

IN EARTH AS IN HEAVEN

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The following is an excerpt from a sermon preached by Dr. Wesley A. Swift who died in 1970. There are some who currently attack me for saying that YAHWAH took His children ELOHEEM out of Himself in heaven and sent them into the earth and also claim to be followers of Dr. Swift. But these are ravenous wolves in sheep's clothing attempting to destroy all teachings of the very fundamental principles of the oracles of God. As shown in the following message Dr. Swift not only believed in PREEXISTENCE and PREDESTINATION, but preached it, and all who claim to follow his teachings and attack these great truths are devil liars indeed (John 8:44).

“Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.” How little do men know about heaven, how little do they remember, and how little have they had recorded for them concerning this subject. Though there has been an Orthodox promise that has gone out to those that constitute the members of church. From one end of Christendom to the other that by obedience, and by behaving, and being good according to the normal standard which is placed before them in what to do and what not to do, and want to believe and what not to believe, and what affirmations to make that this is the route to heaven. And therefore having completed all these requirements the major proposition which is before them is to live within these requirements for all their life, and then if they should die they shall go to heaven.

It would seem that since all the goals of man, generally speaking, must be therefore to get to heaven that more should be said about it, more should be declared concerning it, but I do not see the great emphasis on your earth existence in getting ready to go to heaven. Isn't that a strange thing that in the ministry of Christ and all the things which we have taught to us in the Old and New Testament that they spent very little declaring unto you the responsibility of getting ready to go to heaven? They didn't tell you that the reason why you are here was to get ready to go to heaven, but they did say something else. Jesus said the reason why you are here is because you're to do the work of My kingdom. You are the children of the kingdom. You are children that I have called and I have ordained from the beginning that you shall bear fruit and He said I've ordained that your fruit shall remain.

He declared that you will not only belong to Me, but that you belong to Me in the full sense of the Father before the world was framed. And in His humanity He prayed and said *“Thine they were in the heavens: Mine they are in the earth.”* And in this declaration the eternal Father bears testimony continually to the wife and constancy of His Kingdom. We cite to you therefore that the most important thing in God's mind and the purpose for which He hath sent you into the world was to bring His kingdom into earthly reality. We find the earth in a very unique situation. Here it's different than any other spot in all the universe. Here has eventually been isolated all of the situations that you and I know as EVIL. All the conditions which are in discord, all the vibrant forces which are negative, all the powers of darkness are concentrated in the earth. Even the archangels that rebelled against the most high in the antediluvian antiquities of yesterday, everything discordant in space defeated by the powers of righteousness is isolated in the earth.

And now we find that God's most precious treasure, the treasure which He said is hid in a field, in which His own parables He identifies with you because He says *“the field is the world.”* And hidden within it is His most precious treasure. And what is this? These are His children, His household, and His offspring, those which He hath begotten, children out of His own spirit, essence of His own being. And therefore He said *“ye are the sheep of My pasture, you are the children of My household. I have loved you above all the peoples that are upon the face of the earth.”* Why? Because *“thou art Mine.”* Now in this instance He said *“I have placed you into the earth.”* For what purpose? You might suddenly be the transition of the powers of heaven transferred to earth, that the earth might be cleansed and purified, that the earth might be brought into a relationship with

Divine Law, that the earth might feel the impact of mighty SONS of God walking in glory, that the expanse of earth from one end to the other would be ruled by the eternal children of the Most High. And that with the powers spirit and with the energies of creation they would be able to put all things in order. You are the children of your father Adam. You are the children of your Father which is in heaven which is your Father after the spirit. But what did He say to your father Adam in the flesh? He said *"I have placed you in the earth. Now have dominion over it."* And so as the children of Adam and as the children of God, you are the process to expand His kingdom, multiply, and increase it in the earth.

And people who had within them the living spirit, who had within them the Holy Seed, who had within them the Light and the Glory of the eternal. A people eventually to be enveloped in such Majesty and such Glory that the laws of God would go forth from one end of the earth unto the other. This is the purpose expressed to Adam. These are the truths and teachings which were given to the patriarchs. This is the knowledge which Moses received as he communed with God and for this cause was the Law given to this generation of people that they would produce this Kingdom according to Divine Law and that the secret of that LAW would fluctuate out of their society to peoples roundabout because they were enforcing it and upholding it. This was a people that were to accomplish this task and because God had ordained this He had willed it from the beginning. He knew the whole purpose, the whole course of these human events. Even such situations as you behold in the atonement for God Himself visited you in His own due time to bring about a consummate atonement, a deliverance of His people, an empowering of the glory which they would possess and which they had surrendered and which God had promised even before they arrived that He would give them back again in the hours of tomorrow.

So it is that you have arrived in the earth yourselves by the process of birth. The same procedure was which God arrived in earth was by birth during the hours of His visitation. We look backward to the hour when God was born in earth as a man and the fullness of God dwelt in Him bodily. In the days of the patriarchs they looked forward to the time when God would be born into the earth. *"A virgin would conceive and bear a son and they would call His name Immanuel, God dwelling with them."* We're in the time track of eternity and we are children of eternity and as we look upon our responsibility we discover that when Christ walked the earth, and when God walked among men, He taught them how to pray. He said *"When you pray, pray in this manner."* It was not necessary that it be a repetitious prayer, but these are the substances of what constitutes a full prayer. And so in that prayer, it was a surround prayer, a prayer that covered all the major aspects of the existence of the children of His kingdom. And then when He taught them to pray He said now this is what you are to pray you are to pray *"Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven."* Well this prayer therefore gave also a clue that when Christ referred to heaven, preeminently its responsibility as far as the children of His kingdom was concerned, were to build a heavenly order in the earth and to make the earth like the dimension of heaven and the conditions of heaven. It was to be an ideal place. It was to be lived under the processes of Divine Law. It was to be governed by the great vibrant law which holds the whole universe together by which everything has its continuity. Then why is it that this law, the great law of life and the law of God's kingdom, is not always comprehended? Well there are problems that arise. People are so busy in their physical house that they dwell in. In this body in which you are spiritual beings tabernacling in the earth, we're so busy with all the affairs that satisfy and keep this body happy, we're so busy in the accumulation of all the things that we've learned how to make and all the things that we have learned how to do since we've arrived in the earth that sometimes these things become more significantly important to us than our mission. And once when we have again caught the great value of the mission for whence we've arrived and realize that the environment that we dwell in is of our own making, oh you may say the powers of darkness are so great that we can't always make the environment the way we'd like it if we would we'd have different people in power in Washington and different people in power throughout the world, but let me tell you that the generations of your household by either their

indifference or their inactivity have permitted the enemy to accomplish many of the things in your environment that you don't like. And if you want to change the environment you must live with now and not tomorrow.

There are great secrets to Divine Law and one of the most present secrets is the eternal realization that life is eternal and that you are children of eternal life. Therefore you don't wait for tomorrow for something that needs to be done, you start doing it today with a full vision of tomorrow for thus the universe has been put together and none of its courses have been altered for your Father, who is before all things and by whom all things consist, has been making throughout all time tomorrows. Setting them in order and releasing the spiritual forces, the energies, the vibrations, and the light of life.

The most important thing you can do today is believe, because it becomes the beginning of all development and all achievement, and unless you believe and unless you have an activating quality in you called faith, you'll never turn your attention Godly. Deep inside of each one of you is a being living in this organic house we dwell in, for nation electrons piled layer upon layer of all the human experiences you've had, and strangely all the experiences that's been you in the background of your forefathers and your ancestors are there, or their stored in these electrons that were even inherited by the child in chromosomes and genes related to his memory. Strange enough there is the essence of energy passed from child to child and that's why this household of God in the earth is a Holy Seed, and it's most important that you understand that it's a Holy Seed, and preserved as if Holy Seed lest it be mongrelized or polluted, lose the wavelength of its picture and gives a distressed pattern.

Let me assure you that in the hour in which you live God Almighty has a great and mighty purpose, and this purpose is in you. This purpose is through you. God plans nothing in the earth except through His children, through His household, and through the Christ in you that is your hope of glory. Let me assure you that it is most significant for us to understand that all the universe is held together by it. In fact today if we look out over the course of our time and we see how people are embroiled in turmoil, you know the thing that worries people most? Suppose I asked you right now what are most people worried about? You know what people are most worried about? They're more worried at this moment about the possible economic repercussions that a recession and a depression might bring on them than they are about the condition of their people when they are blind to truth and when great spiritual power is not producing all the health and all the vitality and all the correctness of living that they can possess. Let me tell you something, if men would seek first the nature of God and all that is imputed in His righteousness all of these things would continually be added to them, and there is no power on the face of the earth that can take it away.

There is a reason for the blessings you have. There is a reason for all that you possess. There is a reason for the spiritual stimulation of creative know-hows, the technological genius that blossoms in your society. It is the presence of God, the abiding presence of His spirit within, it's the SEED, it's the LIVE, it's the GLORY, it's a part of the reaping from that spiritual impact. They can never accomplish it because their souls have shutout the only ray of intelligent light that gives them created genius that lifts their standards for the blessings which are withheld or poured out according to the wisdom of God upon the peoples who dwell in the earth. He taught you to pray "*Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.*" There is nothing more important than for us to understand that. I think that it is significant that we understand the process with which it comes in. For the children of His kingdom are children who were to dwell with power shall dwell with power again.

Remember the words of Christ who's referring now to His physical embodiment still said "*I am in this creation Father, I am in this spirit the fullness of which dwells in Me. I in that spirit and I am in You and You are in Me.*" What was He talking about? He was talking about the continuity of that spiritual SEED with children of His kingdom. He was talking about the vibrant life, the glory, the majesty. Let me tell you this, the

universe around about will not comprehend what you comprehend. The peoples of earth who are not of your household do not understand it. The peoples of earth who are outside of that Holy Seed do not possess the same spiritual vision that relates to you and your ability to understand. But I want you to know that there's a law and a purpose. You came from heaven to earth with the sum total of spiritual revelation in the mind of God with full access to your understanding. You're the children of spirit now occupying these bodies of flesh, you're the household of God, you're here. You're here because you volunteered in the endless ages to come down and move into this great cauldron of events and participate as God's children. That's why you are here.

Do you know that the most powerful LAW of all is hidden in this relationship with you as a son and daughter of God, as a child of light and light that is the life of men, and when men learn the secret, and start to speak with the strength of their power, when they start to think about their responsibilities in earth to fulfill God's desire, to see the earth as it is in heaven, to see the conditions in earth as it is in heaven, and if they think this, they lived it.

Normally there has been prayed by almost everyone every morning the Lord's prayer. He prays at some time in his day and he thinks upon it more or less and generally less because he's learned to repeat it just like a speech. And it must be an ever present realization on your mind "*in earth as it is in heaven.*" And He gives us the major key. The major key in relationship with Him. The major key to the very kingdom itself. That "*Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all the soul*", and this is what it takes to take the blessings of God on you, this is what it'll take to give you spiritual power, this is what it'll get to transform the world. If the children of the kingdom will live and put this law FIRST in their living, the whole world will fall at their feet.

Do you know that we're in the hour when God is about to demonstrate throughout the length and breadth of HIS KINGDOM that the great and mighty works of the SONS and DAUGHTERS of GOD are going to be made manifest in the earth, that you're about to see the greatest day in all of time and history in which God is going to envelope HIS KINGDOM with glory and majesty, and the whole book of Revelation leads up to a final hope? It's the "*Christ in you that is the hope of glory.*" And enveloped in that GLORY is no death. It's about a day when all of the things you know as death and disintegration are swallowed up in victory. It talks about a day of a new order that comes in. Talks about the continuing life which is immortalizing every phase of the physical body, balancing every atom of the being. Did you ever stop to realize that God Almighty has ordained this of us as heaven exist?

This is the secret. Know that you're a child of light, know that you are a child of the spirit, know that light dwells in you, then don't let any situation put it out. But every one of you have this destiny. Don't begin to ever let yourself be depressed by the idea that I don't count and I'm just one little grain of sand and there's just so many things more important than me. There is nothing more important than you to God.

As you have prayed and are the media by which it comes "*in earth as it is in heaven.*" And life will swallow up death and when the glory of God's kingdom shall take over. Now think about it. Think about right and think about God's way. Tackle every problem as a son of God and start commanding with every fiber in your entire being commutative with these promises.

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