

Crystallization-Study – Humanity of Christ

In the Prophecy Concerning the Eternal Economy of God

A Man

- In the **Old Testament** Christ was prophesied as a man in **four** cases:
 - Christ, as a man, visited His friend, Abraham.
 - **Gen. 18:1-2** – And **Jehovah appeared** to him by the oaks of Mamre as he was sitting at the entrance of *his* tent in the heat of the day. And he lifted up his eyes and looked, and there were **three men** standing opposite him...
 - Christ, as a man in His humanity, wrestled with Jacob, a heel-holder.
 - **Gen. 32:24** – And Jacob was left alone, and **a man wrestled** with him until the break of dawn.
 - Christ, as a man in His humanity, met Joshua, the general of God's army, to fight not only for Israel but for the carrying out of God's eternal economy.
 - **Josh. 5:13** – Now once, when Joshua was by Jericho, he lifted up his eyes and looked; and behold, **there was a man** standing opposite him...
 - Christ, as a man in His humanity, came purposely to the wife of a common man by the name of Manoah to tell her that she would bring forth a son by the name of Samson to fight for Israel.
 - **Judg. 13:6** – Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, **A man of God came** to me; and His appearance was like the appearance of an angel of God, very awesome...
- If God would have visited Abraham as God, this would have **frightened** Abraham.
- If God had remained only in His divinity, there would have been **no possibility for a man to deal with God in the way Jacob did**, holding onto Him until He blessed him.
 - Christ as God touched the socket of Jacob's hip so that the socket of his hip was dislocated.
 - This transformed Jacob, a heel-holder, into Israel, the prince of God, for the **carrying out of God's economy**.
- Christ, as a man in His humanity, met Joshua as the Captain of Jehovah's army to **fight for Israel for the carrying out of God's economy**.
- Samson would fight the **Philistines**, signifying a people between the world and religion, who greatly **disrupted** the carrying out of God's economy on the earth.

- Christ **being a man** in His humanity is for God to **carry out His economy**, and the goal of God's economy is for the Triune God to be **incorporated with man to be an incorporation**.
- The New Jerusalem is the **universal incorporation of God with man**.
- First God wants to be united with man, to have a union with man. Then God wants to be mingled with man.

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