New Creation Realities

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Forward

The fast casual reader will miss out a great deal on this booklet. It requires slow reflective reading to allow the Holy Spirit to give adequate illumination on the things being shared—the writing is pregnant with meanings. They are practical and apply to day-today Christian living. Without proper understanding, the reader will not be able to apply them and so the far-reaching positive results meant to be realised will be eluded.

This booklet is deliberately small to minimise the amount of information needed to chew upon, digest, assimilate and put to use at one time. It is a call for real serious business with the Holy Spirit. It is a call for transformation to attain the true state of excellence in Christ. It is a call to preparation for victorious living.

Treasures Of The Believer

There are vast treasures lying dormant and untapped in believers. This booklet seeks to unveil these unspeakable treasures and resources which remain largely unharnessed by a good proportion of believers.

Many believers live out their lives on earth without ever venturing into the very threshold of these treasures. They live more or less beggarly lives, never ever being able to take advantage of these treasures because they live totally unaware of them.

In order for believers to shine forth as the manifested sons of God they must understand their true state and position in Christ. Failure to do so means disaster and puts them at a great disadvantage. Such believers are "*mince-meat*" to the devil because they are not manifesting the glory of God or walking in the glorious splendour of His Kingdom.

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God's Plan And Purpose

Our God is a God of plan, purpose and objectivity and this is seen in His strategy for the salvation of man. When He planned and implemented our salvation, His intention was not for born again believers to continue life largely in their old state of living. God designed something new for us and made great provisions for us in that grand design. These provisions of God are called "**Realities of the New Creation**" or "**New Creation Realities**".

If any man be in Christ Jesus he is a new creation old things are passed away behold all things have become new.^{2Cor.5:17} This scripture implies that the old order of life has passed away and a new order has come in. The old pattern of life is out and a new pattern of life is in. The old pattern of thinking, seeing, talking, acting, behaving and reacting is out and a new pattern is in place.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.^{Eph.1:3} This scripture is pregnant with meanings, implications and applications. It means that believers are endowed with all the substance of God. We are enriched beyond measure. We are overdosed. We are loaded with untold resources.

The Great Irony

Many Christians are not enjoying these great provisions of God. They don't know what they were called into when they got saved. Many are living far below their true rights, privileges and potential in Christ. Many Christians are living conflict torn lives, embittered lives, struggling lives, battered lives, weak and defeated lives, greatly stressed lives, beggarly lives, obscure lives, handicapped lives, greatly burdened lives, troubled lives and compromising lives. Some are living in fear and worry, full of cares and anxieties. All sorts of manifestations, far from the real thing are seen all over the place.

Why Is This So?

Many Christians don't really know what became theirs when they were born again. *My people are destroyed from lack of knowledge*.^{Hos.4:6} This scripture holds true of them and because of this lack of knowledge, they are unable to tap into the resources or provisions of their new birth state, therefore they live at variance to their true state. They live robbed of their rights. The realities of their new creation state have not dawned on them. Certain things have been left undone which would have caused the realities to dawn on them and so they live far below their true potential in Christ.

A Glimpse At God's Provision

When God planned and implemented our salvation, His plan and purpose was for the born again believer to live at a new level of life higher than that of fallen humanity—it is called the "**Kingdom of God**". *I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*^{Jn.10:10} The full or abundant life of God's Kingdom is a quality of life higher than the natural human life. This abundant life flourishes in plenty while natural human life is plagued with lack, need and shortages. Abundant life is the life of God while the natural human life is the discordant existence of fallen humanity.

God also provided a new realm of life for the believer: *who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light*.^{1Pet.2:9} Being called into the marvellous light of God implies that our lives should be marvellous. The marvellous light should transform our lives into a marvel. The marvellous light should surround our life with its magnificence and make us magnificent

God provided a new life pattern for us. *If any man be in Christ Jesus he is a new creation old things are passed away behold all things have become new*.^{2Cor.5:17} The old order of life is gone and a new order is in. The governing principles for our lives have changed and the manner of life has also changed. Our behavioural pattern has changed. The way we act and react, take things or assess them have all changed.

In addition, God has provided a new life-style for us. *For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.*^{*Eph.5:8*} Our new life-style is to walk as children of light governed by a new principle of light.

God has made great, glorious and wonderful provisions for us: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.^{Eph.1:3} By this, God blessed us with the substance of all things.

The spiritual is the mother of the physical. All physical things proceed from the spiritual dimension. The spiritual is the substance of all things. God released spiritual substance through His words when He spoke to create the material world. Thus the spiritual is more tangible, more substantial than the material; it is more real and more durable. So God has blessed us with substance in the most durable state. With this substance we can produce anything. Oh, the unfathomable love of God for us. Oh, the breath-taking, measureless span of God's blessing on us-it is beyond comprehension. This means that there are dimensions of our blessings we have no knowledge of yet and of which we will never have knowledge of until we see Him face to face when He will take us on a new round of discoveries of our treasures. It will take an eternity to do that. We have been blessed far more than we will ever be able to utilise down here; we are blessed beyond measure; we are overloaded. There should be no talk of shortage-we are too full to run short.

What we have just shared under this heading represent a glimpse of the super-abundant provision of God for the born-again believer. It's breath-taking, it's mind-boggling yet many believers are living deficient and handicapped lives. There is a gap that must be filled.

These treasures of God's Kingdom are to be enjoyed by the believer by discovering them and walking in the light of this new dimension and realm.

God's plan is for born-again believers to be governed by new spiritual principles which they have to discover and adopt. These new spiritual principles cover every area of life. The believer is to know them, get used to them, adopt them and adjust their life to run in line with them.

The Christian life is a life of continuous discovery and making appropriate adjustments to match the discoveries. It is an ever ascending life of continuous upward adjustments.

Result Of Application Of The New Spiritual Principles

These spiritual principles will promote the believer to a higher level of existence. Everything about the believer will be different and better. Change will permeate every aspect of the believer's life and this change will be for the better in every sense. In fact, the application of the principles will usher the believer into abundant life. *Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth* ...*He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak* ...*but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.*^{Is.40:28-31} The application of the new spiritual principles will cause the believer to excel in life. That is, the believer will be able to live a life of overcoming a life of soaring above everything in his path.

The LORD will make you the head and not the tail, and you only will be above, and you will not be underneath, if you listen to the commandments of the LORD your God, which I charge you today, to observe them carefully.^{Deut.28:13} Here the promise of God to His people is that they will be above only and not beneath. The application of these principles will cause believers to really be above. They can expect to excel in every area of life for these principles span the whole spectrum of human life. No aspect of life is left out. These new principles that must govern the life of a believer are called **New Creation Realities**. They represent the glorious things that God Himself has prepared for the believer.

The Born Again Experience

Let's take a look at the "Born Again Experience". As has already been said, many believers don't know much about their born again experience. They don't really know what happened to them when they become born again. As a result, they are disadvantaged on how to go about their new life effectively.

Analogy Of The Born Again Experience

What is the "Born-Again Experience" like? With what can we compare it? Being born again is like going into a new city. Everything about the city is new and different. For you to be able to enjoy the new city, you must take steps to familiarise yourself with the roads and infrastructures of the city. You must go through an orientation process or else trying to live in the new city will be problematic to you. The more familiar you become with the city, the more effectively you can live in the city.

The same thing applies to being born again. Believers come into a way of life that is totally new; they enter a new realm of life and a new dimension of life—they are part of the Kingdom of God! To be able to function effectively in this new dimension, they need to familiarise themselves with the principles and infrastructures of God's Kingdom. They must take steps to discover what the rules and principles are of this new dimension of life and how they can avail themselves of them.

They must get to know the authorised procedures of God's Kingdom; the go and the no-go areas; the do's and the don'ts. They must learn to live their lives within the framework of this new dimension.

The Problem Of Many Believers

The problem of some believers is that they enter into the new life with a lot of baggage or "carry-overs" from the old life. In many areas they continue life as before, not aware of the vast changes that have taken place in them.

They function in the new state by utilising their old patterns. For example, they enter into the new life with their old pattern of thinking, their old way of seeing, their old attitudes, their narrow mindedness, self-centred tendencies, self-seeking tendencies, full of themselves and even self-willed. They do not know that these represent part of the old things that are passed away. They try to live their new life whilst still thinking in the old way: they try to put their new wine into their old wine skins. Unfortunately, this always spell disaster. They do not know that they need to discover the new principles that govern their new realm and yield to them.

Why Is This So?

In most cases this state of affairs exists because they are unaware of the implications of being born again; they have not understood the spiritual transformation and differences of their new life. The new birth is a spiritual experience. It is a spiritual occurrence. What happened, occurred deep down in their spirit. It is not sensed with the natural senses.

The realities of the new birth are spiritual. They need to be discovered and embraced and acted upon, in order to get results. Otherwise they will remain dormant in them and they will go through life without drawing on their God-given resources. Such a life will be greatly handicapped and much disadvantaged. It will be plagued with many avoidable problems and crises.

What Should Happen Immediately Following The New Birth Experience?

Believers should be led to discover the things that have occurred to them as a result of being born again. They should be led to discover the realities that exist in the spiritual realm into which they have been born. They should be led to discover the new principles that govern this new realm of God's Kingdom.

Believers should also be shown how to take advantage of the things of the God's Kingdom. They should be shown how to apply these new principles to their benefit. They should be taught how to harness the realities of their new realm. Failure to do so results in the life of struggling, of rising and falling. They live defeated lives; they become devil-molested and devil-abused. They live embattled lives. They live in fear, uncertainty and insecurity; they live jumbled lives of confusion.

What The Realities Are Meant To Achieve

These realities are meant to permeate and affect every aspect of believers' lives. These realities are to affect their thinking process, their thought patterns, their vision, their perspectives, the way they take things, the way they behave, their words, their actions, their inner attitudes, their dispositions, their reactions and even the positioning of their will. The realities are meant to completely transform them. The realities are meant to usher them into a truly new order or pattern of life. The realities wherever they apply are meant to govern and control the believer. The believer is meant to function on the basis of **New Creation Principles**.

The Born Again Experience—What Is It?

Previously we have only given an analogy to the new birth. Now we want to look at the new birth and see what it really is.

The new birth is a spiritual occurrence and produces a spiritual experience. It is the supernatural intervention of Cod deep within

the human spirit. It is not a physical occurrence. In fact, no physical changes occur when someone is born again. For example, the colour of their skin does not change, neither the shape of their face nor their height. The new birth or salvation experience is a spiritual one. When someone repents of their sins and turns over their life to Jesus' rule and control, recognising Him as Lord and Saviour, God is performing a supernatural operation deep in the human spirit.

The human spirit is re-born into a new species of being called a *'new creation'*. It is re-created to have a new configuration and different characteristics.

For example, the nature of sin in the human spirit is destroyed. The principle or the law of sin is eliminated from the human spirit: For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin — because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.^{Rom.6:6-7} The nature of righteousness is implanted in the place of sin nature.

Divine life is imparted to the human spirit: you may participate in the divine nature.^{2Pet.1:4} The spirit of man is translated into the spiritual dimension of God....*called into His marvellous light*.^{1Pet.2:9} The human spirit is invaded by the spiritual presence of God: For we are the temple of the living God.^{2Cor.6:16} God now dwells in the midst of the human spirit.

Another consequence of this relocation of the human spirit, is that vast spiritual riches, treasures and resources are deposited in the human spirit: *who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ*.^{*Epb.1:3}*</sup>

These represent the immeasurable, far-reaching and indescribable changes that have occurred in the human spirit at the new birth. The new birth truly represents God's boundless, packaged deal to mankind. That is why salvation is the greatest of all the miracles that we can receive from God. It is an all-inclusive package.

God established a new order in the human spirit, equipped it with new resources, bestowed it with new potentials, designed it with new capabilities and programmed it to attain feats far beyond the human intellect to grasp. Our spirit in the born again state is vastly superior to our intellect and that is why living spiritually is far different from living intellectually and far superior to it too! As God's Kingdom is greater than the natural realm so living by God's rules will achieve far more than living by this world's rules. but we preach Christ crucified: ... the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength ... But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not-to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him. It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. Therefore, as it is written: 'Let him who boasts boast in the Lord.'" Cor. 1:23-31 Living spiritually will achieve far more and far beyond than living intellectually can achieve.

The Worth Of The Christian Life

For the Christian life to be worth its salt, the realities that now abound in the human spirit must be discovered, embraced, tapped and released to permeate and dominate the Christian's life.

The new potentials in our spirit, the new resources of the spirit and the new characteristics of our spirit need to be harnessed and utilised to control every aspect of the Christian's life. The soul must be won over and fertilised. The soul must begin to live and flow in the rhythms of our new spiritual configuration and environment. It must be redeemed from the clutches of the flesh and redirected to concentrate on the resources in the re-born spirit. The soul must begin to live in the Kingdom of God and function on the basis of those resources. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will.^{Rom.12:2} This transformation through the renewing of the mind has to do with the soul re-aligning itself with the new resources in the re-born human spirit.

Humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you[r souls].^{Jas.1:21} This scripture is addressed to already born again believers. From it we infer that even after being born again the soul of the believer is largely untouched and subsequently needs to undergo its own revolution of change, of renewal or transformation. The unrenewed soul will be a great problem to the believer. It hinders the manifestation of the potency of the new birth.

But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who believe and are saved (who have faith to the preserving of the soul).^{Heb.10 39} We are to be those who press forward in belief to the point where our soul benefits from our redemption, where our soul is engulfed by the realities of our salvation and is changed around (converted). Then the soul can begin to function on the basis of the resources of our re-born spirit. It is won over and captured by the realities of the new birth. It relinquishes its bias to the flesh and now has a bias to the re-born spirit. It dies to the physical senses, the natural and the outward circumstances and now yields to the inward resources of the re-born spirit. That is what it means to become spiritual.

The soul begins to live and speak, to act and react, on the basis of the resources and realities in the re-born human spirit. It familiarises itself with those resources and functions on the basis of those resources. That is when the worth and potency of the new birth is revealed. Until then, the new birth is only an experience with no far-reaching results visible.

Experience Of The New Birth

The new birth, as previously stated, is a spiritual experience and not a physical one, so as a result, we don't feel the new birth, we don't feel saved. Salvation is not a matter of feelings. To experience the new birth one needs to discover the facts of the new birth and act on those facts.

As we act on the facts, we enter into the experience of the realities of the new birth. Until we begin to act on the fact that we have been delivered from the power of sin and reject sin in every form, even when they seem to be menacing, we will never experience the reality of living above sin. The facts acted upon, brings on the experience of the reality. It brings the powers of the new birth into operation in our life and circumstances. Once the powers are at work, the experience is inevitable—it must surely come into being. It is not so much a matter of feeling but of discovery and appropriate action.

The Realities Of The New Creation

Discovering and experiencing the realities of the New Creation

- 1. Find out from the word of God through Bible study, the truth or truths that convey the reality.
- 2. Meditate on the truths and realities to receive insights or revelations.
- 3. Visualise the unfolding revelations. Imagine them. Be sold out to them.
- 4. Discover through further meditation the operational keys to the revelations.
- 5. Apply the keys in your life in order to enable you walk in the revelation or act on the revelation.

Walking in revelation is acting on the facts of the new birth and it never fails to produce positive results. Revelation is basically trusting God for yourself because you know that what God has said is true. Trusting God is having confidence that God tells the truth and having confidence that God will do what He says He will do. Trusting God is faith. It is believing God. It is agreeing with Him not quarrelling with Him. Let God be true, and every man a liar. As it is written: "So that you may be proved right when you speak and prevail when you judge." Rom. 3:4 Woe to him who quarrels with his Maker.^{Is.45:9}

Note the central place of revelation:

- 1. We meditate to receive revelations.
- 2. We visualise unfolding revelations.
- 3. We receive keys to the revelations.
- 4. We apply the keys in order to walk in the revelation.
- 5. Walking in revelation produces reality of experience.

The realities of the new birth come to us by divine revelation. They are not intellectually discovered. They are beyond the human intellect: *but just as it is written, "Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and which have not entered the heart of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him."* For to us God revealed them through the Spirit.^{1Cor.2:9-10}

For example, the human intellect cannot grasp the fact that you have been healed when it still sees you attacked by sickness especially when it sees symptoms and evidences of sickness. But when the revelation from God takes a hold of you, you are able to break the limitations of the intellect and defy every symptom and evidence of sickness and stand as healed right before them.

When revelation comes from God, your human spirit is empowered and commissioned to take over from the intellect and subdue the inputs of the intellect. The human spirit takes over functioning at a higher consciousness. Revelation releases our consciousness from the clutches of the intellect.

Revelation plays a major role in experiencing the realities of the new birth. It plays a major role in bringing the realities into manifestation or in bringing them into force.

Jesus' Far Reaching Statement

I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.^{Matt.16:18}Here Jesus made a far reaching statement about revelation. He said that upon the Rock—the spiritual rock of revelation knowledge—He will build His Church and the gates of hades will not prevail against it. That implies that revelation beats the devil hands down. Revelation defeats the devil, knocks-out the devil cold. When you walk in revelation you beat the devil.

The triumphant life is the life that is built on revelation, the life that walks in revelation. Are you having problems in any area of your life? Make sure you have the revelation of the New Creation Realities, that you are walking in those revelations, that they are governing and controlling your thoughts, words and actions. Contrary forces are outwitted by revelation, they are paralysed and immobilised by revelation, they are outstripped by revelation. Revelation releases the resources of God to you.

Church And Revelation

The manifestation of the glorious Church, the victorious Church is a result of revelation. Jesus said, that upon the rock of revelation knowledge, He will build His Church and the gates of hades will not prevail against it. So the Church is to walk in revelation. Revelation light will pour into believers to elevate them and set them up on high. Even now the revelation light is pouring in. Are you in a place where you can receive these revelations and build your life on them? Ensure that you do not miss out.

Walking in revelation is the key to excelling or attaining excellence. It is the key to being inaccessible to the devil, the key to beating the devil hands down at all times. Revelation light blinds the devil and completely outsmarts and outwits him and his agents.

Revelation is the key to the devil not being able to withstand you. It is the key to breaking the devil's grip on your life. Revelation is the key to total freedom, So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, 'If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.^{Jn.8:31-32} What Jesus is saying is that we shall come into the revelation of the truth; we shall come into a knowing that sets us free; we shall come into a revelation of the truth and applying the revelation. Walking in the revelation sets us free.

Prayers won't bring freedom to us permanently. At best it will only bring temporary relief, but walking in revelation sets us permanently free. Prayer alone won't get us to where God wants us to be, to the height He wants us to attain. But prayer and walking in revelation will. In fact, we cannot even pray properly unless we pray in line with revelation. So even prayer—effective prayer must be based on revelation knowledge.

Meditation

Meditation is the doorway into revelation—it holds the key to revelation A Christian should be a person of meditation.

Meditation should be a consistent part of our daily life. A good number of hours should be spent in meditation daily. In fact, meditation should permeate our daily activity. We should meditate continuously on the word of God. We should meditate on truths that strike us or capture our attention.

We should learn to write down the results of our meditation for future reference and use. This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success.^{Josh.1:8}

Meditation: What It Is And What It Does

Meditation is pondering on truths. It is a spiritual exploration process carried out on truth to receive illuminations. It is the rolling over of truths for insight into them. It is the digging into truths for light enshrined in them. The process of discovery of the content of truth. My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your sight; keep them in the midst of your heart. For they are life to those who find them and health to all their body.^{Prov.4:20-22} Meditation is paying close attention to the word of God and speculatively considering it. It involves all of our being: our inner hearing, our inward vision, our reasoning faculties, our intuition and our consciousness. There is a discovery we need to make about the word of God that causes it to come alive in us and impart life and power to us. Meditation is the key to that discovery.

What Meditation Does

Meditation brings revelation: Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.^{2Tim.2:7} It breaks up truth to expose or release its inner content. It breaks up the depths of truth to unveil its potency, dimension and application. It opens up the inner chambers of truth. It unfolds truth to us because truth comes to us as a folded package. So I will always remind you of these things, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have. I think it is right to refresh your memory ...And I will make every effort to see that ...you will always be able to remember these things.^{2Pet.1:12-15}

Dear friends, I have written both of [these letters] as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking. I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Saviour through your apostles ... Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.^{2Pet.3:1-2 17-18}

How To Meditate

In meditation we ask questions as we repeat the truth. For example: What does it mean? What are its implications? Where does it apply? How can it be applied? What results will it produce? Where should it take me to? How is it to affect my thinking, my seeing, my words, my actions, my stand, my attitude and reaction? How do I walk in the light received?

On asking any of the questions, we must learn to wait expecting answers from the Holy Spirit.

How To Know You Have Received From God

Answers from the Holy Spirit never run contrary to the Word of God. They will always be within the scope and framework of the Word. Also answers from the Holy Spirit have elevating qualities or effects. They have illuminating, stimulating, enriching, refreshing and strengthening qualities. They have positive releasing effects and challenging motivating effects. They don't put you down or put you at a disadvantage.

We should write down the answers that we receive for future reference and also to help us to remember.

Application Of Meditation

We must learn to apply the results of meditation for until we reach the state of application our meditation is not complete. *Be careful to do according to all that is written in it*.^{Josh.1:8} We must come to a point in our meditation where we are able to put to action what we have received.

Revelation And What It Does

As mentioned earlier revelation is trusting God for yourself because you know He is telling the truth – it is the basis of faith. Revelation is the spiritual light inherent in truth. It is the inside information about a truth that enables us to reap the benefits of the truth. It constitutes the riches and splendours abounding in truth. Revelation represents what was in the heart of God when He spoke the truth into being.

Revelation takes us into the depths of truth. Revelation is the hidden manna in truth, the juice and the goodness of truth capable of nourishing, elevating and sustaining the recipient. Revelation unveils the riches and treasures of truth. Receiving of revelation is the impartation of divine light. It is the receiving of spiritual insights, illumination into the meaning, implications and the applications of truth. Revelation enlightens our spiritual perception, imparts spiritual understanding and wisdom. Wisdom has to do with the application of truth. Understanding, grounds us and stabilises us, while wisdom goes to work to produce results. If you can have spiritual understanding and function in the wisdom that comes with the understanding, all things will be possible for you. Spiritual understanding and wisdom hold the key to all things. Counsel is mine and sound wisdom; I am understanding, power is mine. By me kings reign, and rulers decree justice. By me princes rule, and nobles, all who judge rightly. I love those who love me; and those who diligently seek me will find me. Riches and honour are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness. My fruit is better than gold, even pure gold, and my yield better than choicest silver. I walk in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of justice, to endow those who love me with wealth, that I may fill their treasuries. Prov. 8:14-21 Revelation releases the life and power within divine truth. As we walk in revelation, life and power is released for results. Revelation causes truth to explode within us, or come alive within us empowering and elevating us. Revelation causes truth to work for us. Revelation causes truth to register in us. It is the inner substance of truth. All truths are pregnant and revelation unveils the pregnancy.

Revelation And Reality

Revelation acted upon produces reality and takes us into the experience of reality. That is why we have taken time to expound on revelation and the key to it: meditation. As we walk in the revelation of these truths, the realities of the new creation begin to function and work in our lives. *And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you*

accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe.^{1Thes.1:13}

Revelation is vital to the experience of the new creation realities and to their manifestation in our experience. Revelation has to do with the facts of the realities. As we said previously, acting on the facts takes us into the experiences of the realities.

Enumeration Of The New Creation Realities

The realities of the New Creation: the treasures and riches deposited in the human spirit at the new birth; the spiritual blessings with which believers have been blessed; the great light that has shone on believers; the marvellous light into which believers are called; the resources with which believers are endowed; the resources with which believers should face everything that comes their way; the true light in which every born again believer should walk.

New Creation Realities

- We are delivered from the power of sin. The principle and nature of sin in us is destroyed. *Rom.6:6-7,14,18,22; 8:1;* 1Jn.3:9.
- 2. We are a new Creature. We have a new nature, a new pattern of behaviour. *2Cor.5:17; Eph.4:31-32; 5:8*.
- 3. We are made victorious over satan and every contrary circumstance. *1Cor.15:57; 1Jn.5:4,18; Rom.8:37, 1Jn.4:4*.
- 4. We are redeemed from the curse of law. Gal.3:13.
- 5. We have the righteousness of God. 2Cor.5:21; Epb.4:24.
- 6. We are the temple of the Living God. 1*Cor.3:16; 6:19;* 2*Cor.6:16.*
- 7. We are made a partaker of the divine nature. 2Pet.1:4.
- 8. We have the potential for bearing the fruit of the spirit. *Jn.15:5.*
- 9. We have Divine abilities deposited in us. *Eph.1:3;* Rom.5:17;

2Cor.9:8; Phil.4:13.

- 10. We are made to sit together with Christ in heavenly places. *Eph.2:4-6*.
- 11. We are not just forgiven but made holy. *1Cor.3:16-17; Epb.1:4; 4:24; Col.1:21-23*
- 12. We are made to reign in life. Rom.5:17; Rev.1:6.
- 13. We have been made rich. 2Cor.8:9; Eph.1:3.
- 14. We have been made a priest unto God. Rev.1:6.
- 15. We have been made an heir of God and joint heir with Christ. Rom.8:16-17; Eph.3:16; Gal.4:7.
- 16. We are adopted sons of God. *Jn.1:12; Gal.4:4-7*.
- 17. We have the potential of being filled with all the fullness of God. *Eph.3:19*
- 18. We are complete in Him. Col.2:10.
- 19. We can grow up into Christ in all things. Eph.4:15.
- 20. We are not of this world. *Jn.17:14-16,21*.
- 21. We are of God. 1Jn.4:4; 5:4.
- 22. We have abundant life. Jn. 10:10
- 23. We have healing & health as a legacy. Matt.8:16-17.
- 24. We have the glory of God. *Jn.17:22-23*.
- 25. We have peace as a legacy. *Jn.14:27; 16:33, 1Cor.7:15, Col.3:15.*
- *26.* We are delivered from the power of darkness. *Col.1:13*, *Gal.1:4*.
- 27. We are called into the spiritual dimension of God and made citizens of heaven. 1Pet. 2:9; Col. 1:13.
- 28. We are given a sound mind, delivered from fear, doubt, worry, anxiety and every negative emotion. 2Tim.1:7; Lk.1:74-75.
- 29. We are God's own possession. 1Pet.2:9.
- 30. We are blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. *Eph.1:3.*

All believers who allow these realities to dominate their life and lives out their earthly lives on the basis of them, are bound to excel in life.

As we learn to engage these realities to deal with issues in this life, the resources of heaven stored up in our spirit will be released into our life and circumstances to produce positive results by their supernatural potency.

The Great Exchange

Jesus exchanged our curses for His blessings

Punishment: But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.^{1s.53:5}

Forgiveness: In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace.^{Eph.1:7}

Sickness: He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases.^{Matt.8:17} **Health**: He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.^{1Pet.2:24}

Sin: God made him who had no sin to be sin for us.^{2Cor.5:21} **Righteousness**: so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.^{2Cor.5:21}

Death: But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.^{Rom.5:8}

Life: For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.^{Rom.6:23}

Poverty: For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor.^{2Cor.8:9} **Riches:** so that you through his poverty might become rich.^{2Cor.8:9}

Shame: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.^{Heb.12:2}

Glory: In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author of their salvation perfect through suffering.^{Heb.2:10}

Rejection: About the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ^{Matt.27:46} **Acceptance**: to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves (to the praise of the glory of his grace, by which He has made us accepted in the Beloved)^{Eph.1:6}

Curse: Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." ^{Gal.3:13} **Blessing**: He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.^{Gal.3:14}



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