

I. KINGDOMS AND SYSTEMS

A. Scriptures

1. Philippians 3:20

NKJV “For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ”

2. John 17:16

NKJV “They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world...”

3. John 15:19

NKJV “If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.”

TPT “If you were to give your allegiance to the world, they would love and welcome you as one of their own. But because you won’t align yourselves with the values of this world, they will hate you. I have chosen you and taken you out of the world to be mine—that’s why the world will hate you.”

B. We Are Set Apart by the Word

1. John 17:13–19

NKJV “But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. **Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.** As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth.”

C. The Shunammite Woman

1. 2 Kings 4:8-37

KJV “And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread. And so it was, that as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither to eat bread. And she said unto her husband, ‘Behold now, I perceive that this is an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually. Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a stool, and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he shall turn in thither.’ And it fell on a day, that he came thither, and **he turned into the chamber, and lay there.** And he said to Gehazi his servant, ‘Call this Shunammite.’ And when he had called her, she stood before him. And he said unto him, ‘Say now unto her, “Behold, thou hast been careful for us with all this care; what is to be done for thee? Wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host?”’ And she answered, ‘I dwell among mine own people.’ And he said, ‘What then is to be done for her?’ And Gehazi answered, ‘Verily she hath no child, and her husband is old.’ And he said, ‘Call her.’ And when he had called her, she stood in the door. And he said, ‘About this season, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a son.’ And she said, ‘Nay, my lord, thou man of God, do not lie unto thine handmaid.’ And the woman conceived, and bare a son at that season that Elisha had said unto her, according to the time of life.”

- a. She honored the prophet.
 - By honoring him she was honoring the Word and Spirit
- b. She made provision for him.
- c. She made a dwelling place for him (abiding).
- d. She prospered.
 - Lack left (childless to child)
 - Protection and healing
 - Direction

2. All was protected and restored:

a. **2 Kings 8:1**

NKJV “Then Elisha spoke to the woman whose son he had restored to life, saying, ‘Arise and go, you and your household, and stay wherever you can; for the LORD has called for a famine, and furthermore, it will come upon the land for seven years.’”

b. **2 Kings 8:6**

NKJV “So the king asked the woman, and she told him. So the king appointed a certain officer for her, saying, ‘Restore all that was hers, and all the proceeds of the field from the day that she left the land until now.’”

D. The Significance of the Abiding Word: It Separates You from This World’s System

1. **John 15:7**

NKJV “If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.”

TPT “But if you live in life-union with me and if my words live powerfully within you—then you can ask whatever you desire and it will be done”

2. **1 John 2:20**

KJV “But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.”

AMPC “But you have been anointed by [you hold a sacred appointment from, you have been given an unction from] the Holy One, and you all know [the Truth] or you know all things.”

3. **1 John 2:24–27**

KJV “Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father. And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life. These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you. But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any

man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.”

4. 1 John 2:27

AMP “As for you, the anointing [the special gift, the preparation] which you received from Him remains [permanently] in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you. But just as His anointing teaches you [giving you insight through the presence of the Holy Spirit] about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as His anointing has taught you, [a]you must remain in Him [being rooted in Him, knit to Him].”

5. John 16:13–15

KJV “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He **will take of Mine and declare it to you.**”

E. Restoration of Heaven’s System

1. Adam prior to the Fall:
 - a. Heaven’s thoughts and words were his first nature.
 - b. “First nature” = the way someone naturally thinks or acts without having to try.
2. When Adam sinned, another system (nature) took over.
3. The renewing of the mind transforms our thinking and actions back to the system of heaven.
 - a. We are not to be citizens operating in another system.