

The Hidden Mystery Revealed

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"The mystery was hidden from previous ages, from generations of the past. But it is now revealed to His saints, those God is pleased to make known the riches of His glory of this mystery among nations, that is Christ in you, the hope of glory" (Colossians 1:26-27).

What is this great mystery? What is being revealed in this critical hour in earth's history? Many are aware that some form of spiritual transition is taking place – a transformation from one form of existence into something entirely new, but what is it? What is the "mystery hidden from previous ages?" "Christ in you, the hope of glory." "As we have borne a resemblance to the earthly one (Adam), let us see to it that we also bear a resemblance to the heavenly one (Christ)" (I Corinthians 15:49).

We are being called to escape the trap of seeing ourselves merely in human form, and enter into the awareness of our existence as Spirit beings. What is the true Church sensing individually and collectively? We are sensing the mystery being revealed - oneness between the Head and the Body. Test this. There is a spiritual energy exerting itself upon His own, as the corporate expression of the Body of Christ is being felt individually and collectively. We are sensing newness – new understanding, new connection, new life – incredible change! We are transitioning from human beings, and its obvious limitations, to spirit beings (with Christ) where there is no limitation. Only in this state are we without spot or wrinkle – dead to self; alive to Him (in me).

Change is often precipitated by a time of reflection, the kind that causes restlessness. Spiritual restlessness is nothing more than an overwhelming desire to escape remaining in the same state. There is a transitional birthing taking place. We, as a people, are becoming keenly aware of Christ in us. We are now in times of 'reflection' – an appointed hour in which we are shown aspects of our lives through circumstances we face.

For the most part, this has always been the case for mature lovers of God, yet now there is an 'appointed time' for reflection. Reflection is coming in two forms. First and foremost, through the circumstances of life. Our steps are ordered, and circumstances are offering an opportunity for internal adjustment. Is our faith being tested; our patience or unconditional love? Circumstances, for those 'called' to the Army of God, are being released into our lives such that we 'reflect' upon the Lord's revealing to us about us.

I love the quote by an unknown author, "Circumstances don't make the man; they reveal him to himself." Reflect upon your current circumstances, not as punishment or even an attack of the enemy, but rather a measure of God's truth to you, about you, for you. Is your trust/faith secure in the face of devastating circumstances? Circumstances reveal the answer. Overcomers are being given a new name. The River of Life is flowing. An overcomer has implicit trust, no matter the circumstances.

The second form of reflection is as an athlete prepares for a major sporting event, or a soldier prepares for battle. It is a time to reflect, to evaluate exactly what is important; to prepare mentally for the coming battle. We have entered those times, as reflection is the last evidence before major change – the quiet before the storm. Many are reflecting, reprioritizing, making adjustments as eternal thinking replaces thoughts of a temporal nature. What seemed important in past years, seems relatively unimportant today. Our thinking is adjusting to the spiritual side of life, as our past emphasis to the human side seems less important.

If a man can 'think it', it usually can be accomplished. Our thinking heretofore has been limited to human form and understanding, thus our ideas and efforts geared to the 'human side' of life on planet earth – a product of the fallen state of man. As we awaken to the fact that we are spirits first, living in a physical body, formed before the foundation of the earth, then are we set to begin thinking spiritually – (Isaiah 55:8-9). The mystery revealed is we live in a human body, placed upon planet earth for His Purpose. The word tells us we were known to God before the foundation of the earth. We are foreigners here. Stepping into our purpose will require our death (to self) that launches His Life.

To escape the limitations of human thinking is to awaken to the hidden mysteries in the Book of Revelation. To think as a 'spirit being' is to awaken to oneness with the Father, purpose on earth, and destiny. Pray today that you escape the limitations of your humanity, and step into the newness as a 'spirit being' assigned to earth for just such a time as this.

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