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Three Steps to Maturity

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It constantly amazes me how deceived Christians, and Christianity in general, are. But I shouldn't be surprised, because we should know that God is in the business of blinding people (II Corinthians 4:3-4¹). Romans 11:32 tells us that God locks up ALL in stubbornness. Galatians 3:22 tells us that ALL are locked up under sin as well as to vanity (cf. Romans 8:20). God has His purposes in doing this, and His purposes are always right and necessary for humanity. He is doing this for only a short period of time, and even during this relatively short time period He gives faith to some, as He is calling out those to whom He gives faith to become members of the Ecclesia which is His Body.



about Him as the God of this Universe and as Father (Dad). But I shouldn't be too harsh, for I was there not too many years ago.

Colossians 1 gives a threefold process of coming to the point of spiritual maturity. One cannot skip the two initial steps and arrive at step 3 believing that they can know God. Knowing God is so much more than just knowing things about Him and the Son. For all intents and purposes, knowing things about God is what Christianity is now, was in the past, and will be in the future. In Colossians 1 Paul writes about "realizing" the grace of God (:6), "realizing" the will of God (:9) and finally, simply "realizing" God (:11). The "churches" of America know nothing of the grace of God, and if they don't know the grace of God then they surely don't know the will of God, and if they don't know the will of God how can they know Him?

A MEASURE OF FAITH

Yet not all believers have the same measure of faith (Romans 12:3). This is a principle carried throughout Scripture no matter in which dispensation or era God is working. But using the measure of faith given to us, how diligent we should be in searching the Scriptures to find out what God's will is, His intentions, and in general, realizing or getting to know God – not just knowing things about Him, but getting to know Him as one would their father on earth. Unfortunately, most believers know little about His plans and purposes, and even less

THE PROBLEM

Part of the problem is that most if not all of the "Christian churches" operate under a particular paradigm (paradigm is the contextual concept by which one views and operates) – in this case the context of what and who God is – and present that particular paradigm that is completely contrary to the revelation in Scripture of Who God really is. All one has to do is to read the message given by the Pu-

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ritan preacher of hundreds of years ago, Johnathan Edwards, titled, “Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God.” If you have never read it, do yourself a favor and read it. It is easy to find on the internet. Once you have read that, then you will see what the “Christian Church” really thinks about God and what they think that God thinks about humanity. In that message we find that God hates humanity so much that He wants to destroy them by burning them in this oven of hell (he goes into a somewhat detailed description of that process), and it is a miracle that anybody avoids this terminal condition except through the work of Christ in their life.

Contemporary Christianity, being much more aware of the sensitivity of people today, substitutes “burning in hell” with “separation from God” throughout eternity for not “trusting in Christ,” or not “asking Jesus into their heart,” or not doing or saying a number of things required by the local “church” or the “denomination” to which they belong. If your curiosity is piqued, look on the web sites of popular local or national “churches” and see what their doctrinal statements have to say. You may have to dig a little to find them, but they are almost all the same or very similar. One comes away thinking that God loves humanity – but not really that much.

Christianity is a cult, and as a cult there are certain beliefs and actions that must be adhered to in order to remain in good standing with the local “church” to which one belongs or to the “denomination” of which they are members. Independent thinking or study is strongly discouraged because the goal is strict con-

formity to the denominational paradigm; hence there is little if any spiritual growth in the individual.

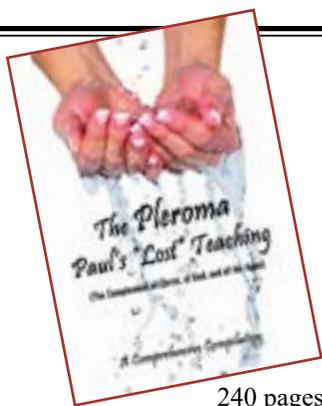
SOLID NOURISHMENT

In Hebrews 5:14 the writer states, “*Now solid nourishment is for the mature, who, because of habit, have faculties exercised for discriminating between the ideal and the evil.*” There is solid nourishment for every dispensation, but let us focus on the Secret Administration of the apostle Paul and the era in which we live. Let’s break this down for a while.

What is solid nourishment? In this context solid nourishment is reserved for the mature who are able to handle the deeper things of God – not just living in the basics of God’s teaching, but immersed in the advanced teaching of Paul. This advanced teaching then leads one to maturity. Working towards maturity leads to realizing the grace of God, the will of God and to realizing God (Colossians 1:1-11). Paul stated in I Corinthians 13 that he was versed in the minor things, which were given to him in installments, but when maturity came he was going to discard the installments – and that he did.

Now whenever maturity may be coming, that which is out of an installment shall be discarded (I Corinthians 13:10).

Unfortunately, the professing church is still operating in the installments, and to be honest, most of those in the professing church haven’t even reached the installment stage yet. Christianity is disposed to



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the terrestrial (Philippians 3:17-21). In other words, they are trying to make Matthew through Acts, Hebrews through Revelation their hope and doctrine. They believe that they are Israel's substitute on earth and as such must take up the mantle of Israel's program, and as such the "church" "must evangelize the world" (cf. Matthew 28:19-20). How can one know the grace of God when trying to fit the law and the performance of the law into their doctrine and conduct? It is either law *or* grace, not a mixture of both. Grace is not grace if mixed with anything else.

In Colossians 1 Paul prayed (if you want to know how to pray and what to pray for, study Paul's prayers in Ephesians and Colossians) concerning the saints at Colosse. He is thankful that they realized the grace of God in truth, and he goes on further to pray that they would come to a realization of God's will in wisdom and spiritual understanding, and that as they bear fruit and walk worthy of the Lord that they then would grow in the realization of God Himself. Not that they would only know things *about* God but that they would actually *know* God.

Many people have had a wonderful earthly father in whom they could see some of the traits of our Heavenly Father. If you have been one of those fortunate ones who had one of those fathers, could you ever imagine your father rejecting you or disowning you because of something you did no matter how bad it was? If you were abducted or kidnapped, could you envision your father not sparing any expense or effort to "find" you? If you have that kind of father, then you have some idea of what God's love is. Our Heavenly Father loves us and all mankind with a love infinitely deeper and stronger. But if you still don't really understand the grace of God because your doctrine is still in the terrestrial, or the installments,

rather than in the full or complete revelation given to Paul, then you will never understand the will of God, nor will you really know God let alone understand the love and the grace of God.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISE

As referenced before, Hebrews 5:14 states that solid nourishment belongs to the mature. How have they arrived at maturity? They have arrived at that point by having their faculties EXERCISED, meaning that they approach the Scriptures with the mindset that they will let the Scriptures determine what sound words will be, not their preconceived notions of what is true and correct. By doing that, and repeating that same pattern, they have exercised their faculties so that they can discriminate between the ideal and evil. One can obtain some knowledge by reading a portion of Scripture once or twice. Understanding comes from reading it over and over, then comparing other Scriptures, rightly dividing them, meditating on that which you have read, and letting God's Spirit lead you into the truth and a clear understanding of what was written. Hence your faculties have been exercised.

As solid nourishment is for the mature, then the place to see that solid nourishment would be to look at the Apostle Paul and his writings. Of his writings we need also to rightly divide his epistles, not just understand the unique writings of Paul as distinguished from the rest of the Scriptures. Paul's most advanced writings are those of the secret administration and are contained in the epistles to the Ephesians and Colossians. Nowhere else do we have the highest revelation that God has given to mankind. This is attested to by Paul himself when he declares that it was given to him to "*complete the Word of God*" (Colossians 1:25, CV). To "*complete*" means to fill up,



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to add to that which is already there so that nothing else can be added. In light of this, we need to look at Paul's writing of the letter to the believers at Colosse.

A THREEFOLD PROCESS

In Colossians 1 Paul gives us the key, as it were, to the education and maturity process of the believer. **This process contains only three steps, as found in chapter 1; but when we look at those three steps, at first glance it would seem that this would be an easy task – yet it's not. I am not saying that this is a task for the unusually mentally gifted.** I am saying that this takes time, lots of time, and most have not been granted the faith to be patient enough to go through this process. God has us all on our own particular journey. He is writing all of our stories, and in fact they have all been previously written. When I say "all" I mean all of humanity. But we live in the relative, the here and now, and we don't know the next chapter let alone what the next day will bring to our lives.

Step 1:

In Colossians 1:6 we find the first step in the maturity process of the believer: realizing the grace of God (CV). Realizing comes only after hearing the word of God. *"Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God"* (Romans 10:17, KJV). The Concordant Version renders it, *"Consequently, faith is out of tidings, yet the tidings through a declaration of Christ."* This is a much more truthful and correct way of saying that this is not a decision that the listener needs to make, but a declaration of what God through Christ has done. This takes the responsibility away from the listener and places everything on the shoulders

of God (He can handle it).

What does it mean to realize the grace of God? Christianity talks about the grace of God, but do its proponents really know and understand what this means? In a word, "NO." Christianity talks a good game; but in the end analysis it knows very little if anything about God's grace, let alone about the secret administration of which grace is not only the prevailing theme but is the only theme. There is no "making a decision" for Christ, saying the right combination of words, repenting of their sins, being sorry for their sins, vowing to turn their life around, making Jesus Lord of their life, or anything else that crosses the religious mind. Maturity begins when one realizes that the entire operation of reconciling the sinner to God rests entirely with God, including giving the person the faith to believe. Philippians 1:29 states, *"for to you it is graciously granted, for Christ's sake, not only to be believing on Him, but to be suffering for His sake also"* (CV).

So, to summarize, God through Christ does all the work, including giving the believer the faith to begin with. Once a person wraps their head around this reality, they then begin to understand when Paul talks about the grace of God. God declares what He has done and then gives the faith to the believer so there can be no confusion as to what is going on here. Simple, right? Not according to Christianity. Christianity talks about the grace of God out of one side of their mouth and then talks out of the other side of their mouth telling the individual what they must do in order to secure the transaction and to make their salvation sure. But, wait a minute: isn't salvation by the grace of God, and if so, why do I have to do anything to "help" God? The answer is, you don't have to do



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anything to help God secure your salvation – but that doesn't sit well with Christianity because that leaves them with nothing to do, and how are they going to justify their existence let alone pay for the big building and the staff and all of the assistant pastors and the secretary and the youth minister and ...? well, you get the picture.

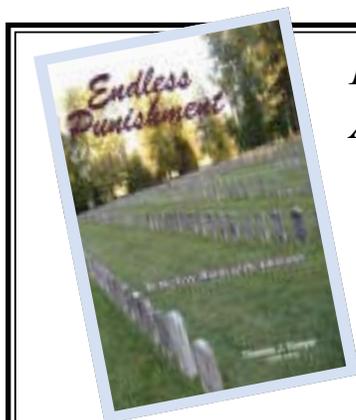
Realizing the grace of God is to realize it in truth. Truth is liberating, it is fresh, it gives confidence in what God has said and it eliminates all sorts of worry. If I am honest with myself, why would God trust me with any part of His salvation for me? All I would do is to foul up anything that I might think I could accomplish. Let's be honest here. We are foul-ups, lack much knowledge, can't trust our own motives and certainly can't trust ourselves to do the right thing. Far better to sit back, relax (let go), trust God to do what He said he would do and not worry about anything – for, surely, God can do a much better job of securing my salvation than I can.

In Colossians 1:6 Paul is voicing a prayer, and throughout this first chapter that prayer centers around the thanksgiving that Paul had concerning their faith and love that they had for all the saints. In :6 he is thankful that they heard and then realized the grace of God. I find it interesting that the word “*knowledge*” (KJV) that Paul uses is what E.W. Bullinger records as the second definition of the particular Greek word in his critical lexicon. In his lexicon the definition of “*to realize*” (“*know*” in the KJV, *epiginosko*²) is to look on as a spectator, to know fully or well, to be influenced by that knowledge. What

2. “Fully acquainted with” (SEC); “thoroughly acquainted with,” “to know accurately, know well” (TGL).

piqued my interest in the first line of his definition was that of a person looking on as a spectator. It's interesting that he would say it that way, but then I looked at a bit of a wider context and realized that Paul said that they were hearing (:5) and then realized or knew the grace of God. This fits in with the definition given in the lexicon. Hearing is passive and no effort is required, unlike making a decision which involves forethought and an action even if there is not a physical demonstration or manifestation of that decision. This fits with the reality of hearing the Word of God (“*faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God*”), then knowing, recognizing or realizing it as a reality. This is all passive and requires no effort or work on the part of the recipient, because it is God Who imparts that faith or realization or the knowing to the believer.

This idea of passive acceptance or knowing is found in several other passages of Paul. In Ephesians 4:13 (CV) Paul says that “*we should all attain to the unity of the faith and of the realization of the Son of God.*” It's not as if I woke up one day and said to myself “self, today I am going to make a decision to recognize or realize the Son of God.” It doesn't work that way. It doesn't come about as a result of a decision that I make, but as a result of God opening my eyes of faith to allow me to recognize what He has done. Once again this is passive and not active on my part. This same idea is seen in Philippians 1:9-10 (CV). Realization there is passive, but the sense carries with it the idea of judging what things are of consequence, which is active in the life of the believer. This also can be seen in I Timothy 2:4; II Timothy 2:26; 3:7.



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Step 2:

The second step in the maturity of the believer is found in Colossians 1:9. A believer cannot process the realization of God's will unless they have fully understood and recognized the grace of God. The total and complete grace of God must be at least partially understood before one can process the will of God. Not only must one rightly divide the Scriptures but must rightly divide Paul's epistles to understand God's will in the secret administration. No longer is Paul acting as a priest to the nations (Romans 15:16), with the Jew being in the preferred position, nor is he drawing upon the sign gifts (tongues, healings, administrations, etc.) as he was in his Acts administration. Taking from the Acts Administration that which was NOT superseded by the secret administration (the evangel for example), Paul breaks new ground with Ephesians and Colossians and doesn't drag the partial revelation with him in these epistles, because the partial was done away with. This is where we find the new revelation (the secret administration) which was hidden in God and not in the Scriptures. This is where we find the will of God for this secret administration.

This type of knowledge that Paul is talking about in Colossians 1:9, as in the previous discussion, centers on an understanding of a thing but expresses a more thorough participation on the part of the knower (*epignosis*,³ KJV = "knowledge," CV = "realization") – in other words, actual participation on the part of the believer. This understanding then enables a person to walk worthy of the Lord (active participation, :10). It is very important that we understand and acknowledge this. There are millions of people worldwide who have a zeal for God but not according to

3. "full discernment" (SEC); "precise and correct knowledge" (TGL).

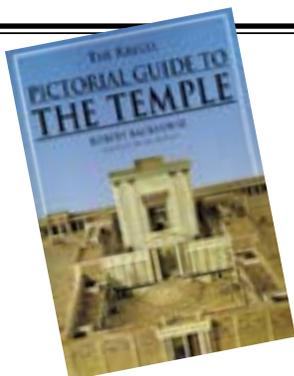
knowledge. God wants those whom He has called in this administration to understand what His will is now. I believe His will is very specific and it is found in Ephesians and Colossians. In these two epistles we have the hope or expectation of the believer, the walk, the headship of Christ to the body and the *Pleroma* or the completing of Christ by the Body of Christ. Unfortunately, the vast majority of believers haven't a clue about these things since they don't understand the will of God as it pertains to what God is doing in this administration. This can be traced back to not understanding the grace of God.

Step 3:

The third step of this maturing process of the believer is seen in Colossians 1:10 which is knowing or realizing God Himself.⁴ This is not knowing things about God, but knowing God as one would know a dear friend or more importantly, knowing one's earthly father. This knowledge is the same Greek word that was used in :9.⁵ If one does not know the grace of God then one does not know the will of God and if one does not know the will of God then one does not really know God Himself. Most of Christianity knows only the earthly Christ as seen in the Gospels and Acts. While that is needful to know and understand, that Jesus Christ was representing His Father while Israel was still God's chosen people, and what Christ did was in doing the will of the Father as pertaining to that very same nation, that nation *now* has been set aside as of Acts 28:28 and there is no longer any division between Jew and Gentile. God does not recognize any difference, and neither should we.

4. "increasing in the **knowledge** of God" (KJV); "growing in the **realization** of God" (CV).

5. "filled with the **knowledge** of His will" (KJV); "filled full with the **realization** of His will" (CV).



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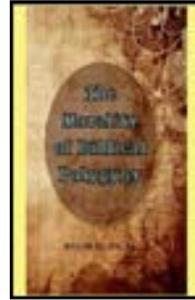
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What does it mean to know God? This is neither a difficult nor complex matter, but one that has always been shrouded in mysticism, obfuscation and manmade doctrines of religion. Religion hides the overwhelming love of God with self-serving doctrines to ensure that their religious power and influence is retained by the system. If you have a people, members of the Body of Christ, that are in love with their Savior and their God, then they are free to get to know Him, rejoice in Him, rely on Him, love Him and rest or relax in Him. He, God, is ultimately going to be our All in all. In fact, He is going to be everybody's All in all. As Paul said in Colossians 1:25, it was his task to complete the Word of God – to complete, to fill up that which was lacking in God's revealed Word to that point. Paul was given the capstone of revelation, and that capstone is contained in Ephesians and Colossians. This is the revelation which reveals the innermost workings of God's heart and reveals a God of intense love that He has for His creatures and particularly for those in the Body of Christ.

END RESULT AND ULTIMATE GOAL

The immediate context of :11 (CV) encourages the believers to "walk worthily of the Lord for all pleasing, bearing fruit in every good work, and GROWING in the realization of God." This context fits :9 in that the knowledge that what the believer gains is brought about by an active participation with what is going on. One can't realize God without the bearing of fruit in every good work, which in turn enables the believer to grow in the realization of God, which in turn enables the believer to get to know his or her Daddy.

The ultimate goal of God (and He will reach that goal, most assuredly) is that not just humanity, but the whole universe will fully know God and that God



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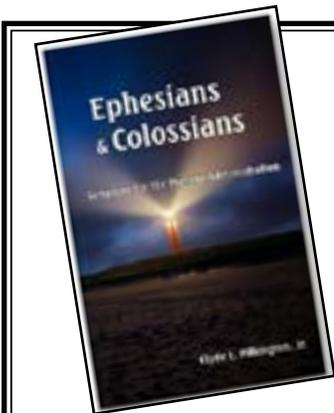
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