Oneness: The Mystical Life

Christians don't like the terms 'occult', 'witch', 'warlock', 'New Age', 'mystic', and many, many more. Those they assign to the Kingdom of Darkness, so they're all rejected out-of-hand. Although they may be right to reject such entities and such persons, it's important to remember that <u>words are are just words</u>. By that I mean, semantics is involved in words, in that meanings and usage varies.

The term 'mystic' for example, is wrongly rejected out of ignorance. That's disappointing, seeing that it's a Kingdom concept. As a matter of fact, Jesus told his disciples that they (his *ekklesia*) are the ones who will receive the knowledge of the mysteries of the Kingdom. In other words, they (and us) are mystics, because mystics are privileged to know mysteries that others aren't. That's why mystics have secret knowledge – they know, but others are locked out. That's true for the Kingdom of God, as well as the Kingdom of Darkness.

That common use of 'mystic' with both kingdoms may be unclear to some, so let me explain.

The NT Koine Greek word that's translated 'mystery' is musterion (μυστήριον). Musterion is derived from muo, meaning 'to shut the mouth', which is why the term is also translated as 'secret'. It's used 27 times in the NT, indicating the following, to name just a few:

- Father's wisdom is a mystery to those who don't know him intimately.
- Father's plans (his will) have been a mystery since the dawn of time.
- The King and his Bride are a mystery.
- The Trinity is a mystery.
- We have the potential to know all spiritual mysteries and knowledge.
- We are custodians of Father's mysteries.

Obviously, there are many great mysteries which Father keeps for his sons and which we should be desiring to know, as is our right. However, if a person stays with sola scriptura¹, and only accepts the biblical use of the term 'mystery', they'll miss out on the BIG picture. That's the knowledge and experience of the realities of the spirit realm, of genuine life as a son, and a lot more which are a complete mystery – at least at the present time.

It's important that sons allow Father to release the knowledge and understanding of spiritual and Kingdom mysteries. We must allow him to teach us and to experience them, otherwise we are limiting ourselves and not submitting fully to his will for us. Did you get that last statement?

Paramount in that regard is to listen spiritually so we can hear what he's saying to us and what he's revealing for our benefit and pleasure. This is also why we share in community what he has revealed to us individually, so we get the full picture of what he wants us to know.

As an example, here's what he released to his ekklesia recently:

"Live in the mystery, with no full understanding of what I am doing in your life. Faith will provide the insight you need, to know where I am taking you and what I am doing deep in your soul. Many still feed on the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, but I will feed you from within, where the Tree of Life has been planted...Feast on this tree that was planted by the springs of my Spirit. Do not turn away from the unknown...I will draw you into secrets where dancing flames bring revelation and wisdom to your soul. Lean in to my presence, and I will pour out the fragrance of divine love. Come closer, and you will taste the mystery of our sweet union. See beyond the veil. Forsake the confines of your understanding, and embrace the mystery of life with me."

 $^{1-\}text{``The End of Sola Scriptura''} \ (28-9-2019) \quad \underline{canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/The-End-of-Sola-Scriptura.pdf}$

^{2 –} EXTRACT: Brian Simmons (18-9-2023) "I Hear His Whisper..."Embrace the mystery"" mailchi.mp/broadstreetpublishing/00000-620390 OR us10.campaign-archive.com/?u=8c3eb957a5ad87253d475a511&id=ba8f3c2344

His instructions in that message are all invitations. That's right, he's inviting us into all his mysteries, which he will release to us, one at a time, provided we can cope with their immensity.

Are you ready for his 'university' training?

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