

THE WISDOM OF GOD AND THE FOOLISHNESS OF MAN

In the beginning was He who created all things. By the time man was created, all the fullness and beauty of the earth were prepared for his arrival. Immediately there were layers, labels, levels and limits ahead for him to experience.

Man had no limitations placed on him when he first arrived, only eat of life. And was even given a high level of authority over all things, including the privilege to name (label) the animals, "Whatever you name them, that is what they will be called."

But, one day he began to "see" things a little differently after eating of the knowledge of good and evil. He became afraid of God, his Father and Creator. He was clothed in the abundant life of glory, but began limiting himself to what was right and wrong, he saw himself naked. He tried to hide from God, who asked him, "Who told you that you were naked?"

Man separated himself from God and became self-conscious rather than God-conscious. He limited himself by his judging and by fear, these are the first layers of the downfall of humanity, then his first offspring introduced competition, all these things are still innately in the heart of man (until born again).

More layers of separation were added by depending on the Law of Moses, the judges, the kings, religious beliefs, and false prophets. There were some, however, during the Old Testament times (a remnant) who put their trust in and listened to God; Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, and the number continued to grow with servants and prophets of God.

All these happenings were in the plan of God for humanity, for our good and His Glory. He is looking for those who will overcome... to rise out of the depths of the darkness and return (repent) into His marvelous light... those with whom He can entrust His Kingdom.

By sending the Spirit by way of Jesus the Christ of God, He has enabled us to overcome... until we can say, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me."

"Oh, the depth of His riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgements and unfathomable His ways!"

He wants to save us from ourselves.

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