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## **MESSAGE ONE ONE BIBLE—ONE REVELATION AND ONE GOD—ONE ECONOMY**

Scripture Reading: 2 Pet. 1:20-21

- I. One Bible—one revelation:
  - A. The unique Bible is consistent in its unique revelation:
    - 1. It should not be interpreted according to man’s own concepts—understandings, logic, philosophies, views, and fanciful imaginations—2 Pet. 1:20-21.
    - 2. Any interpretation of the unique Bible should be governed by the principles of its interpretation:
      - a. The unique Bible should be interpreted only by and according to itself.
      - b. It should be interpreted by discerning the differences in the dispensational progress of the divine revelation.
      - c. Any interpretation of the unique Bible should take care of its minor revelations but should not have any minor revelations interpreted against, not in line or in harmony with, the major revelation of this unique and consistent Bible.
  - B. The unique, major revelation of the unique Bible is the unique contents of God’s economy (see II. D.).
- II. One God—one economy:
  - A. God is self-existing and ever-existing—Exo. 3:14.
  - B. God is triune—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14.
  - C. The Triune God has one heart’s desire—Eph. 1:5, 9.
  - D. According to His heart’s desire, God made His eternal economy—1 Tim. 1:4b; Eph. 1:10; 3:9:
    - 1. To make man the same as He is in life and nature but not in His Godhead.
    - 2. To make Himself one with man and man one with Him, thus to be enlarged and expanded in His expression, that all His divine attributes may be expressed in human virtues.
    - 3. Through:
      - a. Creating man in His image and according to His likeness—Gen. 1:26-27.
      - b. Becoming man in His incarnation to partake of the human nature—Heb. 2:14a.
      - c. Living a human life to express His attributes through man’s virtues.
      - d. Dying an all-inclusive death.
      - e. Resurrecting to produce the firstborn Son of God and become the life-giving Spirit—Rom. 8:29; Acts 13:33; 1 Cor. 15:45.
      - f. Dispensing Himself into His chosen people to regenerate them with Himself as their life for producing many sons—many God-men—1 Pet. 1:3.
      - g. Forming the churches with His many sons.

- h. Building up the Body of Christ with His brothers as the members to be the organism of the processed and consummated Triune God.
- i. Consummating in the New Jerusalem as His eternal enlargement and expression.

MESSAGE TWO  
**ONE CHRIST—THE UNSEARCHABLE ONE**

**(1)**

- I. Christ is the eternal and only begotten Son of God, the second of the Divine Trinity—John 1:1-2, 18; Matt. 28:19.
- II. He is self-existing, ever-existing, and coinhering with the Father and the Spirit in eternity.
- III. He is, with the Father and the Spirit, the only God—John 1:1; Rom. 9:5; Heb. 1:8.
- IV. He is the Creator (v. 10), and all things were created through Him (John 1:3; Col. 1:16a), cohere in Him (v. 17), and will be an inheritance unto Him as the Heir (v. 16b; Heb. 1:2; Rom. 11:34-36).
- V. In time He became a man through His incarnation, a God-man having both divinity and humanity as His nature—John 1:1, 14; Heb. 2:14.
- VI. He is the Firstborn of all creation—Col. 1:15b.
- VII. He is the effulgence of God's glory and the impress of God's substance—Heb. 1:3a.
- VIII. He is the embodiment of God—Col. 2:9.
- IX. He is the image of the invisible God—1:15a.
- X. He lived in His humanity on the earth to express God for thirty-three and a half years—He is God manifested in the flesh—1 Tim. 3:16.
- XI. He is the faithful Witness of God—Rev. 1:5.
- XII. He is the tabernacle of God as God's movable dwelling place among men—John 1:14.
- XIII. He is the temple of God as God's established dwelling place on earth—2:19-21.
- XIV. He is the light of the world—8:12.
- XV. He died an all-inclusive death through which He crucified Satan—the old serpent (3:14; Heb. 2:14)—sin (Rom. 8:3; John 1:29), the world (12:31), the fallen man with his flesh (Rom. 6:6; Gal. 2:20), the old creation (represented by the old fallen man), and the law with its ordinances (Rom. 10:4; Col. 2:14; Eph. 2:15) for the accomplishment of God's eternal redemption (Heb. 9:12), and released His divine life from the shell of His humanity to be dispensed into His believers (John 12:24; 3:15).
- XVI. He resurrected from among the dead (Matt. 28:6-7; 1 Cor. 15:4b), and through His resurrection He in His humanity was designated to be the firstborn Son of God (Rom. 1:4; 8:29; Acts 13:33), became the life-giving Spirit (1 Cor. 15:45), and regenerated with His resurrection life all the people chosen by God before the foundation of the world (1 Pet. 1:2-3; Eph. 1:4).
- XVII. He ascended to the heavens, and in His ascension He was crowned and enthroned to be:
  - A. The Lord of all men and all things to rule over the whole universe—Acts 10:36.
  - B. Christ—the Anointed of God—to accomplish God's economy—2:36.
  - C. The Ruler of the kings of the earth (Rev. 1:5) to arrange the situations of the world and the environment of God's chosen people that they may be saved by Him as
  - D. The Savior who will be received by all His believers as their everything—Acts 5:31.
  - E. The Head of the church to take care of the church as His Body—Eph. 1:22-23; 5:29-30.
  - F. The Paraclete in heaven before God to take care of all the cases and needs of His members (1 John 2:1), and the One who is realized by His Spirit as the Paraclete in His members (John 14:16-20).

- G. The heavenly Minister to minister heaven into His believers to make them the heavenly citizens—Heb. 8:2; Phil. 3:20.
- H. The great High Priest in the heavens to take care of His believers' needs, intercede for them, and save them to the uttermost—Heb. 4:14-15; 7:25-27.
- I. The Mediator of the new covenant, bequeathed by Him to His believers through His death, to execute it—8:6; 9:15.
- J. The surety of the better covenant to be its guarantee—7:22.

MESSAGE THREE  
**ONE CHRIST—THE UNSEARCHABLE ONE**

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- XVIII. He is the Shepherd of God's flock, the door for them to come out of Judaism, and the pasture for them to feed on—John 10:11, 14, 16, 9.
- XIX. He is the resurrection, the life, the way, and the reality—11:25; 14:6.
- XX. He is the Bridegroom who has the bride—3:29a.
- XXI. He is the power of God and the wisdom to His believers from God: righteousness, sanctification, and redemption—1 Cor. 1:24, 30.
- XXII. He is the Passover for the believers to pass through God's judgment—5:7.
- XXIII. He is the spiritual food and the spiritual rock flowing with the living water for God's people—10:3-4; John 6:35; 4:10, 14.
- XXIV. He is the Body (1 Cor. 12:12) and all the members of the Body—the new man (Col. 3:10-11).
- XXV. He is the firstfruits, the second man, and the last Adam—1 Cor. 15:20, 23, 47, 45.
- XXVI. He is the Firstborn from the dead to be the Head of the Body—Col. 1:18.
- XXVII. He is God's allotted portion to the saints—v. 12.
- XXVIII. He is the body (the reality) of all the positive things to God's people—2:16-17.
- XXIX. He is the life of His believers and the One whom they live and magnify—3:4; Phil. 1:20-21.
- XXX. He is the Lamb accomplishing God's redemption and the Lion fighting for God's kingdom—Rev. 5:5-6.
- XXXI. He is the opener of the seals of the secrets of this age—v. 5.
- XXXII. He is His believers' hope of glory—Col. 1:27.
- XXXIII. He is the morning star who will appear to His overcomers before His coming back to the earth—Rev. 2:28.
- XXXIV. He is the Sun of righteousness with healing in His wings to appear to the world—Mal. 4:2.
- XXXV. His riches dispensed into His saints are unsearchable—Eph. 3:8.
- XXXVI. He is the Savior coming back to:
- A. Transfigure His believers—Phil. 3:21.
  - B. Judge His believers to discern who among them should be rewarded with the kingdom and its enjoyment as a reward for one thousand years; and who among them should be disciplined in the kingdom age, thus missing the kingdom as a reward—2 Cor. 5:10.
  - C. Marry His overcomers as His bride in the millennial age—Rev. 19:7.
  - D. Defeat Antichrist and his armies—vv. 19-21.
  - E. Be received by the remnant of the Jews—Zech. 12:10; Rom. 11:26.
  - F. Judge the nations—the living people (Acts 10:42)—on His throne of glory—Matt. 25:31.
- XXXVII. He will be the King to rule over the earth with His overcomers—Rev. 20:4, 6.
- XXXVIII. He will judge all the dead people (Acts 10:42) at His great white throne—Rev. 20:11-12.
- XXXIX. In the New Jerusalem (21:1—22:5) He will be:
- A. The Husband of God's redeemed people as His wife in eternity—21:2.
  - B. The temple with God—v. 22.
  - C. The lamp with God as the light in Him—v. 23.
  - D. The Lamb-God on the throne to rule over the new heaven and new earth—22:1.
  - E. The tree of life nourishing the entire New Jerusalem—v. 2.

## MESSAGE FOUR

### ONE SPIRIT—ONE APPLICATION

- I. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God, the third of the Divine Trinity—Gen. 1:2; Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 2:11; Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14.
- II. He is self-existing, ever-existing, and coinhering with the Father and the Son in eternity.
- III. He is, with the Father and the Son, the only God—Acts 5:3-4.
- IV. He was the Spirit of God from eternity and the Holy Spirit at the time of Christ's incarnation (Luke 1:35; Matt. 1:18, 20), but He was not "the Spirit" before the resurrection of Christ (John 7:39).
- V. In Christ's resurrection He was compounded with Christ's divinity, humanity, death with its effectiveness, and resurrection with its power to be the life-giving Spirit, the divine anointing ointment as the compound Spirit—Exo. 30:22-31; 1 Cor. 15:45.
- VI. He is God's essence (John 4:24) and God's reaching of man (Matt. 28:19).
- VII. He is the realization of the pneumatic Christ (John 14:16-20) and the reality of the resurrection of Christ.
- VIII. Thus, He became:
  - A. The consummated Spirit of the processed and consummated Triune God, even the consummation of the processed and consummated Triune God.
  - B. The Lord Spirit—2 Cor. 3:18.
  - C. The Spirit of Jesus—Acts 16:7.
  - D. The Spirit of Christ—Rom. 8:9.
  - E. The Spirit of Jesus Christ—Phil. 1:19.
- IX. After the church was established and became degraded, as the life-giving and compound Spirit, He became the seven Spirits of God; that is, He is the one life-giving, compound Spirit but is intensified sevenfold—Rev. 1:4; 4:5; 5:6.
- X. As the Spirit of life, He was breathed into the believers by Christ, in the night of His resurrection, as the gentle breath to be their indwelling Spirit to fill them inwardly—John 20:22; Acts 13:52.
- XI. He applies all that the Triune God is in Christ, all that the all-inclusive Christ is, and all that He has accomplished, obtained, and attained to all the people whom God has chosen; thus He became the one divine application:
  - A. He sanctifies, separates, God's chosen people from the fallen people of the world and leads them to repent to God and receive Christ—1 Pet. 1:2.
  - B. He regenerates the people who have received Christ as their Savior with His resurrection life to be the sons of God—v. 3; Titus 3:5; John 3:5; 1:12.
  - C. He sanctifies the regenerated sons of God with the holy nature of God—Rom. 15:16; 6:19, 22.
  - D. He renews the sanctified saints—Titus 3:5.
  - E. He transforms the renewed saints metabolically into the glorious image of Christ—Rom. 12:2a; 2 Cor. 3:18; Rom. 8:29.
  - F. He conforms the transformed saints to the image of the firstborn Son of God—v. 29.
  - G. He seals the believers with all that Christ is and all that He has accomplished, obtained, and attained, thus dispensing all the divine elements of Christ into the very being of the believers until they will be redeemed in their body, that is, transfigured to be like the glorious body of Christ—Eph. 1:13; 4:30; 2 Cor. 1:22; Rom. 8:23; Phil. 3:21.
  - H. He is the pledge from God to the believers guaranteeing that the Triune God is their inheritance—Eph. 1:14; 2 Cor. 1:22; 5:5.
  - I. He, as the compound ointment, anoints the believers with the divine elements of Christ—1:21; 1 John 2:20, 27.
  - J. He witnesses with our spirit that we are children of God—Rom. 8:16.

- K. He, as the Spirit of life and the Spirit of God, indwells the believers, imparting life and peace to them and even life to their mortal bodies—vv. 2, 9, 11, 6.
- L. He intercedes with groanings for the believers who are transformed by God under the working together of all things—vv. 26-29.
- M. He, as the indwelling Spirit, is the One in whom the believers pray in their spirit—Jude 20; Eph. 6:18.
- N. He holds the sword of the Spirit of God for the believers to take the offensive in the spiritual warfare—vv. 7-18.
- O. He comforts the believers—John 14:16; Acts 9:31.
- P. He leads the sons of God—Rom. 8:14.
- Q. He, who searches all things, even the depths of God, reveals all the things that God has done for the believers—1 Cor. 2:10.
- R. He, as the life-giving Spirit, gives life to the word of God, through whom the new testament ministers minister the word of God—2 Cor. 3:5-6.
- S. He is the Spirit of the new testament ministry of righteousness—vv. 8-9; 4:1.
- T. He imparts righteousness, peace, and joy into the believers as the reality of the kingdom of God—Rom. 14:17.
- U. As the flow of God (John 7:38), He transmits in His fellowship the grace of Christ (the element of the divine life) with the love of God (the source of the grace of Christ)—2 Cor. 13:14.
- V. As the dispenser of what God is in Christ to the believers, He dispenses the reality of God to them—Heb. 10:29.
- W. He sets apart and sends out the apostles to spread the gospel of Christ—Acts 13:2, 4.
- X. He leads the apostles in their trips for the gospel spreading—16:6-7.
- Y. He prophesies through the prophets concerning the apostles' sufferings and persecutions—21:11.
- Z. He leads the apostles to speak things concerning God's dealings with His people—1 Cor. 7:40.
- AA. He distributes different gifts to the believers—12:4-11.
- BB. He, as the reality of the speaking Christ, speaks to all the churches, calling for overcomers in the degradation of the church—Rev. 2:7, 11, 17, 26, 29; 3:5-6, 12-13, 21-22.
- CC. As the essence of the Body of Christ, all that He works in and on the believers is for the constitution, the building, of the Body of Christ in Him as the oneness—Eph. 4:3-4.
- XII. As the Spirit of power, He was poured upon the believers by the Christ in ascension as the violent wind to be the power to fill them outwardly for their spreading of the gospel of Christ—Acts 2:2-4, 17-18, 33; 1:8.
- XIII. Such an all-inclusive, compound, consummated, life-giving Spirit, the consummated Triune God as the Bridegroom, and God's redeemed, regenerated, transformed, and glorified church as the bride, say, "Come!"—Rev. 22:17.

MESSAGE FIVE  
**ONE LIFE—ONE ELEMENT,  
ONE SALVATION—ONE WAY OF SAVING,  
AND ONE KIND OF LIVING—  
ONE MANIFESTATION OF CHRIST**

- I. One life—one element:
  - A. The life of the Triune God embodied in Christ—Eph. 4:18.
  - B. This life is eternal—John 3:15.
  - C. This life is in Christ—1:4.
  - D. Christ is this life and its Author—11:25; 14:6; Acts 3:15.
  - E. The Spirit of God is of this life—Rom. 8:2.
  - F. This life, which is Christ, is the believers' life—Col. 3:4.
  - G. This life is the divine element of the Triune God and Christ:
    - 1. God gives His chosen people repentance unto this life and has appointed, ordained, them to receive this life—Acts 11:18; 13:48.
    - 2. God regenerates the believers with this life—John 1:12; 1 Pet. 1:3.
    - 3. Christ's righteous act is unto justification of this life—Rom. 5:18b.
    - 4. Christ saves His believers subjectively in this life—v. 10b.
    - 5. The believers walk in the newness of this life—6:4.
    - 6. The mind of the seeking believers set on the spirit is life and peace—8:6b.
    - 7. Grace reigns through righteousness unto this life—5:21.
    - 8. The overcoming believers reign by the abundant grace and gift of righteousness in this life—v. 17.
    - 9. The believers who forsake all for Christ will inherit this life in the kingdom age—Matt. 19:29.
    - 10. The overcomers will eat of the tree of this life in the kingdom age as a reward—Rev. 2:7.
    - 11. The tree of this life with the water of this life in the river proceeding from the throne of God will be the unique supply to the entire New Jerusalem and will be partaken of by those who wash their robes—22:1-2, 14.
- II. One salvation—one way of saving:
  - A. Based upon God's love (the source of God's grace) and God's grace (the expression of God's love)—Eph. 2:4-5.
  - B. Through the death of Christ:
    - 1. For God's redemption—Rom. 3:24b.
    - 2. For God's forgiveness of sins—Acts 10:43.
    - 3. For the believers' reconciliation to God—Rom. 5:10.
    - 4. For God's justification—3:24a.
  - C. Through the life of Christ by the Spirit of life—5:10; 8:2:
    - 1. From regenerating the believers with the divine element of Christ's life—John 3:5; 1 Pet. 1:3.
    - 2. Through:
      - a. Sanctifying the regenerated believers with the divine element of God's holy nature—Rom. 6:19, 22.
      - b. Renewing the sanctified believers with the newness of life—Titus 3:5; Rom. 6:4.
      - c. Transforming the renewed believers with the glorious element of Christ's life by the Lord Spirit—12:2; 2 Cor. 3:18.
      - d. Conforming the transformed believers with the divine element of the life of the firstborn Son of God—Rom. 8:29.
    - 3. Unto the glorification of the conformed believers with the glory of God—v. 30.
- III. One kind of living—one manifestation of Christ:

- A. By the power of the resurrection of Christ to be conformed to His death (Phil. 3:10), dying to the self, the natural man, the old man, and the flesh (Matt. 16:24; Gal. 2:20; Rom. 6:6; Gal. 5:24) from the power of Satan, the world, and sin (Heb. 2:14; John 12:31; Rom. 6:2).
- B. By the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ to live Christ and magnify Him—Phil. 1:19-21.
- C. By the life of the God-man to live the overcomers' life—Rev. 2:7, 11, 17, 26; 3:5, 12, 21.
- D. By the growth in the life of Christ unto maturity for the building up of the Body of Christ—Eph. 4:15-16.

## MESSAGE SIX

### **ONE TESTIMONY—ONE EXPRESSION, ONE BODY—ONE ORGANISM, AND ONE CITY—ONE CONSUMMATION**

- I. One testimony—one expression:
  - A. Christ is the faithful Witness of God testifying in His human living what God is—Rev. 1:5; 3:14.
  - B. The believers are the witnesses of Christ for the spreading of His gospel—Acts 1:8:
    - 1. Testifying the human living of Christ—10:37-39a.
    - 2. Testifying His death, resurrection, and ascension—2:30-36; 3:15; 10:39b-41.
    - 3. To save sinners to be the members of Christ for the building up of His Body—2:37-42; 4:10-12; 10:42-43.
  - C. The local churches, composed with the believers to be the Body of Christ, are the golden lampstands—Rev. 1:11-12.
  - D. All the golden lampstands are identical in nature, shape, and function to be the one expression of Christ:
    - 1. In the unique oneness of the Spirit of the unique Body of Christ (Eph. 4:3-4).
    - 2. In the unique fellowship of the unique Spirit, participating in the unique flow of the Triune God (1 John 1:3; 2 Cor. 13:14).
    - 3. In the unique move of the unique God for the unique accomplishment of His unique economy (Eph. 1:10; 1 Tim. 1:4b).
    - 4. In the unique blending in the unique life of Christ for His unique testimony in the universe (1 Cor. 12:24).
- II. One Body—one organism:
  - A. The Body of Christ is the organism of the Triune God in His move.
  - B. The constitution of the divinity of the processed and consummated Triune God with the humanity of all His redeemed, regenerated, and transformed people—Eph. 4:4-6.
  - C. The accomplishment of God's economy according to the good pleasure, the heart's desire, of His will—1:5.
  - D. Built with Christ's life as its element, the Spirit of reality as its essence, and the person of God as its source—4:4-6.
  - E. Built up by the perfected saints who are perfected by the gifted members—vv. 11-12.
  - F. Built up with the mature believers as its constituents through their growth in the life of Christ unto maturity—vv. 15-16.
  - G. Built by itself in love—v. 16:
    - 1. Joined together through every joint of the rich supply (the particular gifted members).
    - 2. Knit together through the operation in the measure of each one part (all the saints).
  - H. It will consummate in the New Jerusalem—Rev. 21—22.
- III. One city—one consummation:
  - A. The title *the holy city, New Jerusalem* implies that it is not only holy but also new—21:2:
    - 1. It is holy because it is separated and sanctified unto God as something belonging to God according to His holy nature.
    - 2. It is new because it has God's nature of newness as the main part of God's new creation—2 Cor. 5:17.
  - B. The holy city New Jerusalem is the ultimate consummation of the work for God's new creation out of God's old creation through all the four ages of man's history (the age before the law, the age of law, the age of grace, and the age of the kingdom), from God's making the spirit for man and putting man in front of the tree of life to the accomplishment of this city for the good pleasure of His will, which is the intent of His eternal economy.

- C. It is the unique constitution of the processed and consummated Triune God with His redeemed, regenerated, transformed, and glorified people chosen by Him in eternity past.
- D. In its humanity it is the tabernacle of God (the dwelling place of God, who is the unique King, among men reigning over the entire new heaven and new earth), and in its divinity it is the temple of God (the dwelling place of God's redeemed people serving Him as a royal priestly family who are the kings reigning over the nations around the New Jerusalem in eternity)—Rev. 21:3, 22.
- E. The materials of its structure:
  - 1. Its base is gold, signifying the nature of God—v. 18b.
  - 2. Its gates are pearls, signifying the issue of Christ's redeeming death and life-dispensing resurrection—v. 21a.
  - 3. Its wall with its foundations is precious stones, signifying the product of the transforming Spirit—vv. 18a, 19-20.
- F. Its street upon its golden base joining to its throne is gold, signifying God's nature, and is uniquely one, spiraling from the top of its base to reach all its twelve gates—v. 21b.
- G. Its glory is the most excellent glory of God shining in Christ throughout the entire city—v. 11.
- H. Its light is God shining in Christ the Lamb as the lamp—v. 23.
- I. Its throne is the throne of the Lamb-God upon its golden base joining with its golden street as its center for its government—22:1b.
- J. Its supply is:
  - 1. The tree of life, signifying the all-inclusive Christ of life, growing on the two banks of the river of the water of life—v. 2.
  - 2. The river of the water of life, signifying the all-inclusive consummated Spirit, flowing from the throne of the Lamb-God—v. 1a.
- K. It is the wife, the counterpart, of Christ, who is the embodiment of the processed and consummated Triune God—21:9b, 2.
- L. Every part of this unique city expresses the unique oneness of the Body of Christ. Today our work for the Lord with its issue should be governed and directed by this pattern. What is unveiled in the vision of this unique city should be the model of what we are and how we work.
- M. The restored but not saved nations, the sheep, come from the judgment of Christ on His throne of glory, justified and sent by Him (Matt. 25:31-46) to be the people who are the subjects of the New Jerusalem in the new heaven and new earth.