

Message Two

Reaching the Highest Peak of the Divine Revelation

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The Ultimate Goal of God's Economy

Scripture Reading: 1 Tim .1:3-4; Eph. 3:9; 1:10; 3:17a; Rev. 21:2, 10

- I. **“After so many years, I have been made by God to know only one thing— God became man so that man may become God in life and in nature but not in the Godhead. This is my unique burden, my unique message”** (*The Practical Way to Live a Life according to the High Peak of the Divine Revelation in the Holy Scriptures*, p. 27).
- II. **God's eternal economy is to make man the same as He is in life and nature but not in the Godhead and to make Himself one with man and man one with Him, thus to be enlarged and expanded in His expression, that all His divine attributes may be expressed in human virtues—1 Tim. 1:3-4; Eph. 3:9; 1:10:**
 - A. God's good pleasure is to be one with man and to make man the same as He is in life and in nature but not in the Godhead—Eph. 1:5, 9:
 1. God predestinated, marked us out, before the foundation of the world to make us His sons according to His good pleasure—Eph. 1:5.
 2. God's good pleasure is to have many sons, and ultimately these sons will consummate as the New Jerusalem—Eph. 1:9; Rev. 21:2, 10.
 - B. God created man in a special way—in His image and after His likeness and with a spirit to contact Him and receive Him—Gen. 1:26; 2:7; Zech. 12:1:
 1. God did not create mankind; rather, He created man according to His kind.
 2. At the time of creation, man had only God's image and God's likeness but not God Himself.
 - C. God became a man in order to have a mass reproduction of Himself and thereby to produce a new kind—John 1:1, 14; 12:24:
 1. This new kind is neither God's kind nor mankind—it is God-man kind.
 2. “My burden is to show you clearly that God's economy and plan is to make Himself man and to make us, His created beings, ‘God,’ so that He is ‘man-ized’ and we are ‘God-ized’” (*A Deeper Study of the Divine Dispensing*, p. 54).
 - D. Although we are common and sinful men, we are made God through the six big steps of regeneration, sanctification, renewing, transformation, conformation, and glorification:
 1. We have been regenerated, born of God, to be God-men in the divine species—John 1:12-13; 3:5-6.
 2. The Spirit of God dispenses God's holy nature into our inward parts to gradually sanctify every inward part with the element of God's holy nature—Rom. 6:19, 22; 15:16; 1 Thes. 5:23.

3. The Spirit of God renews us by infusing our inward parts with God's attributes, which are forever new, can never become old, and are everlasting and unfading—Titus 3:5b; Rom. 12:2a.
4. We are being metabolically transformed with the life element of the firstborn Son of God until we are transformed into His glorious image—2 Cor. 3:18; Rom. 12:2.
5. To be conformed to the image of the firstborn Son of God is to be saved in Christ's life from self-likeness, that is, from the expression, the appearance, of the self—Rom. 8:29.
6. Glorification is the step in God's complete salvation in which God will completely saturate our body with the glory of His life and nature—Rom. 8:30; 2 Thes. 1:10; Rev. 21:10-11.

III. For the fulfillment of God's eternal economy, we need God to build Himself in Christ into our being, working Himself in Christ into us as our life, our nature, and our constitution to make us God in life and in nature but not in the Godhead—2 Sam. 7:12-14a; Rom. 1:3-4; Eph. 3:17a; John 14:23; Col. 3:10-11:

- A. The intrinsic significance of 2 Samuel 7:12-14a is that the Triune God is working Himself in His processed and consummated Trinity into His chosen and redeemed people.
- B. We need God to build up Christ into our intrinsic constitution so that our entire being will be reconstituted with Christ—Eph. 3:17a.
- C. Christ builds the church by coming into our spirit and spreading Himself from our spirit into our mind, emotion, and will to occupy our entire soul—Matt. 16:18; Eph. 3:17a:
 1. All the steps that God takes in our daily living are to fulfill His intention of building Himself in Christ into our being.
 2. The issue of this building is that we become a very particular class of people—the members of the Body of Christ—Rom. 12:5; Eph. 5:30.
- D. As the consummation of the Body, the New Jerusalem is a composition of divinity and humanity mingled, blended, and built up together as one entity—Rev. 21:2, 10:
 1. All the components have the same life, nature, and composition and thus are a corporate person.
 2. This is a matter of God becoming man and man becoming God in life and in nature but not in the Godhead.

IV. “We need to enlighten those in Christianity with the high peaks of the divine revelation”:

- A. “We have to learn the high peaks of God's present revelation and learn to speak these things. We have to go, and we have to speak.”
- B. “I would encourage all of us to pick up this commission: to go out with the high peaks of the divine revelation and with God's up-to-date vision to move with God for His high peaks of the divine revelation that will consummate His eternal economy” (*The Triune God's Revelation and His Move*, pp. 97-98).