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I John 5:6 "This is He that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth."

A miracle transpires when anyone believes that Jesus is the Son of God. In this verse we read of the three Witnesses that God has given to us. As we believe this threefold Witness God will enable us to live the real over-coming life in Christ Jesus. It is for our victory and blessing that we receive it in the Name of our Lord.

I John 5:8 "And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood; and these three agree in one." That word "THREE" is in the masculine gender. The Greek word for THREE is "TREIS". The spirit, and water, and blood are neuter. Instantly you realize you are faced with a revelation that is beyond the ordinary language. There are three masculine Beings that bear witness in the earth --- the Spirit, the water, the blood.

John gives them personality because the word used is TREIS. In ordinary language we would have to use the word TRIA for the neuter. TREIS shows the masculine. The original language is much finer than the English. Therefore, because the Holy Spirit uses TREIS it shows three masculine witnesses. It shows perfectly the three Beings of the Witnesses and "these three agree." Here again the Spirit uses the word TREIS, these THREE (TREIS) in the Greek and they are masculine. Always speak of the Spirit as "HE". Read I Cor. 12 ---can an "influence" give such gifts? No!

These THREE are embodied in the water, the blood, and the Spirit. The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are clothed in these Three. They are symbols of the Eternal Father. The words, water, blood, and spirit are neuter gender but are used in a masculine sense as they symbolize the Godhead.

The blood of the Covenant began in the time of Abraham. Blood flowed forth in rivers from the Jewish altars. The Three Witnesses in our heart will produce a mighty revival; a living and spiritual faith in these three will produce the overcoming life.

These Three earthly Witnesses touched the Nation of Israel; in the Passover they touched the blood; at the Red Sea they touched the water; in the Cloud they touched the Spirit; they had that three-fold testimony of God on them. The Church of God needs this three-fold testimony.

God wanted to separate National Egypt from the life of Israel. That is the reason for the water. Are you free from "Egypt" today? God wants a separation.

Then the Nation of Israel was led by the cloud and the Spirit. In the Tabernacle they must come by the blood. God showed, in the services in the Tabernacle that the blood was their constant way of communion with God. First they came to the Brazen Altar where the blood poured forth. We all have to come to the One Brazen Altar, Christ Jesus. Have you come by Christ Jesus, our Pacrifice? Then they came to the Laver with the water...water for cleansing. That Brazen Laver contained a looking-glass, a mirror in which to reveal any spot or blemish on the One who came near. Thank God for the Testimony of the Water. Last of all, in the most Holy or Ark of the Covenant was the cloud of God's pirit. They touched the blood, the water, the Ppirit, the three-fold Witness in the Tabernacle. That must be fulfilled in the Church now. Who is the Temple of the Living God now? THE CHURCH. In the life of Christ there is the Testimony of the Three.

Jesus came and was baptised in water in submission to the Father, fulfilling righteousness. As He was baptised in Jordan, we too must touch the testimony of the water. If it was necessary for Christ, it is necessary for us. There is something about water baptism that brings us into submission and yieldedness to the will of God.

Then Jesus was to become the sacrificed One. At the close of His life, first in the Lord's Supper He took of the cup and blessed it and spake concerning His blood. Then He went into the Garden and swet more drops of Blood. Then He went to the whipping-post for you and me, and the blood came forth again. The back of the Lord Jesus Christ became ONE bruse...by His STRIPE. His whole back became ONE STRIPE. The blood was manifested. Upon that back He had to bear the curse. No wonder He fell under the weight of it.

Then to the Cross where for six hours He hung between Heaven and earth and the blood poured forth. Here is the blood witness; sacrificial blood; His soul made an offering for sin. Then He uttered that CRY. He tasted an Eternity of hell. He is the Son of God, an Infinite Being. In those moments of agony on the cross He suffered hell. If you come to the cross you will see everlasting hell right in the sufferings of Jesus. He uttered the cry of a lost Being. The sufferings of Jesus in those few moments of time are more than the sufferings of millions of beings throughout all the years. He is infinite and we are finite. Thank God, Jesus touched the sufferings of hell for us. Oh, the mystery of that cry! Then the soldiers came and thrust in the spear and the blood came forth ---- the testimony of the blood once again.

Then we know how Jesus received the Spirit of God at the hands of the Father. Everything He did was done by the Spirit of God. He was raised again by the power of the Spirit and now lives forever by the power of the Holy Ghost.

Rev. I:5 "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful Witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood." We, the Church, are washed in the blood. Have we touched that testimony God has given us concerning His Son? There is no victory outside of the blood.

I John 1:7 "If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." With sin in the heart the pleading of the blood is of no avail. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

"If we walk in the light." Let us walk in the light that the blood may wash us continually. When you came to the Altar you were washed in the blood. Does His blood now wash you from sin? Are you on the good ground? Blood to wash us in; blood to cleanse us; blood to overcome day by day, all by the Sacrifice of Calvary.

After we toucn the blood, what is WATER for the Church of God? Reading in Acts, Romans, etc. shows us that God places an emphasis on the Water, baptised in the lines of His death; touching the water; being immersed and **bapt**ised in water; following the holy example of Christ as we read in Acts. I;8 "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you...." That standard was hurled forth on the day of Pentecost. We need this testimony of the water. The Church in the last days will accept this testimony of Christ.

The last testimony is the Spirit. In Acts, chapter 2 we read that the Holy Ghost came on the day of Pentecost and the early church was filled with the Holy Ghost. The water, blood, and spirit touched the church of God in fulness of power. When we, as full gospel people, cease to trust in the three-fold testimony of God we become "ICHABOD". God is calling us back to the old time power.

Sampson, with his shorn locks, is a type of the church in the last days. The church, starting out in the power of God in Pentacost, is flirting with the world and its locks are cut off; the power is gone.

God is waiting for us to use the gifts He sends us to touch the dying of the Lord Jesus Christ. The time will come when the glory of the Lord will touch everyone in that experience and the church will stand before Him, crucified as Christ was. God does not begin to manifest eternal life in the power of the Spirit until you and I have identified ourselves with and into the death of the Lord Jesus Christ. Christ was in the presence of God literally and actually long before that, but as the plan was devised Christ was in the Glory and was hidden from view until 4000 years of time had expired and He was then brought forth in the power and spirit of God. Every work of God has been built upon the Cross.

Christ died that repentance might come upon all mankind. With all the magnificent preaching we have, yet people go away as untouched as when they came in. We might just as well face the real truth. Death is the climax of Christian experience. To reckon yourself dead is all right if you live up to the reckoning. But we say we are dead and then we don't act like dead men. There is an untouched standard in Christ Jesus.

You cannot get a soul saved until their heart is broken because of their sin. There is more joy in a comprehension of the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ than any other experience you can get. God has lifted up a standard of holiness. That standard of holiness is Jesus Christ. We say it is untouchable, but when we do enter into this experience of death with Christ our lives are instantly become fruitful. We give out the message and it sinks into those who hear. If we confine ourselves to a limited vision, you are beginning to die in a limited sense. You will never touch the thing God has ordained for you in the life and death of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Church of the last days has got to pass through a Gethsemane and Calvary.

Heb. 10:20 "By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;" We are brought in under a new and living way through

the Veil, His flesh. If you ever get the idea of this teaching and live in the neighborhood of this teaching, you will solve your life problem. A veil is something that hides something from you. Paul was speaking of the veil in the temple. That veil, with its Cherubim of Glory, a symbol of the Father God and Holy Spirit, was a symbol of the flesh of Christ. This reveals that the Godhead Bodily is involved in the Atonement. God does not expect something of you that He has not accomplished, Himself. In that Tabernacle that Veil separated the Holy place and the Most Holy. The Most Holy place is always God. The veil hid the presence of God from the ordinary, every day ministry of the Tabernacle. Above that Mercy Seat the Glory of the Shekinah always shined. Here God always spoke in audible voices to Moses and Aaron. Paul says that Veil was the flesh of Christ. They saw Christ but they did not see the God in Him. The flesh of Christ was a veil that hid the marvelous presence of God. God was behind that Veil, but before God could be revealed in the holiest sense of all, the Veil had to be rent in twain. The Veil was rent diagonally. passing through the Cherubim of Glory.

This shows how the Godhead bodily was in the Atonement. They could then see the Holiest of all. When Christ died the Veil was lifted from Him. But until He died, the virtue, power, glory and eternal Godhead was hidden from the world. Your flesh is the veil that intervenes between you and God. While our flesh is in the ascendancy, the vision and power of God is hidden from us. Our worshipping and understanding is too light and frivilous concerning the subjects involved...the death and resurrection of Jesus and the salvation of a soul. It is only as your veil or flesh is rent that we are able to perceive and receive the marvelous out-pouring of Almighty God into the temple.

This body of ours has become a temple and there is a veil which is our flesh. They crucified Christ because they did not see God in Him. But God was in Him. When the veil was rent Christ ascended into the Holiest of all, into the Heavens itself. Can we see the possibilities that lie in our physical make-up when it is divested of its fleshly veil? When we allow ourselves to be rent and torn asunder? Sometimes we think the way of God is too hard for us, but it is not. It is our flesh that groans. But God did not create our spirit...He formed it of Himself within us. Our body is the created part and it is the body that groans.

If there is such a thing that this body be redeemed, it applies to those in the church in the last days of time that do not go into the grave. Are we willing for the veil of our flesh to be rent? On the other side of that riven veil we will come face to face with God. This is the STANDARD. As you stay by the Word and prayer, that Word will take you to the Cross of Christ.

We mentally and spiritually assent to the fact of the Cross and the Atonement, but it must become a part of our actual Christian experience. The three-fold revelation of God is contained throughout all your bible.

The ARK OF THE COVENANT was that Oracle that rested in the Holiest of all. Atonement was made everyday for sin on the outside. The Cherubim of Glory were looking down on those red blood stains that were sprinkled on the Mercy Seat, once every year. This was on the "ay of Atonement. The blood was sprinkled 7 times; seven big splashes of blood drops. The lamb was slain outside. Its blood was brought in to the Holiest of all by Aaron on the great Day of Atonement. Aaron was dressed in the golden vestments or bridal garments. With his thumb he sprinkled that blood 7 times on the Mercy Seat or Ark of the Covemant. As the operation was completed, the Glory of the Lord shined between the Cherubim. There is no Glory attributed to the Godhead, in our bible, greater than the glory of the sun that shines today. The Glory of the Lord as spoken of in our bible is never any greater than the sun as it will shine in the Millenium.

The Priest would take the live coals and put them on the Altar. Then he would take incense and put it on those burning coals. This would then come up over the Mercy Seat and please God. This is like the offering of prayer in these days. Nothing can happen to you while you are in prayer. "Thou that dwellest between the Cherubim." They are all a part of each other, the Mercy Seat with the Cherubim of Glory.

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