

Are We The New Man In Christ?

On this date Saturday March 30, 2002, Margaret & I went to a Jewish Messianic service. We got to witness and share testimony about how God is working in our lives. I got to share some of the dreams and prophecies that I have received from the Holy Spirit. I spoke especially about Jesus re-establishing His Church and the need of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Later on the way home, I spoke to God 'I need help in understanding on how all of the different churches would fit into your Church'.

That night I had a dream that was in a loop repeating itself over and over. The dream was about a propane tank that not only had propane in it, but gasoline had also been put into the tank. Everyone was concerned that the volatile mixture might explode. I saw different hoses trying to be attached to the tank to remove the gas or propane or both. I asked the employee from the propane company, 'why you let someone else fill your tank instead of doing it yourself.' He said that it must be filled by someone else, so that they would not be accused of stealing the propane from the company. This dream repeated over and over. I would wake for a while and as soon as I went back to sleep, the dream would start again.

I finally asked the Lord, 'what is going on'. As I sat upon my bed awake in the middle of the night. The Holy Spirit spoke this—"All who are to serve Me in My re-established Church will have to put on new wineskins and be filled anew. The old wine in the current wineskins of mans doctrines and denominations will not mix together, but will explode. As I showed you in a previous vision I am covering man's measuring stick with My measuring stick of My Word as I commanded for My Church." We must let the Holy Spirit fill up our tanks with His wine. We cannot allow man's doctrines to fill us.

Luke 5:36-39 **36** And he spake also a parable unto them; *No man putteth a piece of a new garment upon an old; if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and the piece that was taken out of the new agreeth not with the old.* **37** And no man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish. **38** But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved. **39** No man also having drunk old wine straightway desireth new: for he saith, The old is better. (KJV)

On December 30, 2002 the Holy Spirit showed me how these scriptures apply to John 3:3 & 5. In Luke 5:36, we must be born of water, being washed physically to be made a new cloth which is our body the temple of the Holy Spirit. Luke 5:38 speaks of new wine, being born of the Spirit to receive the new wine

from the Holy Spirit, to be poured into the new bottle, our temple born of water the new cloth is a holy wine skin.

Mark 7:7-13 *7 Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. 8 For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. 9 And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition. 10 For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death: 11 But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free. 12 And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother; 13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.* (KJV) Many today are born of water and not of the Spirit. Then they are then filled with the traditions and doctrines of the “church” they attend making their own temple defiled. They do not keep the doctrine of Christ, because they were never washed in the Word of God. They have never become the new person in Christ renewed in the Spirit and taught by the Spirit becoming a new wine skin (new cloth) full of new wine.

Romans 4:16 *16 So that's why faith is the key! God's promise is given to us as a free gift. And we are certain to receive it, whether or not we follow Jewish customs, if we have faith like Abraham's. For Abraham is the father of all who believe.* (NLT) **Romans 4:16** *16 Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,* (KJV)

Ephesians 2:14-22 *14 For Christ himself has made peace between us Jews and you Gentiles by making us all one people. He has broken down the wall of hostility that used to separate us. 15 By his death he ended the whole system of Jewish law that excluded the Gentiles. His purpose was to make peace between Jews and Gentiles by creating in himself one new person from the two groups. 16 Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.* 17 He has brought this Good News of peace to you Gentiles who were far away from him, and to us Jews who were near. 18 Now all of us, both Jews and Gentiles, may come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us. 19 So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family. 20 We are his house, built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets. And the*

*cornerstone is Christ Jesus himself.*²¹ *We who believe are carefully joined together, becoming a holy temple for the Lord.*²² *Through him you Gentiles are also joined together as part of this dwelling where God lives by his Spirit. (NLT)*

Until the Jew and the Gentile accept Christ as the risen one who makes us righteous with God, there will be **enmity** between both groups. [**Webster's defines enmity** as--: positive, active, and typically mutual hatred or ill will. synonyms ENMITY, HOSTILITY, ANTIPATHY, ANTAGONISM, ANIMOSITY, RANCOR, and ANIMUS mean deep-seated dislike or ill will. ENMITY suggests positive hatred which may be open or concealed 'an unspoken enmity'. HOSTILITY suggests an enmity showing itself in attacks or aggression 'hostility between the two nations'. ANTIPATHY and ANTAGONISM imply a natural or logical basis for one's hatred or dislike, ANTIPATHY suggesting repugnance, a desire to avoid or reject, and ANTAGONISM suggesting a clash of temperaments leading readily to hostility 'a natural antipathy for self-seekers' 'antagonism between the brothers. ANIMOSITY suggests intense ill will and vindictiveness that threaten to kindle hostility 'animosity that led to revenge'. RANCOR is especially applied to bitter brooding over a wrong 'rancor filled every line of his letters'. ANIMUS adds to animosity the implication of strong prejudice 'objections devoid of personal animus'.] **If Christ is seen and accepted by the Jew or Gentile, is it a true conversion** when both want to drink of their own wine and keep their old wineskins. **Enmity** will continue to exist until their old wine is poured out. Are they a new person in Christ? Are they the true Church with Christ as the head born of water and Spirit? Are they carefully joined together becoming a holy temple for Jesus Christ? Can God release his power among those with **enmity** against each other? Is either group free of their past bondage [old wine, traditions, and doctrines] uniting as a new people in God with a new life focusing on Jesus Christ as the head and obeying the Spirit? Is it not the prince of this world who holds us in bondage when we refuse to walk in the freedom for which Christ has set us free? According to the Word of God, if we have not the freedom of Christ it is not a true conversion.

2 Corinthians 3:9-11 ⁹ *If the old covenant, which brings condemnation, was glorious, how much more glorious is the new covenant, which makes us right with God!* ¹⁰ *In fact, that first glory was not glorious at all compared with the overwhelming glory of the new covenant.* ¹¹ *So if the old covenant, which has been set aside, was full of glory, then the new covenant, which remains forever, has far greater glory. (NLT)*

Galatians 3:27-29 ²⁷ *And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have been made like him.* ²⁸ *There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male or female. For you are all Christians--you are one in Christ Jesus.* ²⁹ *And now*

that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and now all the promises God gave to him belong to you. (NLT)

Galatians 4:10-12 ¹⁰ *You are trying to find favor with God by what you do or don't do on certain days or months or seasons or years.* ¹¹ *I fear for you. I am afraid that all my hard work for you was worth nothing.* ¹² *Dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to live as I do in freedom from these things, for I have become like you Gentiles were--free from the law. You did not mistreat me when I first preached to you.* (NLT)

Galatians 5:4-6 ⁴ *For if you are trying to make yourselves right with God by keeping the law, you have been cut off from Christ! You have fallen away from God's grace.* ⁵ *But we who live by the Spirit eagerly wait to receive everything promised to us who are right with God through faith.* ⁶ *For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus, it makes no difference to God whether we are circumcised or not circumcised. What is important is faith expressing itself in love.* (NLT)

Galatians 6:15-16 ¹⁵ *It doesn't make any difference now whether we have been circumcised or not. What counts is whether we really have been changed into new and different people.* ¹⁶ *May God's mercy and peace be upon all those who live by this principle. **They are the new people of God.*** (NLT)

Colossians 3:11 ¹¹ *In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us.* (NLT)

Hebrews 7:12-16 ¹² *And when the priesthood is changed, the law must also be changed to permit it.* ¹³ *For the one we are talking about belongs to a different tribe, whose members do not serve at the altar.* ¹⁴ *What I mean is, our Lord came from the tribe of Judah, and Moses never mentioned Judah in connection with the priesthood.* ¹⁵ *The change in God's law is even more evident from the fact that a different priest, who is like Melchizedek, has now come.* ¹⁶ *He became a priest, not by meeting the old requirement of belonging to the tribe of Levi, but by the power of a life that cannot be destroyed.* (NLT)

Hebrews 8:13 ¹³ *When God speaks of a new covenant, it means he has made the first one obsolete. It is now out of date and ready to be put aside.* (NLT)

Hebrews 10:9 ⁹ *Then he (Jesus speaking) added, "Look, I have come to do your will." He cancels the first covenant in order to establish the second.* (NLT)

The Holy Spirit gave me this analogy for comparing the old covenant and the new covenant by using changes within the electronics profession of the old and the new. When I went to electronics school in the late 1960's vacuum tubes were still what made most electronic products work and transistors were coming into maturity. By the late 1970's vacuum tubes were obsolete. Transistors were now packaged into IC's making the products smaller and more efficient. In the 1980's came microprocessors with IC's making the products even smaller with more functions and options.

As all of these changes came about, new electronic technicians studied the history of the vacuum tube to understand the past and how the future came about because of the past. With each new technology the past technology was set aside. It could no longer be applied in the products of today. Jesus Christ did the same. He made the first covenant obsolete, out of date and put it aside. The old points the way to the new. In the transition period the old and the new are both seen. Jesus Christ represented the old and the new. He fulfilled the old covenant as he walked and taught until his death on the cross. When he arose from the dead, he established the new or second covenant. How long should the old be mixed with the new. The old was made obsolete when Jesus died. Is two thousand years a bit long for the transition? If we use electronic terms, we are not tubes, we are not transistors, but IC's and microprocessors working together in unity with Christ as the head. The old was put away, canceled, made obsolete. In my profession I had to put away the old and apply the new to remain effective in electronics. If I did not, I withered and died, no longer capable to doing the work. We must put off the old and put on the new as Jesus Christ commanded in the Gospels. As he fulfilled the old covenant on earth, he was teaching of the new way and how it was to be fulfilled. The Epistles furthered the teachings related to fulfilling the new covenant. The Holy Spirit still teaches us today. If we will walk in the Spirit and listen to the Spirit to become the new man in Christ.

This I know without a doubt. Before he comes again Jesus Christ will have his church without spot or wrinkle. He has promised me I would see it and be a part of it. But also he has told me to walk the path he has directed daily and obey the Spirit. I will see the birth of his church before I am taken home. As with any birth there will be pain and sorrow. The birth of the Church of Jesus Christ with him the head and according to the Word, it will be in pain and sorrow because of judgments upon this nation and all the peoples in this nation because of their sin and lack of fear and holiness for God. Jesus spoke in my prayer closet on December 4, 2001—**“Out of the ashes of the existing churches, I am building My Church. It will be on My foundation, with no gaps or divisions. I will pour out My Spirit upon it for revival. My Army will be made ready.”** If

Jesus is building out of the ashes of the current churches, this means he has not his church at the present time.

How much longer are we going to continue to distort what we hear from the Holy Spirit by filtering it through our old wine of traditions, doctrines and beliefs? To be in Christ we must see what Christ accomplished on the cross and what he became. If we continue to look at how he lived under the law to fulfill the law and apply even a part of that in our lives, are we truly walking in the pure light of Jesus Christ, in the perfect will of God without sin becoming the new man in Christ? How much longer are we going to be of little faith and try to please God with what we eat and don't eat? There is coming a day very soon that we will have no choice but to eat what is put before us and if we pray for God to sanctify the food and believe by faith it will be done. It is not better to build faith today and be prepared for tomorrow?

Mark 7:1-23 **1** One day some Pharisees and teachers of religious law arrived from Jerusalem to confront Jesus. **2** They noticed that some of Jesus' disciples failed to follow the usual Jewish ritual of hand washing before eating. **3** (The Jews, especially the Pharisees, do not eat until they have poured water over their cupped hands, as required by their ancient traditions. **4** Similarly, they eat nothing bought from the market unless they have immersed their hands in water. This is but one of many traditions they have clung to--such as their ceremony of washing cups, pitchers, and kettles.) **5** So the Pharisees and teachers of religious law asked him, "Why don't your disciples follow our age-old customs? For they eat without first performing the hand-washing ceremony." **6** Jesus replied, "You hypocrites! Isaiah was prophesying about you when he said, **7** **'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far away. Their worship is a farce, for they replace God's commands with their own man-made teachings.'** **8** For you ignore God's specific laws and substitute your own traditions." **9** Then he said, "You reject God's laws in order to hold on to your own traditions. **10** For instance, Moses gave you this law from God: 'Honor your father and mother,' and 'Anyone who speaks evil of father or mother must be put to death.' **11** But you say it is all right for people to say to their parents, 'Sorry, I can't help you. For I have vowed to give to God what I could have given to you.' **12** You let them disregard their needy parents. **13** As such, you break the law of God in order to protect your own tradition. And this is only one example. There are many, many others." **14** Then Jesus called to the crowd to come and hear. "All of you listen," he said, "and try to understand. **15** You are not defiled by what you eat; you are defiled by what you say and do!" **17** Then Jesus went into a house to get away from the crowds, and his disciples asked him what he meant by the statement he had made. **18**

"Don't you understand either?" he asked. "Can't you see that what you eat won't defile you? 19 Food doesn't come in contact with your heart, but only passes through the stomach and then comes out again." (By saying this, he showed that every kind of food is acceptable.) 20 And then he added, "It is the thought-life that defiles you. 21 For from within, out of a person's heart, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, 22 adultery, greed, wickedness, deceit, eagerness for lustful pleasure, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness 23 All these vile things come from within; they are what defile you and make you unacceptable to God." (NLT)

I end this study with what the Holy Spirit showed me in a dream on January 9, 2003. In the dream there was a barber shop located on the banks of a river. The water started to rise rapidly and the owner was trying to attach a moving device enabling him to move the barber shop to higher ground. This part of the dream was in beautiful Technicolor. The building was white, the water crystal clear and pure, and the rocks along the river bank were shining like jewels. There were tall green trees on the river banks and overhead was a clear blue sky. The rest of the dream was in blood red except for a splash of blue. Next I saw a building set on an island with water all around. The water was rising higher and higher. Inside the building were the sins of the world. As the water rose higher the sins increased. Finally one man dived into the blood red water. When he entered the water and it parted there was a splash of blue color. The blue disappeared when the man went beneath the water. The sins kept increasing.

In prayer this morning I asked the Lord for interpretation of the dream. The Holy Spirit spoke—"The barber shop represents the church buildings today, all beautiful on the outside, looking for business. The river is the living waters rising to wash the church in the truth and cleanse them of their sins. They want no part of my holiness for they would have to give up their current lives and life style and be cleansed on the inside. They run to high ground, but as they run they will be judged by my fire, (represented by the red blood color). Even in judgments their sins will increase, but a few will jump overboard. As they jump and repent the blood red of my judgments will no longer be upon them, but the blue water of my love will wash them clean."

Brothers and sisters, God is judging his house and it is on going now. As in the dream, if there is no repentance, the heat of God's judgments will increase, for Jesus will have his Church. Those without repentance will be lost. There will be no pre-tribulation 'rapture'. (Ask for 'Rapture The Big Lie Exposed') We that are alive will be overcomes in the days of tribulation loving our lives not unto death. We will be the Church of Jesus Christ being neither a Christian Jew nor a Christian Gentile, but the new man in Christ. Born of water and the Spirit without spot or

wrinkle. On that day we will be ready for our salvation when Jesus Christ comes again as King of kings and Lord of lords. Amen.

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