

HWMR - CRYSTALLIZATION STUDY OF NUMBERS, Book 4, Week 24

The Necessity of Spiritual Warfare and God's People Formed into an Army Ready for Battle

RK Hymns: 885

Scripture Reading: Num. 21:1-3, 21-35; 27:12-23; 31:13-54

Defeating the king of Arad — 21:1-3

- Number 21:1 - And when the Canaanite, the king of **Arad**, who dwelt in the Negev, heard that Israel was coming by the way of Atharim, he **fought against Israel** and took some of them captive.
- Number 21:2 - And Israel **made a vow** to Jehovah and said, If You will indeed deliver this people into my hand, then I will utterly destroy their cities.
- Number 21:3 - And **Jehovah listened** to the voice of Israel and **delivered up the Canaanites**, and they utterly destroyed them and their cities. Thus the name of the place was called Hormah.

Defeating Sihon the king of the Amorites — 21:21-32

- Number 21:21 - And Israel sent messengers to Sihon the king of the **Amorites**, saying,
- Number 21:22 - **Let me pass through your land**. We will not turn aside into field or into vineyard; we will not drink water from any well. We will go by the King's Highway until we have passed through your territory.
- Number 21:23 - But Sihon would **not allow Israel to pass** through his territory. And Sihon gathered all his people together and went out against Israel into the wilderness, and he came to Jahaz and **fought against Israel**.
- Number 21:24 - And Israel struck him with the edge of the sword and took possession of his land from the Arnon to the Jabbok, as far as the children of Ammon; for the border of the children of Ammon was strong.
- Number 21:25 - And Israel took all these cities, and Israel settled in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon and in all her villages.
- Number 21:26 - For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the **Amorites**, who had fought against the former king of Moab and taken all his land out of his hand, as far as the Arnon.
- Number 21:27 - Therefore those who speak in proverbs say, Come to Heshbon; let it be built, And let the city of Sihon be established.
- Number 21:28 - For fire has gone forth from Heshbon, A flame from the city of Sihon; It has consumed Ar of Moab And swallowed up the high places of the Arnon.
- Number 21:29 - Woe to you, O Moab! You have perished, O people of Chemosh; He has given his sons as fugitives, And his daughters have gone into captivity, To an Amorite king, Sihon.
- Number 21:30 - We have shot at them; Heshbon is ruined as far as Dibon, And we have laid waste as far as Nophah, Fire spreads as far as Medeba.
- Number 21:31 - Thus Israel settled in the land of the Amorites.
- Number 21:32 - And Moses sent some to spy out Jazer. And they captured its villages and dispossessed the Amorites who were there.

Defeating Og the king of Bashan — 21:33-35

- Number 21:33 - And they turned and went up on the way that leads to Bashan; and Og the king of **Bashan went out against them**, he and all his people, **for battle** at Edrei.
- Number 21:34 - And Jehovah said to Moses, Do not fear him, for I have given him and all his people and his land into your hand; and you shall do to him as you did to Sihon the king of the Amorites, who was dwelling at Heshbon.
- Number 21:35 - So they struck him and his sons and all his people until there was no survivor left to him, and they possessed his land.

The death of Moses (the result of Moses' failure) — vv. 12-14

- Number 27:12 - And Jehovah said to Moses, Go up to this mountain of the Abarim and see the land which I have given to the children of Israel.
- Number 27:13 - And when you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people, just as Aaron your brother was gathered,
- Number 27:14 - Because **you rebelled against My word** in the wilderness of Zin, in the strife of the assembly, and **failed to sanctify Me** at the waters before their eyes. (These are the waters of Meribah-kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin.)

The successor of Moses — vv. 15-23

- Number 27:15 - And Moses spoke to Jehovah, saying,
- Number 27:16 - Let Jehovah, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the assembly,
- Number 27:17 - Who will go out before them and who will come in before them, and who will lead them out and who will bring them in; so that the assembly of Jehovah will not be like sheep which have no shepherd.
- Number 27:18 - And Jehovah said to Moses, Take **Joshua** the son of Nun, **a man in whom is the Spirit**, and lay your hand upon him;
- Number 27:19 - And set him before **Eleazar** the priest and before the whole assembly, and give him a charge in their sight.
- Number 27:20 - And you shall put some of your honor upon him, so that the whole assembly of the children of Israel may obey him.
- Number 27:21 - And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, and he shall **inquire** for him by the judgment of the **Urim** before Jehovah. At his word shall they go out and at his word they shall come in, both he and all the children of Israel with him, even the whole assembly.
- Number 27:22 - And Moses did as Jehovah commanded him, and he took Joshua and set him before Eleazar the priest and before the whole assembly.
- Number 27:23 - And he laid his hands upon him and gave him a charge just as Jehovah had spoken through Moses.

The purging and purification of the captives and the spoil — vv. 13-24

Number 31:13 - And Moses and Eleazar the priest and all the leaders of the assembly went out to meet them outside the camp.

Number 31:14 - And Moses became angry with the officers of the company, the captains of thousands and the captains of hundreds, who came from service in the war.

Number 31:15 - And Moses said to them, Have you kept all the women alive?

Number 31:16 - It was these who caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to act unfaithfully against Jehovah in the matter of Peor, so that the plague came upon the assembly of Jehovah.

Number 31:17 - Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman who has known a man by lying with him.

Number 31:18 - But all the little ones among the women, who have not known a male by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.

Number 31:19 - And you, encamp outside the camp seven days, everyone who has killed any person and everyone who has touched any slain; purify yourselves on the **third day** and on the **seventh day**, you and your captives.

Number 31:20 - And you shall **purify for yourselves** every garment and every article of skin and everything made of goats' hair and every article of wood.

Number 31:21 - And Eleazar the priest said to the men of war who had gone to the battle, This is the statute of the law which Jehovah has commanded Moses:

Number 31:22 - Only the **gold** and the **silver**, the **bronze**, the **iron**, the **tin**, and the **lead**,

Number 31:23 - Everything that can go into the fire, you shall pass through the fire, and it will become clean; but it shall be purified with the **water for impurity**; and everything that cannot go into the fire you shall pass through the water.

Number 31:24 - And you shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and you shall be clean; and afterward you may come into the camp.

The distribution of the plunder, both of man and of cattle — vv. 25-47

Number 31:25 - Then Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,

Number 31:26 - You and Eleazar the priest and the heads of the fathers' households of the assembly, take the sum of the booty that was captured, both of man and of beast,

Number 31:27 - And halve the booty between those skilled in war who went out to battle and the whole assembly.

Number 31:28 - And levy a tribute to Jehovah from the men of war who went out to battle: one living thing out of five hundred, of the persons and of the cattle and of the donkeys and of the flock;

Number 31:29 - Take it from their half and give it to Eleazar the priest, for Jehovah's **heave offering**.

Number 31:30 - And of the children of Israel's half, you shall take one seized out of fifty, of the persons, of the cattle, of the donkeys, and of the flocks, from all the beasts, and give them to the **Levites**, who keep the charge of the tabernacle of Jehovah.

Number 31:31 - And Moses and Eleazar the priest did just as Jehovah commanded Moses.

Number 31:32 - Now the booty that was left from the spoil, which the men of war had taken, was six hundred seventy-five thousand sheep,

Number 31:33 - And seventy-two thousand cattle,

Number 31:34 - And sixty-one thousand donkeys,

Number 31:35 - And thirty-two thousand persons in all, the women who had not known lying with a male.

Number 31:36 - And the half which was the portion of those who went out to war was in number three hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred sheep.

Number 31:37 - And Jehovah's tribute of the sheep was six hundred seventy-five.

Number 31:38 - And the cattle were thirty-six thousand, of which Jehovah's tribute was seventy-two.

Number 31:39 - And the donkeys were thirty thousand five hundred, of which Jehovah's tribute was sixty-one.

Number 31:40 - And the human beings were sixteen thousand, of whom Jehovah's tribute was thirty-two persons.

Number 31:41 - And Moses gave the **tribute**, Jehovah's **heave offering**, to Eleazar the priest, just as Jehovah had commanded Moses.

Number 31:42 - And of the children of Israel's half, which Moses had separated from the men who had gone to war,

Number 31:43 - That is, the assembly's half, was three hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred sheep,

Number 31:44 - And thirty-six thousand cattle,

Number 31:45 - And thirty thousand five hundred donkeys,

Number 31:46 - And sixteen thousand persons—

Number 31:47 - Now Moses took from the children of Israel's half, one drawn out of every fifty, both of man and of beast, and gave them to the Levites, who kept the charge of the tabernacle of Jehovah, just as Jehovah had commanded Moses.

The offering to Jehovah by the officers of the army — vv. 48-54

Number 31:48 - And the officers who were over the thousands of the army, the captains of thousands and the captains of hundreds, approached Moses.

Number 31:49 - And they said to Moses, Your servants have taken the sum of the men of war who are under our charge, and not a man is missing from us;

Number 31:50 - And we have presented Jehovah's offering, what every man has obtained, articles of gold, armlets and bracelets, signet rings, earrings and pendants, to make expiation for our souls before Jehovah.

Number 31:51 - And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold from them, all kinds of wrought articles.

Number 31:52 - And all the **gold** of the **heave offering** which they offered up to Jehovah, from the captains of thousands and from the captains of hundreds, was sixteen thousand seven hundred fifty shekels.

Number 31:53 - The men of war had taken booty, each for himself.

Number 31:54 - So Moses and Eleazar the priest took the **gold** from the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the **Tent of Meeting** as a memorial for the children of Israel before Jehovah.

We all need to know what the recovery is, where the recovery is, and what kind of persons can take the recovery on. We all need to see that in **the Lord's recovery today we are on a battlefield**. We should be today's Joshua and Caleb, **fighting** against Satan's aerial forces so that we can gain more of Christ for the building up of the Body of Christ, setting up and spreading the kingdom of God so that Christ can come back to inherit the earth. It is not adequate for us simply to be spiritual and holy. We need to learn of Joshua and Caleb to **represent God's interest in this age** to fight down the enemies that Christ can be gained by people and that Christ can be increased by His pursuers. (Life-Study of Joshua, Judges & Ruth, Chapter 10, Section 1)

Day 1

I. We need to realize the necessity of spiritual warfare—Num. 21:1-3, 21-35:

- A. **Spiritual warfare** has its source in the **conflict between** the **satanic will** and the **divine will**; this is a warfare **between** the **kingdom of Satan** and the **kingdom of God**—Matt. 6:10; 7:21; 12:26, 28; Isa. 14:12-14.
- B. In the Lord's recovery we are on a **battlefield**; in order to possess Christ as the good land for the fulfillment of God's purpose, **we must fight** against and defeat the satanic forces—Josh. 5:2—6:16.

MAN BEING A BATTLEFIELD

God has come to work Himself into man, **not into man as originally created by Him, but into the man whom Satan has injected with himself**. Because **both Satan and God are in man, man has become a battlefield** between God and Satan. **Originally**, God and Satan were **fighting in the universe**, **but now** they are **fighting within man**. Do you realize that you are a battlefield and that a war is raging within between God and Satan? As Christians, we have a war raging within us. The **factor of death** is fighting against the **factor of life**, and the factor of life is conquering, subduing, and swallowing up the factor of death. (Life-Study of Ephesians, Chapter 9, Section 2)

Day 2

- C. The army of God defeated the king of Arad, Sihon the king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Bashan—Num. 21:1-3, 21-35:
 - 1. The kings of Arad (v. 1), of the Amorites (v. 21), and of Bashan (v. 33) were the "gate guards" on the east of the Jordan, guarding the land of Canaan, the **kingdom of darkness, for Satan**:
 - a. The kings defeated by God's army **signify** the **rulers**, the **authorities**, and the **world-rulers of darkness**, against whom we must struggle—Eph. 6:12.
 - b. In order for the children of Israel to enter into the good land, they had to pass through the territory controlled by these kings and had to fight against them, destroy them, and take over their territory.
 - 2. In order to gain the unsearchable riches of Christ, **we must crush the spiritual enemies** signified by the king of Arad, Sihon the king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Bashan and take over their territory—3:8; 6:10-12.
- D. The **fighting** of the children of Israel against the Canaanites that they might possess and enjoy the good land portrays the **invisible spiritual warfare** that is **taking place** behind the **visible scene** on earth, and it **typifies** the **spiritual warfare of the church** against "the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies"—Dan. 10:10-21; Eph. 6:10-12:
 - 1. In the typology of the Old Testament, Canaan has two aspects:
 - a. **On the positive side, Canaan, a land of riches** (Deut. 8:7-10), typifies the all-inclusive **Christ with His unsearchable riches** (Col. 1:12; Eph. 3:8).
 - b. **On the negative side, Canaan** signifies **the aerial part**, the heavenly part, of **the dark kingdom of Satan**:
 - 1) **As the ruler of this world** (John 12:31) and as the ruler of the authority of the air (Eph. 2:2), Satan has his authority (Acts 26:18) and his angels (Matt. 25:41), who are his subordinates as principalities, powers, and rulers of the darkness of this world (Eph. 6:12); hence, Satan has his kingdom (Matt. 12:26), the authority of darkness (Col. 1:13)
 - 2) The **Canaanites** **typify** the fallen angels, the rebellious angels who follow Satan (Rev. 12:4, 7), who have become the powers, rulers, and authorities in Satan's kingdom (cf. Dan. 10:13, 20).
 - 3) The **fighting** of the children of Israel against the Canaanites that they might possess and enjoy the good land **typifies** the **spiritual warfare of the church against** the **spiritual forces of evil** in the heavenlies so that the saints may enjoy Christ as the all-inclusive land—Eph. 6:12.
 - 2. God wants us to gain Christ as our good land, but between us and the good land, there is a layer of devilish, demonic forces; **if we would take possession of the good land, we must defeat these satanic forces**—Col. 1:12-13; 2:15; Eph. 3:18; 6:10-12.
 - 3. There is an exceedingly real spiritual warfare in which we must engage; thus, **the church must be a corporate warrior fighting the battle to gain the all-inclusive Christ and for the establishing and spreading of the kingdom of God so that Christ may come back to inherit the earth**—vv. 10-19.

Entering into Canaan

Canaan has a **twofold significance in typology**. On the one hand, it **typifies the riches of Christ**, and on the other hand, it **typifies the heavenlies**; both of these aspects are spoken of in Ephesians. Ephesians 3:8 speaks of the riches of Christ, and Ephesians 1:3 and 2:6 speak of the heavenlies. In this sense, the book of Joshua in the Old Testament is comparable to Ephesians in the New Testament. Both books are a record of “**Canaan**.” In regard to Canaan, there is the **matter of the enjoyment of the riches of Christ** and the **matter of spiritual warfare**. As soon as the children of Israel entered Canaan, they **enjoyed** the riches of Canaan and **engaged** in warfare. This means that when the church fulfills God's purpose, it immediately enjoys the riches of Christ and engages in spiritual warfare. These two matters are spoken of after the children of Israel entered Canaan in the book of Joshua and after the church was raised to the heavenlies in the book of Ephesians.

Typifying the Riches of Christ

The unleavened bread, bitter herbs, and manna, which the children of Israel ate in Egypt and in the wilderness, typify Christ, but they do not typify the riches of Christ. It was **not until** the children of Israel **entered** Canaan, a place flowing with milk and honey, that they enjoyed the riches of Christ. **A beautiful aspect** of the type of **Canaan** is that it **typifies the riches of Christ**. In the good land two men were needed to carry a single cluster of grapes on a pole (Num. 13:23). The produce of the land was rich. The produce of the sixth year was sufficient to sustain the children of Israel for three years because no sowing was done on the seventh year (Lev. 25:4, 19-21). This portrays the riches of Christ.

In the land of Canaan there was not only milk and honey but also grapes. In the Bible, grapes produce the cheering wine (Judg. 9:13; Psa. 104:15). Hence, wine from grapes typifies the salvation of life. All the riches of the land of Canaan are related to life and the riches of life, typifying the riches in Christ. The riches of Christ recorded in Ephesians 3:8 are typified by the riches of the land of Canaan. The entrance of God's people into the land of Canaan signifies their entrance into the unsearchable riches of Christ.

Typifying the Heavenlies Spoken of in Ephesians

Canaan also **typifies** the heavenlies spoken of in Ephesians. The land of Canaan not only yielded rich produce but also **contained many enemies**—the **seven tribes of Canaan**. These tribes **typify** the **rulers**, the **authorities**, the **spiritual forces of evil** in the heavenlies spoken of in Ephesians 6:12, that is, Satan and his angels. **In the rich realm of Canaan there is still the need for warfare**. The object of the warfare is not to deal with sin or the flesh but to deal with the devil.

When the church concludes her life of wandering in the wilderness and **enters** into the riches of Christ, she simultaneously **enters** into a **spiritual warfare**. At this time there is the **enjoyment** of the riches of Christ, and there is the spiritual **warfare**. On one hand, the church enjoys all the riches of Canaan, but on the other hand, she engages in warfare to deal with God's enemy.

Both Joshua in the Old Testament and Ephesians in the New Testament speak of the enjoyment of the riches and spiritual warfare. These two books show that when the church **measures up to God's standard**, she **enjoys the riches of Christ and bears the responsibility to fight for God's kingdom**. In this warfare the church does not deal with the world, sin, or the flesh but with the forces of Satan, the rulers and the authorities of the air, **typified** by the seven tribes of Canaan in Joshua. These tribes harassed and opposed the children of Israel in every way. Hence, the record of the warfare in Joshua, Judges, and 1 and 2 Samuel is related to chapters 2, 3, and 6 of Ephesians, and it demonstrates the principles in spiritual warfare, including how the church can gain the victory and under what circumstances she can be defeated. (Three Aspects of the Church, Book 1: The Meaning of the Church, Chapter 11, Section 4)

Day 3

E. **The Lord Jesus has already won the battle**, and the work of **the church on earth is to maintain Christ's victory**—Heb. 2:14; Col. 2:15; 1 John 3:8:

1. The **Son of God** was **manifested** to destroy the works of the devil—v. 8.
2. **As a man**, Christ **defeated** Satan during the temptation in the wilderness—Matt. 4:1-11.
3. Through death the Lord Jesus **destroyed** the devil, who has the might of death, **abolishing** Satan and bringing him to nought—Heb. 2:14; 1 Cor. 1:28.
4. God openly **shamed** the evil angels, triumphing over them in the cross of Christ—Col. 2:15.
5. The effect of Christ's crucifixion was that **the base** of Satan's rebellion **was shaken**, that **the strongholds** of Satan's earthly kingdom **were broken**, and that **the power of death and Hades** was **conquered and subdued**—Matt. 27:51-52.

6. In the Spirit of His divinity, Christ **proclaimed** to the evil spirits in the abyss **His victory** over Satan on the cross—1 Pet. 3:18-20.
 7. The overcomers, the mighty ones, realize that **spiritual warfare is based on the victory of Christ**—Joel 3:11b; John 12:31; Rev. 5:5:
 - a. **The starting point of spiritual warfare is standing upon the victory of Christ**—Eph. 6:11, 13.
 - b. **We need to see that Christ has already overcome**—Rev. 3:21.
 8. The church is on earth to **perpetuate** and **manifest** Christ's victory over Satan—Eph. 6:13; Rev. 12:11.
- F. In order **to engage in spiritual warfare**, **we need to know the Body, know the ascension**, and **reign in life**—Eph. 1:22-23; 2:6; 4:16; Col. 3:1-4; Rom. 5:17, 21.

God Intending the Church to Live Out the Victory of Christ

God's **salvation of man** is to save him from the flesh, the world, and Satan. God wants us to **refuse** everything that is from the world, earth, self, flesh, and Satan. **Satan attacks us through** the world and flesh. Only those who are absolutely spiritual, who have absolutely refused the worldly system and the will of the flesh, will be attacked by Satan directly.

The cross of Christ needs the Body of Christ. If a sinner merely accepts the cross objectively, only he himself will gain something. However, if we accept the cross subjectively, God will gain something. The **cross of Christ cuts off like a knife everything of the old creation**, while **His resurrection brings us into a new beginning**.

The **victory of Christ** is seen in (1) the **crucifixion** which removes the whole old creation on the negative side, (2) the **resurrection** which brings in a new beginning on the positive side, and (3) the **ascension** which secures for Him the position of victory.

The church lives out Christ's victory on earth by the death, resurrection, and ascension of Christ. The cross should be planted in the center of our life. God wants us to be responsible for the cross' cutting off of that part of the old creation which is known to us. **God does not want us to be responsible for that part of the old creation which is not known to us.** (God's Overcomers, Chapter 3, Section 2)

Day 4

II. At the end of Numbers 27, God's people, the Israelites, had been **formed into an army ready for battle**:

- A. The children of Israel had become a **new** people formed into a **new** army with a **new** theocracy—vv. 12-23:
 1. The new people had been **renumbered**, the new army had been **re-formed** and strengthened, and a new leader, Joshua, had been appointed to serve.
 2. Joshua would **serve** not by himself but **with** Eleazar the priest, who would receive divine instructions by means of the Urim and the Thummim; this means that there was among the people a **new theocracy**—vv. 19-21.
- B. After being **formed**, **constituted**, **disciplined**, **trained**, and **qualified**, God's people had come to **the plains of Moab**, where they were **waiting** to **enter** into the good land, to **take it**, and to **possess it**—36:13.
- C. The formation of the children of Israel into an army to fight for God typifies the New Testament believers' **being built up into the organic Body of Christ to fight for God and with God for the carrying out of His economy**—Eph. 4:16; 6:12.

Day 5

- D. With the exception of Joshua and Caleb, those who were qualified and ready to take possession of the good land were the younger ones—Deut. 1:35-36; Num. 14:31:
 1. The **second generation** did not pass through as much as the first generation did, but they **received** the benefit of what the first generation experienced—26:63-65.
 2. Probably the older generation spoke to the younger generation about all that they experienced, enjoyed, and suffered, and this speaking was part of the raising up of the second generation.
 3. What the older ones experienced was effective in building up the younger ones; therefore, God could prepare from the second generation more than six hundred thousand men with a **rich inheritance** and **strong background** who were qualified to be formed into an army to fight for God's kingdom.

4. The principle is the same with us in the Lord's recovery today; **what the older ones have experienced is being passed on to the younger ones and will be very effective in building them up and preparing them to fight with God and for God.**

Day 6

- E. In Numbers 31:13-54 we see a beautiful picture of the **one accord** among God's people who had been **formed** into an army ready for battle—v. 31:
 1. The entire situation among the different categories of people was **peaceful, pleasant, and harmonious** because they were all in one accord—Acts 1:14.
 2. The **genuine one accord** in the church is the **practice of the oneness of the Body**, which is **the oneness of the Spirit**—Eph. 4:3-6:
 - a. One accord refers to the **harmony** in our inner being, in our mind and will—Acts 1:14; Matt. 18:19.
 - b. To be in one accord is **to be one in our whole being**, and this results in our being one in our outward speaking—Rom. 15:5-6.
 - c. **In order to be in one accord, we need to have one heart and one way**; this one heart and one way are the one accord—Jer. 32:39.
 - d. For the Lord's move, **all the churches need to be in one accord**; we should all **voice** the **same thing**, **trumpet** the **same thing**, **teach** the **same thing**, and be the **same in practice**—Josh. 1:16-18; 6:1-16; Acts 2:42; 4:24, 32; 1 Cor. 4:17; 7:17; 11:16; 14:34; 1 Tim. 1:3-4; 6:3.
- F. God's army was **prepared** and **ready** to take the good land **under the blessing** of God in His Divine Trinity and also under the blessing of Moses, the man of God—Num. 6:22-27; 2 Cor. 13:14; Deut. 30:16; 33:1.

The **genuine one accord** does not come from **gritting one's teeth** or **closing one's eyes**. Some Christians **maintain** the oneness of the church by gritting their teeth or even closing their eyes, because once they open their eyes, they are not able to be one, and once they open their ears, they are not able to coordinate. This kind of one accord is **artificial** and **self-made**. This kind of oneness is in **vain**. A person may be able to shut his mouth for today and tomorrow, but two days later, he will not be able to shut his mouth any longer. Instead, "thunder" and "rain" will pour out when he opens his mouth. The oneness of the church is not like this. It is impossible to be one in the natural man, and there is no way to find oneness in the flesh and in the old creation. In other words, **there is no oneness in our zeal, our diligence, our preferences, and our views. Oneness is in resurrection and in the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit is in our spirit.** As long as we learn **not** to rely on our self, our natural man, our feelings, our views, our emotions, our preferences, our ideas, and our will and learn to **turn** to our spirit and **live in our spirit**, we will have the **genuine one accord**. In this way we will not only have no need to grit our teeth and shut our mouths, but we will also be able to enjoy the sweetness of the one accord. If all of us would feel in our spirit, speak in our spirit, observe in our spirit, and taste in our spirit, we would have the sweet oneness. The oneness is in the spirit and in resurrection. The church is also in the spirit and in resurrection. (Spiritual Reality, Chapter 18, Section 4)