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Greetings in the mighty name of the resurrected Jesus Christ!

Our Jesus is alive! Amen! What a privilege to serve a living God. He not only lives, He made us alive together with Christ and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places with Him (Eph.2:5-6). His resurrection power is working within us. May the Lord enlighten our eyes to see the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead (Eph.1:17-20). We are heavenly beings living on this earth to establish His Kingdom. Let this revelation penetrate to your hearts.

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Yours in Christ,

Ezekiah Francis

Come on! Its time to Worship

Dr. Ezekiah Francis

Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth” (Jn. 4: 21-23).

Learn to discern the times we live in. Some consider this to be an age of war. For many others it is a time of harvest. Either of the views is correct. However, our Lord and Savior has declared this to be the right time for worship! His words brook no opposition; nor does it call for any debate. It is prudent and wise to change us according to His word and profit by it. This is the time to worship the Father - time for every one to worship Him - in Truth and in Spirit. We should let ourselves be swept along by the wave of worship! Let us linger on this subject for a while and meditate upon this.

A GOOD COUNSEL EVEN UNTO THE LOWLY

The teaching on ‘worship’ is a very special one. It is deep and profound. Among all the biblical subjects it takes the pride of place. It is worship and prayer that unite us to the Lord. It is also true that God wants His Church to excel in the knowledge of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. But it is

undeniable that those who worship God in spirit and in truth alone can flow in or operate the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It is necessary to minister to the people but ministering unto the Lord through worship is of foremost importance. In brief, worship is the greatest among all the spiritual experiences. A worshiping Christian is really the most eminent one; a worshiping congregation is the real church; a worshiping family is the most blessed one among all the families.

But what is intriguing is that the good Lord chose to reveal this profound truth to a common Samaritan woman. What we see in this verse in the 4th chapter of John is the very important one on worship. ‘Those that worship the Father must worship in spirit and in truth,’ is the keel on which the entire teaching on worship is built. Why, then, the Lord chose to reveal this to a Samaritan woman? And that too, to a woman who had lived with five different men? What good can it do to her?

Perhaps it would not have caused so much bewilderment if He had revealed that to mature believers or seasoned ministers. Had I been in His shoes, I would have brushed aside that sinful woman saying that she doesn’t deserve such enlightening messages. But it is not so with our Lord. That is the special trait of our Savior! It is something that we cannot fathom why the Lord gives such profound teachings to such vagrant people. In the eyes of Jews, the Samaritans were detestable people. They were always looked down

upon. They never have anything to do with them. Socializing or mingling with them was anathema to them. But our Lord does not show any such distinction. He reveals His teaching to any one who is teachable. What a glorious God is He!

Look at it from another angle. Did this woman come to a spiritual gathering with a lot of expectation? Or was she attending any seminar where the subject of ‘Worship’ was thoroughly analyzed and studied? Is it not a deep subject fit to teach to the Pharisees and the Sadducees? Why then did He teach this subject to that woman? Now, if He is willing to help such a woman to master the art of worship, how much more willing He be to teach you who are earnestly seeking such an art?

In fact the Holy Bible is full of such incidences where He had revealed such profound teachings to ordinary simple people. He has chosen an unworthy race, cleansed them thoroughly and filled them with His revelations and is raising them as an army of worshippers! He has discarded such Bible scholars and Pharisees who want to analyze everything by their brainpower. Instead He chooses such innocent people like humble maids, country folk and the uneducated and reveals to them such glorious teachings!

A D O R A T I O N , A S W E E T F R A G R A N C E

Jesus did not consider her sinful life a deterrent to learn such profound truth about ‘worship.’ This woman had lived with five different men and the one with whom she was then living also was not her husband. But the moment she realized that she was dealing with a Prophet she started asking Him “Our fathers worshiped in this mountain and you people say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.” He did not consider her audacious either. Instead of questioning her credentials to ask such profound enquiries, He welcomed her queries. With such encouraging words, ‘Woman, believe me,’ He went on to explain to her the finer aspects of worship.

This episode brings out a sublime truth subtly, though. The message of worship is of paramount importance to a sinner, as well. Even a new convert who is just being saved, needs to study this subject thoroughly. It does not presuppose any spiritual growth or maturity. Do you know why? It is the art of worship alone that can transform a wretched stinking life into one of sweet fragrance before God. Living with six different men may not satisfy a woman. But knowledge and practice of the art of worship will bring total satisfaction to such a woman. Such a person will even trample upon the honeycomb. A prodigal son who imagines that real pleasures are elsewhere will come to a stage where even the pods that the swine feed on will taste like honey. Therefore the children of God should commit themselves totally to a life of worship.

The life of any man who worships God in spirit and in truth cannot but change. As for me, I learnt to love Jesus even at a very tender age. He alone could hold my affection. Therefore I was constantly singing worship song, pouring out my love for Him. I realized how deeply such experiences filled my heart with gladness. Nothing else could satisfy my love as these. This is the secret of my leading a chaste life this far.

Do you know that worship can transform a man and his house and his church radically? If only your family had given pride of place to worshipping God, it would be blessed a thousand times more than it is now. Where praise and worship is not given the important place, strifes and afflictions and all sorts of miseries abound. Decide today to change your elegies into songs of praise. Let your valley of tears become the valley of worship. You will be amazed at how everything about you, your body and soul and your family and ministry is turned upside down.

S P I R I T O F P R O P H E C Y A N D S P I R I T O F P R A I S E

When the Spirit of Prophecy comes upon a church, it gets transformed into a church of Praise. Similarly a praising church becomes a prophetic church. God Himself has ordained it that way.

Now listen carefully. Jesus asked that Samaritan woman for water. Instead of giving Him water, she started bragging. She said, "You are not greater than our father Jacob, are you? He gave us the well and drank of it himself and his sons and his cattle." Seeing her drifting into vain talk, Jesus decided to give her a shock treatment. He bade her to bring her husband. This simple direction exposed her broken life. Immediately she realized that she was talking to a prophet and checked her vain talk. She said, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet." And changed the topic and asked Him about worship.

There is reason why she started asking about worship when she realized that she was dealing with a prophet. A biblical truth is expounded here. In those days it was common knowledge that the primary function of a prophet was to teach the common people about worshipping God. Yes indeed, when there are more prophets in our country there will be sudden spurt in the congregation that would worship God in truth and spirit. In the same way when the worship anointing is poured out in the church, gifts of prophecy will abound, as well. The Bible is full of such instances.

Listen to what Samuel said to Saul after anointing him king over Israel, "Afterward you will come to hill of God where the Philistine garrison is; and it shall be as soon as you have come thereto the city, that you will meet a group of prophets coming down from the high place with harp, tambourine, flute a lyre before them, and they will be prophesying." (1.Sa.10:5) This indicates that there would be music and drum-beat before the prophets come in the picture. Yes, where there is worship there the prophetic voice will come. Do you want to hear the voice of God? Are you waiting for the revelatory messages very earnestly? All you need to do is to raise your voice and praise the Lord. Then you will hear His voice because He inhabits the praises of His children.

In an atmosphere of worship the prophets minister mightily. Their message will also be always centered on the theme that the people should seek the Lord their God with their whole

heart and soul. That was what the prophet Samuel said to the Israelites when the Philistines oppressed them. "Direct your hearts to the Lord and serve Him alone; and He will deliver you from the hand of the Philistines." (1.Sa. 7: 3) The prophet saw very clearly that there would be deliverance from the hand of the enemy when they worshipped the Lord God. There is worship when the prophet comes and there is worship when the prophet speaks. Such ministry is the need of the hour.

SPIRIT OF WORSHIP EVERYWHERE

The moment she recognized Him to be a prophet, she enquired of Him about worship. Her query was about the most suitable place to worship God. Was it the mountain as the Samaritans held or was it in Jerusalem as the Jews contended? In contemporary parlance it would be like this: we worship God in a particular way in our church, whereas you do it differently in your church. Now which is the right method? Listen carefully to the way Jesus responded. He said, "Woman believe me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem shall you worship the Father."(Jn. 4:21) check version.

Now there is a reason why Jesus started with such earnestness. It is an indication that He was about to say something that the listeners were going to find difficult to believe. Likewise if He were to emphasize with the repetitive words like "Truly, truly," there would be a special meaning. That means that He was about to say something that we would find it very difficult to comprehend or believe. For example, in John 14: 12, He said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in me, the works that I do, shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go to the Father." It is only natural that doubts such as 'can we do what Jesus did? Is it possible?' would arise in our hearts. That is why He uses such epithet as "truly, truly" to reassure us.

He reveals at the same time that people would worship the Father everywhere. It is amazing. We find it hard to believe. Therefore He

reemphasizes this meaning, ‘do not doubt what I am going to say but believe.’ People are going to worship the Father not only in our little churches, but anywhere and everywhere. Not only in Jerusalem but even at the most remote place also. We see this coming to pass in our days; it is going to spread further like wild fire.

All sorts of questions will arise in your hearts now. Given my situation, how can anybody worship? My folks are the most hard- hearted. Is it possible to worship in their houses? Take my village, for example. It is full of idols. How can anyone worship here? How can an army of worshipers rise from here? We have heard that in Korea thousands of people gather to worship God. But is it possible at all in our country, which is in the clutches of 330 million demons? Yes, indeed, it will most certainly come to pass in India. The word of God comes as the verdict of the apex court. The time to worship the Father from anywhere is coming. It has already come! Hallelujah!

Far from the rising of the sun, even to its setting, My name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense is going to be offered to

My name, and a grain offering that is pure; for My name will be great among the nations, says the Lord of Hosts” (Mal.1: 11).

What a mighty promise! Today we see people worshiping the Lord in stray places in the lanes and ways. There is a spurt in the crowd worshiping the false gods. But amidst all this the Lord’s voice thunders loud and clear. From east to west, the name of the Lord will be great among the gentiles. And everywhere His praises will arise as sweet fragrance. Pure offerings will be made to Him. The Lord Jesus will magnify His name among all the nations that do not know His name yet. This is the truth.

It is not the little gatherings that we see today. But what the Lord has promised is a mighty uprising of worship revival all over the world. You will see a great crowd gathering up to worship God even in your neighborhood, in your towns and villages. Even your disbelief cannot stop this tide. Neither can the entire world with all its power at its command can resist this. Jesus has asked us to believe this. Blessed are those who believe!

Reading between the lines, you will perceive another encouraging fact emerging from this. As we have seen, right from the land of sunrise even to the land of sunset, all over the world mighty gatherings are going to rise to praise and worship the Lord. Pure offerings are going to be offered to His name. What, then is our role in such a revival? Well, all the nations will worship the Lord and we the believers are going to be the priests or worship leaders who will lead the nations in worship. The Lord will transform each of you into mighty worship leader. This promotion will come from God Himself.

A mighty revival of worship is sweeping across the nations. Hundreds and thousands of gentiles are going to come to the saving grace of the Lord. Those little gatherings that really worship the Father in truth and in spirit are going to multiply into very large churches. Your town will also receive such growth. The wise thing for us to do is to embrace this promise and gain by it.

Open the eyes of your inner man. Picture in

Tune in to hear the prophetic voice!



your mind that every town and village of our great country being filled with people who raise either his or her hands and worship God. Imagine vast crowds of people in bus stations and railway stations enjoy worshiping God with gay abandon. Imagine how every railway coach and bus is filled with believers who sing the praises of the Lord. What you now see in your mind is going to physically manifest in a little while.

TIME TO WORSHIP

An hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth. Yea, everything has a predestined time. According to God's calendar, the present days are the time for thousands of people to come and worship the Lord. It is not only the time for conversion, prayer, to be filled in the Holy Spirit and operating in the gifts of the Holy Spirit but also is the time for worshiping God in Spirit and Truth.

The wind of worship is blowing upon us now. We should turn in the direction of the wind. Only then will we profit by the wind power. It is very difficult to row against the wind. But once the sails are set to harness the wind's power, the boat will move very fast. The wise will discern the words and actions of the Holy Spirit and accordingly change their course of action. Do you want sudden spurt in your ministry growth? **Do you want your church to grow much faster than it did hitherto?** Do you expect radical changes for the better in your life? The secret is here. Check the flow of the Holy Spirit and adjust your life according to it. Jesus has already stated that this is the time to worship the Father in spirit and in truth. Therefore make it your primary function to worship Him accordingly.

Worship! Worship! Worship! Everywhere worship, everybody worship, every-minute worship! Let it become your very breath. This is not the time to listen to lengthy discourses about worship; but rather, is the time to enjoy the worship. Raise your voice and confess, "In the name of Jesus Christ, I commence my life of worship now." Let the songs of praise rise from

your heart constantly. In the house or outside the house or in the office or elsewhere, whether eating or laboring or doing anything else, let constant praise rise from your heart before Him as sweet fragrance of incense.

WORSHIP AFTER THE JEWISH PATTERN

The day is coming when the whole world is going to adopt the way of worship of the Jews. Concerning this Jesus said, "You worship that you do not know; we worship that which we know, for salvation is from the Jews" (Jn. 4:22). Yes the Jews knew the Lord and worshiped Him with thorough knowledge. Whereas the Samaritans did not know what they were doing. The salvation for the whole world was coming through the Jews. All the patriarchs, our Savior Jesus Christ and the Apostles were Jews according to the flesh. The truth was revealed to the entire world through them only.

The doctrine of worship, as a matter of fact, emanated from the traditions of the Jews. David worshiped God with much singing and dancing. Jewish worship was filled with songs and music and dance. This is not to be despised. It is wrong to argue that such kind of worship is Jewish culture and not ours and hence not to be followed. This way of worship is not only for the Jews but through them it is given to us as well. There is truth and much mirth and glee. Jesus said that those who worship the Father must worship in truth and in spirit.

There is involvement and truth in the worship of some; but there will be no unction and spirit. Some others worship with much feeling and in spirit; but there will be no truth. But in the days to come the worship will be in truth and in spirit. Those who were so very dogmatic and whose worship lacked unction will now be filled in the spirit and are going to dance and celebrate while worshiping. A good life coupled with good adoration is going to rise to heaven as good worship. The Lord is going to raise many balanced worship teams. All those who worship God, Who is the Truth are going to become really truthful. At

the same time they will also worship with total freedom of the Holy Spirit. Jesus commands us to believe this.

WORSHIP AFTER HIS HEART

The Lord earnestly desires such worship. He seeks after such worshipers. "For such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers." The root word in the original for 'Father seeks' is 'seeking very earnestly'. That means that He is seeking such worshipers very earnestly. The word used here is also used in another occasion also. Once when Jesus was 12 years old, His parents returned from Jerusalem. After a day's journey they started looking for Him. Even after searching for Him very anxiously they did not find Him. Then they returned to Jerusalem seeking Him earnestly.

Imagine how strenuously would have they sought Him! With lot of anxiety, pressure, consternation, tears and pain they would have looked for Him. Finally they found Him sitting among the teachers and were amazed. His mother then said to Him, "Son, why have you treated us this way? Behold, your father and I have been anxiously looking for you" (Lk.2:48). The Greek word used here for the phrase, anxiously looking for' is the word used for the Father 'seeking' the true worshipers.

Yes, He is seeking those who worship Him with a maternal heart. His eyes earnestly seek those who worship Him in truth and in spirit. Cry out to the Lord, won't you, "O Lord, let your searching eyes be satisfied with me." Lift up your voice and ask Him to transform you into a worshiper after His own heart!

Today the Lord is looking at you with a lot of expectation. That day He taught a Samaritan woman. The heart of Jesus is happy even if one person learns the intricacies of worship. Perhaps your life is as loathsome as that of the Samaritan woman. But the good Lord did not reject you. Instead, He shared His heart's desire with you. Therefore thank Him whole heartedly. Praise His holy name because He has transformed you, though unworthy, into a mighty worship leader!

Sing His praises because His name is going to be exalted among all people and among all nations. He has showered the anointing of worship upon you and transformed you into a worship leader to lead thousands of people into worship. Therefore lift up your voice and praise Him. Receive the worship anointing with a grateful heart. Put on the mantle of praise instead of a spirit of fainting.



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Vital keys to success in life and ministry

Rev. Benita Francis

Dear family of God, today I want to ask you some very serious questions. Are you satisfied with your life? Are you sure you are where God wants you to be? Do you see others growing and excelling in their ministries although they are less gifted and less talented than you? Do you have greater anointing than all of them, but still you are not recognized as you should be? Can you honestly say you are using your full potential for God's Kingdom? Or is there some secret dissatisfaction that is eating away at your life?

In this article, I want to show you some answers to your secret questions.

Let me assure you right from the beginning: Your God does want to take you into ever increasing levels of trust and service. Sadly, many believers have a very wrong understanding of God's ministry and God's ways. His ways, however, are unchanging, just like His Word and character. He still works with the same principles He has laid down for us to read in the Old Testament. Never forget that "ALL Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2.Ti.3:16-17). There is SO much wisdom hidden for example in the First and Second Book of Chronicles, it is just marvelous. Let me just highlight a few points the Holy Spirit showed me recently.

What do you need to grow into a real trustworthy servant of God?

A praising attitude. Beginning in 1st

Chronicles 9, we see how the first dwellers in Jerusalem from Babylonian captivity honored the House of God and organized their lives around it. Interestingly, first named are the children of Judah, although they had been carried away to Babylon because of their unfaithfulness (1.Chr.9:1-3). Still, God's pattern is, "Judah first" (Jdg.1:2; 2.Chr.20:21). Praise and worship, which is Judah, must always be first in our lives (Ge.29:35). Is this your decision and attitude? If so you will always be frontline.

Ability. Then we see the priests, "one thousand seven hundred and sixty very able men for the work of the service of the House of God" (1.Chr.9:13). The priests were the most privileged group of people among the Israelites, but praise God, that did not make them proud or lazy. They were very able people, and fortunately, they understood the purpose for which their ability was given them. Have you understood that your gifts and talents were given to you for the purpose of furthering God's Kingdom, not your own? Are you investing your abilities into His work? What more could you do to build His House with your abilities?

Willingness. The priests were willing to serve in the House of God, and as this verse shows, they understood that ministry can be described in a four-letter-word: **W O R K**. I have seen far too many people who tell me they want to serve God and who dream of a big ministry, but when you ask them to do some small help, they feel that this is not their ministry. Sadly, they have not understood God's way of testing and then only promoting His

servants. Such people will dream about their big ministry till they die, but they will never really accomplish anything for the Lord. What about you? Are you willing to spend your time and energy for God and His cause? Are you willing to invest muscle power and WORK?

After them, the Levites are named with their different tasks and responsibilities (1.Ch.9:14-34). These Levite works are actually very interesting. Notice how clearly God's Word commends and commands great ability and a willingness to WORK for God and His dwelling place.

Trustworthiness. The gatekeepers were specially chosen and recorded by their genealogy. They were appointed to their trusted office by none less than David, the King, and Samuel, the prophet, the two highest ranking authorities of the entire nation (1.Chr.9:22). The fact that their work was a specially "trusted office" is mentioned even twice in this chapter (v.22, 26). What a privilege! Do you understand the importance of the trust God and His leaders invest into you? Do you know you have been anointed for your task by the highest authority of heaven, God's very own Holy Spirit, and by His appointed spiritual leaders?

Availability. God's Word says, "And they lodged all around the House of God because they had the responsibility, and they were in charge of opening it every morning" (v.27). Their work for God's House was of such high responsibility that they had to wrap their entire life around it! Think about it! Would you be willing to relocate your family for the sake of God's ministry? I hope your answer is a resounding YES!

Accuracy. Other Levite responsibilities are also eye-opening. "Now some of them were in charge of the serving vessels, for they brought them in and took them out by count" (v.28). Imagine! Even the vessels used in God's service are so precious that they are subject to strict inventory! How do you treat things God entrusts to your care? Do you keep an inventory? Do you always know where things are? You may laugh, but let me tell you: All these small things are very

important in the eyes of your God who so much desires to put you over much (Lk.19:17)!

Carefulness. "Some of them were appointed over the furnishings and over all the implements of the sanctuary, and over the fine flour and the wine and the oil and the incense and the spices" (v.29). Not only the furnishings, even the groceries used were subject to scrutiny! Are you diligent with what God entrusted to your care? Or do you waste God's provisions without an atom of remorse?

Anointing. "And some of the sons of the priests made the ointment of the spices" (v.30). The anointing oil was not made by the Levites who could be compared to the helping ministries found in Romans 12:8. It was made by sons of priests who could be compared to our so-called five-fold ministry callings. Of course, every believer has been sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise (Eph.1:13). Even the very title "Christian" means "anointed one". Since our Lord Jesus has made all of us kings and priests to His God and Father, every believer is called and equipped to exercise heavenly authority on this earth (Rev.1:6). And yet, the five-fold ministers have the special task to equip the saints for the work of the ministry (Eph.4:11-14). So in a sense, they are still in charge of making the ointment of the spices! Are you making room for the Anointing Oil of the Holy Spirit in your life? Are you studying God's Word and thus preparing the precious Ointment for yourself and for the multitudes?

Responsibility. See also this interesting Levite responsibility. "Mattithiah of the Levites, the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had the trusted office over the things that were baked in the pans" (v.31). Can you believe it? There was even an in-charge of the pancakes and chapattis! And even this job was a special, trusted office with high responsibility which required great trustworthiness! Let me ask you. Does your life show such order and perfection, even down to your kitchen use? Do you make sure that everything you do is done in perfection, as it should be for the King of all kings (1.Co.14:40)? Are you this diligent about everything that has to do with you?

Yes, every work for God's House had to be done in order and in perfection as it is worthy of God who is perfect and requires us to be perfect like Him (Mt.5:48). In the Old Testament, God's people had to strive in their own strength to fulfill God's commandments. Praise God, today in New Testament times, this perfect, holy God is living inside of you! You yourself have become God's House, His holy Temple (1.Co.6:19). The wonderful news is that you don't need to strive any more to be perfect. You can just declare your willingness to Him and allow Him to live out His

life and character through you! Hallelujah! No more striving! Just trusting! What a wonderful God!

So today, I want to challenge you to check your life and attitudes with this check list, confess any shortcomings to the Lord and assure Him of your desire to let Him work out all these virtues in your life. Very often, just one such attitude problem blocks a person from being promoted by God. Just as often, small adjustment catapults a person into his or her destiny in God's Kingdom. So change and conquer TODAY!



TEN ENABLEMENTS IN CHRIST

And God spoke all these words, saying: "I am the LORD your God..." (Ex.20:1-3)

Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. (Ro.13:10)

The Ten Commandments are God's eternal, unchanging principles. The new creation reality doesn't ignore but rather fulfill them.

All God's commandments are His enablements in Christ. The very Commander enables you to fulfill them (Phil.2:13). What a Good News! God's Spirit in you makes you fulfill every one of them! You don't struggle any more. For centuries, people labored to obey these commandments. When you came to Christ, the great Fulfillment of all commandments, you found rest for your soul (Mt.3:15; Mt.11:28-30). Now, obeying His principles is a delight. His commandments are not burdensome in Christ (1.Jn.5:3)

The law says, "You shall not...". The Gospel says, "You will not...". In Christ, you and God together boldly say, "We will not..."! The Trinitarian God lives in your mortal body,

fulfilling His own laws (Jn.14:23). You just cooperate!

All these laws are summed up in the royal law of love (Jas.2:8). When you love God and men, you will never hurt Him nor harm your neighbor. The love that fulfills all the law is poured out in your heart (Ro.3:10; 5:5; 1.Jn.4:8,16).

The Ten Commandments deal with the fruit, the Gospel deals with the root. The God who thundered His Ten Commandments from Mount Sinai is now giving His Ten Enablements from Mount Calvary. Listen:

"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of this world and the dominion of the god of this world (Col.1:13; 2.Co.4:4). You will not fear the devil but resist him, rebuke him, cast him out and tread him under your feet (Jas.4:7; Mk.1:25; 16:17; Lk.10:19; Ro.16:20).

You will not worship the works of your hands, the gods of covetousness, the world and self (Col.3:5; 1.Jn.2:15-16; Phil.3:19). You will not bow to them to them nor serve them.

You will not use My Name in vain but give thanks to My Name continually (Heb.13:15; Eph.5:20)! In My Name, you will cast out demons,

heal the sick, speak in tongues and demand things to happen (Mk.16:17-18; Jn.14:14).

You will remember the Sabbath day for your life starts with Sabbath (Heb.4:10). I have finished all My works for you, and you have entered My rest. Enjoy! Your life is a constant Sabbath rest, blessed and hallowed (Eph.1:3; Heb.10:10). Now you can labor more than all according to My mighty power working in you (1.Co.15:10; Eph.3:20; Phil.2:12; Col.1:29).

You will honor your father and mother in the Lord, and it will be well with you, and you will live long on the earth. (Eph.6:1-4). You have the Spirit of Jesus and will submit to your parents and to one another (Lk.2:51; Eph.5:18-21).

You will not murder anyone in thought, words or action. You are not a murderer, you are a life-giver (Mt.10:8; 2.Co.2:14)! You spread the aroma of life, leading many to life (2.Co.2:16). You are totally free from the devil who is a murderer from the beginning (Jn.8:44). You don't hate anyone, for you have eternal life in you (1.Jn.3:15).

You will not commit adultery, not even in

your heart. You will not look at a woman lustfully (Mt.5:27-28). You have crucified your flesh with its passions and desires (Ga.5:19,24). You will put to death the deeds of your body by the power of My Spirit in you (Ro.8:13; Col.3:5). Sin has no dominion over you (Ro.6:14)!

You will not steal but give (Lk.6:38)! The grace of giving is bestowed on you as a cheerful giver (2.Co.8:1; 9:7,15). The Life-Giver lives in you, and you give even your life for your brethren (Jn.10:10; 1.Jn.3:16).

You will not bear false witness against your neighbor, rather speak the truth in love (Eph.4:15). You will speak the words for necessary edification (Eph.4:29). You will be kind, tender-hearted and forgiving, caring for others and suffering with them (1.Co.12:25-26; Eph.4:32).

You will not covet anything that is your neighbor's, you will covet spiritual gifts (1.Co.12:1; 14:1,39). Your mind is set on the things above, not on the things of the earth for your life is hidden with Christ in God (Col.3:2-3).

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