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BEHOLD I CREATE NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH

THE PROMISE OF THE FATHER

"(Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)" (Eph.4:9-10) After His resurrection, Jesus ascended above all heavens. He went to the Father and received the promise. When Mary who was at the tomb, met him and recognized his voice, He said to her "Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father..." (Jn.20:17a)

The ascension of Jesus was a vital part of God's plan. And His descent was also absolutely necessary. When Jesus ministered in the earth, He reached man by the words that He taught and spoke. But Jesus had no power to enter within man's inner soul and spirit, and quicken them to new life. This power was given to Him when He ascended to the Father as the High Priest of a new order, offering the blood of the sacrifice to atone for sins. Only the sacrifice had been Himself, as the pure Lamb who atoned for the sins of the world. It was when He ascended that Jesus received the promise of the Father.

Jesus became the "quickening spirit" that could enter within our inner beings, and impart life to our dead souls and spirits. Jesus ascended to the Father and then He descended into the depth of earthly man to quicken them to life. It was after He had received the quickening Spirit that He appeared to His disciples gathered in Jerusalem, and told them to tarry there to received the Holy Ghost.

He was going to send them Himself as the quickening Spirit that He received from the Father. "And being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the PROMISE OF THE FATHER." (Acts 1:4)

The promise of the Father is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is Jesus come back to us in Spirit. "This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses. Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear." (Acts 2:32-33 NASB)

When Jesus ascended to the Father, He received the promise of the Father, the indwelling Holy Spirit. Now, as the Spirit, Jesus could come back and take His abode in His disciples. When the disciples had gathered in the upper room, as He had instructed them, His Holy Spirit was that mighty rushing wind that entered into them. This was an unprecedented work of God. Jesus had told them that He would not leave them orphans, He would come to them. This Holy Spirit was Jesus Himself coming to take His place in them, by the Spirit.

When Jesus finished instructing them to wait, He was seen being taken up and received into a cloud. In our immaturity, we have interpreted this in the natural, and we have come up with various warped ideas. When Jesus disappeared into the cloud, He actually became that Holy Spirit who entered into His called out people and gave them resurrection life.

What they saw that day was a spiritual vision. And they were told He would appear again the same way. Indeed, He will appear again from the cloud of His witnesses. What they saw was Jesus Himself taking the form of Spirit, and being received in the cloud, that is to say, in the innermost, invisible soul and spirit of His chosen witnesses.

His chosen ones are the cloud into which Jesus was received then, and has been received ever since. Our spirits are the clouds from which He will appear again in the same way that He entered. By His Holy Spirit, Jesus entered our earth to swallow up our death. "For we who are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life." (II Cor.5:4)

From that time on, Jesus worked through His called out people, to perform His mighty work in the earth. From that time on, He began to lead His disciples from within, and He became the power in their lives. Jesus does not empower His disciples and then send them on their own to do the best they can. When we receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit, Jesus becomes the power within. We only need to yield to Him and follow Him as He works through us.

Jesus does not give His disciples a powerful tool to do what they wish to do for God; the tool is Jesus Himself, taking residence in them, to finish the works Himself. "I will not leave you comfortless (orphans), I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world will see me no more; but ye see me; because I live, ye shall live also." (Jn.14:18-19)

Luke wrote that his first treatise, (the gospel of Luke), was about the things that "Jesus began both to do and teach..." (Acts 1:1) The cross is the finished work of Jesus in the flesh, but Jesus must also continue to fulfill all the words that were spoken by the Old Testament prophets. This He now does through us.

The Gospels tell us of the many things that Jesus did to fulfill the words of the prophets. "That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet..." (Matt.4:14) "But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled..." (Matt.26:56) We find these words many times concerning the works that Jesus did while on earth.

Luke informs us that these works only began to fulfill the prophet's words. Now by His Spirit, through His body of saints, Jesus continues to fulfill all that the prophets have spoken. Luke wrote, "The law and the prophets were until John; since that time, the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it." (Lk.16:16) John the Baptist was the last of the Old Testament prophets, and the last of the prophets whose words have to be fulfilled. The prophets that have been raised since, are not the same ministries. Today's prophets have been given by Jesus to His church. They are gifts and work together with other gifts, to bring the saints to maturity.

The sufferings that His called out ones go through, are the sufferings that Christ Himself continues to endure until the words of the prophets are all fulfilled. Paul declared, "For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ." (II Cor.1:5) "(Paul), Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church." (Col.1:24)

THE GREAT GATHERING

Paul, in his letter to the saints and the faithful in Christ Jesus, declares that God, our Father has chosen us in Christ, before the foundation of the world, and that he has blessed us with all spiritual blessings. He writes that God our Father has predestinated us according to the good pleasure of His will.

"Having made known unto us the MYSTERY OF HIS WILL, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times, he might GATHER TOGETHER IN ONE, ALL THINGS IN CHRIST, both which are in heaven,, and which are on earth; even in him." (Eph.1:10)

God's will is a mystery. This means that it can only be known as He reveals it by the Spirit. As we mature in Christ, God's Spirit unveils what He has been doing, what He is doing now, and what He WILL do at the end of the age. He will GATHER ALL into Christ. Christ is life, He is the only source of life. He is the tree of life that was barred from Adam and Eve by the angels with the flaming swords. He is the tree of life that NO MAN had ever partaken of.

Christ is the only source of eternal life. But the good pleasure of our God is to bring ALL things, whether they are of the Spirit or of the earth, into Christ, the source of eternal life. Up to now, we have at best experienced Christ in us in part; now we are being gathered into His fullness. And not only us, but ALL things. This means ALL creation.

As firstfruits of His resurrection, we know by daily experience, that this process takes place in us continually. We also know that not all things are in Christ at this time. Paul writes that "As in Adam ALL die, even so in Christ, shall ALL be made alive. But every man in his own order..." (I Cor.15:22-23)

God has determined times for each of His "things" to be gathered or made alive in Christ. As we continue our journey into Christ, we learn of Him and we find that the Lord has given us "guidelines." Every step of the way, God speaks, to those with ears to hear. But it is one thing to hear, and another to truly grasp the meaning of what He is saying.

His word is Spirit and life, but our minds have been programmed to understand by our intellectual reasoning. Our safety is in the witness of the Spirit within, and sometimes that witness is very faint because the "old man" is still very strong. When we are children, we can inquire of our teachers, the ministries that He has given us.

The ministries have been our tutors, yet it is as the Spirit applies what we have learned from them into our daily lives that we mature. The time must come when we leave all of that baggage behind and depend fully on the witness of the Spirit. This is when we become of age and leave the shelter of the old mothers, (ministries of the church), and are taught of God. "It is written in the prophets, And every man shall be taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh to me." (Jn.6:45)

We have been learning of the Son. We are the bride to the Son. We have learned to hear His voice and move by His Spirit. We have learned to love Him and be true to Him. We will always be His bride and He will always be our Husband and our Lord. But as we mature, we begin to learn of the Father. The Father is the One who gives the final approval for the marriage of the bride to His Son. The Father teaches

us His ways and reveals His plan and purposes to us. We are SONS to our Father.

As we mature and learn to walk as sons, we find new dimensions of worship. We have not gone this way before; as sons, all things are new. As we mature we will find that we are no longer separated from the Son of God, we are in Him. When Jesus taught us to ask the Father in His name, He meant that when we become as He is, the Father will always answer. "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." (Jn.14:13)

Jesus was not really instructing us to close each prayer saying, "In the Name of Jesus." He saying telling us that the day would come when we would bear His name, His nature, His identity, instead of ours. That we would bear His likeness and image instead of ours, and the Father would be glorified in the Son. When we come in the name of the Son, the Son is no longer separate from who we are. It is in the Son, that we come to the Father and receive at His hand. "I am the way, the truth and the life: no man cometh to the Father but by me." (Jn.14:6)

I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE

As we mature in Christ, the Spirit is revealing the mysteries that are concealed within the Scriptures. Then He reveals the mysteries that are hidden within the book of life, (Himself), and that we are in Him. Jesus stated, "I and my Father are one." (Jn.10:30) A very short verse, but perhaps the greatest mystery of the Bible.

When Jesus said, "I and my Father are one," He was revealing that He was not only in perfect harmony with the Father; He was affirming that there is only One God, and that the Son and the Father are One and the same. It was because the Father so loved the world, that He separated His Son from Himself, and sent Him to the earth.

It was for a designated time that the Son laid down His glory and "...made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men." (Phil.2:7) Jesus knew where He came from. He came in the flesh of a mortal man, but His Spirit was one with the Father. He wore the garment of mortal flesh, but His Spirit had never been in darkness. Jesus was not born of sinful Adam, and Jesus never sinned. It was on the cross that Jesus put upon Himself the sin of the world, and paid the penalty of the Law with His death. But the Spirit within Him raised Him up and Jesus did not see corruption.

A dear sister in the Lord sent me this dream, "I was driving home when all of a sudden I was taken from my body. It felt like I had been pulled or sucked from it. I said to myself, this is what it feels like to be taken from your body. I was going up and up very fast. I realized that I was going to see Father and then I saw a light as if to see it over a horizon and kept saying, "Hi Father, Hi Father, Hi Father waving at Him. I didn't actually get to see Him as I woke up. I was so excited thinking that I would be able to see Him." End of dream.

I am also reminded of the words of Jesus, "If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also; and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him." (Jn.14:7)

We have been searching for the Father, but first we had to know the Son. Jesus declared, "no man cometh to the Father, but by me." The Son has been revealing the Father to us. We cannot see the Father if we do not know the Son; the two are one. So how do we KNOW THE SON?

At the time that Jesus spoke these words to the disciples, they were standing in front of Him. He was in flesh and blood. Now Jesus is no longer a flesh and blood man, but Paul writes, "But when THAT which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. For now we see through a glass, (a mirror), darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as I am known." (I Cor.13:10,12)

What is the "THAT" which is perfect and will replace prophecies, and all the "in part" things that we have used in our worship of God? We know that the Holy Spirit in us is perfect. That which is coming to

perfection is none other than the Christ man formed in us. He is the "THAT" which we will see face to face as in a mirror. He IS CHRIST COME IN THE FLESH of His called out people. Actually, God has designed our bodies so that we can never look at our own head. Only in a mirror can we see the reflection of our own face. And we can only see Him who is our Head, as we look at our own reflection in a mirror. We are meant to be the reflection of Christ. He has been formed in us, and the time is coming soon, when He will appear and we will see Him because we will be His reflection. We will reflect Him as He is

Jesus disappeared in a cloud. It was the cloud of His witnesses. He was entering the spirits of His called out ones. We have not been waiting for Him to return. He has been in His elect all along; they are the cloud in whom He disappeared from view. He was caught up into them at Pentecost, and He will re-appear from that same cloud, His body. Jesus is the Head of His body, and He is one with the Father. Jesus and the Father are the life within us. When we see Him, we see the Father.

What happened to Jesus Christ who walked the earth in the flesh? Where is the Jesus who was crucified and raised from the dead? The Jesus who showed Himself in a new glorified body? Will that glorified man ever appear again in the earth?

The apostle John wrote that we shall SEE HIM, AS HE IS. "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall SEE HIM AS HE IS." (I Jn.3:2) It is only when we are like Him, that we shall see Him as He is. And we are like Him when we see His reflection in our own face.

This can only be understood by the Spirit. I know that as immature sons we want to believe that we will see Jesus again as He showed Himself after His resurrection. But as we grow spiritually, He opens our eyes and understanding, that we might SEE HIM AS HE IS. Jesus did not want to be worshiped; He wanted us to worship the Father. He told the woman at the well, "But the hour cometh, and now is, when

the true worshipers shall **WORSHIP THE FA-THER** in spirit and in truth; for the Father seeketh such to worship him." (Jn.4:23) When we worship the Father, we are worshipping the Son. He is the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The EVERLASTING FATHER, The Prince of Peace." (Isa.9:6) Through His Holy Spirit, we have certainly known Jesus as Wonderful, Counselor, but it is as mature Sons that we see Him as The Mighty God and Everlasting Father.

It is when we become the perfect reflection of Himself, that we know Him and see Him as He is. "I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father." (Jn.16:28) As mature "sons," we have become the Son of God in the flesh and Jesus is the Everlasting Father in us. Soon, these old vessels will be changed to contain the new wine.

It is then that the prayer of Jesus will have been answered, "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." (Jn.17:21) The two are no longer separate and we see the Son as He is now.

Before He left the earth, Jesus prayed this intense prayer "Now Father, the hour is come, glorify thy Son, that thy Son may glorify thee...I have glorified thee on the earth; I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was." (Jn.17:1,4-5)

By man's own understanding, we believe that Jesus is going to appear in the same form that the disciples had last seen Him on earth. By Jesus' own words, we know that the Jesus that we knew has finished His work in the earth. He has left the earth as a man, and has taken back the place that He had with the Father before the world began.

Jesus is no longer one man in flesh and blood, or in one man in flesh and bone. He is now again One Spirit with the Father and we will become His flesh and bone body.

He has finished the work He was called to do as Jesus Christ in the flesh, and through His blood sacrifice, He has purchased the new body of glory that He displayed to His disciples, and that is reserved for us. The Father gave Him the promise of the Holy Spirit, thus while we know Him no more after the flesh, Jesus is to us, the Comforter, the Guide into all truths, the Teacher and the One who reminds us of every Word spoken. This is how we know Jesus now. The man Jesus who died on the cross and rose from the dead, is now one with the Father, and the Holy Spirit in the body of His saints.

It is by the power of His Holy Spirit that Jesus has impregnated His church with His new seed, (Word), and now she is soon to give birth to this new creation man in His likeness and image. It is through His resurrection power that we are overcoming all enemies, death itself being the last of all.

Throughout the ages to come, Jesus Christ in the Father will be seated on the throne of His glory in the temple of His church and will deliver the entire creation. "And when ALL THINGS shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself, be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all." (I Cor.15:28)

THE MYSTERY OF HIS BRIDE

For many, the Bible is a book of history. But to those who are called and chosen, the Bible is a book of mysteries. The wise man of old wrote, "There are three things that are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not: The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the mist of the sea; and the way OF A MAN WITH A MAID." (Prov.30:18-19)

Four things that the wise man could not know. They left him wondering. They were a mystery to him. Paul writes about the husband, the man and his wife. He compares that relationship with Christ and His church, "For the husband is the HEAD of the wife, even as Christ is the HEAD of the church; and HE,

(Christ), IS THE SAVIOUR OF THE BODY." (Eph.5:23) Paul went on to write about that, and then he declares, "This is a GREAT MYSTERY: but I speak concerning Christ and the church." (Eph.5:32)

Paul was dropping the seed of a truth that could not be fully understood until the time of the end. He was speaking about the bride, the church, that is also called the Holy City, the new Jerusalem. In another letter, Paul wrote an allegory about two Jerusalems. "For this Agar, (the bond woman who gave birth to Ishmael), is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children, (This is the country of Israel in the world). But Jerusalem which is above, (spiritual), is free, which is the MOTHER OF US ALL." (Gal.4:26)

In Genesis we read that Eve is the mother of all beings. But this is the New Jerusalem from above and she has given birth to us in the Spirit, as we are "born-again of the Spirit," and "born of God". We are told that this is where the Spirit has brought us, "But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, THE HEAVENLY JERUSALEM, and to an innumerable company of angels. To the general assembly and church of the firstborn..." (Heb.12:22-23a)

The Jerusalem from above is the church of the first-born Son of God. She is the mother of us all because she is the one who has given us our NEW birth, nurtured us and raised us to be sons. She is made up of all those who have gone before us, and kept His pure Word. She has taught us that Word, and we are joined in her to teach others as well. The world's churches gave birth to servants of themselves. But the true church is the bride, the city of the living God, the one that John saw coming out of heaven from God, adorned as a bride for her husband. And she is the one who is giving birth to the "Manchild," the new creation of God in Christ.

"HIM (Christ in you, the hope of glory), that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out; and I will write upon HIM the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh out of heaven

from my God: and I will write upon HIM my new name my new name." (Rev.3:12)

So here is where the mystery unfolds. "Him" is the Christ that is being formed in us. On Him, the name of the CITY OF MY GOD IS WRITTEN. That city, the church has been shrouded in the invisible realm of spirit, and is about to be visibly revealed. This is what "coming out of heaven from God" means. As the bride, adorned in her new body, the church will become visible in the earth. She will reflect the Spirit of the Son who is her life within. This is why Paul said of Christ "AND HE IS THE SAVIOUR OF THE BODY." His bride now reflects the life of the new Christ man within. She is the female part of this new male and female creation. Christ has saved His bride and given her an eternal body.

The new creation of God in Christ that is in the likeness and image of God is male and female. Within her dwells the Father and the Son. This is the abode that Jesus has prepared for us. He and the Father are Spirit; it is His bride, the church who is His visible body in the world. This is the new creation that is soon to be revealed. A perfect church, ruled by the Son of God within. She is the tabernacle of God with man, as the great voice declared when John saw her.

"And I John saw the Holy City, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold THE TABERNA-CLE OF GOD IS WITH MEN, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God." (Rev.21:2-3)

This Holy City, new Jerusalem is none other than the assembly of the Church, the Body of Christ come to perfection and moving visibly in the earth. She will be the true light for the nations of the world. And all that is not of God will be sent into a second death to be dealt with in another resurrection. To have a "resurrection," there needs to be a death. The first resurrection are for those who died with Christ. The second resurrection will go through the second death. Those of the first resurrection are blessed. "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection;

on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." (Rev.20:6)

This is the mystery of the greatest love story ever known. There is no greater love than the love of the Father who sent His only Son to die on the cross and to redeem His bride from the whoredom of man's systems and from the putrefaction of her garments of flesh and death.

GOING TO MOTHER'S HOUSE

In a very recent dream, the Spirit spoke this to me. "I had been walking on a very, very, long journey. I had gone through many countries and terrains. I was going to my mother's house and now I had arrived in the neighborhood. Only I stopped to rest. I was very tired and was wondering if I should find a ride for the rest of the way. I really wanted to walk it as it was so close." End of dream.

In the dream I was in the neighborhood of where I lived in Paris with my mother. So I know it was a short walk of perhaps 30 minutes and no more. As I pondered the dream, I realized that the Lord was saying that for those who have been on this long journey, the time has come to go to our mother. This means it is time to become part of the New Jerusalem that is about to be made visible in the earth.

The journey has been ongoing from the time of Jesus until now; we are very tired. It would be easy to find a ride and go by way of the grave. But we are almost there, and our hearts are fixed to finish the course. Some have to be of those that Paul writes about. Those whose mortal bodies, put on immortality without going to the grave. Some of us are reaching a very old age now, and the thoughts of going to the other side might be appealing. Nevertheless, by the grace of God these old bodies can be renewed and find the strength and energy to walk and not faint.

Only the Father knows these things. We only know what He reveals to us, and He always keeps enough answers veiled, so that we still walk by faith. Our part is to trust Him and not lean upon our own understanding. This is the way it will be forevermore. This

is why we are being trained to hear His voice and none other. When we are sons, the ways that the world has trained us are no longer valid. He is making all things new and it all begins in us.

THE APOCALYPSE

The book of Revelation is also called "The Apocalypse," which means the "Unveiling." The book contains the visions that the Spirit gave to John while his body was in exile on the Isle of Patmos, but his spirit was transported to the Day of the Lord which is the Day we are in now. This is not speaking of a "calendar day;" it is speaking of the time when the Light has risen to reveal the Lord Jesus Christ as He is.

The prophet Joel writes about it, "Blow ye the trumpet in Zion; and sound an alarm in my holy mountain; let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand; A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, as the morning spreads upon the mountain; a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations. A fire devoureth before them, and behind them a flame burneth: the land is a the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them." (Joel 2:1-3)

We are all acquainted with these verses, but when we read them today, the picture is no longer far from us; it is very real. We are living in that vision. We are hearing the alarm in Zion, (Christ). We are seeing what the devouring fire is all about. If we continue to read the chapter, we know that the "great people" that Joel saw are the sons of God as they are being released in the world. We realize that the deliverance that the world is groaning for can only come through the fire

The fire is good because it destroys all that does not belong in the new. The old is filled with corruption and death. These things have been increasing as time for their destruction approaches. They belong to the "prince of the power of the air," and he is piling them on, hoping to hinder and block the move of God's Spirit. The fire that is now consuming the old world

and all that we have depended upon for so long, is actually the fire of God's love as He consumes all that offends and causes suffering, torment and death.

About a year ago, I had this dream, "My daughter and I were in the house when I heard loud and continuous noises outside. It sounded like heavy demolition equipment, earth and rock excavating machines and the like, working hard without respite. I stepped out on my patio and I saw that the work was nearly done already.

The entire neighborhood was now razed to the ground. The houses, trees and all things had disappeared. At the same time as I beheld the destruction, I also saw as in a cameo vision, the most beautiful scene that was about to replace it. The Garden of Eden came to mind. It was the most refreshing, peaceful and beautiful garden I could ever imagine. I went in the house and took my daughter by the hand. I brought her out to show her the devastation and to explain to her what was coming in its place." End of dream.

"...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil." (I Jn.3:8b) When, from the cross Jesus cried, "IT IS FINISHED," the irrevocable destruction of the devil's works had begun. From that time on, whatever the devil possessed, in the hearts of God's people, was being consumed. And from that time on, whatever the devil had possessed in the world, was on its way to extinction. The destruction began when Jesus pronounced these words, and He has been repeating these words over and over again through the testimony of His saints as they embrace their daily cross.

When John the Baptist came with the baptism of repentance, he cried out, "And now, the axe is laid unto the root of the trees." (Matt.3:9) As of that time, the works of God were set to move on, and they have been ongoing eversince. First in the hearts of His called out ones, and then in the world. Now the destruction of the devil's works is almost finished. The new heaven and new earth are at hand.

Peter says that the old creation is destroyed by fire.

"Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat. Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." (II Pet.3:12-13)

The heavens are the governing authorities that have been ruling the nations of the world. Titus tells us "...to be subject to principalities and powers, and to obey magistrates..." (Titus 3:1) Paul writes that these governing bodies of flesh and blood are ruled from the heavens or heavenly places. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high (heavenly) places." (Eph.6:12)

We know that the wickedness that we see in some who are in governmental seats today, issues from powers in the heavenlies or spirit realm. This is why we are stunned at the animosity, hatred and murderous audacity that we witness coming from some of our representatives today. Their words and actions are led by "angels" or "messengers" in the realm of spirit. Peter tells us of angels that sinned and did not keep their first estate. Paul writes, "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." (II Cor.11:14)

Just as God's angels bring us messages of light, wicked angels dictate to the rulers of this world. Karl Marx was unknowingly following the dictate of wicked angels when he wrote the "Communist Manifesto," containing the doctrines that brought millions of people into bondage. These are some of the strongholds that the angels of God are casting out of the heavenlies today.

For those who know their God, this is the day of victory. Isaiah uttered these words, "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former shall not be remembered, or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem, (His Church, His bride), a rejoicing, and her people a joy." (Isa.65:17-18).

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