

## **Crystallization-Study – Ephesians**

### **The Dispensing of Christ for the Gradual Building Up of His Body and the Transmitting of Christ for the Sudden Raising Up of God's Churches**

- The book of Ephesians speaks to us from **God's heart's desire**. We need to be saved **out of our condition** into God's eternal purpose to see the vision of God's heart's desire and His eternal purpose.
- Ephesians reveals to us in an intrinsic way **the church as the Body of Christ**.

#### **I. The dispensing of Christ to dispense all the riches of the embodied Divine Trinity into His believers is for the gradual building up of the Body of Christ**

- Christ builds up **His Body gradually, slowly, finely, day by day**, and **moment by moment in us**.
  - The **dispensing** of the Father, the Son, and the Spirit is for the **gradual** building up of **His Body**.
  - The **transmitting** of Christ is for the **sudden** raising up of **God's churches**.
- The **church** as the Body of Christ is the **issue** of God the Father's **dispensing**, speaking forth **God's eternal purpose**:
  - We were **chosen** by God the Father to **be holy**.
    - The **only way** we can be holy is by the **Father dispensing Himself** in His holy nature **into our being**.
    - To be holy is to be **sanctified, separated** from **all** things as God is and **saturated** with God.
    - To be saturated with the Holy God and to become holy in His nature, we need to be **lovers of God** and **lovers of His word**.
  - We were **predestinated** by God the Father **unto sonship**.
    - This is to have **God the Father's life** being made **God's children**, the same as God in life by being **born of God** after God's kind through **regeneration**.
    - This is for our being "sonized" with God the Father's life in our **entire** **tripartite being**.
  - God the Father **chose** us to be holy **by predestinating** us unto sonship.
    - Christ sanctifies and saturates us with all that He is in His holy nature, sonizing us and leading us into glory.

- In order to be sanctified for sonship, we must care for the sanctifying Spirit speaking and working in our spirit.
- The **church** as the Body of Christ is the **issue** of God the **Son's dispensing**, speaking forth the **accomplishment** of God's eternal purpose.
  - We were redeemed by God in and unto Christ, who is the element of the Divine Trinity; Christ's being the element means that He is for dispensing to accomplish God's economy to head up all things in Christ.
  - This heading up takes place by Him, as the element of the entire Divine Trinity, dispensing Himself into us for the building up of His Body; when the Body is built up, Christ is the Head in actuality.
  - Through the dispensing of Christ as the element into our being, we become God's treasure.
- The **church** as the Body of Christ is the **issue** of God the **Spirit's dispensing**, speaking forth the **application** of God's accomplished purpose.
  - The Spirit's sealing **saturates us continuously** unto the redemption of our body.
    - The more we are sealed, the more we bear the image of God.
  - The Spirit's pledging **guarantees** that God is our inheritance.
    - The Spirit is the pledge, the foretaste, the sample, of what we will inherit of God in full.

## II. The transmitting of Christ is for the sudden raising up of God's churches

- Whereas the **Body** is built up **gradually**, the **churches** are raised up **suddenly**.
- Paul prayed that we would have a spirit of wisdom and revelation to see the **fourfold surpassing greatness of God's power**—**resurrecting power**, **ascending power**, **subjecting power**, and **heading-up power**.
  - Christ **transcended** far above all the layers of trouble to **transmit** not only His **authority** but also His **transcending power to the church** that the church may be formed.
- The sudden raising up of God's churches over the whole earth is because of the transmission of the transcending Christ.
  - The **fine dispensing** in the Lord's dealings with us **constitutes** the **Body of Christ**, whereas His **transmitting brings forth** the Body of Christ.

- His transmission is like that of a **rushing violent wind** to set up the churches, which are the Body of Christ.
- Since the transcending Christ is the embodiment of the Triune God, His transcending transmission includes all the rich threefold dispensing of the Triune God.

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