



The Glory # 3

Hello everyone. Welcome to "Notes From The Presence." In today's article, we are going to talk about our human creation - created on day five and how we have been endowed with glory.

I would like to establish something today about glory in general. It is hidden in a verse we quoted a verse last week out of the 1 Corinthians. Today, I am going to quote the context surrounding it. It is a bit long but worth it in the end:

1 Corinthians 15: 37-41 37 And that which you sow, you do not sow the body which is to be, but a bare grain, perhaps of wheat or of something else. But God gives it a body just as He wished, and to each of the seeds a body of its own. All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one flesh of men, and another flesh of beasts, and another flesh of birds, and another of fish. There are also heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is one, and the glory of the earthly is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

Paul starts by talking about seeds and plants. He states that they have a body. Then he talks about flesh and the bodies of the animal world including humans. Thirdly, he talks about the stars or the heavenly bodies. Paul then concludes by saying that each body, whether it be earthly or heavenly, has its own glory. So everything created has glory.

Think of a body for a moment. What is it and what is it made of? Heavenly bodies, earthly bodies, plant bodies, and animal bodies all have the same ingredients. They are made out of the same substance - the elements of our universe. Also, according to the scriptures we just quoted, every body has been given a certain measure of glory. Our universe was created out of glory. Glory is the essential building block of everything we see. For this reason, each created thing has an inbuilt glory.

We as humans have been given a very special measure of glory. It sets us apart from every other created being. We have been made in the image of God Himself. Listen to the words of this very familiar Psalm:

Psalms 8:4-5 What is man that You take thought of him, and the son of man that You care for him? Yet You have made him a little lower than God, and You crown him with glory and majesty!

Notice here that glory is our crown. Now I would like you to look at yourself for a moment. You are made in the image of God and you are infused with His glory. If you stand and look in the mirror, you actually have a crown on your head. It is made out of glory and majesty making you a king/queen in a glorious kingdom. But a further study of the scriptures reveals even more glorious facts. You are actually covered with glory, infused with glory, and you wear glory on your head. You are glorious - fearfully and wonderfully made from head to toe. The glory of the new covenant shines in and through you. Also, some day soon in the new creation, you will be completely transformed by glory and given a fully glorified body. This is our blessed hope.

In the beginning, before the fall, Adam and Eve had this type of glorified body. However, sin darkened the glorious creation and the glory of mankind. But Jesus, through the work of the cross, made a way for us to regain a portion of glory back once again. I would like to suggest that although we will one day have fully glorified bodies, we have a lot more glory right now than we realize. The bottom line, as followers of Christ, we humans have an impressive amount of glory residing in us. Listen to these verses:

2 Corinthians 4:6-7 For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves;

Notice, the glory of God is in the face of Christ and it resides in our bodies - our earthen vessels. Wow, I feel the presence of God once again as I am writing on this subject. Never underestimate the glory resident in and upon you. It is the very light energy of God Himself. It is the anointing of the Holy Spirit. It is also referred to as the "fullness of God." You are a carrier of life and light. You are a carrier of glory.

We will end with one final scripture passage today out of Ephesians:

Ephesians 3: 20-21 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

The power that works within us is actually the glory of God. It is the treasure in our earthen vessel. Notice in these verses that all of this glory goes back to Him. God' glory is His alone. It is all from Him and to Him. All glory to You Jesus!!

In our next article, we will talk more about the glory of God. Exciting!

Thanks for reading. Jesus is real and in Him we have been made glorious beyond imagination!