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Preface

This book came about as the Lord began to touch my heart concerning the condition of the church and the secular world.

There seems to be a decline in godly values and judo Christian morals are at an all-time low.

The love of many have waxed cold and people tend to be self-centered with the mindset of every man for himself.

This attitude developed as churches became complacent and became lax concerning sin. Prayer left the home and the church and some leaders allowed anything to creep into our houses of worship and changed how it portrays itself to a lost and hurting world.

This self-centered lifestyle and lack of love has made its way into the secular world and workplace.

Leaders both in the secular world and the church have become jealous of training someone to take their place and carry on the work thus leaving men and women that lack the necessary mentorship to fill their position.

These are very crucial days and we need leaders that were born to lead.

Chapter 1

Great Minds Are Developed

Let's begin this book by imagining ourselves as an infant looking into our mother's eyes and observing her smile filled with while she holds us gently in her arms; as though she is holding a priceless treasure for the first time.

Can you imagine the thoughts going through her mind as she wonders what kind of person her child would grow up to become?

As we grow older and interact with others, we step into an innate position of observing and doing what others around us are doing (Culture).

We are learning to become individuals. We begin seeking role models to imitate and as we mature, we soon replace them with new ones. Upon completion of our educational tenure (school and/or college), there sometimes develops a desire deep within to start planning for a family. We start planning

by obtaining a good job and begin making provisions to provide for the family.

There may be others that develop a desire to learn more about the world around them, such persons would include the late Albert Einstein.

He was a professor who compelled others to think as he introduced them to the unexplained vastness of life itself.

He had a unique mind for mathematics such as geometry and algebra. It is said that he was a troubled student because of his speech impairment when, in actuality, he was a dreamer and explorer.

Einstein would solve a problem while sleeping on it. He would notice things that others would over look and wonder about.

Like many other important men in history who made an impact on our culture, Einstein desired a secure world with **good morals and harmony**.

He was fascinated with light and what it would be like to travel upon one of its beams and explore an unknown universe.

Albert Einstein was a great scientist and had the world as his student.

There were other men like Socrates that was known to be a great thinker who taught the well-known Plato.

Plato was a great thinker with the mind of a genius. He too wanted a safe world with good morals with peace and harmony.

It is said that he taught Aristotle who then tutored Alexander the Great.

Even today, world leaders and executives of large corporations use his teachings on being open to new ideas and are prepared to upgrade with a changing world while keeping their productive platform as the role for their success.

Thomas Jefferson the third President of the United

States can credit his quest for knowledge to his studies of Plato and other known great minds.

We see some of Plato's teachings unveiled as we read Jefferson's famous words in the Declaration of Independence which state "We hold all truths to be selfevident that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these is life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Plato was a great thinker who believed and pursued his love of Wisdom and Knowledge.

He believed in the people's rights to be free and able to think for themselves.

Plato was against tyranny and cared deeply for good moral character and justice in those who would be in leadership.

He believed in good education and stability for the populace at large thus building a better society.

This gives us a glimpse of the scene and setting the Apostle Paul found himself in when invited to speak at Athens as recorded in *Acts 17:16*.

Here at Athens, Paul found himself in a city full of idols and the philosophers of that day lived to hear and learn of new ideas and ways of thinking.

Paul preached an unusual sermon that greatly contrasted and challenged their belief in new age thinking.

Like Plato and some of the thinkers mentioned above, these men believed their goal in life was to escape the limitations of physical life.

The city of Athens was a well-known learning center of that day that produced great minds who were free thinkers.

Paul's companions had left him to be alone with these philosophers as he was there to await the arrival of Timothy and Silas.

Paul's message was clear as he preached to these great thinkers about the way to the unknown God.

He was rejected by the majority as he spoke of the resurrection but he met no physical resistance and was not forced to leave the city.

The leaders in Athens had no regard or care for whom or what one worshiped.

They believed everyone is entitled to do their own thing. Does this saying seem familiar as we look at the moral decay of our society today that has lost its vision where anything goes?

I am talking about a lazed society with leaders in government who wink at sexual sins and allow the production of such songs as "If loving you is wrong, I don't want to be right". If you are disturbed about the moral decay of our society and its leaders, then you are thinking like some of the great genius minds the Apostle Paul encountered in Athens.

Athens was the great learning center of that day that produced such minds as Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle.

All these great men desired a free moral and stable society but they wanted one without a God or creator that after death would require them to stand and give an account of their lives?

This is called human wisdom which states that man *and* his achievements are his salvation. In other words, man is his own Savior.

I will not name names, but there has been well known TV celebrities who've made these exact statements.

We know that the bible states that the wisdom of man is foolishness with God.

The world is looking for answers. Tragically and ironically, as the world is looking for answers, most of God's people are asleep in their pews, asleep in religious traditions and lethargy.

Paul preached his heart out at Athens, but there are no records to be found of a change that took place in the people.

Chapter 2

The Mind For leadership

Someone that is a true leader would know the difference in Knowledge and wisdom.

What good is knowing all the important functions of my 18 wheeler but lack the wisdom to operate it in a safe manner?

This kind of wisdom comes from years of experience both on the road and being taught by older elite drivers in the field.

Wisdom is knowing how to operate my truck in a safe and cautious way such as how to negotiate a sharp curve or operating in adverse conditions such as snow and ice?

Wisdom can open and unlocks doors including opportunities such as allowing us to see that we each have a divine purpose and calling for being on this planet.

Wisdom allows us to see our problems and circumstances the way our creator sees them.

We discover that he has a purpose for everything that is allowed to come upon us that we might develop Good character and be able to withstand the onslaught of the trials we may encounter.

Men and women of wisdom will be the ones who have come through severe trials and overcome by realizing that they are specially designed to fulfill their purpose on this planet.

Wisdom will greatly increase our capabilities to solve problems and come up with solutions that others are not able to attain through worldly means for our Creator has anointed and placed us to have the answers for a testimony of who he is.

The purpose of this book is to explore what it takes to be a true leader and in order to do this justice we need to explore both the natural and the spiritual thinking of a man or woman?

If we apply this spiritually we can find solutions in God's Holy Word.

We find in his word that we are made in his likeness and image.

We also discover that we are spirit beings experiencing a human experience.

We find in in the holy bible that *Proverbs 2:6* states the Lord giveth wisdom and out of his mouth cometh understanding.

We will soon discover in *Ecclesiastes 7:19* that wisdom strengthened the wise more than ten mighty men which are in a city.

Look at *Psalms 91:7* A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

Why is wisdom the most important principal thing in life?

It is because it is more powerful than anything man can come up with such as weapons or strategy.

In *Eccl. 9:18*; we discover that wisdom is better than weapons of war. *Prov.12:6* states that the words of the wicked condemn men with false testimony but the righteous will speak the truth and deliver the innocent.

We find in *Proverbs 29: 11* that a fool will give in to his anger and speak his mind but a righteous man will hold it back.

James 3:2 we find that although we all may stumble, a man who is able to keep his tongue is a perfect man or a man of mature spiritual and moral growth.

This tells us that our speech can give us away. Are we men and women of wisdom who love Christian values or does our speech betray us for who we really are?

The word says from the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh.

What kind of water are we putting out to a lost and dying world and do we truly love Jesus?

Ephesians 1st chapter tells us that God hath chosen us in Christ in whom is all wisdom and prudence.

Christ is the fullness of him that filleth all in all.

We find in *1 Corinthians 1:24* that Christ is called the wisdom of God and in the book of *Colossians 2: 2-3* We discover that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are hid in him (Jesus).

We should all know that Jesus is the word that was made flesh according to John 1:14 and he was unique, for he was God from all eternity and lowered himself below the angels that he might become our savior.

He possessed all the attributes of deity as told in *Phil. 2:6* and the attributes of man (apart from sin). He will exist forever in his glorified body.

He was 100% God and 100% man. He had to be human in order to suffer and die for you and me.

With this in mind, we will discover in *Psalms 199: 97-104* that the word of God is the source of wisdom.

We discovered in *Proverbs 2:6 and James 1:5* that wisdom is to be pursued or sought after.

We can think of a prospector looking for a vein of Gold. God gives wisdom abundantly when we ask and we are more ready to exchange our strength for his as told in *Isaiah 40:31*.

We can then be better prepared to convince someone who needs Jesus in their life that they need to exchange what they have for what we have and that would be peace with the Living God.

As we now look at *Proverbs 8:11, Proverbs 3:13-15, Proverbs 16:16, and Job 28:18* we will discover that the wisdom of God is far more important than rubies or precious jewels and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

How wonderful it is to be the recipients of God's wisdom. Wealth may fail us and it certainly

cannot buy happiness and give a true gladness of the heart which can only come from God. Wealth cannot buy wisdom.

The benefits of God's wisdom are the result of knowing and maintaining a relationship with him. Godly wisdom is seeing things from God's perspective.

Godly wisdom gives meaning, purpose and value to the life we have been blessed to enjoy.

The source of wisdom is just as important as wisdom because it determines the value of wisdom.

We have often heard the tales and saw the cartoons of someone in search of wisdom how they would travel a rough trail to find an old man on the mountain.

The wisdom sought was to be imparted by the old wise man because of his age and validity of life.

We find in Job 28 the way to wisdom and understanding.

Job 28: 20-25. 20 Whence then cometh wisdom? And where is the place of understanding? 21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air. 22 Destruction and death say, we have heard the fame thereof with our ears. 23 God understandeth the way thereof and he knoweth the place thereof. 24 For He looketh to the ends of the Earth and seth under the whole heaven; 25 To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure. Let's now examine these scriptures for the truth.

According to the first 3 verses; the source of true and lasting wisdom cannot be found on this earth or from some wise man on a high distant mountain. Its height is greater than any fowl can reach. The source of wisdom is found in God.

God has the answers to what earthly wisdom cannot attain.

God knows how wisdom should be applied.

In verse 25, we see the words make and weigheth. These are references to the standards God set in place by which wisdom is to be measured.

We discovered in the first two chapters of this book that man's wisdom is foolishness with God and God's ways and thoughts are higher than mans.

What some may call wisdom from their thoughts or opinion may not survive the test of time.

Our wisdom unchecked by the Spirit of God can actually cause us pain and shame.

Human wisdom is self-centered and can lead us down the wrong path and cause us to make wrong decisions which can hurt and damage others.

True Godly wisdom begins with a deep reverence for the Lord and realization that because of our Adam nature, we humans lack the ability and capacity to guide our own lives.

The purpose of God's wisdom is to provide direction and instruction in all the aspects of our life. It lets us know that we need him and his guidance to lead us away from the path of evil.

Proverbs 3: 13-18 states that "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding from the Lord. 14 The merchandise or profit of wisdom it is better than silver and gold. 15 She is more precious than rubies and nothing desired can be compared to God's wisdom. 16 Length of days or long life is in her right hand and in her left hand is riches and honor. 17 Her ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace or harmony and wholeness. 18 She is a tree of life or source of life to them that lay hold or attain to her. Happy is every one that retaineth her.

We will find in *1 Corinthians 2: 4-5* that Paul informs us that his speech and preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom but in the demonstration of the Spirit and power that our faith

should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

We can also look at *Isaiah 55: 8-9* and hear the Lord inform us that his thoughts are not our thoughts, neither is his ways like our ways.

He informs us further that as the heavens are high above the Earth, so are his ways higher than our ways, and his thoughts than our thoughts.

This tells us that the wisdom of God is far above our natural mind to comprehend.

We will discover later on that Jesus is made unto us wisdom and in him can be found all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Since Jesus is the word, we will discover later on in this study that the word of God is the source of wisdom.

Applying the wisdom of God will cause us to establish Godly values in our life and ministry.

We will discover that the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of wisdom and the source of our gifts, talents, and skills.

We need only look to *Exodus 31* to discover that God chose a man of the tribe of Judah and filled him with the Spirit of God, such as wisdom, understanding, knowledge and workmanship to be able to work in gold, silver, brass and in the cutting of stones to build the tabernacle for God's people.

We can look at Daniel 1:4 how God gifted Daniel in understanding science, math and the Akkadian language that he might be placed in the Kings palace for God's purpose.

The primary means by which God gives his wisdom is through instruction.

When Jesus walked this earth, he did not talk about things that were hard to understand, nor did he use words that were over the peoples head.

He taught about common things that everyone was familiar with and used them to impart eternal and spiritual truths.

We need to claim our children for the Kingdom of God and protect them with our prayers.

Unless we grow up, our lives and labors will never reach the fullness that God has planned for us and this will be disappointing when compared with Eternity. **Let's be those that are engaged in the fight and not be critical of the leaders that God has chosen to lead the battle.**

Chapter 3

What Is a True Leader

In the previous chapters we have explored great minds that have left their mark upon their generation and also their contributions to society have benefited us today. We have also looked and explored the difference in knowledge, understanding and wisdom.

We covered spiritual wisdom and how it is beneficial for true leaders to glean from its teaching and resources.

I now wish to look at world view of secular wisdom and note the difference between men and women operating in a self-centered aspect and those operating in a rich God centered life.

Many leaders today in the secular world have isolated themselves and have not trained anyone to take their place and this is also true in the church.

Every major occupation that is successful has a program in place for their interns to learn and practice.

There are two ways a leader can lead and both will get the work done however one will make the company more productive.

1. A leader can lead from the Authority that the position grants them.
2. A leader can be firm however they can also show a willingness to jump in and help when there is a work overload.

A leader can also boost company moral by rewarding an employee when they show signs of improvement which will create a level of trust and respect among the other employees.

Many times, a leader will let a person go because of not meeting the required production only to later discover they were the missing link that held the others together.

A true leader will not make hasty decisions and will stop and think about what will be the consequences of their choices and how many people will be affected by that choice.

To be an effective leader both in the church and the secular world, we must come to realize and accept the fact that God had a plan for us as leaders before we were born and all of our life experiences have been a training ground to fulfill this plan and make us leaders that we might pour out of our life into the life of others.

We must come to the realization that who we are in the body of Christ, is more important than what we can do and accomplish on our own.

A true leader will be one that has been through the trials of life and have learned from their mistakes.

They have made themselves to be held accountable to their elders and developed a pattern to

pray for the people God has placed under their leadership and ministry.

They have also studied history enough to know that mankind left unchecked will gradually decline in their morals and conduct therefore exposing the fact that life demands accountability.

We must realize that our leadership and ministry calling is developed inside us and our ministry cannot be separated from who we are.

A true leader will be more sensitive to the things of God that they may be more sensitive to the needs of others. True leaders are those that are given to prayer until the prayer becomes who they are.

A true leader will have a desire to see their younger ministers develop in a mature way that they will be able to stand firm and strong in any given situation that may arise.

They are more than willing to lay aside their agenda and pour into these young ministers what God through experience and training has matured in them that have caused them to be pillars in the body of Christ.

A true leader will not be one of harboring jealousy because a younger minister appears to be receiving more recognition than them because they know there will be a time when they must step back and give the position to someone else and preferably someone that has been well trained under their leadership.

I myself will not appoint someone into a leadership position that does not have a teachable spirit for nobody knows it all and I am still learning? Do you know any true leaders today who have made an impact upon your life?

Chapter 4

A Look at Daniel

Let's look in the book of Daniel the fifth chapter and glean some attributes of a true leader. We discover right away that Daniel had the Spirit of the Living God which made him stand out like a spring rose in a heathen world and

I have listed ten outstanding characteristics for us to study concerning the life and influence this man had on the culture and the world around him. Daniel had the understanding and wisdom of an enlightened mind.

1. He had a teachable and humble but bold Spirit.
2. He had knowledge of the Holy Scriptures.
3. He had a compassion for people.
4. He was able to understand and interpret dreams and know if they were from God.

5. He was a hope and faith builder
6. He was able to encourage those who might give in to doubt.
7. He was a thermometer instead of a thermostat because he was able to change his surroundings
8. He could not be bribed or persuaded to receive gifts for his calling.
9. He was a man that purposed in his heart to not be contaminated or defiled by the world
10. He never lost vision of his homeland

I close this chapter with the thought that men that have been used of God to change the course of history, realized that they received their wisdom by seeking to have the mind of Christ. They understood that there was a master designer of all creation and they desired not only to know him but have a personal relationship with him and some made it into Gods book what I call the hall of fame. These men paved the way for you and

me today to study their life and glean from their trials and observe how they overcame them.

Many of our leaders in past governments studied the lives of secular men such as Plato and others including great men of the bible and used some of their ideas and teachings in making decisions for their people.

The bottom line is this, “in-order to be a successful leader, one must seek to have the mind of Christ for his earthly life and ministry speaks volume for all mankind”.

Chapter 5

A Look at Man's Mind and Their Religions

Most religions claim to have a corner on the market and say they are the way to God.

My question is, the way to what God? We never find where Mohammed claimed to be God. Muslims see him as the last and most perfect prophet.

They believe that he was a messenger of God following Adam, Abraham, Moses, and Jesus. Buddha was not god but a mere mortal man like Mohammed.

Both men were great thinkers like Plato that sought after something new not shared by others around them. Both men claimed to have had visions that helped found their religions.

Now, let's look at Joseph Smith who founded the Mormon Church. In the Journal of Discourses Volume 2 page 40, the statement is made that God was once a mortal man.

Joseph Smith taught that Lucifer and Jesus are spirit brothers who approached God with their plans of

salvation and that there were many gods present which he called the Council of Gods. Lucifer wanted to make the people worship God but Jesus' plan was to show the people how to worship God.

Lucifer's plan was rejected and Jesus' plan was accepted. He also taught that Lucifer became Satan when he rebelled and was cast out of heaven with a third of the spirits.

The book of Mormon also teaches that the spirits were the spirit children born to God the Father and his wives.

(Doctrines of Salvation Volume 1, J.F. Smith page 61). (Articles of Faith by James Talmage page 430)

This teaches that God was once man and as God is, one day man can become like him having spirit children with a planet of their own.

Look up also *(Journal of Discourses-Volume 1 page 345 and Volume 2 page 210)*

The book above clearly teaches that Jesus had many wives; possibly being the two sisters of Lazarus and Mary Magdalene.

The truth is that Joseph Smith taught that there is only one God and that he is unchanging so the Mormon Church has shifted in their beliefs since Joseph Smith. It is also true that the Joseph Smith family was deeply involved in the occult and he was arrested in 1826 for the occult practice called Glass Looking. When he was killed, he was found carrying an occult talisman of Jupiter in his possession.

(A Comprehensive History of The Church by B.H. Roberts Volume 1 pages 26 & 27).

Joseph Smith and his brother Hyrym were both Masons, which helps us to understand why Masonic symbols are on the walls of the Mormon temples. In fact, Joseph Smith jumped from a 1st degree Mason to a sublime degree Mason in one day.

(History of the Church by Joseph Smith Volume 4 pages 551 & 552).

I am in no way making a judgment of this way to God but I believe the facts speak for themselves.

This way to God is none other than modern day Baal worship with a mixture of Babylonian and Jewish religions. They claim Apostolic Authority just like the Vatican and even have 12 Apostles in Salt Lake City, Utah. Free Masonry with its secret handshakes and asking to be brought to the light through its pagan worship is also a mixture of these false religions. Their pagan God can be seen on their symbols. They mask themselves by reaching out through their hospitals to help crippled children who need extensive care but they are still involved in their pagan worship and secret handshakes.

Let the facts speak loudly.

Chapter 6

The Mind of Man and the Mind of Christ

Most religions claim to be the way to God, but Jesus did not come to form a religion or claim to have had a vision, but to bridge the gap of fellowship with the Eternal God that was lost through Adam. His birth was prophesied as written in the Holy Scriptures.

(Isaiah 7:14) *14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. (Isaiah 9:6-7)* *6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform*

this. (Micah 5:2) 2 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

Yes, the facts are written in history that Jesus was born on this earth, lived his life to about 33 and 1/3 years of age and was crucified at the hands of the Romans. Listen dear reader, God could not make another Adam with God's blood from the earth that became under a curse but that is what the holiness of God demanded so that man would not be forever separated from his creator.

To be separated or isolated from our creator would be like a space craft leaving this planet and developing a malfunction in its guidance system which would cause it to be stranded in space unable to make its way back home to Earth. The crew would never see their families again. They would be isolated in space until the oxygen level dropped too low to

sustain their lives and they would die. The wages of sin is death and that is what we received as a result of the fall of Adam. Sin was passed on to the entire human race and we were cut off and isolated from a holy God who hates sin and is perfect in all his ways.

In Adam, we could never have gotten back in fellowship with God but God had a plan to rescue as many as possible from the rebellion caused by Satan.

He would send a deliverer to redeem all mankind.

This deliverer would be born of a virgin and have God's blood like Adam. It was the hope and prayer of young Jewish virgins to be the one chosen to bear the promised Messiah who would bear the sin debt for all mankind.

Mohammed and other great men who founded religions had to get in line with Abraham and the prophets but Jesus existed as the word before the line was formed.

The first book of John states that by him (Jesus, The Word) God made the worlds. He did not come to form a religion but to teach us how to have a relationship with God.

There are signs in Italy that says “All roads lead to Rome”. I am here to tell you that not all roads lead to heaven and all religions do not lead to God.

The Holy bible states that Jesus is the way to God.

Jesus is not a way but “The Way”.

The way to heaven is paved by his precious blood; He became a curse for us. He had to be arrested and tried as a common criminal. He also had to be convicted and executed as a criminal. He willfully took our place and all sin was placed upon him at the cross of crucifixion.

The scriptures teach that he who knew no sin was made sin for us that we might be called the righteousness of God in him.

Yes, God made the way plain and it is up to us to either accept his pardon for our sin or reject it and be found guilty before an angry God who at death will require his blood on our heads.

Let's face it there is no other religion that can take the guilt and stain of blood from a murderer's hands but Christianity. The scriptures teach that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses from all unrighteousness.

This is not a religion like all the others but a way of life maintaining a relationship with a wonderful God who desires a family.

When we accept Jesus as our savior, we are adopted into God's family as heirs. Jesus is the only name that God recognizes. **(Acts 4:12)** *There is no other name under heaven whereby men can be saved.*

Chapter7

The Mind To Lead Paved The Way

When it comes to the creation of man, we see a wonderful creator getting personal and up close as he forms man from the dust of the ground.

The first man named Adam was created and designed to live forever in the presence of his creator and till the garden that his creator had planted.

He had the blood of his creator running through his veins and he was perfect and holy before a holy God until his fall in the garden where he succumbed to the tempter that had already caused his beautiful partner Eve to eat of the forbidden fruit their creator had told them not to eat.

Next, we see this wonderful creator execute justice as he gave man his sentence for breaking the law but not without providing his wonderful creation a promise of a coming deliverer who would both put

the tempter in his place and restore the fellowship of man back to its original relationship with God his creator.

God, who is perfect and demands perfection, could not form another Adam from the dust of the Earth that now had a curse on it because of the fall in the garden.

Here is the first glimpse we receive of Jesus as our coming deliverer. Our coming deliverer would be a man like Adam and have God's blood like Adam and would crush the enemy under his feet.

We later find this creator writing his laws on stone tablets for his servant Moses, thundering with a loud fist from Mt. Sinai as the unapproachable God who would not tolerate the breaking of his laws. We see him as a perfect being whose holiness requires that anything less than holy would not be able to live in his sight.

We later find that the law was given to us to show what it would take for us to have fellowship with our creator and how short we come of meeting this requirement.

This wonderful creator called and sent men with messages of hope that one day a deliverer would come to set men free from the bondage of sin that now reined in their blood.

We see this wonderful creator choose men and later, a sect of people that would worship him and follow his leading.

Abraham believed God, as he was willing to offer his son of promise Isaac, as a sacrifice unto God. God then caused a ram to be caught in the thicket as he would not only provide the sacrifice but would one day clothe himself in humanity and pay the sin debt we all owe because of our sin nature passed down to us from our first ancestors in the garden.

Here again, we see the Word of God (Jesus) visiting this world as the angel of God both to lead, guide and protect God's people to bring them to the land He had prepared for them and to raise up a people that one day would produce a deliverer for all mankind.

We see him protect them from their enemies, as he would lead them out of bondage and into a land that he had chosen for them.

In the fullness of time we see the Word of God clothing himself with the flesh of man coming to this planet being born of the virgin Mary and born into poverty to grow up as a man to live his life as a man and be tempted in all points like us. He began his ministry at the age of thirty after being baptized by John in the river Jordan.

We see this same man do unexplainable miracles as he went about the Fathers' business; doing good works and healing all that were oppressed by the enemy of their souls.

Here we see him as a prophet like Moses and a teacher as he trained and equipped twelve disciples that were handpicked by God.

The unapproachable God thundering with an iron fist in times past was now being revealed through his son (Jesus) as an approachable God that desired a relationship with mankind.

These men ate with him and were eyewitnesses of the love God had for them as three of them were on the mount of transfiguration and saw Moses and Elijah speaking with him about his destiny to bear the sins of the world on an old rugged cross outside of Jerusalem.

Here they saw his appearance change and saw him in his true glory as the almighty God who is immutable and never changes.

After three and one half years of ministry, he (Jesus) is arrested by an angry mob in the garden of Gethsemane but not before all is knocked down by an unseen power to give us insight that no man had the power over him unless granted by the father above.

Here he is in the office as our protector as he would not allow the mob to arrest the others with him to fulfill the scriptures that all had forsaken him but of his sheep he had lost none.

He was taken to the high priest where he was mocked, spat on and beaten.

He was later taken to Pilots hall where he was questioned and taken to a whipping post and beaten beyond recognition.

Here we see him (Jesus) in his office as our model sufferer as he received the thirty-nine stripes for our healing. He is further crucified on an old rugged cross hanging between the heavens and the earth experiencing excruciating pain with words of love and forgiveness bearing the sins of mankind and making a way for the fellowship between God and man to be restored. Here, he's in the office as our redeemer.

His blood was spilled, which was God's blood in his body satisfying the requirement for our sins to be paid in full for the life of man.

After six hours on this cross we find him placing his spirit in the Father's hands as he paid the final debt of sin, which is death.

He then went into the lowest parts of the earth in a holding place called paradise and liberated the souls of the saints that had died trusting in the Lord to provide a redeemer that they might one day be with Him.

He took paradise and these precious saints from the lowest parts of the earth to heaven that they might live in the presence of this loving father. He took the authority of death, hell and the grave away from the deceiver Satan who had tricked our ancestors Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden and caused man to lose his fellowship with his creator. Here, Jesus is in the office as the seed of the woman that would crush the serpent's head.

He then went and purged the vessels of heaven and presented his blood to the Father who accepted it as full payment for man's rebellion.

He then returned to this world for forty days, revealed his self to five hundred at one time, set things in order and completed the training with his disciples so they would declare the good news to all people.

After taking his disciples out as far as Bethany and instructing them to go and wait until they be endued with power from above, he left the earth on a cloud as two men appeared in shining garments proclaiming to his disciples that this same Jesus they saw going away would one day return in the same manner. There were one hundred and twenty assembled in an upper room in one mind and accord when all of a sudden there was a sound as a mighty rushing wind filled the room.

The promise of the father had come and the Holy Spirit was given to empower them for the task ahead. Here we see him (Jesus) in office as our High Priest.

Before, one had to be where he was in order to receive from him because he was in a human body but now he (Jesus the Word) was in his resurrected form, being omnipresent that is everywhere at the same time fulfilling the scripture that God was in Christ reconciling the world back to himself.

Next we see Him (Jesus) sitting at the right hand of God as our intercessor and high priest making intercession for us that we might be presented blameless as a trophy of his grace to his father on that day when we will all be reunited with our loved ones called the marriage supper of the Lamb.

We also see him coming back with his saints as King of Kings and Lord of lords to punish the wicked and establish himself as King upon the throne of David to rule and reign for one thousand years fulfilling Psalms 110 verse

I have personally met Jesus operating in all these offices. He has revealed himself to me throughout the pages of my bible in every office

capacity. As my Savior one Sunday morning when, as I embraced and understood the salvation message that was being preached and I gave my heart to him. My depravity and sinful nature was transformed and I accepted God's sacrifice of Jesus, dying for me, and taking my place I began studying the word and applying its truths to my life.

I found that Christ gained more and more of me as I surrendered to the leading and prompting of his Spirit thus making him not only my Savior but also my Lord and King.

It was not long until I found that I couldn't save the world and soon succumbed to the trials and pressures of everyday living. I fell into sin and backslid for several years.

I loved him and his word. However, I found that man was less forgiving and, as a result I came in contact with his grace and, an intercessor that cared to see me restored back to my relationship with him.

I have also experienced his hand of chastisement but never in a harsh way.

This God of the bible had always been up front and personal with me showing his mighty arm in the ministry he had called me to from day one.

This is my personal view of my Lord in all his offices.

My parable is about a stern judge who resides in a small town.

This judge always ruled with a stern hand and would always give the guilty people in the courtroom the ultimate punishment the law would allow.

This judge had never been known to let an offender off with a light sentence.

The scene all changed one day as the judges own mother was brought before him I court.

With no other judge available, he was forced to hear his mother's case and decree her fate. His

mother was proven guilty by the state and was even caught with stolen goods on her person.

The judge looked around the court room and directed his attention toward his mother. He asked the defendant to stand and to receive sentencing.

This judge sentenced his very own mother to the maximum punishment that the law would allow.

He then stood up and took his robe of justice off in front of everyone in his court.

He folded the robe carefully and placed it on his bench.

This stern judge then placed both of his hands outward exposing his wrists to the bailiff.

The judge then tearfully said that even though his mother was found guilty by the state, he could think of no law that would forbid him from serving his mother's sentence.

To me, this was what my Lord had done for me.

I was found guilty of sin by all counts and had been sentenced to death without the hope of being spared when my Lord stepped down from his bench in front before all creation and said that he could find nothing in the law that would forbid him from serving my sentence of death.

Thanks to the obedience of Jesus, we can now have peace with the Living God.

The way to peace and joy is found in a heart that is at peace with God.

The gap and isolation from God caused by the fall of Adam has been restored by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

Thanks to Jesus, we are no longer eternally isolated from God.

He took the first step to come to earth and remove the eternal isolation that sin created.

Chapter 8

The Wisdom and Knowledge of God Unveiled

The knowledge of God is far beyond anything we can comprehend when we discover how he foreknew us before we were born. The fact is, he knew us from eternity.

We are not a mistake that just happened, but are a part of a wonderful plan that existed before he created the world and placed the first ocean on this planet.

Yes, before anything else existed, God had a plan for you. I know this is heavy but it is true and I shall give you scripture to search out at the end of this chapter.

The Holy bible reveals to us that he knows the number of the hairs on our head and calls the stars by name. He also knows when one sparrow falls.

Our God knows every piece of matter that is in the universe and everything seen and unseen has a purpose for its existence.

The living God has carefully taken time to plan each part of our life in advance which I call our moment of time that we will live on this planet.

In eternity past, He worked out the course that our life would take and he knows everything that will happen to us in this life span.

Nothing takes this wonderful creator by surprise.

He is able to look at our past, present and future all at the same time. His Holy Spirit was there when our moment of time was planned.

In the beginning, the Living God carefully looked down through the ages and yes, through every generation that would be born and planned, every intricate detail of every life that would live on earth.

God had a desire to recover as many as possible from Satan's rebellion.

He wanted to rescue as many as possible from his camp and gather together unto himself a people that he would call his family.

He foreknew who would choose his plan and he also knew the majority would reject it and be lost forever.

We were predestined to become his sons and daughters at the cross.

He approaches us with the preaching of the cross which encourages us to accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Our accepting Jesus is the first step in his plan that was predestined for us before the foundation of the world.

We must understand that God's divine plan for us is in the spirit and his Holy Spirit is in us enforcing this plan as Spiritual law. His Spirit is the enforcer of Spiritual law.

He will take charge and full control of the circumstances that surround us and cause natural law to be for or against us.

He represents us in heaven and we need his classroom.

His great reservoir of wisdom and council resides within our spirit just waiting to be released.

We may read God's word but will not find a book with our name on it but our purpose and calling can be revealed through the personal inward work of the Blessed Holy Spirit.

He knows our purpose and calling for he was in the Father's presence when our life was planned.

Dear reader, Jesus fulfilled more than enough scripture that is required to be called an imposter.

The evidence will stand up in any court that he is who he says he is.

We must not look at God as being like us for he is Spirit like H₂O. It can be water, heated it can

become steam and frozen it can become ice but it is still water.

The one who gives us life is also the one who gives us guidance.

Because of who we are in the family of God, We may be in a world filled with hungry wolves but we must remember that we have a watchful guardian.

The one that sent us will also make the journey with us as our guide and guardian. It feels good to be in the safety of the sheep fold but sheep must get out and graze to put on wool. Sheep will not follow or come to anyone but their Shepard.

God's word tells us in *Hebrews 13: 5* that He will never leave us but go with us all the way even to the end of the world.

Friend, we are not making this journey without a guide. Not only is Jesus (The Vine) the giver and sustainer of my life but he is my guide. (*Romans 8:17*)

Because I have the Giver of life in my heart, I am made to be an heir of God and a joint heir with Jesus.

Friend, we must remain in the vine and maintain a healthy relationship with our Lord and master that we may bear good fruit.

We receive an anointing that comes with the call on our life to be who God wants us to be but there is an anointing which comes later in the call to do what God has called us to do. God chose us before we were born and knows the plans he has for our life. *“See my hub on hubpages” - {What is my purpose on Earth}*

We have got to go through some hard trials and tests and again yes, lots of training before God will trust us to do what we were destined to do.

Our whole life has been preparing us for this work.

The greater the trials usually mean the greater the task which lies ahead. God’s Spirit is right there

with us to help us glean valuable knowledge through each trial.

Before we can lead God's people, we must learn to submit to the authority that he has placed over us.

Some people recognize the call on their life and launch out into ministry never submitting to be accountable to no one thus opening themselves up to a worldly spirit to come in and give them what they desire?

These people do not make good leaders but become very dangerous people which speak words and actions that tear down instead of edifying the body.

There is no one to judge their words or actions and they think they are hearing from God.

The bible says that out of the heart the mouth will speak and all these things come from the heart.

The fountains of the sins of self-will, self-gain, self-motivation, selfish desires, and selfish choices need to be uprooted by the word and the Spirit of God.

I am talking about the secret sins of gossiping, backbiting, and tale bearing.

These are strictly condemned in Proverbs 6th chapter. Sometimes we sell out for personal gain or even from demands of loved ones or a close friend.

We need our hearts stirred with Holy Ghost anointed preaching from someone who has spent time in their prayer closet with God.

Someone who will preach the unadulterated word of God with power that will cause us to reexamine our self before a Holy God who hates sin.

Too many today are rebelling against his known will and are refusing to lay their life down for his service.

We need the crosses of sin broken up and get rid of the angry spirit that seems to overtake us when we least expect it.

Jesus said if we save our life, we will lose it but if we lose our life for him, we shall find it.

Too many people are living a self-motivated life for their own gain and sometimes at the expense of others.

Let me tell you dear reader that there are no short cuts with God.

History itself has proven that life demands accountability.

Dear reader, there's not a coffee house, book store, mall, community, state or nation you can go to and not see persons researching and trying to find definition and/or meaning to life, happiness, success, purpose and existence.

There is no seven step or magic strategy that will give you complete understanding of who you are, why you were created or what you should eat and drink to gain wisdom, knowledge and understanding to life.

The Bible is a living, infallible life guide for every man, woman, boy and girl.

There's nothing in this life we have or will ever face that we can't find guidance to in the bible.

“Wisdom is embracing the sacrifice of Jesus Christ in his willful dying on the cross for the sins of the world.

His act of unconditional love made us the eligible recipients to eternal life, through the free-will choice of salvation.

God's heart of love and his desire for family was the reason he allowed his only begotten son to make the sacrifice he did.

Jesus' love helped him to remain steadfast during his most challenging time of temptation and feeling as though the father had left him with such a weight to bear; but our savior endured unto death.

We are now able to choose salvation, accept Jesus Christ into our hearts as our Lord and Savior and live a life of limitless blessings and Grace, all because of God's love.

In closing we have examined and discovered that the mind predestined for leadership is one that has made peace with their Creator and have accepted his free pardon for forgiveness of sins.

In doing this they have received his spirit into their hearts by adoption and now are allowing his spirit to live his life through them thus developing the mind of Christ within thus making them and giving them the mind to lead.

I pray this book has opened the eyes of your heart and understanding and that if you don't yet know him or the power of his love, that you accept Jesus Christ as your savior and friend.

Even now you can simple say "Father God, I ask you to come into my heart, forgive me of my sins and strengthen me in your love and help me to know and understand who I am and who you are and Lord, Make me new in you, in Jesus name, Amen".....

My CONCLUSION

I conclude this book with an urgency and a warning which shall either cause us to launch out into the plans God has for us or remain in a self-satisfied condition which so many seem to be in today as if being slipped some kind of a pill which would cause people to slip into a coma like state where nothing affects them.

I once saw this actual scene played out in front of my eyes as I watched National Geographic show a mouse playing around on a poisonous snake which seemed to ignore the mouse.

Finally the snake awakened from its stupor and struck at the mouse and even though the strike caused the snake to catch the mouse in its mouth, the

mouse was able to escape because the snake failed to puncture it with its fangs.

Now dear reader we are in a desperate need for someone to break out of the norm and seek the Lord with all their heart to be used as a mighty man or woman of God in these last days.

The bottom line of this work is for us to quickly realize that in order for there to be life there has to be conception and for there to be conception there has to be intimacy.

You would never open your curtains and allow others to see what goes on in your home with you and your wife because that is personal between you and her.

She sees and knows all about you and you are not ashamed for her to know you in that way because you are bonded together under the covenant of marriage.

The same is true as you seek the Lord and get to know him and you do not disclose all he what he reveals to you because of the intimate relationship you have with him.

Because of your intimacy with the Lord you are going to spiritually conceive and remember this precious seed must be hidden and protected as it goes through the growing process.

Some of you are already pregnant with the plan and destiny the Living God has chosen for you and you are about to give birth as the precious life drops into the birth canal causing your water to break and that is why we must get back to purity and holiness before a perfect creator because he says in his word that "without holiness, no man shall see the Lord".

Do you want to be intimate with him who is holy, just and perfect in all his ways then read John 15 verse 16 as it states that you did not choose him but he chose you for the purpose of using you to

leave his signature through you to your generation and others?

Let's think about pouring ourselves into others that we may leave behind a legacy that will live long after we are gone and not only be prepared to die but be empty when we do?

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