THE GLORY OF GOD

The Kingdom Principle Of The Glory Of God. The Greek word for glory is "doxa" which refers to the apparent, wide application of God's radiance, dignity, honor, praise and worship. The word "glory" is used concerning the nature and acts of God in His Self-Manifestation; it is that which emanates from Him. There is a difference between the ANOINTING of God and the GLORY of God. Saul was initially anointed, but he departed from God. SAUL SAW the anointing of God, but DAVID USHERED IN THE GLORY OF GOD as king. The glory of God also cut off his enemies.

A. The Anointing Of God Can Be Described As:

- 1. The divine ability, grace to perform a task; to function in an office by the Spirit of God. Elements of spiritual truth are connected to the oil.
- **2**. The word "anoint" means to pour oil upon someone or something in order to consecrate him or it for divine service; 2 Corinthians 1:20-22; Isaiah 61:1-3.
- **3**. The Holy Spirit anoints individuals to release His power and to demonstrate the authority of the Kingdom of God; Isaiah 10:27; 1 John 2:27.
- **4**. The anointing "oil" is supplied supernaturally. Oil is what causes the "lamps" to burn. Those who hold this in their possession, cannot give it to another; Matthew 25:8-9. Gifts may be "imparted"; Romans 1:11, but oil is given only by the Lord.
- **5**. King David was anointed 3 times from the Lord's vial. This suggests that there is a progression and degrees of anointing:
- a. Oil Is Poured Out: This initial pouring out of God's grace is specifically upon the head (thinking and mindset). This necessary element brings a revelation of God's call upon our life, sets us apart, and the separation process begins; 1 Samuel 16:13.
- b. Oil Is Smeared On: Obedience and submission to the Lord will bring a greater dimension of anointing. This is a distinct touch, a strong impression by the hand of God, resulting in a greater anointing for a specific purpose or assignment; 2 Samuel 2:4.
- c. Oil Is Rubbed In: This is a deep penetration of the Holy Spirit's anointing by the hand of God, which shall manifest with a "weight of glory"; 2 Samuel 5:3; 2 Cor. 4:17.
- **6**. The anointing oil implies consecration to an office and God's service. This concept was associated with:
 - a. **prophets**; 1 Kings 19:16
 - b. **priests**; Exodus 28:41
 - c. **kings**; 1 Samuel 10:1
- 7. The Greek word "CHRIO" (Strong's #5548) is defined as "contact" (with the oil), being "smeared on" and "rubbed in" with the oil (anointing), pointing to the fullness of the Spirit. The anointing that rested upon Jesus the Messiah, was "without measure". This anointing upon the Head and Body reveals the GLORY of God; Isaiah 11:1-2; John 3:34.

B. The Glory Of God Can Be Described As:

- 1. His Manifested, Revealed Presence; Matthew 3:16-17.
- **2**. His Physical, Convincing Splendor; Revelation 1:7.
- 3. The "weight" of His Presence, Power and Radiance; 1 Kings 8:10-11; 2 Cor. 4:17.
- **4**. That which reveals the nature of His throne and Kingdom: His grace, as well as the display of His righteous judgments; Psalm 89:14; Romans 11:22.

C. What Happens When God's Glory Is Revealed?

- 1. It brings widespread repentance, the fear of the Lord, signs and wonders; Acts 2:43.
- **2**. It brings a revelation of God's authority, a demonstration of His power, and it causes the religious to become angry; Matthew 12:1-14.
- 3. It causes the heavens to be opened and a Voice to be heard; Matthew 17:1-6.
- **4**. It gives a witness of God's choice or favor upon an individual; Numbers 17:1-10.
- **5**. His glory makes a clear distinction between the authentic and the counterfeit (kingdom, message or messenger); 1 Kings 18:20-40.
- **6**. His glory is revealed in a Cloud and in a Pillar of Fire; Exodus 40:34-38.
- 7. His glory brings swift correction, a severe chastisement of the Lord; Acts 5:1-11.
- 8. It brings supernatural vision, revealing the majesty and throne of God; Ex. 24:9-17
- 9. It exposes the darkness, and causes idols to fall down and be broken; 1 Samuel 5:1-4.
- **10**. His glory brings a supernatural suspension of the natural laws of nature:
 - a. The sun stood still; Joshua 10:11-14.
 - b. An axe head floats; 2 Kings 6:4-7.
 - c. A donkey speaks; Numbers 22:21-32.
 - d. Supernatural transportation; Acts 8:39-40.
- 11. God's justice is revealed and His vengeance is seen; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10.
- **12**. There is an ever-increasing revelation of the high calling in Christ; Philippians 3:14. It is the glory of God TO CONCEAL a matter; Proverbs 25:2. It is also the glory of God TO REVEAL a matter; see Luke 24:45; Matthew 11:25-27.
- <u>D.</u> Jesus Showed Us That His Glory Is Revealed Through The HOUSE. The Old Testament is the type or shadow of what was to come in the New Testament. Jesus is the HEAD of the HOUSE; Ezek. 43:10. There is a **pattern** from the Old Testament in 2 Chronicles 5:1-14, concerning God's glory coming into the Temple. This is the order:
- **1**. When all the "dedicated" vessels (the sanctified, separated brethren) are placed in the house of God (when all are in the Ark);
- **2**. When all are assembled to bring up the "Ark" out of Zion (refers to God's government, throne, presence, glory, fullness of the Godhead, the Kingdom of God in manifestation, the complete victory of Jesus);
- 3. When these are gathered "unto THE KING" (not unto a ministry, not unto a movement, not unto an experience or unto kingdoms of men);
- **4**. When the Ark is brought into its proper place, the Most Holy Place (the place of rest, the ministry within the veil, perfect relationship, divine love, protection and mercy);
- **5**. When Solomon's temple (the Lord's dwelling place) is completed, when the Father's House is "full" (at the END OF THE AGE);
- **6**. When every priest and Levite (the saints) are set in their proper places;
- 7. When the singers and musicians are set in their proper places (speaks of worship in spirit and in truth, purity of worship);
- **8**. When the order of the "vessels and furniture" are properly arranged (lives set in order, as seen by the order in the O.T. Tabernacle);
- **9.** When the trumpeters (oracles, Word of God) and singers are heard "as one sound";
- **10**. When all of these things are in order, then the "house" shall be filled with the CLOUD, and the glory of the Lord will appear.

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