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The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

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Father, thank You for Your great love and thank You for Your mercy! Thank You for the honor that we can know You! Thank You that You know us and that You've had a plan with man, to bring man to a place where we can actually share in Your quality of life.

Thank You, Father, that You have come to share Trinity Dynamics with us. Thank You, Lord, that this is not about rules and regulations but it's about You living in us and so that we can have eternal life. Thank You for that, Father.

Father, speak through me to Your people today in a way that everybody's faith will be stirred and every person will realize Who You are and they will just experience the abundance of this life that You have given to us, in Jesus' mighty name. Amen and amen!

I want to talk a little bit about the Law, what is the Law, where did the Law come from, why was the Law given, how does this whole Law thing work and from there I am sure that many of us will conclude why people in the Old Testament died because of the Law and all those kind of things. I still wish I could just mix that in with our innocence and John the Baptist and those kind of things. I don't know if I will be able to get there. It's amazing, you know, I go to a place and every time that I minister I can minister even the very same message but it comes out completely differently because of the people that are there and how they need it and what they need. So, know that you are very special to God and that God will bring it forth in a way that you can hear it and it that it can actually stir your heart and maybe stretch your belief a little bit. That's always a good thing to do, you know, to just stretch that belief a little bit and get to a place where you can really experience the peace of God.

I want to start off by looking at God and Who God is and how God functions and then we will look at the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. I think it is very important for us to understand what the tree of the knowledge of good and evil actually is, why that tree was there, how it was planted, what it really means. When we can start to understand those kind of things then we will have a heart that is opened up, that is open for what is actually taking place today and what He has done for us in Jesus Christ today. We will start to understand what it means to live in Christ. We will start to understand what it means that Christ lives in us.

We need to realize that when God made man He made man in His image and in His likeness but man was naked. What that means is that man did not have his own glory. He was not clothed at all. The only thing that could clothe Him was the glory of God. That was the only thing that could clothe him. He was clothed by God Himself. In himself and what that nakedness means is, in himself, he never had the ability to be like God... but actually to be like anything! Man is a vessel. This vessel possesses a mind, a will and emotions. He possesses unique characteristics... things like belief, trust and faith and that vessel possessed the ability that when he believed in God that God would clothe him with the very life and the immortality that God possessed. Now, just by what I said there, you need to get the DVD and

go and study it because so many times as you preach you say things that took God ten years to teach you and you say it in five minutes and then you say, "Oh, Lord, help me! Help the people that they can understand!"

When we look at the way God functions and we look at **Genesis 1:1** it says, "**In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth...**" That word, God, is a very unique word. The word, God, and I am sure you have heard this before, is the plural for the word God or the plural for the word, ruler. So the word, God, in the Hebrew when it says, in the beginning God, it doesn't talk about one. It talks about more than one. It is the Hebrew word Elohim. Eloah is the word for God and Elohim is the plural like you would get a cherub which is one and cherubim is more than one. So you get Eloah and Elohim. When you hear the "im" it is plural. So when it says, "In the beginning God... it says, the more than one." "In the beginning, the more than one brought forth the heaven and the earth."

I can explain to you a little about how God created certain things and how He brought things forth and when we look at families, just a normal family, we can start to understand God for we are made in His image and in His likeness. I am married to Helena, my wife, and when we got married almost 21 years ago it was just the two of us. In the beginning it was just us. Then after awhile, on account of relationship and intimacy, we found that children came forth. But before that we found that a business came forth, and a job and a car and certain things came forth out of this relationship. And from this union we found stuff being created. That's the idea that we must get when the Bible says, "In the beginning God created." Even that word, created, there is bar – aleph., if you look in the Hebrew. Bar means son of and Aleph talks about the first one which is God. So the word, create, means the Son of God. So when God created, He said that everything that came forth was a result of who He is. So we got the relationship between the Father and the Son. This relationship is called a love relationship. God is love. So the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, the relationship that they are in we call a love relationship or another word for love is contentment.... to be content with. So the Father would look at the Son and He would be fully content with what He beholds in the Son. Another meaning for the word, love, is to have your emotions basically stirred up with happy feelings of joy and satisfaction on account of this beauty that you behold.

So when we say that God is love we must ask ourselves the question, "Who did God love before time if God was love?" You cannot define love when there is only one person. It's impossible. If there is just one being, how do we define love because love needs more than one to exist? So, if we say that God is love and God has always been love, then we need to ask ourselves, "Who did He love?" If you want to say that God is a God of grace, we must ask ourselves, "Before time, was He grace or did grace only start when Adam sinned?" Who is this God that we deal with? How does He function? How does He operate? How do all these things work?

Like, for instance, the word, mercy. We have seen mercy as overlooking sin but if you really study out the word mercy you find that mercy actually existed long before man existed and mercy existed in the Trinity. The Father and the Son were merciful to each other and you can think, "How can that be possible?" Now that is really stretching my brain because the Father never sinned. Jesus never sinned. How could they have mercy? **The word, mercy, in the Hebrew means to bow your head in adoration to an equal. In other words, when you see somebody of equal stature and you honor his design, you honor who he is.** It would be like if Michael Phelps walked in here and Chad Le Clos, the guy who beat him in a recent race, come in here and they see one another in the same room, you'll find they will nod their head in acknowledgment of what is in the other one. That's the word for mercy. Amen!

So when God is merciful to your sin, it means He still deals with you from the platform of equality and He honors your design, He honors who and what you are and He doesn't see you on a lower level just because you have been enslaved by something that killed you. He would nod His head in adoration and in acknowledgment of who and what you are and He will say, "Only the Lamb is worthy, only the Son of God is worthy of this person that is even in sin. That's called mercy.

There are so many things that we can get into but the concept that I want to bring across is that mercy, love, kindness, all the attributes of God lived in God in family form between the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. We can actually go so far as to say it is the Father and the Son living in the Holy Spirit for the Spirit is actually the life of God which is love, which is persuasion, which is faith. Before time we found that the Father believed in the Son and the Son believed in the Father. That's what Jesus talked about when He said, "The glory that I had with You before I came to the earth." We find the family relationship there which is very, very important to understand because without understanding that, I want to tell you that we actually have no foundation from where we can define the Gospel.

So, whenever we look at Scripture we have to interpret it inside family logic. If it's not inside family logic, my friend, then you are not busy with what the Bible is actually saying. One thing we need to realize is when Jesus came to the earth, the Bible says that no one, no one, has ever seen God, no one. Not Elijah, not Moses, not David, no one, has ever seen God but Jesus had declared Him. The word declare is where we get our word, exegesis, from for those who like to study theology. It means to express or to bring forth, to draw from and portray. So what Jesus did was, He said if you look at all the Old Testament scriptures and if you look at everything that was ever said about God, this is what was meant. This is what was intended and you saw a man that loves sinners, that was speaking good to people, that became sin for others, that killed nobody and that gave life as a free gift to all people, that did not make a difference between a sinner or a person who lives good. He loved all the same. We see man who doesn't bring sickness to anybody, who doesn't try to test people and put them through hard times. We see a man who is not begging money from people. We see a man who loves people and actually gives His life to them and that is the full expression of the Father. And when Jesus talks about God, He says, "This is My Father." But Jesus is also called, Everlasting Father, which is amazing. How can the Father be called Father and Jesus be called Everlasting Father? Very simple... The Father , which we would say, God, the Father, what Jesus was saying is,"Who I am find My power and its life in you." And then Jesus is also called the Everlasting Father and then the Father says to the Son, "Who I am is found in You." So You have formed my life so much and I have shaped Your life so much that we actually look the same.

Let me use basic relationship logic about that. I've seen this many times in my life. If you see some old people who have been married for sixty years, you'll find that the guy and the lady look like each other. Come on... all of you know it is like that. It must be like that.... it's the only hope I have! My wife says it's the only hope she has to be skinny.

In the very same way with God. When you look at something and you start to believe in something, and you trust the one you behold, you find that that which you behold shapes your life. If you go to Wisconsin, where the Packers are, and you look at the Packer's fans, they like Packers. They look like them. They act like them. They behold and what they behold, they become. That's just the way it is. That is not a bad thing. That is the way we have been made for that's how God is. If the Father beholds the Son and the Son beholds the Father, what they behold, they become. That's how they are one. They are a family unity.

Now, this God came and He made man and the reason why He made man in His image and in His likeness was to give man access to that family dynamic that there was, which we call birth. In other words, let's take politics for instance, I can come from South Africa to America and I can know nothing about your politics and then I can start to watch the News. As I watch it, if I watch FOX, I'll get a certain idea and if I watch CNN I will get a certain idea. And as I look at these things, then out of all that information I will start to believe a certain thing about your President and what I believe about him, will form my life. That's just the way it is. If I believe that he is good, then he will have a good influence on me and some of the things he does, I will want to do that. If I believe that he is not good then I would want to do the opposite of what he does. That is the dynamic we have in being human. We believe and it shapes our life and that is why it is impossible to be saved without faith. You need faith to be saved because it is part of a God dynamic. So here we see man being made by God. He has a mind. You have to be able to think. You have to be able to believe. You will have to be able to experience emotions. You'll have to be able to have all these wonderful attributes and then when God can come and show Himself to you then He can come and strum the strings of your heart with His love. He can come and activate good thoughts in your mind. He can bring forth a persuasion of Who and what He is and since you are in His image and likeness it can bring forth a certain life in you and in that way God can actually then share His life with you and you can feel what it feels like to be like Him! Okay? Is that very complicated? I've just explained to you just normal family, father, mother, son. That's all I have explained but that is true in God.

So God comes and He makes this guy and He calls him Adam. In order for man to be in a place where he is just like God, where God can shape his life and where God can clothe him with God, man has to have what we call choice or to live from a place of a persuaded heart. So God has got to come and persuade Adam's heart of His goodness and His love and His design. So what God would do is, and we get this from the book of Genesis, God would come in the cool of the day and then He would come and visit with Adam. He would come and fellowship with Adam and just spend some time with Adam and Adam would behold this good God, for God is good, isn't He!

The Bible says that right after Adam sinned, God came in the cool of the day and Adam and Eve heard God walking in the Garden. Now, how did they hear God? Did they hear God like a big dinosaur, shaking the earth with every step, breaking the bushes, looking for Adam who has just sinned? I remember years ago I was teaching, I taught this, and I've also been taught this, that the moment you sin, God preaches up. When Adam sinned, when he ate of that tree, here's God. No, when you sin, judgment. And that's the idea we had of God: when we sin, judgment! But that's not the picture that Genesis paints. The picture that Genesis is painting is that Adam sinned and God just continued as if nothing happened! It didn't change God! God still came in the cool of the day. The idea we have there is a time of rest, not a time of work and labor. Not a time of tending of the Garden but a time when the work is done when you rest and in that calm atmosphere of rest, here God comes. But they hear God walking in the Garden. How did they hear God? Very simple! If three people come walking down the street, you'll hear them because they will be talking, they'll be laughing, there will be family relationship there. Isn't it? That's what will be there and I believe that's how they heard God! They heard the relationship that God has.

And then the Bible says then God came to a point where He says, "Where's Adam?" It would be like having an appointment with a good friend every Friday for coffee. The appointment is at ten and ten o'clock comes and ten o'clock goes and he is not there. Then you will call your friend, (and let's say his name is Adam) and you will say, "Adam, where are you?" Where are you? It's not a thing of, "What have you done? I want to sort it out!" It's, "Adam, where are you?" We see family relationship all the time. So, Adam could behold God. He could see the knowledge God had. He could see how good

relationship looked. He could see all those wonderful things in God. He could behold that. He could see the foundation of a good life. Like a child in the house would see a father loving the mother and how they treat one another with respect and love and care and all those kind of things. And he can behold all that good. Now, why am I saying all of this? There was also a thing in the Garden called the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. And God said to Adam and Eve, 'You should not eat of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. You should not eat of that tree for if you eat of the fruit or the result, or that which comes forth, from knowing good and evil, you will die! You will surely die!' What it actually said in the Hebrew is "Of that death you will die". You will die, die, or of that death you will die. So what is this tree of the knowledge of good and evil?

When you look at the knowledge of good, have you ever asked yourself the question, "What would the knowledge of good be?" You shall not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good. Before I get to good, let us define, eat. How do we eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? How do we eat of the tree of life? That's a simple question and we know how we eat of the tree of life: we believe in Jesus. Isn't it? And that's how we eat of it. How do we eat the flesh of Jesus and drink His blood? We believe in what the flesh concludes and what the flowing of the blood concludes. When we believe that, what happens is believing is like eating. When you eat something, you take and it enters your body and then gives life to your body according to what you have eaten. When you believe that information and what you see enters your heart. And when it enters your heart, it gives life according to what you believe. So, if I believe that a human body is glorified and is seated at the right hand of the Father as my High Priest and I behold that body and I say, "That body, that man, is the word of God about my life", what happens? That body, that belief enters my heart and then feeds my emotions, feeds my thoughts, feeds my actions, and then I am born from that truth. Do you see why it is impossible to be born- again without believing?

So, how do we eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? Let's first start with that tree. What kind of a tree was it? Was it an apple tree or a fig tree? What kind of a tree was it? You need to ask that. The other day I was in an argument, I wouldn't say, argument but a debate. A debate with a guy about the tree. He thinks it was either a fig tree or some tree. I can see how he would think it is a fig tree. But if it was a fig tree, what tree was the tree of life? I have a friend from school who says he believes the marijuana tree is the tree of life. Really! So, come on now, let's define the tree of life here. In Colorado they really think it is. They feel life just started.

What is the tree of life? **THE TREE OF LIFE IS GOD HIMSELF! IT'S JESUS CHRIST!** The Bible calls us trees of righteousness. Now where are your leaves? Where are your branches? No, no, a tree is something where you take a seed and put it in the ground and it grows. In other words, a tree is the result of a word. So, God is a certain word. He's the message of relationship and oneness and all those kind of things. When we eat of that, when we can believe that we are included into that, and if we are, meaning if there is a human in that Trinity, and we can eat that seed or that word, then we will grow, that word will grow in us and we will be called the trees of righteousness. Now we can start to define what the tree of the knowledge of good and evil is. **It is a certain message that is then believed. If you believe that message, that message will make you a tree with fruit and you will know the tree by its fruit for that is a seed.**

Are you understanding what I am saying? I have never preached this message as nice as tonight. I just feel it is so nice. So, when we look at this tree, what would good be. If God said to Adam, "The tree of the knowledge of good...", what would Adam understand on the good? We see in Matthew 21 that the guy., the rich, young ruler, comes to Jesus and says to Jesus, "Jesus, good Master." And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good for there is only One who is good and that is God?" So the tree of the

knowledge, having knowledge, experiential knowledge of good and evil, if we believe in the fruit of having knowledge of good, which is God and evil, which is works, you'll die! Now, let me explain that.

The good was only God and remember how I have explained to you how the Trinity functions and how there is wonderful family relationship built on the most wonderful principles of love, the principles of giving, the principles of self-sacrifice, the principles of others centeredness, and all those beautiful things! Now imagine that I take all the good that is in God, all of the good in God and I say, "I believe that I am going to take all this good and I am going to do this good and thereby I will be like the God I behold", I will die. That is why the Bible says that the Law is holy and I am going to explain to you, now, why it says that the Law is holy and why it says that the Law is good. Paul says that but he says that that Law will kill me. How does that work? It all comes from the Garden. It all comes from a certain belief system. It all comes from a certain way of thinking, a certain way of believing. So what did Adam do? Adam looked at God and looked at how beautiful God is. He looked at how holy God is. He looked at all the wonderful family principles that there is in God and then he said, "Well, if I can do, if I can take God and jot Him down, take all the principles in the Trinity and do it, then I will also live.

The word, evil, where it says, "The tree of the knowledge of good and evil..." if you read the Septuagint, which is the Greek Old Testament, the word evil means to be full of labor or hard works; to be harassed or oppressed by labor. That is the word of evil. So if you eat, if you believe in, having experiential knowledge of the good in God and then working the good, if you believe that, if you have that seed in you, you will die, for we have not been created to be people who duplicate God or copy God. We have been created to be people who are the recipients of the effect of God. So, you find a Father loving the Son and in this love He comes and loves you. He gives you a garden. He gives you His life. He is good to you. He fellowships with you and as He fellowships with you and as He is good to you, He brings forth joy in you. He brings forth kindness in you and the very joy He brings forth is His own joy. The very kindness He brings forth is His own kindness by loving you. The Bible says, "We love for He has first loved us." He says, "Forgive one another as Christ has forgiven you. Amen. That is what He says.

So we are not to look at Christ, look at God, jotting down, seeing how the Father loves the Son and then say, "Well, we see the Father and the Son loving each other and because they love each other, we see it produces so much life, it produces so much happiness, so let us have happiness, let us have life by just doing what God does. I'll give you an example. If you take Michael Phelps and you study him for six months. You look at him and you say, "Man, what a hero! He is such an awesome person! Look how he can swim! He entertains me! When I see Michael Phelps swim, it brings tears to my eyes. It brings adoration. It makes me so happy!" So, what happens? Michael, by what he does, brings forth joy in your heart. When he wins, he is happy but what happens when he wins? When you believe in him, you share in his joy. So, he works very hard to bring forth joy and then shares that joy with you. You are not a swimmer. You might not even be able to float in a swimming pool. You can swim like a brick. Now that's how you might be but you can have the joy of winning a competition... a swimming competition. You can have the joy of winning the Olympics by sharing in his joy when he wins.

Now, what will cause your death is if you go and say, "I want to go and live with Michael Phelps for six months and you jot down everything he does: how hard he trains, his diet program, everything, and then you say, "I am now going to be Michael Phelps!" Michael Phelps will kill you! I hope you understand what I am saying. That's why the Bible says in the Old Testament: "And God killed them!" Because people were beholding God. Adam came, he beheld God, he believed that he can, not by Who God is, have life but by himself following the principles of God, in other words, doing the good, have the very life or what we would call immortality or eternal life, he could live and never die by following

those principles. Church, I want to tell you, as difficult as it is for us to believe, the modern day church is flooded, flooded, with that kind of thinking. We are not at a place, but many of us are getting there, we are starting to see the grace of God. Grace means influence. We are seeing how God influences man so that man can have life.

How does man have life? God comes and incarnates dust. Then He takes that dust and dies away everything that kills the dust and then He raises it up and puts it at the right hand of the Father. So that we as humans can know how we should relate to God. We can now say, "Man is seated in the Trinity on account of God. Man has eternal life on account of God. God's good work, God's effort, God's love, God's kindness has given me life and when I believe that, I find that that truth enters my heart, that seed gives birth to the life the seed comes from. That fruit has a seed. What is the fruit of life? We see the fruit of life in Jesus and the Father. The Father comes, He brings forth eternal life inside a human being which is Jesus. The fruit of His love, the fruit of His Trinity, the fruit of His kindness, the fruit of Who He is takes a human being and puts Him eternally in the Trinity. When we behold that Man and we can believe and eat of that fruit and say, "I feed on that reality", the seed that is inside the fruit enters my heart and gives birth to the very same life in me!" Hallelujah! That is why when people say to me that you can be saved without faith I just laugh because it is impossible! It is just impossible! It can not be. It is outside of design It is outside of our origin. It is again the Satanic thing of,"You do not have to believe in God, just do your own." No, no, no! We just believe! And do you know the wonderful thing about God is He is believable. If you just see Who He really is, it is very difficult not to believe in Him.

So, the word, good, means beautiful. When you eat of the tree of the knowledge of good, what is the good? Here is the meaning of that word, good: beautiful, handsome, excellent, imminent, choice, surpassing, precious, useful, good, excellent in its nature and characteristics and therefore well adapted to its end, beautiful by reason of purity of heart and life and hence praise worthy. I repeat two points here, good, excellent in nature and characteristics. So if you eat of the tree of the knowledge of good, it means excellent in its nature and characteristics. So if you eat of the tree of the knowledge of good, you take all the characteristics: things like, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart." Why? Because we see the Father loves the Son with all His heart and the Son loves the Father with all His heart. We see that the Father does not desire anything of the Son. There's a contentment inside Him. They just love one another. We find that the one doesn't cheat on the other one. They are really one with one another, only, and we can jot down the whole law, even the Sabbath rest, they find their rest in one another. We can write all of that down but if we take all that good and we say we want to work the good, what we are actually doing is, we are not seeing ourselves included into the Trinity. We are seeing ourselves excluded and we are saying, 'Let's behold the good, do the good and then I will have my own life.

We see that with the prodigal son. We call him the prodigal son, the younger brother. When he was born, where was he born? He was born, let's say, on a farm with a father who already paid for the farm, debt free, he didn't work for it, he didn't build the house, he did absolutely nothing. He just came and was born into that and he was the heir. Both of the sons were heirs and then what did the younger brother do? The younger brother looked at everything the father did and he got good knowledge of it and he said, "I want what is mine." The father said, "It's good. All these things are yours. My righteousness is your righteousness. What I possess is yours." But what the younger guy go and do? He went to another country.... to do what there... to go and become poor? No! He went there to go and be rich! He wanted to take all the good that he had seen with the father, everything he could inherit, all the knowledge he could get, all the stuff he could get and he wanted to go and recreate the very same thing he sees here by applying all the very same principles that he had been taught here and yet in another country and then he would have be his own god. He would have been the one who has his own, that has

what the father has but the foundation is his ability... and not the father that gives it continually. He would not be living in the house of the father. He would be living in his own house, copying the father being another farmer. Then what happened? When he realized, "I cannot!" When he realized, "I am wasting my life by trying to copy my father!" When he realized that he became a slave looking at pigs, he has nothing to eat, that the system that says, "Do what you see your father do and therefore you will have life." When he sees that cannot feed him, when he sees that cannot clothe him, he came to himself. He came to the place where he said, "This is not about me doing. I have a father! I have one who can give birth to this life in me. I have a father. He even gives birth to a good life to his servants. So let me go back to my father and let me repent of this self doing, self effort thing, and go back under his jurisdiction where he is my joy, where he is my righteousness, where everything he does and says is mine and where everything that belongs to him belongs to me." And he went back and what did the father do? He slaughtered the fatted calf.

The older brother came in and he was very upset. What did the father say? The father said, "Why are you upset? This son of mine, **which was dead**, he's alive!"

What happens when you eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? You will die! What happened to this younger brother? He died! Why? Because he took the knowledge of all the good, took it for himself, used it in his own ability and thought that by that he was going to be blessed. It could have been the purest motives but it couldn't bring life.

The older brother was at the right place but he couldn't believe that it was his! We need to be at the place where we don't produce righteousness or want to work righteousness, but where we believe we are righteous with His righteousness, where we believe we are holy with His holiness and where we believe that His life belongs to me meaning, I am not going to try to love to have a life of love... I am the co-owner of love! I own love! I own it with God! I'm a co-heir of what Jesus has inherited in His resurrection. And what happens to me? Now I have life! As I believe that, that seed comes and the seed of the Father bears its fruit in me and I am set free!

When we look at the ministration of death, what is this? Paul comes and he says, in 2 Corinthians 3:7, "The ministration of death written and engraved on stones..." That's the Law. That will kill you! Then it says, "But sin, taking occasion by the Law wrought in me all manner of lust for without the Law sin was dead." The meaning for the word, sin, here is to be without a share in or to miss the mark, you are not sharing in the prize. You're missing the mark or you're just not a partaker of it. So, when we come and we say, if we come and say, "His life is my life!", not just as a cognitive thing but where you can behold Jesus seated as a human at the right hand of the Father and that's the only Truth about you and you say, "That life is my life!" When you can say that you will find true life in you but when you say, "I behold the life in the Trinity and I will do that!" The moment you say, "I will do!" that moment you are not sharing any more in that life not on account of God not sharing it with you but you substantiating you from that life for you still put yourself through your belief in the place where you say that life must still be created. I must go and do it! I am sorry that this message is too complicated but I am enjoying myself!

Let's bring it to finances. If we see that the Father gave His Son and then the Son, in giving His Son, it produced that there are many other sons. Then we can say, "The Father sowed and He reaped a lot of sons." Isn't it? And now we can say, "Well, look how rich God is! I can be as blessed. All I need to do is do what God does." ... and you'll die! The other way is to say, "I behold God. His life is my life. As sure as what He has provision for evermore, that's how sure I have it! When I behold Him, I see His generosity and I say, 'I'm generous!'" It's completely different than sowing and reaping. Sowing and

reaping will kill you but beholding your generosity as who you are, you'll find the life of God called generosity actually live in you! The other thing will kill you! I don't care if you have twenty scriptures. I don't care if you have a testimony! Abraham also had a testimony that he could, by his flesh, produce something... Ishmael. Then the Bible says, "Cast out the bond woman with this child." In other words, "Throw out that human effort trying to produce what God has promised plus the testimony you got from it. Don't come and testify, it's like testifying about children you have with another woman. You're so proud of that! No! You should be quiet! Don't boast by what you got right in the flesh! My goodness! It will work... flesh works. Ask Abraham. It works. The thing is it is not from God!

We've had this thing as Christians that God wants us to bear fruit. The Bible says, "It is My will that you bear much fruit." Then what we said was, "Well we don't care where the fruit comes from. As long as there is fruit, glory to God! And as long as the fruit looks good. What I am about to say to you didn't happen. It is just a story. I remember preaching in Dallas and a guy came to me after the service and said, "I am so sorry that this happened to you!" Now let me tell you the story. Imagine I'm a young guy and I have a passion for missions but I don't have a lot of money. I have some money and my wife has some money. She works and I work and when we get enough money we go and preach. Imagine she says she cannot go on this trip. She cannot get a holiday or some vacation to go with me. She just has to work. This is a three month trip. We really want kids. I go on this trip and it's in the middle of Zambia in the middle of the African bush and there's no telephone communication. After three months I come back and she says, "Honey, I got good news! I couldn't phone you. There's no telephone communication. I'm pregnant!" I say, "My goodness! Three months pregnant! I can't even see anything!" She said, "No, no, no! I'm only two weeks pregnant!" That's a problem!

Imagine I say to her, "Are you crazy? I'm preaching my heart out and what are you busy with while I'm suffering for Jesus!" And imagine that she says, "Then what's your issue? Wasn't the vision that we would bear fruit?" No! **The vision is not that we will bear fruit. The vision is that you will bear my fruit.** That's the vision!" I hope you understand. **God's vision is not that you love. God's vision is that His love lives in you! God's vision is not that you give. God's vision is that His generosity will live in you! God's vision is not that you are kind. It's that His kindness can be born in you. And that can only happen by believing that there is a man in the full equality of God at the right hand of the Father and that would be the word of God about you. If you can believe that and you can see that and your heart can appropriate that as the only truth about you, you will have eternal life and you will never die! You will live forever with the life of God for the eternal life of God will start to live in you.** There is only one eternal life and that is that of God and unless He gives it to you, you cannot have it. And the only way that He can give it to you, in a way that you can have it as He has it is by you believing that there is a man in the Trinity.

Do you know why all people after Adam were sinners? Because everyone born after Adam could not behold a man in the Trinity for there was not one. When they looked at God, they saw a bright light. They could not see that there is a man as holy, as righteous, as God where they could believe it and be born of it for there was no such a man. Then there was the first born from the dead, Jesus, a human, who got put there and now man can see a man there and be born from that truth. Glory to God! Amen!

Let us put it this way: I think we can talk a little about this tomorrow about the Law that will be written on your heart. Know this: The Law that will be written on your heart will never be the Ten Commandments. The Law that will be written on your heart will never be the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. It will never be, what we call, principles! No! God will never write that Law on your heart! What He will write on your heart is the Law by which He could produce life in you and that Law says the following: If a human being can come and die away all death and be raised from the dead and

seated at the right hand of the Father and man can see that Truth, then man will live. That is the Law of Life in Christ. It is the Law of the Spirit of Life. When the Spirit of your innocence, when the Spirit of your forgiveness, when the Spirit of your righteousness starts to indwell your heart, then you find that that Spirit raises you up and that is the Law of the Spirit of Life. That's what God will write on your heart. The Law that He will write on your heart is the principle by which He brought forth life to man. Not principles of how to prosper. Not principles on how to be good to your family. None of those principles. He will just write one thing on your heart and that is your union with God in Jesus. Hallelujah! If you can believe that, if your heart gets persuaded about that, you find God born in you and you will live forever more. Man, I think I've said enough!

Father, I want to thank You. I want to just come here with all these people here together and we just want to pray this prayer. Everyone pray this prayer with me. Say,

“Lord, Jesus, write Your Law on my heart. Your Law of liberty, Your Law of life, write it in my belief. I am open. I am available. Write Your righteousness in my heart. Here I am. Holy Spirit, Your life is my life. You are the Truth about me. Hallelujah! Oh, glory to God.

Thank You, Father, what we have been speaking here today is holy. It's God. We cannot bring this up by human intellect. This is born from the Creator of all things. This is the wisdom of God that is higher and wider and longer than what any man could ever imagine. This is what could not come up in the mind of a man what he could never imagine in the Old Testament is that there would be a Man seated at the right hand of the Father. Impossible! But now we can see it. Now we can believe it. Thank You for that, Father, in Jesus' mighty name! Thank You, Lord.

I just declare you are forgiven. You are set free! I declare that Jesus is the Word of God about your life. I declare that Jesus is the final authority on what God says about you. See a man at the right hand of the Father. See a human being seated there. See yourself perfectly one with Him and then you can see how you don't try to live but how you've come alive. How you say, “It's not I who live but it is Christ living in me.” Thank You, Father! We worship You! We praise You! Thank You, Lord! Thank You, Lord!

I feel the Lord says to say these words: There is someone here who says, “This sounds too good to be true and far fetched but I believe the Lord said that I must tell you, “Sit and rest in this Truth.. It will change your life! God says, “Sit and rest. I will give you life.” Rest in this, meaning, let your mind go to rest at the integrity of God portrayed in this Gospel and you will see a life come to you that you have never had in your life which is the life of God. Hallelujah!

There is somebody here.... your daughter is ill. Who is that? It's your daughter? Come here, I want to pray for you.

Father, I just bring healing over that child's life now and I thank you that Tianna ... You said You are healing that daughter right now and I just bring healing to her right now. Thank You, Father, healing over that daughter right now. I heal you in the mighty name of Jesus. I feel the Lord says, “Let your heart rest in His integrity and if you feel that you don't have faith, if you feel that things get too much for you concerning her, or concerning anything, don't try and believe. Go and sit down and say, : “Father help my unbelief. Persuade my heart. My heart is Yours. Persuade my heart.” and you will find that He will persuade your heart. Amen! Glory to God!