively to the physical sensual (senses) world by ignorantly or deliberately ignoring God's Spirit.
1. The woman was not given a visible role in the Tabernacle because she represents, in the pageant of life, the hidden Soul. The Soul's role is to be submissive to the Spirit and her role is to be unseen.

We (religious man) grossly perverted the Truth which the Spirit of God taught at the Tabernacle when we interpreted this Spiritual Lesson from a fleshly view and forced the woman, the wife, to take a secondary role in the Church. And by forcing the woman to be quiet, the chauvinistic flesh interpretation has accomplished nothing but to continue to perpetuate death. God's illustration was not given to show us that the male and female were to be separated. He showed us that the male and female function is in everyone.

The entirety of the Tabernacle Truth is absolutely personal, in every aspect -- whether you are man or woman. Actually, every person is both male and female. Just as Eve was “in” the perfect Adam, we must discover the two parts inside our own life before we can return to “perfection.” Hebrews 6:1, “**Let us go on unto perfection....**” To “go on” actually means to “go back.”

What have we said?

1. Your female Soul was not created to be visible. Your Soul’s perfect function is to make the Spirit of the Word of God visible flesh. (The Word must become flesh-ed.)
2. The woman was deceived when she allowed the physical deceiver outside of herself, in the sense realm, to be the cause of her behavior. She fell into bondage to the power of the external.
3. The feminine Soul (the Saving of the Soul) is saved by child bearing, i.e. by making visible in the flesh the nature of God’s indwelling (inside) Spirit. Salvation is an “inside” job. (Could that have anything to do with the book of Job?)
4. The shedding of blood symbolizes death. When Jesus shed blood, it released man from the unfruitful power of the sinful flesh. If thou canst believe. The shedding of blood symbolizes the necessity to “die daily,” reminding us that we “accepted” Christ’s shed blood as our own death to the control of the flesh. We must decide daily that Christ has removed the power of the unfruitful flesh egg.
5. The Word of God was and is designed so that only the Spirit of God can interpret the Spiritual Truth and reveal that Truth to the resurrected Mind of Christ in man. Otherwise, the carnal mind or the flesh mind could figure it out and counterfeit the Truth. So it is the glory of God to conceal the Truth and the honor of man to ask and seek and knock. “**Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you**” (Luke 11:9).

1. **Ask** = Crave
2. **Seek** = Investigate and explore
3. **Knock** = Expect the Holy Spirit to reveal

Jesus gave us the *Dabar*, the order; 1, 2, 3, which must be followed. You should not expect a revelation unless you have sought. Your seeking should be the result of a desire or a craving for His Light, which may have its origin in a question that just will not go away, from God’s Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit always begins His work with “A Desire to Know.”

I bless you with many questions!

GLOSSARY OF RELATED TERMS AND SYMBOLS

- Aaron** -- The Hebrew word *Aharown*; enlightened covenant understanding.
- Acacia Wood** -- Same word as *Shittim*; incorruptible wood, impervious to rot and decay.
- Altar** -- An elevated place for sacrifice, made of earth or stone to symbolize a mountain. A mountain represents authority or rule; government. At the Tabernacle, the wood and brass were placed on top of mounds of earth to teach that the rule of flesh is to be replaced by the rule of Spirit.
- Anoint** -- To rub or smear or massage, usually with oil; to signify imparted authority; i.e. Messiah or *Mashiyah*, "to rub with oil, to anoint," same as New Testament "Christ" or *Christos*.
- Appointments** -- Furnishings of the Tabernacle each of which designate a particular role, symbolizing a Spiritual function in your journey.
- The Ark of the Covenant** -- An oblong box made of acacia wood, overlaid inside and outside with gold, containing the 2 tablets of stone on which the 10 Commandments of the Covenant were written by the Lord.
- Blood** -- The life factor of the animalistic flesh nature of Adam. (Lev. 17:11)
- Brass** -- Sometimes rendered bronze or copper, symbolizing judgement. Very resistant to fire, its melting point is 1,985° Fahrenheit -- higher than gold or silver. Approximately 1 ton was used in the Tabernacle.
- The **Brazen Altar** -- The Altar of Sacrifice. Made of wood covered with brass; held a brass grating, and stood on two mounds of dirt, above the 5 cubit fence of the court.
- Bread** -- Shared humanity.
- Breastplate of Judgement** -- God provided this article of clothing attached to the Ephod; worn only by the High Priest; used to guide the decisions of the High Priest.
- The **Candlestick** -- 7 oil lamps on an ornate 7 branch stand formed, with 22 ornaments, one piece of pure gold; a replica of Aaron's Rod; stood on the south side of the Holy Place.
- Cherubim** -- Golden figures, formed as part of the Mercy Seat.
- Christ** -- The definition of the Life of El Elyon perfectly expressed in YOUR body.
- The **Cloud** -- Representative of the Presence of God.
- The **Court** -- The area around the Tabernacle enclosed by the White Fence.
- The Outer **Court** -- The additional Court added to the New Testament Temple built by Herod for Gentiles, not in the original Tabernacle.
- The Women's **Court** -- The added Court built at Herod's Temple in the New Testament for women, not in the original Tabernacle.
- Covenant** -- The Hebrew word *Berith*, which embraces all the complexities of a specific written contractual agreement between two parties. The word *Berith* suggests that the contract is ratified by cutting the flesh and mingling the blood; Berith, cutting. The Greek word in the New Testament is *Diatheke*.
- Cubit** -- Generally 18 inches or two hand spans of a man.
- East** -- The direction of the rising of the Sun. The entrance to the Tabernacle.

Ephod -- The multi-colored garment to which the Breastplate with 12 stones are mounted in 4 horizontal rows of 3 stones each; worn by the High Priest.

Fat -- The best part; actually the marrow of the bone where blood is formed.

Feasts -- Appointed times on Israel’s calendar of special events; memorials and celebrations when the Lord gave Israel special instruction, given as patterns.

Fence -- The white linen fence of *Byssus* separating the Sanctuary of the Tabernacle from the tents inhabited by the people.

Female -- Women (*Ishah*); representing the soul. The birth place of physical activity.

Flesh -- The animal appetites (nature) of the man Adam.

Fire -- Divinely given to ignite the wood on the Altar for the very first sacrifice “to burn continually.” A symbol for passion and cleansing.

Frankincense -- Hebrew *Labonah*. *Lab* means heart; *onah* means white or purity. Frankincense symbolized the offering of a pure heart.

Gate -- The 4-color linen entrance to the Court of the Tabernacle facing East.

Gold -- The rarest and most precious of metals, symbolizing eternal or immortal Divine Life. Approximately 1.65 tons used in the Tabernacle.

The **Golden Altar** -- A table made of acacia wood and overlaid with gold on which fire from the Brass Altar was placed to burn incense. It stood in the center of the west end of the Holy Place just before the Veil. Represents an offering of Spiritual Sacrifice.

The **Golden Table** -- The table made of acacia wood and overlaid with gold which stood on the north side of the Holy Place, on which 12 loaves of

Unleavened Bread were kept as a memorial. The bread was called “Face or Presence Bread” and also “Bread of Affliction.”

Holy -- Pure Wholeness.

The **Holy Place** -- The first room, formed by gold covered acacia wood boards; 10 cubits tall, 10 cubits wide, and 20 cubits deep. Furnished with the Candlestick, the Table of Shew Bread, and the Golden Altar.

I -- The English letter often substituted for the Hebrew letter ‘y’; i.e. Isaiah (*Yeshiah*).

Incense -- The resins and spices made into an apothecary offered by fire on the Golden Altar.

Israel -- The descendants of Jacob whose name God changed to Israel. Although Benjamin was the only true son of Israel, all his sons inherited his new identity and were called Israelites.

J -- The English letter often substituted for the Hebrew letter ‘y,’; i.e. Joshua (*Yeshoshua*).

Judge -- Savior or Redeemer.

Judgement -- Correction and healing.

The **Laver** -- Made of brass from the gifts of the women’s mirrors and made into a container for water; i.e., “lavatory.”

The **Law** -- The first five Books of the Bible. Also referred to as the Pentatuch and also the Five Books of Moses; but more specifically -- the 10 Commandments.

Levites -- The sons and descendants of Levi, the 3rd son of Jacob and Leah. They were chosen by the Lord God as a substitute for every first born male redeemed from Egypt. The Lord counted them as His possession.

Light -- The Hebrew word *Ur*; the symbol of understanding.

Linen -- Light weight fabric used for Priestly garments, tent, and curtains of the Tabernacle.

Male -- Representing the Spirit. The undefinable intelligence of the Life producing factor imparted from God to Man in the Breath Covenant. The Rememberer.

Manna -- Means “What is it?” The undefinable bread given supernaturally as food to Israel while in the Wilderness, symbolizing the mystery of God’s Word.

Menorah -- The Hebrew word for Lampstand or Candlestick.

The **Mercy Seat** -- The solid gold seat or cover for the Ark of the Covenant which had Cherubim of Gold “beaten into it” on each end.

The **Most Holy Place** -- The “Secret Spiritual Place.” The room separated from the Holy Place by the Veil where the Presence of God resided above the Ark of the Covenant.

Mountain -- Representative of kingdom or government -- personal and/or national.

The Burnt **Offerings** -- *Alah* (holocaust), to change or cause to ascend into a higher order by fire.

Heave **Offering** -- Offerings lifted toward Heaven; a Heaven Offering.

Meat **Offering** -- Actually a Meal or Flour Offering.

Olive Oil -- The pure oil from a ripe olive, used for anointing and fuel for lamps.

Pentatuch -- The first 5 Books of Moses.

Posts -- Acacia wood used as supports for the Fence, the Gates and the Veil.

Priests -- Of the original 22,000 Levites, the Lord chose Moses’ brother Aaron and his 4 sons to be Priests. Aaron was anointed as High Priest; but the more accurate rendering is Priest of the Most High. It is very special to be a Priest, the extended Life of the Most High.

Prophet -- The title given to a person who was the spokesman for another person; i.e. Aaron was Moses’ prophet. The term came to be used for a person who spoke

for God. The title also came to be associated with one who foretold future events; prophecy.

Rod -- The staff carried by herdsmen and travelers. Generally carved with the family name or insignia. Also, sometimes a scepter or rod of authority.

Sacrifice -- Representative of a valuable part of self. The giving up of something of the flesh.

Salt -- To be added to every Sacrifice, representing the permeating influence of covenant relationships.

Sanctuary -- “Set Apart.” The enclosed area, within the White Fence and inclusive of the entire Tabernacle Appointments. Represents the principle of Sanctification.

Seed -- The Hebrew word *Zera*. Spiritually represents the Christ Nature.

Selah -- To ponder or meditate.

Shekel -- A measure of weight of a silver coin, equal to 20 gerah; i.e. 1 silver dollar equals 20 nickels.

Silver -- A precious metal used as a memorial or symbol of redemptive blood. Approximately 4.85 tons were used in the Tabernacle.

Sin -- The Greek word *Hamartano*, Strong’s #264: “not sharing in the prize” [of the High calling in Christ].

Shittim Wood -- Same word as *Acacia* wood.

Son -- The visible manifestation of the Father’s Nature.

Soul -- The feminine part of the Adam nature, functioning to translate spiritual thoughts into physical behavior.

Spirit -- The male part in Man which connects Mankind to his/her Creator. Symbolized by Breath and Covenant.

12 Stones -- Unique precious gems mounted on the Ephod of the Breastplate of the High Priest; representative of the 12 tribes.

Stone Tablets -- Two divinely cut out stone tablets engraved with the 10 words of the Law of Spirit Life.

Tabernacle -- The Tent. The Hebrew word *Mishakan* for covering, especially the Ark of the Covenant, but incorporating also the Holy Place and Most Holy Place. God lives in skin tents.

Tabernacles -- The Fall Feast Days. Hebrew word *Cukka* (Sukkoth), implying union, oneness, marriage. Consists of 3 parts: Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, and Feast of Tabernacles.

Tent -- Hebrew *Ohel*, the transient dwelling places of Israel in the Wilderness.

Thummim -- Perfection or completeness.

Tribe -- The identification of the extended families of the sons of Israel; i.e. the Tribe of Judah.

Unleavened Bread -- Usually made of barley to represent Manna. The symbol of Passover.

Urim -- The plural of the Hebrew word *Ur*, meaning “light,” i.e., *Urim*, “lights.”

The **Veil** -- The curtain made of red, blue, purple and white linen and embroidered with Cherubim using golden threads; divided the Holy Place from the Most Holy Place; symbolized the flesh of Jesus.

Wilderness -- An uninhabited territory, generally desert, or deserted area. A “no man’s land.”

Worship -- Celebrating the Worth of God’s Indwelling Presence.

Y -- The Hebrew letter ‘*Yod*.’ Signifies the Presence of God, i.e. *Yehowshua* (*Jehowshua*, Jesus). “Yehwah’s Salvation” -- Yeshua’s Life.

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THOUGHT PROVOKERS: *(Please circle the corresponding letters to your answers)*

- 1. The Priest at the Laver learned to see himself as a:**
 A. Spirit B. Righteous Man C. Levite D. Israelite E. Sinner
- 2. The Laver was made of the women’s mirrors which were:**
 A. Stainless Steel B. Gold C. Brass D. Silver E. Egyptian Glass
- 3. The Laver with the water represents spiritually:**
 A. The Written Word B. The Spiritual Word
 C. The Proclaimed Word D. The Prophetic Word
- 4. The water in the Laver was used by the Priests to wash their:**
 A. Face B. Hands C. Feet D. Thoughts and Head
- 5. The water in the Laver came from:**
 A. The Pool at Meribah B. The Pool of Siloam
 C. The Smitten Rock D. The Nile River
- 6. What happened to a Priest who failed to wash at the Laver?**
 A. He was smitten with leprosy B. He was disqualified
 C. He was declared unclean D. He died E. He was an overcomer

7. You are a Priest. What did the Holy Spirit teach you about the Laver?

8. We welcome your Comments: *(Please use the back of this page if needed)* _____

