



THE LAST PHASE OF OUR LONG JOURNEY HOME...

How do we see “Home?” Many see “home” as the place one goes to after leaving this body. The literal teachings of the church have painted a picture of a big gathering where all the loved ones are waiting to celebrate our arrival. In our immaturity and need for comfort, we still hold on to this picture. But what is the Spirit revealing to us today? My latest and best description of “home” is described in one word: CHRIST. Home is Christ. And Christ is who we are in Jesus. Christ is the new man who is the union of HEAVEN AND EARTH. The union of SPIRIT AND MATTER. Jesus is called Christ, not because it is His last name; He is called Christ because He was and is the firstborn Christ creation Man. The first of this new creation of God, the first begotten of the dead.

To be in the image of Jesus Christ, is to be a new creation formed by the union of heaven and earth, spirit and soul. This is home. This is home for the many-membered body who will rule with Christ in the age to come. *“Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection, on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.”* (Rev.20:6)

As some of you already know, the last two months have been very trying and physically painful for me. During that time, I had several dreams that distressed me. The dreams all had the same story: “I was stranded. Someone had taken my car or it had disappeared. My husband was home waiting for me and I could not call him.” I assumed various interpretations, based on what was happening in my life, but none gave me a witness. Then this last dream, somehow rang the bell. *“I was in an area that looked like Mt. Dora but was called Silver Springs. I had a young boy, my son with me. I had been to some yard sales and such. Time to go home and my car was nowhere to be found. I finally called out to a couple of men in uniform working across the road. I said, I need the Police. They called me to come with them. They were police themselves. It was a long walk to the station but we got there and I knew I would get help although I was not sure what they were doing. I asked to make a call to my husband who was waiting for me at home. I was not able to dial him on my cell phone. No satisfaction on that. I knew to be patient.”* End of dream.

When the Spirit began to open my understanding to this dream, I saw it all clearly. Yes, this is the answer I had been waiting for. As in most dreams, I represent the Body of Christ and not just myself. In a nutshell, the dream said, “We have found the place that is our full salvation, (Silver Springs), but although it looks like the Mount of God or Mount of gold, (Mt. Dora), we are still in the silver realm of our redemption. Our husband, Christ, is waiting for us at home, and our desire is to be united with Him as soon as possible. But the old vehicle that has transported us in the Spirit, is no longer available. The old car is gone. We had been moving in the Spirit by way of learning doctrines, scriptures and rules of behavior. We have been accustomed to worshiping a certain way. We have held on to the old ways as long as we could, but this vehicle is now taken away from us; we have been stripped. We have no more meetings and face to face fellowship; it’s only we and Him. How do we continue on the rest of this journey home? How do we keep moving on to the union with the Spirit that will transform us into His likeness and image? How do we come to being this new creation that is formed out of the union of heaven and earth? We can do nothing of ourselves. In the dream my help was the “police,” which

speaks of the Law. I had to wait for the Law to process my case. What does that mean to us? Jesus is our pattern. He was the Christ in the earth at the time and He had a mission. He came to fulfill the words spoken by God's prophets, and to fulfill the Law, all the way to the death of the cross. Thus He opened the Way to salvation by grace through faith. Now, the firstfruits of His resurrection, the many members of His body are following Him as He leads them, and completes the work in them.

In the dream, my old car was gone. This says that the vehicle that served me, (us), so well as we moved on in the Spirit, has been taken away. We can no longer count on any of the old familiar ways of worship, studying the Bible; even our prayer life is changing. We have nothing left but to trust Him to bring us to the finished work. Individually, we have taken up our daily cross, but now, the entire Body of Christ on earth has to corporately go through the death of the cross. Those who have gone behind the veil are waiting for this to happen, for without it, they cannot be made perfect and return. *"And these all having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise; God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect."* (Heb.11:39-40) This is why we find ourselves in deep afflictions and severe testing. The process has to take place and we are in a time of waiting for it to take place. We cannot bring it on ourselves, the Lamb has to take us there. This is a brand-new Day. We are passing through the fires that are bringing us there. Jesus fulfilled His part when He walked the earth. Since then, He has been fulfilling what remains in His body in the earth. Paul explains, *"Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up the cup that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church."* (Col.1:24)

The end will come when the full dispensation, (the divine ordering of the affairs of the world), will have reached its fulness, and all things will be gathered in Christ. *"That in the dispensation of the fulness of times, he might gather together in one ALL THINGS in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him."* (Eph.1:10) Christ is gathering ALL THINGS unto Himself. In the ages to come, the entire creation will be gathered into Him and then time will be no more, for this is done in the DISPENSATION of time. And so we cannot see it taking place for everyone at this time. It is all done in God's order. Jesus was the firstborn, then comes His priesthood who will rule and reign with Him in the age to come.

"For by him (Christ) were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; all things were created by him, AND FOR HIM. And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; And having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to RECONCILE ALL THINGS UNTO HIMSELF; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven." (Col.1:16-20) It is when all this is done that *"...the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all."* (I Cor.15:28)

May the Father's blessings rest upon us all. Because He is love, *Jackie Caporaso*

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