

The New Covenant ADAM'S SEED DEAD *contd (iii)*

Consider again these scriptures:

Romans 8:6-9

For to be carnally **minded** is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

BECAUSE the carnal **mind** is enmity against God: **FOR** it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

But ye **ARE not** in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.

With the aid of *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance Of The Bible*:

Carnal, flesh - one greek word - **sarx** - physical flesh

Mind, minded - one greek word , - **phronema** - mental inclination. or purpose, from a root '**phren**' indicating the inward feeling.

By derivation, carnally minded = mental inclination or purpose originating from the feeling of the physical flesh (i.e. physical sense feeling or perception).

enmity - a greek word - **echthra**, a feminine form of **echthros** - hateful, odious, hostile – a word usually used in the noun form for Satan the adversary.

Spiritual, Spirit - one greek word - **pneuma** - current of air, breath, breeze.

By derivation, spiritually minded = mental inclination or purpose not originating from the physical senses, but from the Breath of God or Christ (i.e. the indwelling Holy Spirit).

Think over the meaning and implications of these words above.

When Adam died, mankind lost the Spirit of God, and became subject to Satan, the perverted spirit who dominates and manipulates men through their physical-sense **mind**. The scriptures testify that this world cannot see, know or receive the Spirit of God and the things He brings from Christ to men, because they only accept what is perceived by the flesh senses.

Indeed, because the spirit that controls such **minds** is by nature working against Him, the mind unrenewed by God's revealed Word CANNOT please God. An unregenerate man, therefore, who by nature is in, and thus operates in, the realm of the physical feelings and sight, **CANNOT** please God. Satan is still his master despite his 'good' works. However a man who is immersed into the Spirit of Christ in the new birth is made 'bone of God's bones and flesh of His flesh', spiritually alive in Christ. He can **perceive** and live in God's kingdom the

same way as a baby born into our world can live in the human world (as opposed to living in his mother's womb). He is spiritually alive to God and has the capacity to be as spiritually minded as the Lord, whose offspring he is. That capacity is fulfilled when the Spirit in him succeeds to get through to and control his **mind**, persuading him of things in Christ NOT perceptible by his physical senses. As his spiritual senses are trained by **HEARING**, the Spirit of Christ changes the outer man to be the exact **image** of Jesus' person; the Holy Spirit quickens his SOUL to think, talk and act like God or Christ,

The vehicle God uses for bringing the truth to our HEARING and consequent disposition of thought is the Word of God. **Hearing** is the doorway through which the faith of the Son of God, God's faith, comes into and remains in our hearts. It is from the born-from-above heart that the soul is restored to God's image. God's desire for the heirs of Jesus' covenant is to get and retain our attention on His word, removing our focus permanently from what our dead human physical senses are witnessing. Faith in the sent Word that delivered us will cause the release of the energy and working of God's Spirit to effect the new covenant. As we **HEAR** by the inner anointing of His Spirit, our SOULS will be quickened by the Spirit Who responds to our heart-faith. This is an inner resurrection distinct from that which we shall physically experience when we physically see the Lord. Christlike or Godlike perfection of the SOUL is inherent in everyone born of God, but is fulfilled when we give our undivided HEARING to His Word. We can and will be guided by the *Paraclete* into **all** truth as Jesus planned. We will THEN experience the victory of His resurrection over Satan-inspired feelings, thoughts and behaviour which refuse to conform to what God our Father commands and requires of us here on earth. Being perfect like our Father and Jesus is God's will for us now. The Lord will then come to take home His perfect church, accomplishing our physical transformation at the Rapture.

Galatians 3:5

He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth He it by the works of the law, or by the HEARING of faith?

1 Corinthians 15:45

And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a **quickening** Spirit.

We have to stop living by the physical senses and start **living in communion with** God's Word in the Holy Spirit, by the inward senses of faith. These are developed by use, **by exercise**. Otherwise we will remain under Satan's influence and can still disobey God's inner Law-nature in us. Though we **ARE** as He **is**, we can only be as He is when we think, talk and act like Him. We can only think like Him **when we see** the truth that we ARE **as He says** we ARE.

Faith is what the Spirit of God is searching for in our hearts in order to release the power that makes us experience our being partakers of God's nature. The just shall **LIVE by** his faith; and **HEARING** is the key to faith. It is the Word **of God**, as He gives His thoughts to you, through the Holy Spirit in your heart, that ministers to you that **hearing**. Quieten down and start to THINK **His** word over repetitively, continually, day and night, giving **His** Word all your fidelity. There is no substitute for walking by the faith that Jesus ministers by His Spirit

to your heart if you are to abandon this powerless religion you have been practising and partake of God's christianity by the power of His resurrection. We must, **by HEARING**, allow God's Word to change the spirit that controls our thoughts and disposition from the spirit of the world to the Spirit of God's Word.

Colossians 3: 10

And have put on the new man which is **renewed** in knowledge AFTER THE IMAGE of Him that created him:

Ephesians 4:2

And be **renewed** in the spirit of your **mind**;