

ALL FOR ONE ONE FOR ALL

God's Heart Is ONE

Deut 6:4 HEAR, O ISRAEL: THE LORD OUR GOD, THE LORD IS ONE.

- God is ONE. God is not divided, double minded, fragmented or indecisive.
- Everything with/in God flows as and in ONE.

Jn 10:30 I and the Father are One.

Jn 17:20-23 Neither for these alone do I pray [it is not for their sake only that I make this request], but also for all those who will ever come to believe in (trust in, cling to, rely on) Me through their word and teaching, That they all may be one, [just] as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be one in Us, so that the world may believe and be convinced that You have sent Me. I have given to them the glory and honor which You have given Me, that they may be one [even] as We are one: I in them and You in Me, in order that they may be made perfect in one, that the world may know and [definitely] recognize that You sent Me and that You have loved them [even] as You have loved Me.

- The word perfect is the Greek word *teleioō* which means
 - 1) to make perfect, complete
 - 1a) to carry through completely, to accomplish, finish, bring to an end
 - 2) to complete (perfect)
 - 2a) add what is yet wanting in order to render a thing full
 - 2b) to be found perfect
 - 3) to bring to the end (goal) proposed
 - 4) to accomplish
 - 4a) bring to a close or fulfilment by event
 - 4a1) of the prophecies of the scriptures
 - Jesus prayed that man would be delivered from the ruinous effects of duality which results in internal and external division.
 - Jesus provided all that was necessary to redeem them/us but not to make them ONE.

Demons, Doctrines, Denominations, & Divisions

- The opposite of God's heart and vision of ONENess is divided visions or division.

1Tim 4:1 BUT THE [Holy] Spirit distinctly and expressly declares that in latter times some will turn away from the faith, giving attention to deluding and seducing spirits and doctrines that demons teach,

Gen 11:6 And the Lord said, Behold, they are one people and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do, and now nothing they have imagined they can do will be impossible for them.

- Division is God's judgment on mans' thinking that he can do something/anything apart from/without God.
- Because man was already divided from God, HE divided them from each other.

Ex 20:7 You shall not use or repeat the name of the Lord your God in vain [that is, lightly or frivolously, in false affirmations or profanely]; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

Jn 15:5 I am the Vine; you are the branches. Whoever lives in Me and I in him bears much (abundant) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing.

- The Hebrew word for vain is *shav* which conveys the sense of *desolating*; destructive evil, ruin, idolatry, uselessness, falsely, lie, lying.

- Many xtns think using the name of the Lord in vain mostly means profaning the name of God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit (???damnit, Jesus Christ!, sacre bleu) and there is an aspect of truism in that.
- A more accurate meaning of that verse is to say God inspired, initiated, indorsed and/or implemented something when in fact it was me or someone else doing "my/their own thing" and attaching God's name to it.
- Jesus made it very clear that apart from Him we can do nothing. The Greek word for nothing is *oudeis* and means not anything at all, never, none, not one thing.
- Obviously we haven't heard nor understood what Jesus meant because one doesn't have to look very far to hear/see all kinds of things accredited to His name, but are more likely a product of taking His name in vain.

1 Cor 1:11-13; 3:1-5 *For it has been made clear to me, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions and wrangling and factions among you. What I mean is this, that each one of you [either] says, I belong to Paul, or I belong to Apollos, or I belong to Cephas (Peter), or I belong to Christ. Is Christ (the Messiah) divided into parts?..... HOWEVER, BRETHREN, I could not talk to you as to spiritual [men], but as to nonspiritual [men of the flesh, in whom the carnal nature predominates], as to mere infants [in the new life] in Christ [unable to talk yet!] I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not yet strong enough [to be ready for it]; but even yet you are not strong enough [to be ready for it], For you are still [unspiritual, having the nature] of the flesh [under the control of ordinary impulses]. For as long as [there are] envying and jealousy and wrangling and factions among you, are you not unspiritual and of the flesh, behaving yourselves after a human standard and like mere (unchanged) men?*

For when one says, I belong to Paul, and another, I belong to Apollos, are you not [proving yourselves] ordinary (unchanged) men?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Ministering servants [not heads of parties] through whom you believed, even as the Lord appointed to each his task:

- Paul caught wind (discerning of spirits) of what was brewing in Corinth and because of that said he had to address them as non spiritual, carnal, mere infants....not as spiritual.
- All the letters Paul wrote and those in Revelation are addressed to the Ekklessia/Church (called out ONEs) in a specific, geographically/geopolitically defined locale. (Rome, Corinth, Ephesus, Sardis, Philadelphia, Laodicea, etc.)
- From God's perspective there is only to be ONE Ekklessia/Church in any defined geographical/geopolitical locale.
- What has happened since New Testament times with the formation and spread of denominations, movements, parachurch organizations testifies and bears witness to xtndom's carnality and divisions (approximately 40,000+).
- denomination = **1**. Identifying word or words by which someone or something is called and classified or distinguished from others; **2**. A group of religious congregations having its own organization and a distinctive faith.
- Xtn religion in all its many expressions has excelled in marketing its differences and divisions.

Fundamentalists

- Fundamentalists redefine unity of the Spirit to mean agreement on and adherence to their doctrines (distortions of Truth) and membership in their "thing called church".
- Fundamentalists resist embracing and walking in the progressive revelation of Christ (pressing on to our high calling, ascending and/or overcoming) because HE comes against their core belief "system" and doesn't fit in their box.
- To move on in God is challenging, risky and messy but remember.....God didn't child proof the garden.

Charismatics

- Charismatic denominations/movements add an emphasis on gifts and experiences to their doctrinal beliefs and practices.

Independents

- Independent works/movements are largely built around a strong personality.

Parachurch Organizations

- Parachurch Organizations are typically started and sustained to address some niche cause (Prison Ministry, WorldVision, YWAM, Campus Crusade, etc. - well over 250,000+) not addressed by the denominations and/or movements.

Causes of Division and/or Hindrances/Obstacles to Oneness

Matt 19:6 *So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man put asunder (separate).*

- To divide or separate what God has joined together is not something to be part of. Joining together what God hasn't is also something we don't want to be part of.
- Anything that separates us or joins us apart from God is an enemy to the purposes of God.

1 Cor 10:5-6 *Nevertheless, God was not pleased with the great majority of them, for they were overthrown and strewn down along [the ground] in the wilderness.*

Now these things are examples (warnings and admonitions) for us not to desire or crave or covet or lust after evil and carnal things as they did

- In **1 Cor 10** Paul refers to Israel's exodus from Egypt and their wilderness wanderings as examples to us.
- Out of the approximately 3 million people who came out of Egypt only 3 of those 20 or over (**Num 14:29**) entered the promised land and one of them was diseased (Joshua, Caleb and the bones of Joseph (**Ex 13:19; Josh 24:32**)).
- If half those who left Egypt and wandered in the wilderness were over 20 that would mean approximately 1.5 million people died in the wilderness. To put that into perspective, it is an average of 100 funerals a day.

Murmuring, complaining

Num 11:1 *AND THE people grumbled and deplored their hardships, which was evil in the ears of the Lord, and when the Lord heard it, His anger was kindled; and the fire of the Lord burned among them and devoured those in the outlying parts of the camp.*

1 Cor 10:10 *Nor discontentedly murmur as some of them did--and were put out of the way entirely by the destroyer (death).*

- The Greek word for murmur is *gogguzō* which means **1.** *to murmur, mutter, grumble, say anything against in a low tone*

1a. of the cooing of doves

1b. of those who confer secretly together

1c. of those who discontentedly complain

- Covenant, joining, fellowship is only established and sustained by the WORD but it can be easily destroyed by words.
- Father hears our murmuring and it is one of the main reasons His fire is needed to purify us.

Carnality

Num 11:4-6 *And the mixed multitude among them [the rabble who followed Israel from Egypt] began to lust greatly [for familiar and dainty food], and the Israelites wept again and said, Who will give us meat to eat? We remember the fish we ate freely in Egypt and without cost, the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions, and garlic. But now our soul (our strength) is dried up; there is nothing at all [in the way of food] to be seen but this manna.*

1 Cor 10:6 *Now these things are examples (warnings and admonitions) for us not to desire or crave or covet or lust after evil and carnal things as they did.*

Rom 8:6-8 *Now the mind of the flesh [which is sense and reason without the Holy Spirit] is death [death that comprises all the miseries arising from sin, both here and hereafter]. But the mind of the [Holy] Spirit is life and [soul] peace [both now and forever]. [That is] because the mind of the flesh [with its carnal thoughts and purposes] is hostile to God, for it does not submit itself to God's Law; indeed it cannot. So then those who are living the life of the flesh [catering to the appetites and impulses of their carnal nature] cannot please or satisfy God, or be acceptable to Him.*

- **Rom 8:1-8** speaks of those who walk in the Spirit as opposed to the flesh, those who are spiritual as opposed to those who are carnal.
- There was a mixed multitude because there was duality/mixture in the people.
- They weren't content, satisfied, with God's presence and provision so they desired fleshy, carnal things.
- To the extent that we cater to the appetites and impulses of our carnal nature and look elsewhere to that extent we become dried up, soulless, self satisfied, self pleasers.
- Xtndom is largely and more focused on the hand of God, His presents (what He'll do for me/we), rather than God's face, His presence (HIM).

Idolatry

Ex 32:4-6 *And he received the gold at their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made it a molten calf; and they said, These are your gods, O Israel, which brought you up out of the land of Egypt!*

And when Aaron saw the molten calf, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, Tomorrow shall be a feast to the Lord. And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play

1 Cor 10:7; 14 *Do not be worshipers of false gods as some of them were, as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink [the sacrifices offered to the golden calf at Horeb] and rose to sport (to dance and give way to jesting and hilarity).... Therefore, my dearly beloved, shun (keep clear away from, avoid by flight if need be) any sort of idolatry (of loving or venerating anything more than God).*

- Carnality inevitably manifests itself in idolatry.
- Paul defines idolatry as *loving or venerating anything more than God.*

Rebellion

Gen 3:1 *NOW THE serpent was more subtle and crafty than any living creature of the field which the Lord God had made. And he [Satan] said to the woman, Can it really be that God has said, You shall not eat from every tree of the garden?*

Num 12:1-2 *NOW MIRIAM and Aaron talked against Moses [their brother] because of his Cushite wife, for he had married a Cushite woman. And they said, Has the Lord indeed spoken only by Moses? Has He not spoken also by us? And the Lord heard it.*

Num 16:1-3 *NOW KORAH son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram sons of Eliab, and On son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men, And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the Israelites, 250 princes or leaders of the congregation called to the assembly, men well known and of distinction. And they gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, [Enough of you!] You take too much upon yourselves, seeing that all the congregation is holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them. Why then do you lift yourselves up above the assembly of the Lord?*

- The first rebellion and every rebellion since begins with the enemy sowing doubt, distrust and discord.
- Suffice to say that rebellion is deadly.

Unbelief

Num. 14:1-35

Heb 3:19 *So we see that they were not able to enter [into His rest], because of their unwillingness to adhere to and trust in and rely on God [unbelief had shut them out].*

- Unbelief will prevent us from possessing Father's promised land.

Gathering, But Not Assembling

1 Cor 14:26 *What then, brethren, is [the right course]? When you meet together, each one has a hymn, a teaching, a disclosure of special knowledge or information, an utterance in a [strange] tongue, or an interpretation of it. [But] let everything be constructive and edifying and for the good of all.*

Heb 10:22-25 *Let us all come forward and draw near with true (honest and sincere) hearts in unqualified assurance and absolute conviction engendered by faith (by that leaning of the entire human personality on God in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness), having our hearts sprinkled and purified from a guilty (evil) conscience and our bodies cleansed with pure water.*

So let us seize and hold fast and retain without wavering the hope we cherish and confess and our acknowledgement of it, for He Who promised is reliable (sure) and faithful to His word. And let us consider and give attentive, continuous care to watching over ONE another, studying how we may stir up (stimulate and incite) to love and helpful deeds and noble activities, Not forsaking or neglecting to assemble together [as believers], as is the habit of some people, but exhorting (admonishing [warning, urging, and encouraging]) ONE another, and all the more faithfully as you see the day approaching.

- Too many times we gather without assembling.
- The dictionary defines gather as **1.** collect in one place, **2.** Get people together, **3.** Draw and bring closer.
- The Greek word for assembling is *episunagōgē* which means: **1.** a gathering together in one place **2.** the assembly (of Christians).
- The dictionary defines assemble as *create by putting components or members together* and assembly as **1.** a group of persons who are gathered together for a common purpose, **2.** A unit consisting of components that have been fitted together.
- The dictionary definition seems to take into account the reason for assembling which the scripture says is *to exhort ONE another* which is the Greek word *parakaleō* (like paraclete/Comforter) which means;
 - 1.** to call to one's side, call for, summon
 - 2.** to address, speak to, (call to, call upon), which may be done in the way of exhortation, entreaty, comfort, instruction, etc.
 - 2a.** to admonish, exhort
 - 2b.** to beg, entreat, beseech
 - 2b1.** to strive to appease by entreaty
 - 2c.** to console, to encourage and strengthen by consolation, to comfort
 - 2c1.** to receive consolation, be comforted
 - 2d.** to encourage, strengthen
 - 2e.** to instruct, teach

GOD/JESUS The Disturber

Mk 5:37 *And He permitted no one to accompany Him except Peter and James and John the brother of James..... AND*

Mk 9:1-2 *JESUS said to them, Truly and solemnly I say to you, there are some standing here who will in no way taste death before they see the kingdom of God come in [its] power. Six days after this, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John and led them up on a high mountain apart by themselves. And He was transfigured before them and became resplendent with divine brightness.*

Lk 9:46 *But a controversy arose among them as to which of them might be the greatest [surpassing the others in excellence, worth, and authority].*

Jn 21:20 *But Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved, following--the one who also had leaned back on His breast at the supper and had said, Lord, who is it that is going to betray You?*

- Bill Cosby had a routine in which he quipped "but father always liked me best".
- The gospel writers seem to indicate that Jesus played favorites with Peter, James & John. His favoritism had the potential to and probably did create jealousy amongst the other disciples who contended amongst themselves as to who was the greatest.
- Even though Jesus knew and addressed their petty squabbles He continued to favor the same three guys. Jesus refused to change His behavior to cater to the disciples character issues in order to keep (pseudo) peace.
- Most xtens are reluctant to deal with controversy, contentions and/or disagreements, but not so Jesus because He knows ONEness is tested under those conditions.
- God allows and initiates circumstances to bring disagreements, controversy, contentious issues and our latent tendencies to the fore. The challenge when facing these is to maintain respectful and loving relationships with ONE another as Father exposes our carnal selves, purifies our hearts and seals HIS covenant with forbearance, forgiveness and love for ONE another.
- We must not placate others' prejudices, cater to others' carnality or satiate others' self centeredness because in doing so we become peacekeepers instead of peacemakers.

1 Cor 11:18-19 *For in the first place, when you assemble as a congregation, I hear that there are cliques (divisions and factions) among you; and I in part believe it, For doubtless there have to be factions or parties among you in order that they who are genuine and of approved fitness may become evident and plainly recognized among you.*

Heb 4:12 *For the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective]; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating to the dividing line of the breath of life (soul) and [the immortal] spirit, and of joints and marrow [of the deepest parts of our nature], exposing and sifting and analyzing and judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart.*

- God uses division to expose the false (what is not Christ) and approve the true (what is Christ).
- God's WORD divides between flesh and Spirit, both within (internally) and without (externally)

ONEnessThe Manifestation of God's Heart and WAY to His Blessings, Purpose & Glory

Ps 133:1-3 *BEHOLD, HOW good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together as one! It is like the precious ointment poured on the head, that ran down on the beard, even the beard of Aaron [the first high priest], that came down upon the collar and skirts of his garments [consecrating the whole body]. It is like the dew of [lofty] Mount Hermon and the dew that comes on the hills of Zion; for there the Lord has commanded the blessing, even life forevermore [upon the high and the lowly].*

- Mans' duality and divisions limit God's anointing (Christ).
- The Lord only commands His blessing of life evermore in the place of ONEness and anointing.
- ONEness brings God's blessings and His glory.

Heb 11:23-29 *[Prompted] by faith Moses, after his birth, was kept concealed for three months by his parents, because they saw how comely the child was; and they were not overawed and terrified by the king's decree.*

[Aroused] by faith Moses, when he had grown to maturity and become great, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, Because he preferred to share the oppression [suffer the hardships] and bear the shame of the people of God rather than to have the fleeting enjoyment of a sinful life. He considered the contempt and abuse and shame [borne for] the Christ (the Messiah Who was to come) to be greater wealth than all the treasures of Egypt, for he looked forward and away to the reward (recompense).

[Motivated] by faith he left Egypt behind him, being unawed and undismayed by the wrath of the king; for he never flinched but held staunchly to his purpose and endured steadfastly as one who gazed on Him Who is invisible,

By faith (simple trust and confidence in God) **he** instituted and carried out the Passover and the sprinkling of the blood [on the doorposts], so that the destroyer of the firstborn (the angel) might not touch those [of the children of Israel].

By faith **they** passed through the Red Sea as by dry land, which the Egyptians attempting to do were drowned.

- Moses was a faithful individual but it is corporate faith that leads to the promised land.
- Come out as individuals, enter the promised land as a corporate man.
- Although the word corporate is not found in the scriptures it has been used to describe Christ.
- Corporate means: **1.** United; combined **2.** United in a legal body, as a number of individuals who are empowered to transact business as an individual; formed into a corporation; incorporated. **3.** Belonging or pertaining to a corporation; as, corporate interests. **4.** Shared by all members of a unified group, common, joint, as, corporate responsibility.
- God is raising up a corporate Man with a corporate anointing. The name of His anointed corporation is Christ and this corporate Man (Head and Body) has been given legal title, ownership of all things. (**Gen 1:26-28**)
- It's the whole Body or nobody.

Col 1:27; 2:9-10 For to them God would make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the nations, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory

- Christ in you is not you (singular), rather it's Christ in you (plural) and you (plural) in Christ!
- I am not Christ and neither are youbut HWE are.
- If Christ is in you/me/HWE... why do so many xtians ask Him to come and/or why are they waiting for His return?

Col 2:9-10 For in Him the whole fullness of Deity (the Godhead) continues to dwell in bodily form [giving complete expression of the divine nature]. And you are in Him, made full and having come to fullness of life [in Christ you too are filled with the Godhead--Father, Son and Holy Spirit--and reach full spiritual stature]. And He is the Head of all rule and authority [of every angelic principality and power].

- To only think only of Christ as the Head is akin to spiritual decapitation.
- You've probably heard me say many times that *Colossians* emphasizes Christ the Head. Although the fullness of the Godhead dwells in us, we as individuals cannot manifest the fullness of Christ. Paul completed his revelation of the corporate Christ in his letter the Ephesians.
- The six chapters of *Ephesians* describe this corporate Christ as His Church, His temple, His family, His Body, His Bride and His army...all corporate words.

1 Cor 6:17 But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.

Eph 4:16 For because of Him the whole body (the church, in all its various parts), closely joined and firmly knit together by the joints and ligaments with which it is supplied, when each part [with power adapted to its need] is working properly [in all its functions], grows to full maturity, building itself up in love.

- ONENess is predicated upon God being ONE and His being ONE with the members of His Body.
- A joint must be joined, you cannot be a joint by yourself. To be a joint of supply to others or to receive a supply from another joint one must be joined.
- The relationship of various members of the Body to each other is solely on God's terms, not the member's terms.
- Without connection to the Head and other members there will and can be no Life flow in and through the Body

1 Cor 2:16 For who has known or understood the mind (the counsels and purposes) of the Lord so as to guide and instruct Him and give Him knowledge? But we have the mind of Christ (the Messiah) and do hold the thoughts (feelings and purposes) of His heart.

- The mind of Christ is only found in individuals whose mind sets have been transformed to a corporate way of life and thought.

The Prince Of Peace & PeaceMakers

Eph 4:3-6 *Be eager and strive earnestly to guard and keep the harmony and oneness of [and produced by] the Spirit in the binding power of peace. [There is] one body and one Spirit--just as there is also one hope [that belongs] to the calling you received-- [There is] one Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of [us] all, Who is above all [Sovereign over all], pervading all and [living] in [us] all.*

- Paul mentions 8 expressions of ONEness in this passage:
 1. **ONE Body** - broken for us (**1 Cor 11:24**) as the perfect sacrifice (**Heb 10:5**) and where the fullness of the Godhead dwells (**Col 2:9**).
 2. **ONE Spirit** - the same Spirit that lived within our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ now lives in us (**Jn 14:17-18, Gal 4:6**)
 3. **ONE Hope** - Our ONE and only hope is Christ (**Eph 2:12, Col 1:27, 1 Thess 1:3**), not our accomplishments, attainments, position, network, the economy or savings, etc.
 4. **ONE Lord** - Lord speaks of sovereignty, rule, dominion, and power.
 5. **ONE Faith** - Jesus Christ is not only the author and finisher of our faith (**Heb 12:2**), His is the faith we live by (**Gal 2:20**)
 6. **ONE Baptism** - Baptism is symbolic of burial of the old man (**Rom 6:3-4**), spiritual washing and cleansing (**Gal 3:27**).
 7. **ONE God** - There is ONE God but HE has manifested Himself fully in His Son (**Is 9:6, Matt 1:23, Jn 14:9, Col 1:15**)
 8. **ONE Father** - Jesus Christ both revealed our Father (**Jn 14:8-9**) and revered our Father (**Matt:6:9**).
- ONEness is first and foremost a sovereign work and supernatural gift of the Spirit. It can't be attained, manufactured or organized. It can only be recognized and maintained.
- Paul emphasized ONE because all God's promises, provision and power rest squarely on the shoulders of one man, The Lord Jesus Christ! Everyone who “amens” the Spirit concerning these eight expressions of ONE, will experience life in the fullest and the answer to Jesus' prayer for man to be made perfect, complete, whole, holy in ONEness (**Jn 17:23**).
- As HWw walk in ONEness..... duality, division, duplicity and death are defeated and destroyed!

Gal 6:1 *BRETHREN, IF any person is overtaken in misconduct or sin of any sort, you who are spiritual [who are responsive to and controlled by the Spirit] should set him right and restore and reinstate him, without any sense of superiority and with all gentleness, keeping an attentive eye on yourself, lest you should be tempted also.*

- Whenever something happens so that another's shortcomings(sin, faults) are brought to the fore we respond in one of two ways: we prey on them or we pray or them.
- Sin searching, fault finding, sheriffing, book/record keeping are not spiritual gifts or callings. They are all God's responsibilities, not ours.
- To restore means to help mend a dislocated member of the Body back to the Head and Body.
- Since they are a member of the Body, they are part of HWE.

Jn 14:6 *Jesus said to him, I am the Way and the Truth and the Life; no one comes to the Father except by (through) Me.*

1Tim 2:5 *For there [is only] one God, and [only] one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus*

- Jesus is not only the Way to the Father, He is the bridge (mediator) to ONE another.

1 Cor 12:14; 21; 25 *For the body does not consist of one limb or organ but of many..... And the eye is not able to say to the hand, I have no need of you, nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.... So that there should be no division or discord or lack of adaptation [of the parts of the body to each other], but the members all alike should have a mutual interest in and care for ONE another.*

2 Cor 5:16-17 *Consequently, from now on we estimate and regard no one from a [purely] human point of view [in terms of natural standards of value]. [No] even though we once did estimate Christ from a human viewpoint and as a man, yet now [we have such knowledge of Him that] we know Him no longer [in terms of the flesh]. Therefore if any person is [ingrafted] in Christ (the Messiah) he is a new creation (a new creature altogether); the old [previous moral and spiritual condition] has passed away. Behold, the fresh and new has come!*

- When we look at other members of the Body with natural eyes (earthly perspective) we see them as.....we see them.
- It is only when we look at other members of the Body with spiritual eyes (God's perspective) that we see them as God does.....Christ in them, them in Christ.
- Real communion is not shadow bread & wine, real communion is recognizing and receiving our common union.
- **The world will not see Christ in us until we see Christ in us/each other.**

Matt 10:40-41 *He who receives and welcomes and accepts you receives and welcomes and accepts Me, and he who receives and welcomes and accepts Me receives and welcomes and accepts Him Who sent Me. He who receives and welcomes and accepts a prophet because he is a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward, and he who receives and welcomes and accepts a righteous man because he is a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward.*

- Receiving a prophet or righteous man (or any member of the Body) is acknowledging and recognizing the gifting and anointing of others.

1 Jn 4:3 *And every spirit which does not acknowledge and confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh [but would annul, destroy, sever, disunite Him] is not of God [does not proceed from Him]. This [nonconfession] is the [spirit] of the antichrist, [of] which you heard that it was coming, and now it is already in the world.*

- When we do not acknowledge the deposit of Christ in others, that is the spirit of the antichrist which denies Jesus Christ has come/is coming in the flesh.

Feet & Defeat

Isa 52:7 *How beautiful on the mountains are the feet **of him** who brings good tidings, making peace heard; who brings good news, making salvation heard; who says to Zion, Your God reigns!*

Rom 10:14-15 *How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without preaching? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet **of them** who preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things!"*

1 Cor 15:25-26 *For [Christ] must be King and reign until He has put all [His] enemies under His feet. The last enemy to be subdued and abolished is death.*

- Isaiah prophesied about the beautiful feet of the Him (Messiah) and Paul referred to the fulfillment of the prophecy when he wrote about the beautiful feet of them (corporate Messiah/HWE).
- Feet symbolize the foundation upon which the Body stands.
- The Greek word for beautiful is *hōraios* which means *belonging to the right hour or season (timely)*, that is, (by implication) *flourishing (beautiful)*. Beautiful describes that which is seasonable, produced or brought forth at the right or prime time when things are at its loveliest and best.
- Like wine.....God has saved His best till last and at the right time He will unveil His feet company (sons of God/overcomers/manchild) to subdue and abolish all enemies.....including death.

Eph 2:10-16 *For we are God's [own] handiwork (His workmanship), recreated in Christ Jesus, [born anew] that we may do those good works which God predestined (planned beforehand) for us [taking paths which He prepared ahead of time], that we should walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us to live].*

Therefore, remember that at one time you were Gentiles (heathens) in the flesh, called Uncircumcision by those who called themselves Circumcision, [itself a mere mark] in the flesh made by human hands. [Remember] that you were at that time separated (living apart) from Christ [excluded from all part in Him], utterly estranged and outlawed from the rights of Israel as a nation, and strangers with no share in the sacred compacts of the [Messianic] promise [with no

knowledge of or right in God's agreements, His covenants]. And you had no hope (no promise); you were in the world without God. But now in Christ Jesus, you who once were [so] far away, through (by, in) the blood of Christ have been brought near. For He is [Himself] our peace (our bond of unity and harmony). He has made us both [Jew and Gentile] one [body], and has broken down (destroyed, abolished) the hostile dividing wall between us, By abolishing in His [own crucified] flesh the enmity [caused by] the Law with its decrees and ordinances [which He annulled]; that He from the two might create in Himself one new man [one new quality of humanity out of the two], so making peace. And [He designed] to reconcile to God both [Jew and Gentile, united] in a single body by means of His cross, thereby killing the mutual enmity and bringing the feud to an end.

- Jesus Christ has broken down and totally destroyed the carnal, soulish self life that divided us from ONE another. The result of all that He accomplished is the creation of ONE new (species, creation) man.
- It is this and only this ONE new (species, creation) man that can work the works that God ordained for them before the foundation of the world.
- Father is raising up this ONE new (species, creation) man to stand up in their earthen vessels, rule in the midst of enemies and enter into resurrection life while yet on/in the earth.

Beautiful & Bold/Just as I AM, ...Without One Me

Acts 2:14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: You Jews and all you residents of Jerusalem, let this be [explained] to you so that you will know and understand; listen closely to what I have to say.

1 Jn 4:17 In this is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment, that as He is, so also we are in this world.

- The word boldness is *parrhēsia* which implies *all out spokenness, that is, frankness, bluntness, publicity; by implication assurance, confidence, freely, openly, plainly.*
- Father is processing and perfecting a people, a corporate man who lives, moves and has their being in HIM and HWE rather than He and me.
- Man is quickly coming to his' wits end. Babylon is falling, the world (systems) is coming to an end. God is raising up a corporate Man who will walk and talk with the **boldness** which **only comes from knowing who HWE is.**

Feet & Mouth HisEase

Eze 37:1-14 THE HAND of the Lord was upon me, and He brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. And He caused me to pass round about among them, and behold, there were very many [human bones] in the open valley or plain, and behold, they were very dry.

And He said to me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord God, You know!

Again He said to me, Prophecy to these bones and say to them, O you dry bones, hear the word of the Lord Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath and spirit to enter you, and you shall live; And I will lay sinews upon you and bring up flesh upon you and cover you with skin, and I will put breath and spirit in you, and you [dry bones] shall live; and you shall know, understand, and realize that I am the Lord [the Sovereign Ruler, Who calls forth loyalty and obedient service].

So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a [thundering] noise and behold, a shaking and trembling and a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. And I looked and behold, there were sinews upon [the bones] and flesh came upon them and skin covered them over, but there was no breath or spirit in them.

Then said He to me, Prophecy to the breath and spirit, son of man, and say to the breath and spirit, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath and spirit, and breathe upon these slain that they may live.

So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath and spirit came into [the bones], and they lived and stood up upon their feet, an exceedingly great host.

Then He said to me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, Our bones are dried up and our hope is lost; we are completely cut off. Therefore prophecy and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and cause you to come up out of your graves, O My people; and I will bring you [back home] to

the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord [your Sovereign Ruler], when I have opened your graves and caused you to come up out of your graves, O My people. And I shall put My Spirit in you and you shall live, and I shall place you in your own land. Then you shall know, understand, and realize that I the Lord have spoken it and performed it, says the Lord.

Rev 4:1 *AFTER THIS I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! And the first voice which I had heard addressing me like [the calling of] a war trumpet said, Come up here, and I will show you what must take place in the future.*

- A pile of bones is a skeleton, not a body. God's people have been more like a skeleton than Christ's Body.
- One of the main reasons for trumpets was to assemble the congregation, all the tribes together and proclaim ONEssness.
- God desires to blow His Spirit through you as a trumpet so that a divided and disjointed skeleton will be joined to the Head and come together through joints, sinews and skin (WORD made flesh) as His Body.
- In Christ HWE have everything we need to impact the nations (people groups) in this city and beyond.