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INTRODUCTION:

We have reached the third Chapter that agrees with the measure of Genesis on the Reed or Rod of Cana. We have looked at the Name of the Lord in **Chapter 1** under the appellation of: **The Word of God**; the Spirit in **Chapter 2** under the theme: the Words I speak are **Spirit and Life**.

Genesis is the precept or statute that speaks to: generation, age, period, nature, nativity or birth, and pre-eminence or first. So then, that book in the Penta-teuch spoke of these matters. This precept is found embedded also in the fifth and sixth Commandments of the Decalogue which speaks to the honouring and requiting of both mother and father, the transitional source of life of the offspring and the respect and honour that must attend to sacred gift of life to humanity.

The Chapter places the 'new birth or born again experience': the genesis, as the necessary requisite on becoming a **Master, Ruler, Teacher or Rabbi: one, who prevails, overcomes or triumphs among the Jews, the Public or his People**. A 'Ruler in Israel' today is therefore not those who are Leaders, Elders, Bishops, Popes, Pastors, Preachers or Teachers but one who have been born again of the water and of the Spirit, or one who have been baptized of the water and of the Spirit. Yea, if any man be in Christ he is a new creature, behold, old things have passed away, all things have become new, **2 Corinthians 5: 17**. Therefore, by baptism we have joined Christ in death, and being buried with Him, therefore, as Christ was resurrected by the glory of the Father from the dead, even so should we walk in the newness of life, **Romans 6: 3-4**. So then baptism is our public and ceremonial acknowledgement of ablution or cleansing.

Being resurrected with our Lord we are only able to continue in that victorious, triumphant and overcoming life in Israel or the Jews if we attain unto the mastery: he that strives for the mastery is temperate in all things, **1 Corinthians 9: 25**. And temperance speaks to the abstention in the use of the things that are harmful and the judicious or moderate use of the things that are good. So then as new born babes we desire the sincere milk of the Word thereby we may grow, if so, be ye that we have tasted that the Lord is gracious, **1 Peter 2: 3**. We are strengthened in the inner man by the Spirit of the sincere milk of the Word so that as a Prince we wrestle, prevail and overcome as Israel.

God by His Word, which is Spirit and Life, is able to generate in us this new birth which we will now look at in detail.

NICODEMUS, RULER IN ISRAEL:

V1 There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus (victorious or triumphant among the public or his people), a ruler of the Jews:

The name Nicodemus illustrates aptly the precept of the genesis or new birth that is being measured in this Chapter. It means to be victorious or triumphant among the public or people, hence he was a Ruler of the Jews.

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One who is born again is of such he has the victory or triumph among his people in Yeshua, called: Jesus, the Christ or Messiah. The experience is, however, not nominal: in name only, but speaks to the substance of the new birth and the triumphant or victorious life over sins.

V8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

Such a person that is born of the Spirit of God takes on the characteristics of the Spirit as described in the name BO-az: which speaks to: one who comes and goes: (the strong and mighty). This verse describes such a quality as that of 'the Wind' whose sound his heard as that of the Words of the born again but from whence it lists or comes and where it goes no one can tell even as Rahab on the one level is described as falsifying the account of the path of the Two Witnesses or Spies, yet on another level, no one knows wither to such a person(s) that is (are) born of the Spirit goes.

V15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

'In him' is the reference to the One in whom is life and the life is the light of man, **John 1: 4**. We know Him to be the Word of God who was spoken of in **Chapter 1**. The basis of the born again experience is on this condition of faith in the Word of God. Such persons that exercise faith in the Word of God will not and can not perish, yea, we receive another quality of the Eternal Spirit, even eternal life.

V22 After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judaea (celebrated or praise); and there he tarried with them, and baptized (to make whelmed or fully wet; ceremonial ablution).

So then Jesus, the Word of God, and his followers tend to those who are inhabitants of the land of praise. The 'land of Judaea' is a reference in symbol to the whole earth which tilts its head forward as if praying and backwards as if lifting its face and hands towards the heavens in praise by 23.5 degrees either way, to usher in the seasons of nature, that of prayer and praise. The Word of God, Jesus, tends to such and we his followers are commanded to go and teach all nations baptizing them in the Name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things I have commanded you and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the World, **Matthew 28: 20**. This is our ministry: the washing of water by the word, yea, whosoever believes and is baptized shall be saved, **Mark 16: 16**.

V29 He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this, my joy therefore is fulfilled.

The baptism or the new birth is important to this end that He, Jesus, the Bridegroom, might presents His Church, the Bride, has not having any spots or wrinkles, **Ephesians 5: 27**, but sanctified and cleansed that the union might be realized. The friend of the Bridegroom, John, and all those who love is appearing, who stands and hears His voice rejoices greatly. Yea, as He says my sheep hears my voice and

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follows me, **John 10: 27**. The union of the Bridegroom and the Bride is a joyous occasion for all including the friend of Bridegroom.

V36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

The condition therefore for the sealing or being fully settled in life of the born again, having everlasting life, is therefore, faith in the Son of God. Alternately, those who reject the Son of God, on such the wrath of God abide. This is how one remains a Ruler or Master in Israel!

BY THE SPIRIT:

V2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi (Master), we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

Nicodemus, being a Pharisee, one who disperse or specify or wound related to Jesus from this known position. Concealing himself under the cloak of night from his companions he visited the Saviour in secret. Clearly, he recognized, that Jesus was no ordinary Teacher, a gift which he himself desired but the means to attain or receive this blessing of God eluded him. He however, admitted and honoured Jesus in addressing Him by the title of Rabbi or Master Teacher. What was clear to him he also admitted that Jesus could not do these miracles unless he was 'God sent' and 'God abided' with Him.

Jesus was first baptized with water and Anointed by the Spirit, immediately, as He praying went up out of the water, **Mark 1: 10-12**. He was then led by the Spirit into the wilderness where He was tempted by the devil 40 days and nights, **Mark 1: 13**. He then returned victorious to Judea where he was seen two other times calling and gathering His disciples and then the third time is made reference to as the 'third day' in **John 2: 1** when there was a Wedding in Cana in Galilee, when he wrought the Miracle of turning water into wine by the Spirit, showing forth His glory and His disciples believed on Him.

He testified I can of mine own do nothing, **John 5: 30**. We must also understand that the natural or carnal man know not the things of the Spirit neither can He for they are foolishness unto him as they are spiritually discerned, **1 Corinthians 2: 14**. Nicodemus needed to understand these things that pertain unto the Spirit to be victorious and live the substance for which His named stands for.

V9 Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?

So then He now asks: how can these things be? For the one born again, all things are wrought in his new life by the Spirit of God.

V16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

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The gift of the Spirit accompanies the gift of love in the only begotten Son as the atoning sacrifice for sin that whosoever accepts or believe is forgiven by the merits of such a perfect sacrifice and given power by the Spirit to live the victorious life: the abundant life which gushes up into everlasting life, **John 4: 14**. So then the gift of the Son in atoning for sins is the prerequisite for the gift of the Spirit. Once God has atoned for our sins He can now freely give of His Spirit to those who accept and believe in the atoning sacrifice of His Son. This is the love of God for the world that he offered up or gave the life of His only begotten son to redeem or save the world from perishing or destruction.

V23 And John also was baptizing in Aenon (place of springs, a fountain) near to Salim (waver, rock, topples or agitate, trouble), because there was much water there: and they came, and were baptized.

Water baptism is used ceremonially to celebrate ablution or cleansing from sins as it typifies being joined in Christ death, buried and then raised or resurrected by the power of God to walk or live in the newness of life, **Romans 6: 4**. Only those who believed and was baptized shall be saved, **Mark 16: 16**. So then these who heard and believed came to John and was baptized in Aenon: the place of the Springs or fountain. But even as Aenon was near or beside Salim: the place that trouble or agitates the place of springs, even so water baptism is next to the baptism of the Spirit. Aenon near to Salim is another representation as the Pool of Bethesda (House of Mercy) that is troubled by an Angel or Messenger at a certain season that whosoever steps in first is made whole, **John 5: 1-4**.

V30 He must increase, but I must decrease.

John, the water Baptist, must therefore decrease, as Jesus, the one who baptizes with the Holy Ghost and with fire, **Matthew 3: 11**, must increase.

THE BORN AGAIN SEES THE KINGDOM OF GOD:

V3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

The kingdom comes not with observation, behold the kingdom God is within you, this Jesus spake concerning the Spirit that would be given to his followers, but the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified, **Luke 17: 20-21**. So then by the Spirit of God we are able to see or understand the things of the Kingdom of God, no man can without the Spirit. So then we must be born again to receive the Spirit to be able to see, know or understand these things.

V10 Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?

Nicodemus, though, he had the name and the title of being a Master of Israel yet he had not the Spirit and hence, he knew not these things. Jesus, question his authenticity, saying: are you a Master of Israel and yet know not these things that he would realize that he had not yet attained unto the mastery. Nicodemus needed to be born again, of the water and of the Spirit.

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How about you my friend do you need this special gift of God: pray then, for God gives to those who ask Him and obey the Holy Ghost, **Acts 5:32**.

V17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

The Son who is 'God sent' came not to condemn nor to condone sins and sinners, but that the world through him might be saved. This is realized by Him turning the 'water into wine or doctrine,' that is to say: he demonstrates how water baptism illustrates the doctrine of salvation: that being joined into his death, buried with him in the grave beneath the water, that we should be raised by faith in the operation and power of God with Him to walk in the newness of life. So then the doctrine of his life, death, burial and resurrection is the means by which we are all saved. He did no sin, yet He died, paying the price for our sins that we might have the right or privilege of His life to live. So then because He did no sins God, the Father, was constrained to resurrect or raised Him up again from the dead, and impute the merits of His sacrifice or death to the accounts of those who had sinned, if we repent accepting this gift in our behalf. So then if we accept this gift we demonstrate this by being baptized of water, and praying, will receive the power of the Spirit to walk in the newness of life. Glory! Hallelujah to the Lamb and our God and the Spirit!

V24 For John was not yet cast into prison.

Why then would anyone want to cajole or restrain anyone who advocates and promotes water baptism which is a teaching instrument for our ceremonial ablution or cleansing? Simply, they did not accept the teachings of John the Baptist. They had not the faith that was required for their salvation. Anyone who is a Baptist must speak the truth in love, for water baptism is also a symbol of the washing of water by the word or the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Ghost, **Ephesians 5: 26 & Titus 3: 5**. So then water baptism is accompanied by the 'thus saith the Lord.' And faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God, **Romans 10: 17**. Many of Jehovah favoured people like John will be placed in prison in the time of the end for their preaching of the undiluted: 'thus saith the Lord,' yea, but that time is still to come. Yes, the kingdom of God experiences violence too for the time being, **Matthew 11: 2**.

V31 He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.

Yeshua, called Jesus, is the first born or first fruit from the dead, **Acts 26: 23** or the One who has the pre-eminence in all things. Those who were resurrected from the dead before He came from above to this earth were in symbols or types of Him. In the same way that those who are born upon the earth pertain to the earth and speak of the things of earth even so the One from heaven has the authority to speak of those things above and He is supreme, above all. He is the First in the Kingdom of God and knows the things that pertain to it.

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HOW TO BE BORN AGAIN?

V4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

All things are possible with God and to those who believe, **Mark 9: 23**. For without faith it is impossible to please God for those who come to Him must believe that He is and He rewards those who diligently seek Him, **Hebrews 11: 6**. By the Words of the Lord were the heavens made and hosts thereof by the breath of His mouth. For He spake and it was done. He commanded and it stood fast, **Psalms 33: 6 & 9**. By this same means: His words and Spirit, He purposes to restore us to His image that we be born again.

Eve was so called because she is the embodiment of faith, hence, she is the Mother of all living, an example of how God wrought and made all things by the power of faith in His words. The thought of her originated and came 'out' or 'exothos' of man. So then God answered Adam's prayer: saying it is not good that man should be alone, therefore, I will make him a help mete. And God recorded that the thought originated with man: forming her of a rib or bone taken 'out' of man that in generations to come we have this record and may understand the power of faith or exothos. We desire, think, pray or 'call out' (exothos) and God, the Father, answers and grant the desires of our heart. He ever lives to make intercession for us and to give us as we asked of Him in faith.

So, yes, Nicodemus, symbolically a man can enter his Mother's womb a second time: his Mother in type: Faith and be born again. Yea, all who understand let them repeat: Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God! Glory! Hallelujah!

V11 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.

Jesus, now speaks in behalf of himself and all those who have the Spirit of Prophecy and was sent, prophesying according to the proportion of faith that was given them, **Romans 12: 6**, saying, we speak that we do know and testify of the things we have seen yet ye receive not our witness. A Prophet is also called a Seer for God has granted him vision by His Spirit to behold things yet to come to past that He might forewarn His people and yet though they speak of things to come that they have seen themselves by His Spirit, yet many choose not to receive their witness and testimony. The question is: will you receive: believing the Spirit of Prophecy when it is told to you? This is how you will be born again otherwise you will be doomed.

V18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

Yeshua, called Jesus, the Christ, is the Living or incarnate Word of God, the substance of the Spirit of Prophecy.

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The name of the only begotten Son of God, Yeshua, means: He will save His people, therefore, those who accept this and believe on Him is not condemned, but those who believe not is already condemned as he believe not in the name of the only Begotten which speaks of their salvation from destruction or sins. So we are baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

V25 Then there arose a question between some of John's disciples and the Jews about purifying.

If you remember the 6 stone water pots from the previous chapter was for this very same purpose: purification. Is there any question that arises in your mind pertaining to our purification or cleansing? Do you yet understand that the water doesn't cleanse, but only by faith in the blood of the sacrifice that died is there remission of sins, **Hebrews 9: 22**.

So by faith: hearing and obeying the word of God (washing of water by the word), we die daily to sins, and the old man of the past is buried in the grave of our baptism with Christ, that the new man of today is resurrected and live in holiness unto the Lord.

V32 And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony.

Yeshua, called Jesus the Christ, whom Moses spoke of saying a Prophet like unto me the Lord will raise up among you and whosoever will not hear him will be cut off, **Deuteronomy 18: 15**. And now Jesus witnesses that though He came from above and speak of the things that he has seen and heard yet His testimony no man receives. The Testimony of Jesus, the Spirit of Prophecy, which He spoke when He was on Earth, was scarcely received by those who heard as it was not mixed with faith in them who heard.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD:

V5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

The only condition for entering the Kingdom of God is that of being born of water and of the Spirit. Hence, Jesus, had said before that the Kingdom of God comes not with observation, behold, the Kingdom of God is within you, speaking of the Gift of the Holy Ghost that is followers were to receive. The union of man with the Divine by the Spirit of God is how one enters therein as Cornelius, a man given to much alms and kindness, received the baptism of the Holy Spirit even before his water baptism, **Acts 10: 44-48**. We have already looked at the meaning of the symbol of the ceremonial water baptism. None can enter the realm of this royal priesthood, this holy nation, this peculiar people who are called to show forth the praise of Him who has called us out of darkness into this marvellous light, **1 Peter 2: 9**, in which we stand except by baptism of water and of the Spirit. Jesus reiterated this by repeating Verily, verily or truly, truly before stating this condition above.

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V12 If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?

The kingdom of God is the Kingdom of Heaven and known earthly things were used by Jesus to explain His Father's Heavenly or spiritual Kingdom. The concept of being born and the wind are earthly things that explain the Kingdom of God and its inhabitants. This was basic knowledge and the Pharisee marvelled and believed not, therefore, how could he believe if Jesus spoke of heavenly things? The natural man knows not the things of the Spirit, neither can he, for spiritual things are spiritually discerned, **1 Corinthians 2: 14**.

V19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

For anyone to have entered into the Kingdom of God, Jesus, the Light of the World, the Sun of Righteousness had to be born as a man and enter into our World of darkness. He dispels all darkness but those men who love darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil will receive great condemnation.

V26 And they came unto John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, to whom thou barest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all men come to him.

We are saved by grace through faith not of works lest any man should boast it is the gift of God, **Ephesians 2: 8**. Baptism in and of itself saves no one. None can enter the kingdom of God except they first believe and then is baptized. John bare witness of Yeshua, Jesus the Christ, beyond Jordan and after He himself was baptized he began His ministry of High Priest, baptizing and all men came unto him.

V33 He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.

Those who received the Testimony of Jesus, which is the Spirit of Prophecy, **Revelation 19: 10**, agrees or as John says have set to His Seal that God is true. Therefore, only these will be baptized and will gain entrance into the Kingdom of God.

THE GIFT FROM HEAVEN:

V6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

The new birth is not carnal nor of the flesh but is of the Spirit, a gift from above. He that is born of the Spirit is spirit, akin to God. Thus we are numbered again as being made or reformed in the image of God.

V13 And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

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During the ministry of Jesus he and other bible writers have reported that the angels of heaven descended and ascended to his aid and assistance, **Mark 1: 13 & Matthew 4: 11**. Angels are ministering spirits sent to them that are heirs of salvation, **Hebrews 1: 14**. But this verse suggests that nobody else has taken the literal trip up to or ascended to heaven save the Son of Man, Jesus, who came out of heaven communicating the idea that while on earth at some point or another he also ascended to heaven not just as a Prophet having a vision of being in heaven in communion with His Father. Therefore, He has authority to speak on such matters. Jesus in coming down from there is also a gift from heaven. God would have us sealed by His Spirit and be made anew in the image of His Son that we be like the Son of Man.

V20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd.

Jesus as the Light of the World can only draw those who will let their light shine that men may see their good works and glorify our Father which is in heaven.

The sun as the light of the World dispels every darkness as it shines from heaven each day so does Jesus. The light of the moon and the stars of heaven are seen amongst the black canopy of the sky of heaven in the night. As the darkness stays in its sphere in the night skies even so he that does evil and hates the light will not come to the light lest his deeds be reprov'd. Heaven's gift includes the right for each of us to choose ye this day whom we will serve, **Joshua 24:15**. We thus may choose to be numbered among the born again or remain as one of the fallen souls of darkness.

V27 John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.

God alone is sovereign and His authority and will manifests in the earth. John understood this all too well therefore a man can receive nothing except it be given him from heaven. Do you understand that your talent was given to you of God in Heaven? Therefore, whatever you do: whether you eat or drink, do it all to the glory of God, **1 Corinthians 10:31**. God measures to every man according to the proportion of his faith, **Romans 12: 6**.

V34 For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.

Jesus is 'God sent' therefore He speaks the words of God bear in mind also that God's gift of the Spirit to him whereby we are sealed is not given by measure as He is given unto us. God's gift of His Son unto us is without measure! Glory, hallelujah! To wit, that God was in Christ Jesus reconciling the world unto himself not imputing our sins again unto us and as committed unto us the ministry of reconciliation, **2 Corinthians 5: 19**.

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THE RECOUNT OR REVIEW: BORN AGAIN!

V7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

To be born again is one of the wonders or marvel of God but not for us to think of it as impossible: for with God all things are possible if we only believe. The Most High rules even in the kingdom of men and He gives it to the basest of men, **Daniel 4: 17**. But to enter, see and know of the Kingdom of God one must be a Ruler and a Master as He is which makes it an imperative that we must be born again, possessing yet again the image or character of God in order to share in His authority and power. We continue to review the benefits or privileges of taking on the Name of the Lord in the recount:

- 1 We take on the substance of the name and appellation of: **'Nicodemus'** becoming a **'Ruler of the Jews'** or a **Ruler in Israel**.
- 2 We take on the substance of the name and appellation of a: **Master, Rabbi or Teacher** doing the miracles by the Spirit of God that dwells within and among us as being **'God sent'**.
- 3 As the **'born again'** we do see, know and understand the things of the kingdom of God.
- 4 We understand that all things are possible if we only believe, **Matthew 21: 21-22**.
- 5 We enter the Kingdom of God as we are born again of the water and the Spirit.
- 6 We know what it means to be born of the flesh and to be born of the Spirit and the difference.

V14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

The Son of Man, Christ, is not the serpent but Moses was told of God to use the bronze serpent as a symbol in the wilderness lifting it upon a pole that all who looked unto it in faith was made whole of the poisonous bites they had received of the fiery serpents so Christ was made sin for us that we might become the righteousness of God if we look to in Him for salvation, **2 Corinthians 5: 21**. In that he suffered as the serpent, the devil, deserves, tasting of death for us, His people, to deliver us from death and the power of the devil that we should serve Him in holiness and righteousness.

So He said: and if I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me, **John 12: 32**. So then the blood of Christ who through the Eternal Spirit offered up himself once purge our conscience from dead works to serve the living God, **Hebrews 9: 14**. So then His sacrifice becomes the means for us through the Eternal Spirit to be born again. We continue to look at the experiences of the born again as by the Spirit of God in the recount:

- 8 We come and go as 'the Wind'. We are heard as the sound of the wind but no one knows from whence we come or wither to we go as we are 'God sent'.
- 9 We understand and know that these things are done by the Spirit.

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- 10 As a Master of Israel we know and experience these things.
- 11 We know and testify of these things which we have seen yet our witness is not received.
- 12 Our witness is on a graduated level from the known basic earthly knowledge unto the unknown heavenly knowledge.
- 13 As Philip by the Spirit was caught away that the Eunuch saw him no more, **Acts 8:39**, even so are our experiences. The Spirit takes us wither He would even as Christ ascended to heaven as He came out of heaven. Our experiences qualify us to give our witness.

V21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

He that is born again 'does the truth' and he comes to 'The Light' to make manifest that his deeds are wrought in God. For we are the workmanship of Christ Jesus created in Him unto good works, which God had foreordained that we should walk in them, **Ephesians 2: 10**. Jesus as the Light of the world, **John 9: 5**, attracts all the children of light who comes unto Him. We continue to look at the process of being born again in the recount:

- 15 We first believe in Jesus that we perish not receiving eternal life.
- 16 By this we accept the gift of God's love in the sacrifice of His only Son for our sins.
- 17 We understand that the gift of God's son is for our salvation not for our condemnation.
- 18 How we relate or our response to this gift is what determines our condemnation or salvation. Faith in the name of Yeshua called Jesus speaks to our belief in Him to save his people as His name means.
- 19 Our love for light speaks of our works of righteousness as faith works by love, in the same way that those who love darkness and would not come to the light speak of their deeds being evil.
- 20 All evil doers hate the light and will not come to the light that their deeds be reproved.

V28 Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent (set apart, sent out on a mission) before him.

As John said even so we who are born again and have become witnesses unto Christ following his example and are sent 'out' before Him at His Second Coming proclaiming Him as the Messiah or the Christ and the gospel of His salvation. For this gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness and then shall the end come, **Matthew 24: 14**. We continue to look at the experiences of the born again; those who are set apart they come or are sent out (go) on the mission of faith:

- 22 Jesus and his disciples were also set apart for that mission as he came (come or go, fall out) in the land of Judea or praise: symbol of the earth, and there tarried and baptized. So Jesus said unto his disciples and to us also go and teach all nations baptizing them in the Name of

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the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things and lo, I am with you always, even until the end of the world, **Matthew 28: 19-20.**

- 23 Even so John the Baptist was on that same mission baptizing with the water of Aenon or the springs, a place which was close to Salim, suggesting that water baptism is next to or close to the baptism of the Spirit or the place that is troubled or agitated. Thus, Jesus after he was baptized by John in the River Jordan and while praying He was baptized or anointed with the Spirit.
- 24 Those who are favoured of Jehovah like John may be cast in prison; that is even a part of the mission. For if any man will live godly in Christ Jesus he shall suffer persecutions, **2 Timothy 3: 12.**
- 25 Questions of purification like those between John disciples and the Jews are issues of faith. They can only be settled by the word of God.
- 26 John the Baptist as a Rabbi or a Teacher of the Word of God being born again can address such an issue: He that ye bare witness of baptizes and all men come to Him.
- 27 The fundamental or basic answer: all gift to man comes from heaven.

V35 The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.

Those who are born again in the image of God has become the sons of God and as the Father loves the Son and has given all things into His hand even so we shall share with Him in all things. We continue to look at the inheritance of the born again, the sons of God, in the recount:

- 29 The Son is the Bridegroom and the other children of the God are designated as the Bride. John called himself the friend of the Bridegroom and his joy is full to hear the voice of the Bridegroom.
- 30 The Bridegroom will increase as his friend decreases.
- 31 The Son as Bridegroom comes from above and is above all while those who are from the earth are earthy and speaks of the earth.
- 32 And what he has seen and heard he testifies and yet no man receives his testimony.
- 33 Those, the other sons and daughters of God, who receive his testimony has set to his seal that God is true.
- 34 For He who God has sent speaks the words of God for God gives not unto him the Spirit by measure.

CONCLUSION:

V36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.