

## IN HIS NAME

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In these days there is so much strife and division among people that there has been the need to cry out – Lord how can these things be?

The natural, physical body functions beautifully and perfectly without any single part being against the other. This physical body is a type of the Spiritual Body, therefore there must be a perfect function of the Body of Christ.

God divides and separates through the working of the Spirit – good from evil; light from darkness; righteousness from unrighteousness, so that His people can be free from all the works of the enemy and be separated unto Him in Holiness and Righteousness – PRAISE GOD.

God the giver of understanding has been unveiling the mystery.

Deliverance from every situation is in HIS NAME – not name as a label on someone or something but HIS NAME which is HIS NATURE. The nature of love, peace, submission etc. Whatsoever we ask in HIS NAME.

So many times believers come together and leave undelivered and unblessed – very frustrated and discouraged, not having received from the Lord that which has been promised. The reason is that something is wrong with the gathering or the gathered, it was not in HIS NATURE. There may be unforgiveness, hatred, bitterness, malice, strife, guile, cunning craftiness and such things that are contrary to the NATURE of Christ. It is like having flies in the ointment. Clean hands and a pure heart is that acceptable offering before God. Remember God looks at the inner being. He sees light or darkness. Forgiveness and cleansing through the atonement sanctifies the vessel, making way for the greatest blessings.

God cannot bless while the contrary nature is encouraged in the soul. All the sacrifices and necessary preparations were made in the outer Court so the services of the tabernacle would not be hindered in any way, hence the needs of the people were met. When Israel made the perfect sacrifice God was pleased and they were blessed to the fullest. Their enemies could not stand before them, they had complete victory in all areas. When they transgressed they fell prey to their enemies, even to the bondage of slavery.

The fruits of the flesh, anger, wrath, malice, strife, envy, bitterness etc. are all works of the evil one, works of darkness – where Satan presides as lord. When we therefore entertain these we fall into the realm of darkness where Satan has power over us. We only have power in Christ, we have no power in darkness.

*Ephesians 4:31 “Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with ALL malice:”*

*4:32 “And be ye kind one to another, TENDERHEARTED, FORGIVING one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath FORGIVEN YOU.”*

There should be no place given to the devil or he will take advantage of every opportunity to rob and destroy.

PRAISE GOD WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS – because God made available to us, His People, every necessary piece of armourment to ensure us the victory.

His active presence can be experienced in the fullness of His revealed character. His NAME is linked with His righteousness, faithfulness, holiness, goodness, mercy, love, truth, etc. that is His NAME. Since the assembling of believers form the basis for spiritual unity with Christ, for participation of His bounties, and viewing of His Sovereignty, believers must, through the divine power, rise from the lower realm, which is the opposite and contrary nature, to partake of that DIVINE NATURE.

God will not share His Glory. There must be a rejecting of one in order to receive the other. Self etc. take the place of Christ in the soul – The more self is rejected and cast out the more of Christ we can have.

Times without number in the scriptures this principle is seen in operation, of someone calling on the name of the Lord:

*1 Kings 18:24 “And call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD: and the God that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, It is well spoken.”*

Elijah had faith in God; he knew God's divine purpose. It was a time when Israel should halt no longer between two opinions; they had to make a decision between God and Baal. Though there were four hundred and fifty prophets of Baal, Elijah knew His God whom he served. Baal was stilled before the Almighty. God answered not only by consuming Elijah's sacrifice but licked up all the water that was poured on to the sacrifice. PRAISE GOD.

There is record of priests going to offer sacrifice in disobedience and rebellion – They were consumed.

Some went to cast out devils – instead the devils turned on them and tore them.

The spirits of darkness will only recognize the power and authority (which is the nature) that accompanies the NAME OF JESUS. This NAME is not enshrined in a system, doctrine, external influences, church organization or men's ideas, but in righteousness, truth, holiness; because He is Saviour – the giver of inspiration. This living stone rejected of men, but to God's elect, precious. (2 Peter 2:4,5,) All who are enjoined to this LIFE become lively stones, building up the spiritual house, each stone maintaining its proper relationship to each other, permanently connected with Christ, furnishing a habitation for God. Great and wonderful mystery – Praise God. A branch connected to the vine will bring forth fruit of its kind (of the vine).

Where two or three are gathered together in His name (NATURE) He is there in the MIDST to bless and to do THEM GOOD. Praise God it's TWO or THREE, it does not have to be a large congregation with all the trappings of organization, just two and three gathered IN HIS NATURE. The grounds for the blessing therefore is basically

“GATHERING IN HIS NAME” (NATURE).

Christ is identified with the Church – HE IS HEAD and must be recognized as such.

That dynamo power working through submitted vessels produces the impossible, revealing to us and renewing in us the lost image of God, being in us that all sufficient source of PURITY AND POWER.

Christ is not content to be represented by His people in words. He wants to reign in and be Himself in His people. God has given man the capacity to rise far beyond the limits of his own individuality.

When we gather together in HIS NATURE He is in the midst to BLESS AND DO US GOOD. He expresses himself when there is submission to His Nature.

