

## Message Four

### Living a Life according to the Highest Peak of the Divine Revelation

Scripture Reading: 1 Tim. 1:3-6; Rom. 8:4; Gen. 4:26; Eph. 6:17-18; 1 Thes. 5:16-20

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- 1 Tim 1:4 Nor to give heed to myths and unending genealogies, which produce questionings rather than God's economy, which is in faith.
- 1 Tim 1:5 But the end of the charge is love out of a pure heart and *out of* a good conscience and *out of* unfeigned faith;
- 1 Tim 1:6 From which things some, having misaimed, have turned aside to vain talking,
- Rom 8:4 That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit.
- Gen26 And to Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. At that time men began to call upon the name of Jehovah.
- Eph 6:17 And receive the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which *Spirit* is the word of God,
- Eph 6:18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,
- 1 Thes 5:16 Always rejoice,
- 1 Thes 5:17 Unceasingly pray,
- 1 Thes 5:18 In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
- 1 Thes 5:19 Do not quench the Spirit;
- 1 Thes 5:20 Do not despise prophecies,

**I. The highest peak of the divine revelation, the mystery hidden in God's heart, is the revelation of God's eternal economy, His eternal plan, to dispense Himself in Christ by the Spirit into us to be our life, our nature, and our everything so that we might live Christ and express Christ; this should be the principle that governs our life—1 Tim. 1:3-6; cf. 1 Cor. 9:17:**

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- 1 Cor 9:17 If I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a stewardship.

A. The eternal economy of God according to His good pleasure is to dispense Himself in His Divine Trinity through His processes of incarnation, human living, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension into His chosen and redeemed people, in order to make all of them the same as He is in life and in nature but not in the Godhead, making them His duplication so that they may express Him.

B. The issue of such a divine dispensing is the church as the Body of Christ and the new man to be the organism of the processed and consummated Triune God; this organism will consummate in the New Jerusalem as the enlarged, the increased, incarnation of God consummated in full, that is, the fullness of the Triune God for Him to express Himself corporately in His divinity mingled with humanity for eternity—Eph. 3:9, 19; Rev. 21:2, 9-10; cf. Job 10:13.

- Eph 3:9 And to enlighten all *that they may see* what the economy of the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things,
- Eph 3:19 And to know the knowledge-surpassing love of Christ, that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God.
- Rev 21:2 And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
- Rev 21:9 And one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, Come here; I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.
- Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,
- Job 10:13 But You have hidden these things in Your heart; I know that this is with You:

- C. The Spirit as the processed and consummated Triune God will marry the bride as the processed and consummated tripartite church to become a corporate entity—the New Jerusalem as the aggregate of the mingling of divinity with humanity to express the Triune God for eternity—Rev. 22:17a.

Rev 22:17a And the Spirit and the bride say, Come! And let him who hears say, Come! ...

**II. In order to carry out God's economy according to the highest peak of the divine revelation, we must live the life of a God-man in the reality of the Body of Christ by walking, living, and having our being in and according to the mingled spirit—Rom. 8:4; 1:9; Gal. 5:16, 25; Phil. 3:3:**

Rom 8:4 That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit.

Rom 1:9 For God is my witness, whom I serve in my spirit in the gospel of His Son, how unceasingly I make mention of you always in my prayers,

Gal 5:16 But I say, Walk by the Spirit and you shall by no means fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Gal 5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Phil 3:3 For we are the circumcision, the ones who serve by the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh,

A. Our unique need is the processed and consummated Triune God as the all-inclusive life-giving Spirit; the Spirit is all that we need.

B. Each step of the process through which our Triune God has passed has become an ingredient of the Spirit as the consummation of the abundantly rich processed Triune God; in the Spirit we have the three of the Triune God—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—with all the steps of God's process as the ingredients— John 1:14; 1 Cor. 15:45b.

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.

1 Cor 15:45b ... the last Adam *became* a life-giving Spirit.

C. The Spirit is mingled with our spirit to be one spirit; we are not merely one *with* the Spirit, but we *and* the Spirit are one—6:17; Rev. 22:17a.

1 Cor 6:17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit.

Rev 22:17a And the Spirit and the bride say, Come! And let him who hears say, Come! ...

D. Only the processed and consummated Triune God living in us as the all-inclusive Spirit can be a Christian and an overcomer; instead of doing things in ourselves, we should simply enjoy His living and His working by continually talking to and rejoicing in Him—Gal. 2:20; 1 Cor. 15:10; Phil. 4:4-6.

Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ; and *it is* no longer I *who* live, but *it is* Christ *who* lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the *faith* of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

1 Cor 15:10 But by the grace of God I am what I am; and His grace unto me did not turn out to be in vain, but, on the contrary, I labored more abundantly than all of them, yet not I but the grace of God which is with me.

Phil 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

Phil 4:5 Let your forbearance be known to all men. The Lord is near.

Phil 4:6 In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

E. We should not take any action, face any situation, or meet any need apart from the all-inclusive Spirit in our spirit; the way that we take today is the way of moving in the move of the Spirit and of having the Spirit moving in our move.

F. Only our spirit can respond to God's Spirit; if we are a person in the spirit, then we will be in the spirit to meet God, to see God, and to stay with God; there is no other way to be a lover of God, to be a seeker of Christ, or to be an overcomer than to be in spirit—Rom. 1:9; Rev. 1:10; 4:2; 17:3; 21:10.

Rom 1:9 For God is my witness, whom I serve in my spirit in the gospel of His Son, how unceasingly I make mention of you always in my prayers,

Rev 1:10 I was in spirit on the Lord's Day and heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet,

- Rev 4:2 Immediately I was in spirit; and behold, there was a throne set in heaven, and upon the throne *there was One sitting*;
- Rev 17:3 And he carried me away in spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.
- Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

### III. The way to walk, live, and have our being in and according to the mingled spirit (the way to bring in a new revival by living the life of a God-man) is by the following practices:

#### A. We must call on the name of the Lord—Gen. 4:26:

Gen 4:26 And to Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. At that time men began to call upon the name of Jehovah.

1. It is God's commandment (Psa. 50:15; Jer. 29:12) and His desire (Psa. 91:15; Zeph. 3:9; Zech. 13:9) that His people call on Him.

Psa 50:15 And call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me.

Jer 29:12 Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you;

Psa 91:15 He will call upon Me, and I will answer Him. I will be with Him in distress; I will deliver Him and honor Him.

Zeph 3:9 For then I will change the language of the peoples Into a pure language That they may all call upon the name of Jehovah, To serve Him with one accord.

Zech 13:9 And I will bring the third part through fire And refine them as silver is refined And try them as gold is tried. They will call on My name, And I will answer them; I will say, They are My people, And they will say, Jehovah is my God.

2. This is the joyful way to drink from the fountain of God's salvation (Isa. 12:3-4) and the enjoyable way to delight oneself in God (Job 27:10), that is, to enjoy Him; hence, God's people must call upon Him daily (Psa. 88:9).

Isa 12:3 Therefore you will draw water with rejoicing From the springs of salvation,

Isa 12:4 And you will say in that day, Give thanks to Jehovah; call upon His name! Make His deeds known among the peoples; Remind them that His name is exalted.

Job 27:10 Does he take delight in the Almighty? Will he call upon God at all times?

Psa 88:9 My eye wastes away at the affliction; I have called out to You, O Jehovah, every day; I have spread out my hands to You.

3. To breathe the Lord in as our breath and to drink Him as our living water, we need to call on Him—Lam. 3:55-56; Isa. 12:3-4.

Lam 3:55 I called upon Your name, O Jehovah, From the lowest pit.

Lam 3:56 You have heard my voice; do not hide Your ear at my breathing, at my cry.

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4. After we believe in the Lord, we need to call on Him so that we may not only be saved but also enjoy His riches—Rom. 10:12-13.

Rom 10:12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord *is Lord* of all *and* rich to all who call upon Him;

Rom 10:13 For "whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

5. Paul charged us to pursue Christ as righteousness, faith, love, and peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart—2 Tim. 2:22.

2 Tim 2:22 But flee youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

#### B. We must pray-read His word as the Spirit:

1. The word in Ephesians 6:17 equals the Spirit, and verse 18 tells us that we have to pray this word and be watchful concerning this kind of prayer; in other words, we have to be watchful concerning our pray-reading.

Eph 6:17 And receive the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which *Spirit* is the word of God,

Eph 6:18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,

2. Since the enemy has injected himself into our being, what we need is for the killing power of the word to be applied to us to deal with the elements of the enemy within us.
  3. Negative things such as doubts, hatred, jealousy, pride, or selfishness can be killed through pray-reading the word.
  4. The more we take in the word with its killing power, the more our self with its pride and all the negative elements within us are put to death; pray-reading is a practical way to kill the negative elements within us.
- C. We must always rejoice, unceasingly pray, and give thanks in everything; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for us—1 Thes. 5:16-18:
- 1 Thes **5:16** Always rejoice,  
 1 Thes **5:17** Unceasingly pray,  
 1 Thes **5:18** In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
1. Always rejoicing in the Lord affords us the strength for keeping the oneness and is the secret for having the divine attributes expressed in our human virtues—Phil. 4:2-9.  
 Phil **4:2** I exhort Euodias, and I exhort Syntyche, to think the same thing in the Lord.  
 Phil **4:3** Yes, I ask you also, genuine yokefellow, assist them, since they contended with me in the gospel, as well as with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.  
 Phil **4:4** Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.  
 Phil **4:5** Let your forbearance be known to all men. The Lord is near.  
 Phil **4:6** In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;  
 Phil **4:7** And the peace of God, which surpasses every *man's* understanding, will guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.  
 Phil **4:8** Finally, brothers, what things are true, what things are dignified, what things are righteous, what things are pure, what things are lovely, what things are well spoken of, if there is any virtue and if any praise, take account of these things.  
 Phil **4:9** The things which you have also learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of peace will be with you.
  2. To pray unceasingly simply means to stop our own effort, to continually call on Him, talk to Him all the time, and pray all day long, “Lord, live through me”; the habit of living Christ must be the habit of prayer.
  3. To pray unceasingly is to have uninterrupted fellowship with God in our spirit; it requires perseverance with a strong spirit—Rom. 12:12; Col. 4:2; Eph. 6:18.  
 Rom **12:12** Rejoice in hope; endure in tribulation; persevere in prayer.  
 Col **4:2** Persevere in prayer, watching in it with thanksgiving,  
 Eph **6:18** By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,
  4. We should give thanks to God the Father not only in good times but at all times, and not only for good things but for all things (5:20); we give thanks in everything because all things work together for our good so that we may be transformed and conformed to the image of Christ (Rom. 8:28-29).  
 Eph **5:20** Giving thanks at all times for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to *our* God and Father,  
 Rom **8:28** And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to *His* purpose.  
 Rom **8:29** Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;
- D. We must not quench the Spirit—1 Thes. 5:19:
- 1 Thes **5:19** Do not quench the Spirit;
1. The Spirit causes our spirit to be burning and our gifts to be flaming; hence, we should not quench Him—Rom. 12:11; 2 Tim. 1:6-7.  
 Rom **12:11** Do not be slothful in zeal, *but* be burning in spirit, serving the Lord.  
 2 Tim **1:6** For which cause I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

- 2 Tim **1:7** For God has not given us a spirit of cowardice, but of power and of love and of sobermindedness.
2. Our not quenching the Spirit is by our standing with the divine facts; we must stand with the fact that we have a mingled spirit and that we have the Lord Jesus within us:
    - a. Instead of quenching the Spirit, we should fan our spirit into flame by praying, calling on the name of the Lord, reading the Word, and pray-reading a few verses; then we will grow in the divine life without fluctuation.
    - b. We must learn not to quench the Spirit but to stand with the spiritual facts and live according to these facts; furthermore, we must follow the Spirit, be one with the Spirit, and be led by the Spirit as the sons of God—Rom. 8:14.  
Rom **8:14** For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.
- E. We must not despise or ignore prophesying but highly regard and respect it—1 Thes. 5:20:  
1 Thes **5:20** Do not despise prophecies,
1. “He who prophesies builds up the church”—1 Cor. 14:4b; cf. Matt. 16:18.  
1 Cor **14:4b** ... but he who prophesies builds up the church.  
Matt **16:18** And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.
  2. Prophesying is to speak for Christ, to speak forth Christ, and to minister and dispense Christ as the Spirit into people—2 Cor. 3:3, 6; Acts 5:20; 1 Cor. 14:3, 31.  
2 Cor **3:3** Since you are being manifested that you are a letter of Christ ministered by us, inscribed not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tablets of stone but in tablets of hearts of flesh.  
2 Cor **3:6** Who has also made us sufficient as ministers of a new covenant, *ministers* not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.  
Acts **5:20** Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life.  
1 Cor **14:3** But he who prophesies speaks building up and encouragement and consolation to men.  
1 Cor **14:31** For you can all prophesy one by one that all may learn and all may be encouraged.
  3. Prophesying is the excelling gift for the building up of the church; if we are going to prophesy, we need to live a prophesying life—v. 12:  
1 Cor **14:12** So also you, since you are zealous of spirits, seek that you may excel for the building up of the church.
    - a. We need to be revived every morning—Prov. 4:18; Lam. 3:22-24; Psa. 119:147-148.  
Prov **4:18** But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, Which shines brighter and brighter until the full day.  
Lam **3:22** It is Jehovah's lovingkindness that we are not consumed, For His compassions do not fail;  
Lam **3:23** They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.  
Lam **3:24** Jehovah is my portion, says my soul; Therefore I hope in Him.  
Psa **119:147** I anticipated the dawn and cried out; I hoped in Your words.  
Psa **119:148** My eyes anticipated the night watches, That I might muse upon Your word.
    - b. We must live an overcoming life every day—Rev. 21:6-7; 1 John 1:6-7; Rom. 8:4; 2 Tim. 4:2a.  
Rev **21:6** And He said to me, They have come to pass. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give to him who thirsts from the spring of the water of life freely.  
Rev **21:7** He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be God to him, and he will be a son to Me.  
1 John **1:6** If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and are not practicing the truth;  
1 John **1:7** But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.  
Rom **8:4** That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit.  
2 Tim **4:2** Proclaim the word; be ready in season *and* out of season; ...

- F. “I would encourage you to try faithfully to practice living a God-man’s life by contacting Him through calling on His name, pray-reading His living word, praying unceasingly, not quenching the Spirit, and not despising prophesying. May the Lord bless us with Himself as the life-giving Spirit that we may touch Him in the mingled spirit by these life practices”—*Living a Life according to the High Peak of God’s Revelation*, pp. 41-42.