

9-22-2019 Weekly Message

Meditation of the week: Psalms 47: 1-9

Text: Ephesians 1: 9-14

Word Topic: New Jerusalem eternal dwelling place for church the bride of Christ

It will be the most blessed thing to realize in the Holy Spirit the mysterious plan of God preached by Apostle Paul. The mystery of God's plan is that Jesus' birth in this world to be the Christ had already been scheduled before the creation of this earth. More specifically, Christ Jesus had been planned to come before the serpent, the devil appeared in the world, bringing sin, death, and curse. Unless we pray deeply in the Holy Spirit and study God's Words in details from Genesis to Revelation, no one can understand the mysterious plan of God. If we all humbly pray and realize this mystery, we shall be able to overcome all afflictions with joy in the midst of great hope before us.

First of all, let's go back to Genesis and insert the first button. The second verse of the first book says, "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters." (Genesis 1: 2). The scripture says that there was an empty and deep darkness on the earth. Before the earth was created, we could be able to think that there might have been an unknown judgment of God.

Finally, we see a scene where the Spirit of God, that walked on the surface of darkness, began with creating light with his Spirit in the empty earth. God created it and said it was good to see. But he didn't say that only one thing was good to see. It was the firmament that was heaven. The heaven that he created is written as firmament, suggesting that the heaven is not a empty space, but something made up with hammering to make it hard:

"And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. 7And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. 8And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day."(Genesis 1: 6-8).

That's right! God made heaven but did not say, "God saw that it was good" There might be someone that God not liked within the firmament. God might imprison someone that God nor pleased with. pleased. He might be someone that God created the earth. Prophet Ezekiel testified of him in the Holy Spirit whom God did not like:

" Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty. 13Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

14Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

15Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

16By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

17Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

"(Ezekiel 28: 12-17)

He was an anointed covering cherub. He was the only anointed cherub, that was Christ, before before sinned in heaven as Jesus is the anointed Christ. After he sinned and was cast out of heaven, he was imprisoned in the firmament that God created, and finally he was thrown into the ground. He became the serpent and tempted the first man by pretending to be the anointed Christ. God had to remove the anointed covering cherub from heaven. God had to anoint his only begotten Son, Jesus, and take away the covering cherub, the antichrist that defiled heaven and earth. Because of this, before God created this earth, He had planned to send our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Holy Spirit also made prophet Isaiah to testify of the Lucifer that was the covering cherub, but cast out of heaven because of his sin:

" How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

13For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I

will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

15Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. 16They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; 17That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?" (Isaiah 14: 12-17).

That's right! The one whom God had set up in heaven as the anointed covering cherub before the foundation of the world was fallen and became the Lucifer, that is the devil and Satan, that made heaven and earth devastated by sin, death, and curse. Finally, God the father made his only begotten Son die for the sin of the world as well as death and curses. God made him the Lord and Christ after he ascended to heaven. Because of this, when He came to His people, He asked them to pray, "Father's will be done on earth as it is in heaven." In other word, as he had cast Lucifer, the Antichrist, who had been in heaven, he was praying to bring him down to hell so that his will be done in the earth.

Therefore, God spoke through Apostle Paul about God's mysterious plan that is called dispensation . Christ appeared to the world to destroy the Devil and his works (Hebrews 2:14, 1 John 3: 8) so that through his death, all sins of the world may be removed, and all who believe in Him may live forever in heaven and on earth as he had planned:

" Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: 10That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: " Ephesians 1: 9-10)

In particular, he was talking about what is in him, that is the Church of God, that believed in the gospel of Christ that is the word of truth and sealed by the Holy Spirit of that promise. Only the church of God,

consisting of Christians who are born again by the Holy Spirit are gathered, is the only one in His body.

Apostle John witnessed in the Holy Spirit, seeing all things coming together in Christ in the future:

" And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea." (Rev. 21: 1).

Also, Apostle John was able to see more marvelous scene:

"And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband." (Revelation 21: 2).

" 10And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, 11Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

12And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: "(Rev. 21: 10-12)

What a thrilling sight it must be? Apostle John was probably out of mind when he saw a city of 1500 miles in length, width, and height coming down from heaven. If you see yourself the city, you shall be excited and amazed. This city is the city that the Lord promised to His disciples before he went away, and at the same time the promise he gave to his church, who believed in him to be his bride:

" Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 2In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. "(John 14: 1-3).

Amen! Hallelujah!