

The Works of God Come Through Divine Revelation

(Go To Meeting)

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Greetings, everyone! This is quite a massive topic, and we'll attempt to do credibility to this to understand:

- where revelation comes from
- what revelation is
- how it effects us personally
- how it affects the world

The kingdoms of this world includes the:

- presidents
- prime ministers
- judges
- prophets
- those who are telling us that they are speaking for God

If they have not had the Truth of God—as recorded in the Scriptures—***revealed to them, they simply do not have the Truth!*** They do not have the revelation from God—***full stop, period!***

Of course, we have many theologians, many 'wise' men say that what you're saying is a lie, not true.

- What does God say?
- What did Jesus Christ have to say?

Let's look at some Scriptures. Let's see who God reveals His Truth to. Are you and I in this particular category?

Luke 10:21: "In the same hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit, and said, 'I praise **You, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth...**'"

To know that God the Father is Lord of the heavens and the earth, ***that's got to be revealed to you!*** You can know that by the hearing of your ear. Job said, 'I've heard of You, God, by the hearing of my ear.' But he also said, '***But now my eye sees You!***'

It wasn't until God interacted with Job that God began to show who Job was: just a little pimple in the flesh compared to God. Job said, '**Now my eye sees You!**'

- What was Job saying?
- Was he talking about the physical eye?

or

- Was he talking about the ***eye to his mind, the***

eye to his heart?

I think you know the answer to that one!

"...that **You did hide these things from the wise...**" (v 21).

- it is those men and women who are kings and queens, those who are the rulers of the nations
- it is the so-called prophets; most of which are ***false prophets***
- it is all the religious leaders who have gained their superior positions or prominence

When we look at a lot of these leaders, the judges, politicians, ***we find in what God says***—because of the things that are in our nations—***He removes them!***

God has given us a list of those who don't know want to know about Him. Judges: look at the criminal system today. The innocent—those who have not committed crimes—they put into prison. But those who:

- rape
- kill
- steal
- totally corrupt of mind

they put out on the streets to repeat it!

*So, those who **claim** to be wise, or those who should be wise, are far from it.*

"...You did hide these things... [about God the Father] ...and did **reveal them to babes.** Yes, Father, for it was well pleasing in Your sight *to do so*" (v 21).

- Do you consider yourself a babe in Christ?
- Do you feel that you have had so much study of the Bible—you've been in the Church so long—that 'I'm one of the wise; I'm no longer a babe?'

Should we ever lose this principle, this concept, because if we begin to think that we're more mature than we are, then what's going happen? ***We'll find little-by-little that the wisdom that God gave to us...*** Because we were like little children, like babes, responding to parents and believe every words that they say.

We must continue as little children, even as babes, taking in every word that proceeds from the

mouth of God. Where do find that? *In the entirety of the Bible; every book in the Bible!* Yes, it's a lot of history, a lot of teaching, **but every word in the Bible is God breathed!** What does that tell us?

Every word coming from God is the revelation of God. So, don't let anyone ever tell you that there are a lot of errors, untruths or lies or myths in the Bible. That in itself is a lie! Of course, we find a lot of the prophets or false prophets in this world percolating day after day.

Let's have a look at this again in Matt. 11. Same subject, just says it a little differently.

When God says something once, He means it! When He says it twice, we know that He not only means it, but it's sealed; sealed in the Word and sealed in the Spirit, unchangeable, unredactable. We hear a lot about that word today in documents that have been redacted.

That's what they've done with the Bible; they have redacted the Bible in the minds if the few that read it. When people read it they says that this can't be true; 'The Arch-Bishop of Canterbury says this.... Those aren't men of God! They're serving the religion of Satan the devil.

Satan is using those men and world leaders, those in high offices of authority in his plan of a plot to deceive the whole world. ***We have to be able to see through that!***

I know that I'm speaking to the converted, but this message is going out to the Internet. If God wants these words to go out as series in Isaiah, God sends His word forth! It will accomplish what sends it to do, and will not return to Him void.

One of those is Matt. 24, the preaching of the Gospel to all nations to convert them? *No!* But as a witness so that the nations—kings, presidents, prime ministers, the high and mighty, the lofty, the wealthy—are without excuse!

With that same Word, what is God going to do? ***He's going to reach out to those who are seeking Him! Crying out to Him, wanting to know 'Who You are!'*** Those who want God; 'I've heard of You with the hearing of my ear. I want to see You!'

I can recall doing that as a teenager. I lived through that for about seven years, because seven years later God answered that prayer. So, the point here is, we must continue to endure like the woman who went to the unjust judge. God is not an unjust judge. But God wants us to assail to His Throne and see the body of Jesus Christ. The veil that takes us

right into the very Temple of God, right into His presence.

God want to know how serious you are. He wants to know how serious I am! What am I prepared to do to get to the Throne of God so that He will reveal His Truth, His knowledge, His wisdom, and to fill me with the mind of Christ.

Jesus said in John 6:63: **"It is the Spirit that gives life; the flesh profits nothing...."**

Coming up Passover and Unleavened Bread we're attempting to get rid of the leaven out of our lives. I just have been through the transcript of the message for the first day of Unleavened Bread and if you can get that read it before the first day of Unleavened Bread, you will find so much.

I found so much more, even though I've known these things for decades, God—through His Spirit—continues to reveal a little bit here, and a little bit there. It adds to our knowledge and understanding.

It adds to His understanding, adds to His wisdom in our heart and mind, as He gives is and we obey it. He takes His finger and inscribes deeply into the fleshy tablets of our heart.

God is not doing that for the rest of mankind! God is sending out the message. Today, God is dealing with His Church! It's one of these topics that we need to take a look at.

We know about this book, and we need to revisit it. I'm not saying anything here that's really new, but we need to be going over, meditating and heeding the readings, and coming into a deeper and deeper understanding.

We can read a verse one day, and read the next day and God will add meaning to it. You and I know that; we've experienced it!

Matthew 11:25: "At that time Jesus answered and said, 'I praise You, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, **that You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent...**"

Brethren, we need to understand this. The 'wise' and 'intelligent' of this world are not wise and they're not intelligent in the things of God. The revelations that God has put there for anyone who wants to seek them to find them. They're too busy seeking their knowledge from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.

Regardless, what's the end result of eating the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil? Being a philanthropist and give millions of dollars to this country, that country, to this and that

organization. The end of that is this: because they're not eating of—as we're able to today—***the Tree of Life, the Tree of Eternal Life!***

As Jesus went on to say in John 6:63: "...the flesh profits nothing. The words... [the words in Scripture] ...that I speak to you, they are Spirit..."

- Do we have God's Spirit in our mind and heart?
- Are they not going to connect?
- Are they not going to meld with the Holy Spirit, the mind of Christ, within us?

Absolutely *yes!*

"...The words that I speak to you, they are Spirit and they are Life" (v 63).

That's life living God's way in the flesh right now, but here Christ is talking about ***eternal life!***

As our mind is filled with the revelation—all of this is revelation—that you know and the world does not know! Do you think the King of England understands all these things. Or perhaps he needs to do what Josiah did when the Word of God was brought to him.

What Josiah did when he saw the judgment of God on Jerusalem, and on the people, he tore his clothes. He closed up everything in that mission, and gave the nation 12 years of peace, because God revealed to him... We know that Josiah ruled from the age of eight, but these other events happened at age 18. Josiah did what was pleasing in the eyes of God. God gave peace to the nation.

It didn't last. What would happen today if the King of England would say, 'I have read in the Scriptures that I must keep the Sabbath Day because this is a command of God. Only by keeping this will I know Who the true God is.

- Is he going to find out Who the true God is from the Church of England?
- Which is just one step away from the Church of Rome? ***NO!***
- What day do they keep? ***The first day of the week!***

The way to explain this is day 1—which today is called *Sunday*—is at the beginning of the week. The Sabbath is day 7, when God rested. ***He blessed and sanctified the seventh day for all eternity!***

We know that that is only one part of the picture. It's the foundation. Through that is the rest of God's Sabbaths. Now, if the King of England were to do this, rather than going to the Archbishop, going to the Word of God and listen to what

God has to say.

What's important is the Word of God. Exo. 31 is such a powerful witness to all kings and leaders, but particularly those of the nations of Ephraim and Manasseh. Who are they? ***They were the sons of Joseph!*** Before his death God had renamed Jacob ***Israel!*** Now we have the 12 tribes of Israel all coming from one body of Jacob and his wives.

But when it came down to blessing Ephraim and Manasseh, these two sons of Joseph, whom Jacob took to be his own and become part of the tribes of Israel with a very special promise. Jacob said he was going to 'name my name on them'—***Israel!***

So, today Ephraim and Manasseh... The Biblical teaching of those are today is found in our publication: ***America and Britain: Two Nations that Changed the World.*** When you read through Genesis and you see that blessing, that in our day, in our time—the end-time—they have changed the world.

When was the Bible sent out to many nations in the beginning, by the British Bible Society. Today, it's going out from the United States, who in prophecy is Manasseh. A fact we can't get away from!

When the Worldwide Church of God failed, we know what happened; those who were in the head offices—this is public knowledge on the Internet and other places—they never believed in the identity of the 12 tribes of Israel.

'We know who the Jews are, but of the ten 'lost' tribes, DNA shows that it's not Britain and America, it's not Northwestern Europe.'

We see what happened! ***They got the learning of the theological institutions of this world!*** Their theory is that of theology, which is ***'faith seeking understanding.'*** You might as well say that 'theology is seeking knowledge and understanding from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.

What did God say about understanding, knowledge and wisdom. God says that ***a good understanding***—of the ways of God; if you like the ways of 'God the teaching of God—***have all those who keep His commandments!***

I was told by a minister I knew when I was a teenager that 'the Old Testament is just so much driftwood.' I found that he was lying and knew nothing about the Truth!

Thankfully, because of crying out to God and really wanting to know Him, God reached down

touched this miserable wretch of a human being from the outermost part of the world. I knew my pedigree, I knew my category. God called me from a place called Blath (sp?), New Zealand, the last jump off point of the South Island, which the next step off is the ocean all the way to the South Pole. There's only one other place on earth that is further south than that, and that's the southern tip of South America.

I don't know, but I hope we have some brethren down there. But when called us He reached down to the bottom of the barrel.

We understand our pedigree, because God is creating within you and me as we humble ourselves before Him. As we keep ourselves from presumptuous sins, as we get control of our lives according to the Law of God, the Word of God, being filled with God's Spirit. That we learn to rule over the sin that is within us.

Do you think the kings, prime ministers, presidents and leaders who we see today; the high and mighty, the wealthy and rich who are controlling the world, do you think that they are really wise?

Paul was talking the Corinthians because they had many, many problems. And it was quite a task for Paul because he had to correct them. No elder desires to have to correct God's people. But when one of God's sheep goes astray—in fact, this is a challenge to every one of us—we have an obligation to go after that lost sheep, one that's got itself stuck in the bush or amongst the briars.

Sometimes you have to bring to their attention what they're doing to themselves. They're putting their eternal salvation on the line. They're risking, sometimes unknowingly, and we'll do whatever we can to try and rescue them, as you would, because of the love that God has put in your heart for a brother or sister who is going astray.

1-Corinthians 1:23: "But we proclaim Christ crucified..."—*tie in 1-Cor. 2*

Paul determined to know nothing when he was preaching to the Corinthians, except 'Christ and Him crucified.' Why? *Because that is the Divine revealed knowledge!* That's the works of God in our heart and mind. As we pray and study daily, God is doing that work within our mind and heart. We can't see Him, but we can read through His voice. Jesus said, 'the words I speak to you are Spirit' and also revealed by God the Father Himself.

- Where did Jesus get His wisdom from?
- Where did He get His knowledge from?
- Where did He get His understanding from?

God the Father woke Him up every morning and God taught Him all these things. Jesus didn't learn it from the local pharisaical school. He didn't learn it from the local theological college, where the Truth is buried.

That's what happened to many of our leading men, men whom I knew personally over the years. It was just amazing to see how they twisted and turned, because they were going to these theological colleges for their PhDs. That knowledge of lies, which (inaudible) has turned them away from the simplicity that's in Jesus Christ. ***We must never allow anyone to do that to us!***

"...To the Jews it is a cause of offense..." (v 23)

Look at it today, they reject Christ! Yet, you and I were able to accept Him and relish it! Why? How?

"...**and to the Greeks...** [the other Gentile nations] **...it is foolishness**" (v 23).

In other words, Christ and Him crucified, to the Jews is a cause of offence! What Paul is saying here is that all the other nations of the world 'Christ crucified' is foolishness to them.

Verse 24: "But to those who are called—both Jews and Greeks—Christ is God's power and God's wisdom, **because the foolishness of God is wiser than men...**" (vs 24-25).

Here are these men and women with all their knowledge, and their foolishness. What they call *foolishness* we're living by obeying it, their foolishness is the wisdom of God, the power of God to change our lives and to be prepared to teach all these 'wise' and 'know-it-all's' in the world today, to teach them God's ways.

I was just thinking this morning, there's a prophecy that shows that it's probably in the second resurrection when all these individuals come up and some will recognize them. 'Oh, you were the Arch-Bishop, or you were this tele-evangelist.' *Oh no, I wasn't!* Their hands are wiped clean, there's no cuts on them, there's no hard flesh through the use of an instrument.

Verse 25: "Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men..."

So, everything in the Bible is the word that God speaks to us. We have never seen God, yet, we have His Word! What did Moses tell the Israelites because they were prone to making idols right from the very beginning? *God said, 'You saw the flashing lights! You heard the words that God spoke to you! But you never saw anyone!'*

- scrap your idols
- scrap your idolatry

If these messages of the Gospel of Christ crucified were to go into the Palace or the White House, or into the halls of governmental authority, that the words of God is going to be accepted, wouldn't we hope that the king or presidents, prime ministers, would take the Scriptures and read them and see the calamity that's coming on the motions that they are ruling over... God put them there:

- Are they doing what God wants them to do?
- Are they to rule over the people with judgment and justice?
- Are they taking particular attention to care for the widows?
- The orphans?
- Those who are strangers?

I'm not talking about illegals! But those who are genuine who have had everything stripped from them by the rulers and unjust judges, and by the political systems.

Even by a system that has been totally reversed, where evil is called good, and good is called evil. We need to praise and thank God that He has taken, stripping from our eyes the blindness that's on the rest of the world.

Revelation 12:9 "And the great dragon was cast out, the ancient serpent **who is called the Devil and Satan, who is deceiving the whole world...**"

That' includes kings, queens, princes... What would happen if the kings would read it and say 'Look, the Sabbath is God's Day, not Sunday.'

1-Corinthians 1:26: "For **you see your calling**, brethren..." *Do you really see it deep down?*

- that you have no confidence in the flesh
- that we know that the flesh profits nothing
- there is only the Word of God
- there is only the knowledge of God
- there is only the wisdom of God

that's going to give us that Life Eternal!

You were called from the foundation of the world; God appointed that He was going to call individuals during the Old Testament, some Prophets and some Kings. Then from the Day of Pentecost His Church and the Church has such an important role. Not just only for the earth, but for the creation! The Church is not some little social group that we meet together and have tea, coffee and cake.

Church is when we come together and meet Christ, Who is there in our midst. Like Moses, we

realize that we're in the presence of God the Father and Jesus Christ. He says that 'where two or three are gathered together, I am in their midst.'

Do we pollute God's Sabbath when we gossip or pollute, that should not be named amongst the Household of God. We are the Household of God! God purchased our body, our flesh; He purchased our soul! We are a temple of God's Spirit, because God placed His Spirit within you.

Are we going to live a way of life that pollutes the Temple of God? This is covered for the first day of Unleavened Bread. God wants to rescue each one of us from the fire! Again, that nature that is within wants to destroy us. Satan is the one who is the 'prince of the power of the air.' He's the one who affects our minds and hearts, and turns us aside.

The older we get the more we begin to realize how desperately wicked and evil is that nature within us. Now the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil is the way of human nature!

Verse 26: "For you see your calling, brethren, that *there are* not many who are wise according to the flesh..."

Yes, there are wise people in this world. We can thank those who have studied the Word of God and given us the helps, the understanding of the meaning of the Hebrew and Greek texts. Those who have given us concordances where we can readily find and put a lot of material together.

But when it comes down to the teachings, because these teachers either don't understand or reject the Sabbath Day, and have rejected the Passover for Easter—eggs, rabbits, etc—worshipping that ancient goddess Ishtar. Frankly, there's quite a separation between the so-called celebrations of the churches of this world. There's not a celebration of the Church of God, the Church that has the name of God.

Though not all Churches of God are necessarily following the complete way of Christ and Him crucified. We can read coming up to Passover and Unleavened Bread a good way to examine ourselves, as Paul encourages us, is to go to Rev. 2 & 3 where we have the history of the Church as it was back in the first century when John was given to write this.

The history of the Church in Rev. 2 & 3 was not out of the mind of John. Rev. 1:1 says that God the Father gave these words to His Son Jesus Christ, Who gave them to His angel to give them to John. This is the Word of God the Father who is giving us the history of the Church as it was in those seven Churches in Asia Minor.

Down through history we see the state in the Church of God. It may be that it refers to a specific Church, or it may be a reference to each congregation that claims to be the Church of God. It tells us the things that we need to repent of. You can go through there and find a lot that we need to repent of. Perhaps it's good thing to go back and read it a second time. This time, ask God:

Father, I only see things in my life because of the human nature within me that I can't see, that we're not aware of them. But because of Your Word, I know it's still there, please show me so that I'm able to repent of those and able to walk in the paths of Your laws, commandment, statutes, judgments, ordinances and precepts!

What we have is the written Law, basically the Ten Commandments. That's the written Law, but it's also the commandments. From the Law and Commandments, what do we have? *The statutes and judgments based on the Ten Commandments!* Beyond that we have all the ordinances, for example: the Passover.

Moses talked about the way that the ordinances are kept. He says that the Ordinance of the Passover. There's a specific way in which it was to be done, which God commanded.

The same way as Jesus introduced the Christian Passover (John 13 and other places).

There's one man or church who believes that the foot-washing is after the bread and wine. That is not according to Christ! That is not according to the Word of God.

Verse 26: "For you see your calling, brethren, not many who are powerful..."

Think of the wise and powerful today, but what if the king would read about the seventh day Sabbath and that 'we've been gob-smacked into keeping the wrong day?' And that he made a personal decision to start keeping the Sabbath so that the people would see his example. The same for the President of the United States. Ephraim and Manasseh to show the rest of the countries that 'I am now going to obey God and keep His Sabbath Day!'

Do you think that would have an impact on the countries? *That's a rhetorical question!* Just think about it! It's happened in the past when deep repentance and obedience to the Word of God has happened.

Think about what happens if you and I can do this; we've seen people witness what we're doing and silently we're giving a witness of the faith that

we have in the Father. People will ask, 'Where are you going?'

"...not many who are highborn *among you*. 27: Rather, **God has chosen the foolish things of the world...** [before God called us we were foolish; we had no knowledge or understanding] **...so that He might put to shame those who are wise; and God has chosen the weak things of the world...**" (vs 26-27).

So, take courage, brethren, we were chosen because we were the foolish, the weak:

"**...so that He might put to shame the strong things**" (v 27)—*these highly 'intelligent' men and women who are:*

- trying to change the world
- trying to change the Laws of God
- trying to become gods themselves

with all that so-called 'wonderful' scientific products!

Now, not all science is wrong, as long as it fits into the Word of God and what God has taught us and teaches us in His Word.

Verse 28: "And **the lowborn of the world, and the despised has God chosen...** [our pedigree] *...even the things that are counted as nothing... [but not in God's eyes; but by the world, we are nothing to the world] ...—**in order that He might bring to nothing the things that are...** [God is going to crush the entire system that man had devised] **...so that no flesh might glory in His presence**" (vs 28-29).*

That's a good lesson for us; God does want us to be glorying in His presence.

- ALL the honor
- ALL the glory
- ALL the power
- ALL the dominion
- ALL the sovereignty

Everything that is Good and Holy, Righteous and True is God's!

We know that, but just repeating these things to ourselves so that we never forget, so that we can make the first resurrection and be there to help Jesus Christ and be with Him to bring in the ways of God to this world!

Isa. 40—God says that all the nations of world are like 'a drop in a bucket' to Him. He takes it a step further: *all the nations of the world are 'less than a speck of dust!'* Then He takes a step further: all the nations of this world:

- kings
- princes
- prime ministers
- presidents
- all sitting in the powers of government and authority
- all those intelligent people who are trying to change the way mankind is
- all those who are perverting and corrupting the sexual blessing that God gave to mankind

So that the love of the family and production of children for the Family of God for all eternity, God has called us to be a part of that! To produce by what He's given to us—sons and daughters—so that they can eventually become part of the Family of God.

To all the nations, 8-billion people right now—when God looks down from His position, we are all lest that nothing and vanity. But was does God reveal? What's His revelation?

Isaiah 57:14^[transcriber's correction]: “And He shall say, ‘Cast up! Cast up! Prepare the way! Take the stumbling block out of the way of My people.’”

Easter is a stumbling block. All the pagan holidays and idols are a stumbling block before God's people Israel today, the 12 tribes! God wants us as a people—but we're not doing it—to reflect His Laws and Commandments.

But God is revealing His plans and purpose through the Church. He's revealing, not through mankind, but through the principalities, through the angelic realm, through the Church.

- Where is that Church?
- What is that Church?
- How do we find that Church?
- How do we live in that Church?

You know that, and we have much information on that!

The Church is the Body of Christ! Christ is the Head and He's dwelling in it!

How important and the kings, prime ministers, presidents, princes and princesses, are they to God? *They're less than nothing and vanity, Unless:*

Verse 15: **“For thus says the high and lofty One Who inhabits eternity; Whose name is Holy...”**

This is talking about all our brothers/sisters in the Body of Christ, which is the Church of God that have lived in the past, are living now and those

in the future until the call out to the Church on the Day of Pentecost at the return of Christ; this is revelation. God is telling us, it's Spirit:

“...**‘I dwell in the high and Holy place... [What about us?] ...even with the one who is of a contrite and humble spirit...’**” (v 15).

- Do we have that, yet? *We must otherwise God's Spirit would not be within us! God resists the proud!*
- Are we totally free, then? *No we're not! We are a work in progress! The Work of God!*

This is what He's revealing to us now! Okay, we've read this before, but He keeps revealing to us.

Why? *Because we can be forgetful!*

“...**to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones**” (v 15).

- a revelation
- a promise
- the love of God
- the mercy of God
- the works of God

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