

## Message Two

### **The Highest Truth and the Highest Gospel**

Scripture Reading: Job 10:13; Eph. 3:9; John 1:14; Rom. 5:10; Rev. 22:17a; Rom. 8:4

**I. The book of Job leaves us with a great question of two parts: What is the purpose of God in His creating of man, and what is the purpose of God in His dealing with His chosen people?—Job 1:1; 10:13; 13:4:**

- A. The mystery hidden in God throughout the ages is that God in His Divine Trinity desires to be dispensed and wrought into His creation, man, to make man His duplication, to make man His expression—Eph. 3:9; Gen. 1:26.
- B. God's purpose in dealing with His lovers, even in the way of loss, is that they may gain Him to the fullest extent, that He might be expressed through them for the fulfillment of the purpose in His creation of man—Rom. 8:28-29; 2 Cor. 4:16.

**II. The great answer to this great question is the eternal economy of God, which is God's eternal intention with His heart's desire to dispense Himself in His Divine Trinity as the Father in the Son by the Spirit into His chosen people to be their life and nature that they may become the same as He is for His fullness, His expression—1 Tim. 1:3-4; Eph. 1:22-23; 3:19:**

- A. The most marvelous, excellent, mysterious, and all-inclusive transformations of the eternal and Triune God in His becoming a man are God's move in man for the accomplishment of His eternal economy:
  - 1. In His incarnation He became the embodiment of the Triune God, a God-man, to be the prototype for the mass reproduction of many God-men—John 1:14.
  - 2. In His human living He became the model, the pattern, of the Christian life and the church life—John 5:19, 30; 1 Pet. 2:21.
  - 3. In His crucifixion He became the Lamb of God, the reality of the bronze serpent, the end of the old man, the Peacemaker, and the grain of wheat—Rom. 8:3; 2 Cor. 5:21; John 1:29; 3:14; Rom. 6:6; Eph. 2:14-16; John 12:24.
  - 4. In His resurrection He became God's firstborn Son, the many sons of God as His members, and the life-giving Spirit—Acts 13:33; 1 Pet. 1:3; 1 Cor. 15:45b; Col. 3:10-11.
  - 5. In His ascension He became the Head of the Body, the Lord and Christ, the Leader and Savior, the High Priest, the Mediator and surety of the new covenant, the Paraclete, the Intercessor, and the heavenly Minister—Col. 1:18; Acts 2:36; 5:31; Heb. 4:14; 9:15; 7:22; 8:2; 1 John 2:1; Rom. 8:34, 26.
- B. The transformation of the tripartite man is God's move to deify man, to constitute man with the processed and consummated Triune God, making man God in life and nature but not in the Godhead for the corporate expression of the Triune God—Rom. 12:2; 2 Cor. 3:18; 1 John 3:2; Rev. 4:3; 21:11b, 18a, 19:

1. Man is deified through the process of God's organic salvation—regeneration, sanctification, renewing, transformation, conformation, and glorification—Rom. 5:10; Heb. 2:10-11; Eph. 1:4-5; 1 Thes. 5:23; Eph. 5:26.
2. This process is for the producing and building up of the church as the Body of Christ, as the new man, and as the organism of the processed and consummated Triune God to consummate in the New Jerusalem—Eph. 4:16, 22-24; 1:22-23; Rev. 21:2.
3. At the conclusion of the Bible, the Spirit as the consummation of the processed Triune God marries the bride as the consummation of the transformed, tripartite church—Rev. 22:17a.

**III. The move of the Triune God to deify man for the fulfillment of His economy to have His corporate expression is altogether in the mingled Spirit, the divine Spirit mingled as one with our human spirit—1 Cor. 6:17; Rev. 1:10; 4:2; 17:3; 21:2:**

- A. We must treasure the two spirits in Galatians—the divine Spirit as the aggregate of the divine blessing of the gospel to us and the human spirit as the receiver, the container, and the keeper of the divine Spirit—Gal. 5:16, 25; 6:18.
- B. Thus, we need to set our mind on, pay attention to, take care of, our spirit, doing everything according to the Spirit by exercising our spirit—Rom. 8:4; Mal. 2:15-16; 1 Tim. 4:7; 1 Thes. 5:17; Eph. 6:18; cf. Jude 19:
  1. This is to live in the dispensing of the eternal economy of God so that we may be transformed from glory to glory into the glorious image of Christ—2 Cor. 3:16, 18:
    - a. Seeing God transforms us, and seeing God equals gaining God—Matt. 5:8; Rev. 22:4.
    - b. The God whom we look at today is the consummated Spirit, and we can look at Him in our spirit—2 Cor. 2:10; 2 Tim. 4:22.
    - c. The more we see God and love God, the more we deny ourselves and hate ourselves—Job 42:5-6; Isa. 6:5; Luke 14:26.
  2. Only the processed and consummated Triune God living in us as the all-inclusive Spirit in our spirit can be an overcomer—1 John 5:4; John 3:6b; 2 Cor. 4:13; Rom. 8:2.
- C. As long as we do everything according to the Spirit, we can experience Christ's incarnation, human living, death, resurrection, and ascension with the outpouring of the Spirit; this will cause us to be the church of God, the Body of Christ, the new man, and the organism of the Triune God, which will consummate in the New Jerusalem—Phil. 1:19; Eph. 4:4.
- D. This is the entire New Testament to be the great answer to Job and to the great question concerning God's purpose in His creation of man and in His dealing with His chosen people.

**IV. “On God's side, the Triune God has been incarnated to be a man; on our side, we are being deified, constituted with the processed and consummated Triune God so that we may be made God in life and in nature to be His corporate expression for eternity. This is the highest truth, and this is the highest gospel” (*Life-study of Job*, p. 122).**