

ONE NEW MAN

And The Kingdom of God

While in prayer one day, I enquired of Lord, "Lord, what's on your heart and mind? Lord, what are you thinking about, what's your priority in your Kingdom purposes on earth right now?"

I was surprised at the response I got when He said, "**one new man.**"

That was it - nothing else.

I was familiar with the term "**one new man,**" remembering that it was recorded in by Apostle Paul in his letter to the Ephesians.

Here's the verse:

"That at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenant of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

*But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been made near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of division between us... so as to create in himself **one new man** from the two, thus making peace" Ephesians 2:12-15 (Emphasis mine)*

Here's what the Lord said next.

"Never before in history has there been a consummation like this one. This is the coming together of Me, the Lord your God, and people of all nationalities, creed and tongue, to form one new man."

His emphasis was on oneness. But, the wonder of it all was that this **one new man would be literally Him** in human flesh. Once again Jesus on the earth, but this time in the 21st century. The literal Body of Christ!

There is a NEW KIND OF MAN about to appear in the EARTH!

Think about the ramifications of what this **one new man** will have:

- New eyes to see (God's vision).
- New ears to hear (ability to hear and understand what the Spirit is saying).
- The ability to do what Jesus did when He was on earth, and in GREATER ways. (John 14:12)
- Access to NEW vital information relating to God's agenda.
- Jesus and Father living in the **one new man**. They would become the personification of Jesus Himself. They would truly be the Body of Christ! (Eph. 1:23; 2:22)

"Who Would Qualify?" I asked the Lord.

This is what He said:

"There is a much travelled path, and there is also a pathway seldom travelled. It is time for some to walk the path that I have walked. It is the path that is sometimes lonely (not many fellow travellers). It is also the path of being misunderstood by most people. The path is narrow and confined. It is not always comfortable, and the confining at times will be almost suffocating. But, as you continue on in this WAY, you will find My presence getting stronger and stronger, sweeter and sweeter. Together we will walk and talk - you and I together and our companions. Your awareness of Me will give you increasing lightness of step and a joyful anticipation of the destination ahead. More and more you will realize that the destination is so glorious and full of unlimited delights that you will actually experience the glory filling us all, and overflowing out of us, as we go. This is the final path to Glory!"

The Application

Our world is in trouble. With all the graft, corruption, selfishness, lusts, overindulgence, dissensions and conflicts at all levels of society, no one has any answers and darkness is pervading everywhere. The Christian world is also in trouble because the similar tendencies to those listed above. We too, (just like the world), have been too preoccupied with ourselves. Our church, our ministry, our programs and our plans. The scene has all the appearances and spirit of the Tower of Babel all over again... *"let us build ourselves a city, a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves..."* Genesis 11:4. (Babel = confusion).

Where Do We Go From Here?

I am sure you will agree that there is only one hope for the world, and His name is Jesus. However, He has chosen to live and work through human beings, but in particular, *surrendered* human beings. Those who are completely committed to His will *"And whoever exalts himself will be abased, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."* Mark 23:12.

His call when He was on the earth was that all men should repent, for the Kingdom of heaven was at hand. (Mark 1:15). The call is the same today. Nothing has changed in this regard. His Kingdom is at hand. We must repent of our selfish ways, and move onto the High Way!

Everything coming from tendencies towards self-centeredness must be done away with. We no longer have time to waste on personal self-aggrandizement agendas. Self-centeredness is the primary satanic spirit pervading people everywhere and at all levels of society. Jesus will ONLY come and live with those who have forsaken all, and who are dead to themselves. This was the call during His earthly ministry and nothing has changed. It is still the same today.

Kingdom Reality

The reality is that in any kingdom there has to be a king. Jesus said that His Kingdom was within us. However, it can only be in us if we have the King of the Kingdom, ruling and reigning in us. If we are surrendered to Jesus reigning in us, then the Kingdom has come! We can be living focalized

expressions of God's Kingdom on the earth! Surrender is the ONLY way we can become part the **one new man**, and have a part in the growth of His Kingdom on earth.

The Jacob Generation

Seek His face not His hand! This is the time of the **Jacob generation** – those so desperate that they refuse to let God go until He blesses them.

Desperateness for God always gets His attention and response. Desperate men find Him in all His fullness.

"This is Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, who seek Your face." (Ps. 24:6)

Are you ready to be a part of the **one new man**? Are you desperate for it?

Here's the deal:

"Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there be many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there be few who find it." (Matt. 7:13-14)

We are praying that you will be a part of God's **one new man**.



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