

The Final Revelation

In this restoration of the Elijah Anointing, one major characteristic that we have learned about is the "fathering spirit" of Elijah. Although Elijah had additional attributes such as prayer, passion, power and prosperity he certainly was "paternal" as well. The fatherly aspect of the end time anointing brings us to the "final revelation" which is the Father's Love. It may be that the restoration of this "love" will result in the Body of Christ becoming the "family of God" in a practical way. In fact the church has exemplified many of the metaphors used in scripture to describe its true nature such as Temple, Body, Army and Bride. Now we come to the most mature example of what the church should be and that is "family". Eph.3:14-16 tells us that God is the "father of every family named in heaven and earth". The emerging apostolic fathers are moving their networks towards becoming a family of ministry rather than an organization of ministry, as we ourselves transition from being "religious leaders" to real "spiritual fathers". This paradigm shift will be the model of "heaven on earth" that we have all been longing to see, and it will distinguish Christianity from all the other religions as Jesus said, "By this shall all men know you are my disciples, because you have love one for another". We are moving into this love even as we move from the outer court of "faith" to the inner court of "hope", until we finally go thru the "curtain" and enter the holiest of all which is "love". After all, God isn't faith or hope, but He is Love. Using the tabernacle as our measuring tool, we have moved from the "evangelical movement" in the outer court of sacrifices, to the "Pentecostal/charismatic movement in the inner court of revelation and gifts. We are now in the holiest of all representing the "kingdom movement and full manhood in Christ". Babyhood, childhood and manhood...first the blade, then the ear and finally the full corn in the ear. This is a wonderful time because we are in the time of the "final revelation".

Jesus came in the "last days" (Hebs.1:1-3) to bring the final revelation of God. In the Old Testament they were only servants that God revealed Himself to in "bits and pieces" thru the many names describing His relationship to them, but it took "a Son" to reveal the Father (John 1:18; 14:6-9). Again using the Tabernacle it was Jesus in the outer court, Holy Spirit in the inner court and Father in the holiest of all. We are now in the final revelation which reveals the Father who is love, this will result in the sons and daughters coming to maturity in Christ by having the "fullness of the Godhead" dwelling within them. In order to understand what this phrase in Colossians 2:9 means, we should examine the same word in Ephesians 3:19 also. In the context of this verse, Paul is talking about the "love of God" and being "filled with all the fullness of God", so the word "fullness" is describing the "measure of God's love" dwelling in us and demonstrated thru us. Paul was measuring God's love in this passage in order to describe the "extent" of it when he mentions the "height, length, depth and breadth of God's love". What is the extent of His love, how far will God go to demonstrate it towards us? Romans 8:32 tells us, "He that spared not his own son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things". In other words, there is absolutely nothing God will not do for us, and that is the "extent" of His love. Praise His Holy Name forever! As a man in the image of God, Jesus also was "filled with all the fullness of God" because there was nothing he would not do for us (Gal.2:20; Rev.1:5-6). When we are "filled with all the fullness of God" there is nothing we would

not do for each other, or for the lost (1Jn.4:11). Simply stated, "when we love to the same extent God loves, we are filled with all the fullness of God". This is what Jesus meant when He said "if you have seen me you have seen the Father" because God is love and Jesus fully manifested that love during His earthly walk (1 Jn.1:4). As the Church moves into the holiest of all and intimacy with the Father, we will learn the extent of His love for us and as mature sons and daughters we will demonstrated it to the world. I believe this will result in the final outpouring of God and the final harvest. When God's character is fully known (1 Cor.13:10-13), His power will flow unhindered as it did in Jesus of Nazareth who walked in the "fullness of God".

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