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THE LIGHT OF LIFE (PART 1)

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I am so excited about this message, entitled, The Light of Life! There is a certain light that brings us life. In the beginning I want to talk about the responsibility that God took upon Himself to bring forth fruit in you.

When God said to Adam and Eve, “Be fruitful and multiply,” obviously the commandment was not to the children but to the parents. Now, there weren't even children, there was only Adam and Eve. The Bible says, “In the beginning God made man, male and female, created He them...” and then He said to Adam and Eve, “Be fruitful and multiply.” So, we find, in the Bible, Adam. Adam talks about mankind. It also talks about the representative of man. The Bible says, “Through one (Adam) sin entered the world and through One, the last Adam, Jesus, righteousness entered the world. So Jesus is as much an Adam or in the power of an Adam, as what Adam was, meaning that Adam was in the power of representation. He was in the power of not just representation but he was the source through which things would come.... through which certain beliefs would come and all of that.

It would be like a father who has children and then if this father was a prince, the children would look at the father and they would see, “My father is a prince,” and from looking at that they would conclude that they are royalty. Now the very same way you cannot tell the child, “You must produce royalty.” It is the job of the prince or the job of the king to produce that. In the very same way, God came to Adam and said, “Be fruitful and multiply.” Now, when He came to Jesus, He said this of Jesus as well. There isn't a scripture, written directly, where the Father says to Jesus, “You must go and be fruitful and multiply,” but this is what He says in John 15: “This is the will of the Father that you bear much fruit.” But the only way that you can bear fruit is by abiding in Me and I in you.” The Bible even goes further and it calls the Word a seed. So He comes and He says that when Jesus comes, when the Word comes, into fertile soil, which is us, then the Word will produce fruit in us.

Now I've said this before and I want to say it again. One day I said to Helena, “You know, these three boys that we have, they are not your children. They are mine.” She said, “What? Excuse me! I had them inside me. I have some sonogram photos to prove that they are my children. What do you mean?” I said, “If you look at the Bible, you will always see that it says, “And Isaac, the son of Abraham.” It always connects the seed or the fruit, to the father or to the husband. So Abraham had children. Abraham was fruitful and multiplied, obviously in union with his wife, so in the same way God comes and the way that He will produce eternal life in us is very simple: God, there was an Adam and there's an Eve, which is us, and God's command to Adam and Eve, Jesus with us, is this: Be fruitful and multiply. How will this happen? How will this be possible? Very simple! Let us look at how God took the responsibility upon Him, in Jesus, to bring forth fruit in us. **Remember this: Of ourselves, we can bear no fruit. We need our union with God in Jesus!**

How does this union work? John 12:23-27 :The hour has come that the son of man should be glorified. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abides alone; but if it dies, it will bring forth much fruit. He that loves his life shall lose it; and he that hates his life in this world, shall keep it unto life eternal. If any man serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, that's where also My servant shall be; if any man serves Me, him will My Father honor.

So what does it say here? It's very simple. Jesus says that if a seed falls in the ground and dies then it will produce fruit that looks exactly like that seed. He was pointing to Himself there. He even came in verses 31 and 32 where it says: "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And if I be lifted up from the earth I will draw all *men* (all judgment!) unto Me." So what Jesus was saying is that the judgment of God, which was, that by good and evil, no man will have life, that humans will die by works. That judgment that God pronounced to Adam and Eve is the truth!

So what happened then? After that judgment, that judgment came true. How did it come true? Jesus who came and conquered sin, conquered death, came upon the cross, took that death upon Him and died that death and the judgment of God, we could see God's way of understanding things and looking at things is true and it manifested in Jesus. And then it says that He will draw all men unto Him. So when He would be lifted up from the earth, He would draw the death of all people, He would draw all the judgment of all unto Him and that's what He would receive. The judgment was not God's punishment. The judgment was like a judge would judge or like anybody would judge the situation and say, "If he steps off that roof, he is going to fall." In the same way, if you partake of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, you will die, and man will die and then the judgment of God that came upon Jesus, NOT GOD KILLING JESUS, but the judgment of God, God's ruling on what will happen should man be under the Law, came upon Jesus. And then all were drawn unto Him... talking about what kind of a death he will die and He was also raised on account of our justification. So we were drawn unto His life, as well, in the resurrection.

So, what I want to say here is this: Jesus said, "The only way that I can bear fruit, talking about Jesus, is that He had to die in order for a life that is equal to His to come forth." Now who was Jesus? Jesus is the Son of God. What does it mean to be the Son of God? What does it mean to be of God? What does it mean to have the glory that was from the beginning? Now, Church, you guys know me by now. I like to teach. Some of the stuff may seem a bit complicated and sometimes I say to myself, "Oh, man, I wish I could explain stuff in a more simpler way." I said to the local church here, "Man, every time I come and I think I will preach a simple message but every time I preach I just come and I just say, "Lord, this excites me!" And that's from the depths of my heart and I am going to follow what is in my heart and I am going to share what is in my heart with you." And that's the way I am going to do it. So, stick with me in what I want to say and I am just going to explain it in a proper way and I know this is going to bless you as it has blessed me.

This is what I want to say: God promised us life. The only way that life could come to us is if God bears fruit in us. Like Abraham, like Sarah... like the fruit of Abraham was Isaac, and was born in Sarah, or she was bearing it, in the same way we will bear the fruit of God's Word, or the seed of God. **Fruit bearing is not up to us! Fruit bearing is up to the Word. We are just soil. So when we receive the correct Word into our heart and believe it, then the Giver of the Seed, the Giver of the Word, will have fruit in us.**

Jesus says and He likens the life that He has come to give us. He likens salvation. He even likens how He preserves His own life in this way: He says, "If you love your life in this world, you will lose it." So if Jesus loved life in this world, He would have lost His life. But He didn't like His life in this world. He wanted His life in the resurrection, in the glorified body. That is what He wanted and He laid down His life, He gave His life. When He gave His life, this is what He said that if I don't love my life in this world, if I hate to see life inside the world's Law system, but I want to see life inside the glorification of the Holy Spirit, I will have life. Jesus preserved His life that way. He said, "If I lay down My life. If I say that I am not going to have life by works, I'm not going to live by the Law. I am going to live by what the Father has promised Me. I'm going to live by the Spirit," what will happen? I will preserve life.

How do you preserve your life? This is the way you preserve your life: If a seed dies, it will produce after its own kind. And how was the life of Jesus preserved? The life of Jesus is preserved in this: He was raised by the Holy Spirit to have a new form of glory from a seed form, He became a plant. That's what Paul also says in 1 Corinthians 15, that when a seed is sown, that is the one kind of a glory but how would we know how the plant would look by looking at the seed? We don't know. We just saw Jesus came and, in seed form, He gave His life, He was raised up in a new life. Now, He did that for mankind so that we, who can believe, can have the very same life. So the very life of God is not just preserved in Jesus but also duplicated and multiplied and preserved inside us so that more people can be the heirs of salvation. Salvation from what? Salvation from death. Salvation from the fruit of the flesh. Salvation from the works of the flesh. That is what the salvation is all about.

This seed or this Word that will produce the fruit in us is God that came by **His** doing to bring forth life inside us. Let me said this again and let me summarize what I basically said in the first part of this session. God made it His responsibility to bring forth fruit in you. This responsibility that He took upon Him is in the following form: We are like soil or we are like a woman. When we receive a seed, then the seed will produce after its own kind. So God said to Adam (which was Adam and Eve, male and female God created them), "Be fruitful and multiply." How does that take place? From our side, we receive the Word and when we receive the Word, which is a certain light or a certain message, which I am going to look at today, into our heart, then that Word produces after the origin of that Word. Here Jesus comes and He comes from the Father. He comes from the Father of life. He had the glory of the Father even before time. He came and incarnated Himself into human form. He dies. We receive this message of His death and His resurrection. When that enters our heart, what happens? Just like a plant has a certain glory, and this plant produces a seed and then when the seed dies, goes into the ground, it produces the glory that produced the seed which was the plant. Now, Jesus, in plant form, was before time. Then He became the Seed that died. He became a man, He died. When we receive the Seed, when that Seed falls that word and what He has done, falls into our heart, what does the Father do in His absolute love for man? **He enlightens us with His life!** Glory to God!

This whole thing is not about **you** producing eternal life! This whole thing is about God's righteousness and this is another message in this series on God's righteousness which is the light of God, the light of Life. God comes and His righteousness, in His equity of character, and what does He do? He promises you life and He wants to give you that life! He promises it and He wants to give it and He comes and gives the Seed, His Word, that can produce that life. This light, or this life, or this revelation will produce life. This whole thing is about a Father bringing forth sons. It's all about a plant bringing forth another plant that looks exactly like the plant. The whole thing, if we look at nature, if you look at a plant, the only way that plant can reproduce is through a seed. The only way that we can reproduce is through a seed. The only way that God, Adam, who was made in the image and likeness of God could reproduce, or Jesus, or God Himself, bring forth from His own kind, is through a seed. That is what he tries to explain to us because that is how God functions. From God we find all of nature and everything having that attribute inside itself.

When we study Scripture, when we look at Scripture, when we look at who we are, Church, we cannot look from the perspective of how must **we** produce fruit by our works or how must **we** try and have our lives look like a wonderful plant. No, the Bible says that God will send His Word. He will heal us and we shall be called a planting of the Lord, trees of righteousness.

What the Word tries to say to us is that God is the source of life in you. God is the source of good works in you. God is the source of everything that is good and can be good in us. When we heart the Gospel, we should not hear what **we** must do to have life by our works. What we need to hear is we

need to hear what God has done, and what responsibility He has taken upon Him and what is the Seed or the Word that can then produce the life of God inside us.

Thank God this is not by confessing the Bible but in believing the Light of Life.

Let's go to John 12:36: "While you have Light, believe in the Light, that you may be the children of Light." While you have Light, believe in the Light that you may be the children of Light. What is He saying here? He's not saying, "Shine!" His command to us is to be a child of Light. In other words, to have Light produce something in you, to have Light lighten you up, to be a child of something. So what He is actually saying here is He is not saying that we should produce anything. He's actually saying, "Allow something to produce something else in you.

What is this Light of Life? John 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him (this Word) was life and the life (that was inside this word) is the light of man." Inside the Word is life and this life, which is in the Word, is what enlightens man.

How does that work? Now, Church, the things I am preaching has not been preached a lot. There are some people who preach some of this but it hasn't been preached a lot and I know that this might challenge you. I am well aware that this can challenge you what I am about to say but just listen, just hear and you will find that the Light which is inside the Word, or the Life that is inside the Word is the Light of man.

1John

:1 "That what was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;

:2 (For the life was manifested and we have seen it, and bear witness, and show unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested with us:)

:3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that you also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ."

Now, what is John saying? I mean, he was not just saying that for no reason. He was saying it for a reason. Remember John, chapter 1: "In Him was life and this life is the life of man. The Word is the word of Life. It clearly says, "What our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life.

What is this Word of life? It is the message that God promised us eternal life. That's it! We've tried to make the Word something very spooky... you know, the Word is the Word of life. The Word produces life or when you read the Bible you can produce life. No, that's not what it talks about concerning the Word of life. The word there is the word, message, or it's the word, logic. The word, message, is actually the best. The message of Life which was from the beginning and even Paul says in Titus, God who promised us immortality and eternal life from before the world began. So, what is the message that God had from the beginning? Listen, I want you to have, to be adopted unto, who and what I am which is to have the ability to live and never die.

We have taken that all people are just immortal already and have eternal life by default. That is not true. The Bible says that God is the only immortal. It's clear in Scripture. The Bible says that those who through faith and patience seek immortality, He will grant eternal life. It is something God has promised. We just thought that everybody just has it. No, it is a promise and we've made this eternal

life about going to heaven. That is not what eternal life is! Eternal life is a quality of life which is generated by the Holy Spirit, that is of such high quality that it does not possess the ability to cease to exist. A life by works does not possess the ability to continue forever. It will always end somehow and will end in death. You can find even massive financial giants, you can find something like the empire of Rome, it will come to a fall, eventually. The Law and works and man's way of doing does not possess the ability to grant to the flesh of man immortality neither does it have the ability to exist forever. But God's logic which is My life inside you by you just believing that I am giving it to you, possesses the ability to last forever and never die.

So there was a message that God said, "I'll give you life." Adam did not believe that message. He thought that you can have the same life that God has by his works. Death entered into this world through that. But what did Jesus Christ come to do? He came to end all of that, to undo Adam, to undo all of those things and He came and showed forth the Word which was from the beginning. The Word from the beginning was that God possesses the ability and He has promised that He will grant eternal life to man. That Word came and dwelt in front of us. We saw that Word. We saw God's Word incarnated into our death system and that His Word is stronger than any death and that He could bring life, He could raise something that has the death of everything on Him unto life.

What am I saying? I am saying that God promised us life but then death entered through Adam but then God said, "My Word is still a promise to you and I will show you how powerful My Word and My promise is. I will incarnate death and then I will not just incarnate the likeness of sinful flesh. I will take the sin of all people and the wages of sin is death. I will even take the death of all people unto Me and die. I'll become all sin and then I'll die everything away. Then the glory of God's message, the Word from the beginning, was manifested and we saw Jesus believe that Father could raise Him from the dead. He believed that God could grant unto Him, in physical form, immortality. So here He comes and says, "Okay, give Me a mortal body." He receives a mortal body. "Okay, give Me all death," and all death was given to Him. Then He says, "But I'll believe the Father and God the Father can raise Me from the dead!" What happened when Jesus did that? He took away the power of all sin. He took away the power of all death because He declared the Word openly and now in doing that, we who believe that Word receive the same Spirit as what raised Christ from the dead and here we now, all of a sudden find that God conquered sin in us! The Bible even says that the last enemy that will be conquered is death. How will God conquer death? He conquered it in Jesus and He will conquer sin in your life by the resurrection power of the Holy Spirit. He will conquer death in you by bringing life and immortality to you!

You know, Church, this is how it is going to work: Even if you've died, that Word, in the presence of a body that has been dead for twenty thousand years, that has been burnt to ashes, floating all over the ocean, sunk to the bottom of the ocean, became some form of energy that is growing into plants, it doesn't matter! In the presence of that death, there is a Word that is more powerful than that, that will raise you up from that. Now, once that Word indwells your body, you can even find the power of that Word, producing fruit after the kind of seed there is and brings life to you. And then the Bible says that there will come a day wherein Christ will return, wherein that day, even if you have not died, your body will just be changed and you'll find immortality manifesting in you and the death that is inside our bodies will be conquered with life. And that's what God has promised us!

So, what I believe and what I expect is not just, "Well, I don't just have a God who is not angry with me anymore!" No, no, no! I've got a God who has promised me life! I've got a God who is true to His word! And even if all the death of all people, and all the sin of all people, can be concentrated into one human being and that human can die the death of all and have the sin of all and consequently the death

of all upon him, that Word supersedes the power of death and when that Word of life, the promise of life, enters the human heart, your heart, it shall produce after the kind it was before time... which is immortality! The only difference is it will produce it inside a human body and that's why we can say, what John has said, "I want you to have your fellowship with me." You don't have to be afraid to confess your sin. You don't have to be afraid to say, "I've got sin... sin meaning an ability to have life by MY works." I've got all of that because even if it is in me, even if I'm weak, I don't care to confess that because confessing that doesn't make me guilty! You, know, all I'm saying is that in the presence of all of that, I've got a Word, a sure promise, inside the resurrection of Christ, which means that His Word shall resurrect me from bitterness, hatred, selfishness and all those things. He will resurrect me out of sexual immorality, lust, addiction, WHATEVER! That's His Word! And when we can say that we, by our own power, we are not righteous but by His Word, we believe that He raises us up, He's promised it to us, do you know what will happen? His Spirit will bring it forth in you as surely as when Jesus was raised from the dead! Glory to God!

Now, let's get back to John 1, the Light of Life. What is this light? He says:

:4 And in Him was life (in Jesus was immortality) and that life (which is the Word of life, which God promises you) was the light of men (which will enlighten you).

So if I can say that there is an immortal, undying, human being that has been raised above all death, all sin, even if all death and all sin was upon Him, the life inside Him was more powerful and He was raised up! Death couldn't hold Him! The grave couldn't hold Him! Sin couldn't bind Him and now that life is inside a Human Being at the right hand of the Father as God's message to me when I believe... that will enlighten me! Glory to God!

:4 And the light shines in the darkness and the darkness comprehended it not. (This talks about the Jewish System....the Laws and all of those things).

Verse 9: John testified, "That was the true Light (Jesus) which enlightens every man that comes into the world.

So what does he say here? He says that John was not that light but he testified of the true light which enlightens every man that comes into the world. We have taken this as meaning that every man is already enlightened. No, that is not what it means. The context here is Jew and Gentile. This Word was not only for the Jews but for every man that comes into this world. It possesses the ability to enlighten Jew or Gentile --- whosoever can believe it! And he explains it in verse 12.

:12 But as many as received Him, to them gave he the power to come into being as the sons of God to them who believe on His name. .. Glory to God!

Well, Church, what I have said here is so powerful today. It is such an awesome message and I wrap it up by saying this: The life, the Word of God promising us eternal life... not heaven! Church, I don't say that we are not going to heaven. I will go to heaven if it would happen that I would pass away, I will go to heaven but that will not be my final abode. **God didn't promise me heaven. He promised me eternal life inside a human body for we shall be in the likeness of His resurrection. And that message is what enlightens our lives in the here and now, to the life that is free from the fruit of the flesh. Glory to God!** God promised us that life when we believe that God has come to glorify, not just my mind, not just my spirit but He actually came to save me from death. He came to bring a seed that can produce life in my body and as we believe that, do you know what happens? All of a sudden we start to find value in a human body. We start to find value in the salvation in the body and God

saving us from what kills us in the human body, saving us from this body of death giving us a glorified body by His Word.

So, the light that enlightens you, is the Life that was in Jesus which was a life that conquered sin and death and that brought a physical body into a glorified body which was free from sin and death and that life is what enlightens us today. The Bible says that there were some who loved darkness rather than light. The Bible says to walk in the light as long as it is there. As long as we see that message of life, believe in it that it might produce its fruit in you. Don't look at the light and try to **do** the light. Look at the light and **believe** the light. What is there to believe about the light... that the light will enlighten you, putting the emphasis on the light to expel darkness and not your will power. Glory to God!

Well, Church, that is what I have on my heart for you today. Let' us pray together.

Father, I thank You so much, that I could deliver this message and I trust that people are deeply blessed by this message. Thank You, Father! Amen!

If you have not received Jesus as your Savior or the Light of your life, I would like to invite you to receive Him as your life and not your own works. I would also like to invite you to pray with me right now in receiving this Gospel as this Truth about you. Let us pray together:

Father, I thank You that I can pray for people who are watching from all over the world right now and I would like to lead them in a prayer and I thank You, Father, that they will pray with me right now.

If you want to receive Jesus as the Light of your life, pray this prayer with me.

Lord, Jesus Christ, Your life is my life. You promised me life as You live by the Father, so I will live by You. Thank You that I can see what You have done. Your Word has ended my belief in how powerful sin and death is and I believe that I will now live by You.

I receive You as the One Who saved me from death and saved me from sin by taking my death, taking my sin. You saved me. I receive You, Jesus, and I receive freedom from sin in the flesh for I don't live by the flesh anymore but by the Spirit that raises me. Amen and amen!

If you prayed that prayer and you would love to fellowship with people around it, please feel free to contact any of our Web pastors and we would love to help you in these first steps in understanding more of the Gospel.

I want to just thank everybody who have been supporting this ministry faithfully financially. Thank you for your contributions, it is highly appreciated!

Thank you to everybody who is excited about our building project. I just want to say something about the building project. I am not trying to get money from anybody. We are building this with money that has already been received so we are not planning to get anything from you. We are just sharing what God is doing and I wanted to thank everybody that has been happy with us with what you see on the web and how we have renovated our office and building a nice new studio where we can do all our recording. So thank you for being happy with us and thank you for sponsoring this ministry. God bless you and know that you are deeply loved by God. Amen