



# WELCOME TO THE FATHER'S VOICE SEMINAR

## SESSION 1

### INTRODUCTION

- things will be presented in a “**different way**” than what you are used to
- we are here for **YOU** to build the body of Christ
- very **IMPORTANT** to **BRING** own **BIBLES!!**
- **WRITE** and **make notes** as you will come to **new understanding** of things!!
- **PLEASE** make the decision **NOW** to complete all the sessions

### What to expect in this session?

- Paul is teaching us something about a *specific gospel* – and a revelation he had
- we will look at who YOU became AFTER becoming born again – extraordinary facts!
- Development of your **BODY**, your **SOUL** and your **SPIRIT** and how each one of them functions
- the process of getting the fullness of God – this is part of the mysteries of God – very special!!!

### What to expect from the next sessions

- to understand that there is much more to life than just to become born again
- that “**Christ IN me**” is a revelation indeed, and reveals ‘*deep secrets*’
- that the principle and truth of Christ in me needs much more study and has much more to be fully understood

### **DECLARATIONS – please repeat out loud**

- I am ready to receive
- my heart is open to receive the Word of God
- my spiritual eyes are open
- my spiritual ears are open
- I now open my soul to receive the Word of God in Spirit and Truth
- my spirit receives, my spirit receives

## **SESSION 1**

**What did we come to do? WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!** (equipping you for YOUR ministry, to give you tools)

Let's pray this prayer together, the prayer that Paul prayed over the church:

**Ephesians 1: 15 – 19 [AMP]**

**Eph 1:17** *For I always pray to* the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, that He may **grant you a spirit of wisdom and revelation** [*of insight into **mysteries** and **secrets***] in the [*deep and intimate*] **knowledge of Him**,

**Eph 1:18** By having the eyes of your heart **flooded with light**, so that you can know and understand the hope to which **He** has called you [*kaleo – called: share in the kingdom*], and how rich is His glorious inheritance in the saints (us, His set-apart ones),

**Eph 1:19** And [*so that you can know and understand*] what is the **immeasurable and unlimited and surpassing greatness of His power in and for us who believe**, as demonstrated in the working of His mighty strength,

**Eph 1:20** Which He **exerted in Christ** when He raised Him from the dead **and** seated Him at His [*own*] right hand in the heavenly [*places*],

**THEREFORE: we earnestly pray for you for:**

- Wisdom
- Understanding of Christ
- Inheritance imparted on us who believe

**Paul also gave us a few very important keys.**

As background; He is talking to a congregation where he **served for more than 2 years**. He had a good and strong relationship with these people. He shares his heart as part of a 'farewell message'.

Paul understood that there is a power to be discovered. He was trying to get the *body of Christ to work together in UNITY*.

Let's read together - **Eph 4: 11-15 he says;**

**Eph 4:11** So Christ Himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ( the 5 – fold ministry)

**Eph 4:12** to **equip His people** for works of service, so that the **body of Christ** may be built up [*we are here to build the body of Christ*]

**Eph 4:13** **until we all** reach **unity** in **the faith** and in the **knowledge of the Son of God** and become mature, attaining to the **whole measure of the fullness of Christ.**

**Eph 4:14** (*for a reason*) Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming.

**Eph 4:15** Instead, speaking the truth in love, **we will grow to become in every respect the mature body** of Him who is the head, that is, Christ.

**KEYS: what we would want to achieve through this knowledge:**

- **Equipping** of the saints (you)
- For the **work of the ministry** (each person has got a ministry/purpose!)
  - work with this idea, discussing what your ministry might be
  - normally part of your passion, things you REALLY love to do
  - something that gives you (and others) peace, quietness, joy
- and **edifying** of the church, the body of Christ – of which **HE** is the Head (*that means NOTHING will happen without Jesus*)

**UNTIL WHAT HAPPENED? (he mentions 3 things)**

1. Untill **WE ALL** come into the **UNITY** of THE faith (*one faith*) – *this is our mission*
2. And the **knowledge** of the Son of God (to really know Jesus the Christ)
3. To be a perfect man..... (*this is possible indeed*)

**So if we can manage to believe that we can become perfect, then the question is - HOW PERFECT?**

“..... to the measure of the stature of the **fullness of Christ**”.

**\*This is where you have to ponder on this for a moment.**

**This is such a big statement, think about it!**

- *Jesus wants the body, His church, to come to fullness!!*
- *Jesus is preparing His bride (us), the church so He can come and fetch her (the body - us). He wants her ready and blameless and perfect;*
- *Both Jesus and Paul referred to “**a specific gospel**”*

**Paul CONCLUDED in Eph 4 and refers to this gospel as;**

**(AMP)**

**Eph 4:4** [There is] **one** body and **one** Spirit--just as there is also **one** hope [that belongs] to the calling you received--

**Eph 4:5** [There is] **one** Lord, **one** faith, **one** baptism,

**Eph 4:6** **One** God and Father of [us] all, Who is above all [Sovereign over all], pervading all and [living] **in** [us] all.

**\*the focus = ONE body, in ONE form, in UNITY**

Paul made sure to leave us a few **keys** to help us; let's see what he says during the time he visited the area of **Galatia**. This was about **56AD** and he addresses a GROUP of churches. We see that **Galatia was not a town** but an **AREA/REGION** in Asia; including smaller towns etc.

**WHAT HAPPENED here with Paul?** Paul received a very strong and specific revelation – ‘**Christ IN me!**’

**When this happened Paul realized a few things and mentions them;**

- A different gospel (he thinks they have wondered off from truth and Spirit)

- There was **deception** (some individuals bringing 'half-truths' or distorted and diluted Word)
- Church people **departed from Jesus (wow!!)** (This was a strong statement – let's listen to Paul's case)

**(important now to read together – in YOUR Bible) – GALATIANS 1**

1. (v6) he says; "I marvel" ..... (WHY?).....that you (churches of Galatia) are turning away (taking another direction, became less intimate) from Him (Jesus) who called you (called = **kaleo** meaning to share in the blessings of the kingdom of God) ..... in the grace of Christ, to a **different gospel**, ....**WHAT?? A DIFFERENT GOSPEL??**

**2. What is Paul saying? Let's look at some key words:**

- Greek for "different gospel" = **heteron** meaning: "**another of the same kind**" gospel, which is **NOT** another, but another of the same kind.
- "**So soon**" he says; ~ but remember **only** 56 years after Christ left!
- **The "Called"** ~ the invited, the summoned - to share in the blessings of the kingdom of God.

**\*Are you keeping up? See this picture:**

*Paul is really worried about the condition of the church – the body of Christ. He sees where they are going wrong and now need to rectify this quickly! He goes for the masses and hit in the centre of the body – the churches of Galatia.*

**Paul explains; (v7)** which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to **pervert** (distort) the gospel of Christ. **(Paul issues a WARNING!)**

3. **(Gal1:8 – v13)** Paul makes it clear that **he bring undiluted Word**, in **Truth** and **Spirit**, and as **received from God**, not men. (see it was important to

*him that they understand this – as he knew he is not going to beat around the bush as he is bringing them something strong).*

- a) He also said that; should any other word be preached, “accursed are they” (**accursed** – *anathema* = religious ban, kick them out!)
- b) Paul continues; I am not here to please man, but God. I am bringing Word as revelations I received from Christ Jesus.
- c) He then said; For news has come to you of **my way of life in the past** in the Jews' religion, how I was cruel without measure to the church of God, and did great damage to it: **(he makes sure there are no surprises as to his history and who he was [Saul])**

*Paul wants them to see that: if they cannot see and understand the concept, his revelation of **Christ IN me**, as well as what it means to each person believing that, **it is of no benefit to carry on in half-truths.***

**Amen;**

**\*We will carry on in the next session (Session 2) to see what Paul was preparing the churches for, and what his important message to them was.**

**Let’s summarize what we’ve learned in Session 1**

- 1. Name one goal Father’s Voice want to achieve with you
- 2. Name 3 things that has been prayed over you (Eph 1 and 4)
- 3. Complete: we will all reach unity of the faith through the ..... of the Son of God to become mature in Him. (Eph 4:13)
- 4. What revelation did Paul have? (Gal 1)
- 5. What did Paul find happened in the churches of Galatia?
- 6. What is the meaning of “heteron”?

**IN SUMMARY:**

- We came here as your guests to assist and help YOU
- We DO NOT want to start any new or other movement
- We live our passion – so that all can know Christ better
- We are focusing on the body of Christ, to equip the saints and to bring  
UNITY

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