

Year B #449
Glory to Jesus
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Hello! This is Dorothy -

As you look around, you are probably only too aware that spiritual battles are intensifying. Today, the Church of Jesus Christ has arrayed against it the fiendish demons of hell, as they attempt to choke and quench the ministry of the Holy Spirit and destroy our Christian liberty. Even though all hell is against us, praise God we can rejoice that, through Jesus Christ, all heaven is for us! Soon the trumpet will blow as the Rapture is about to happen and summon those who love Jesus Christ into His presence. I eagerly await that trumpet sound to bring me face to face with my Lord, when I will be able to fall and worship Him in His glorious presence and realize that all, all that has happened, has had to have been of Him if there has been any praise and any glory — to worship Him without limit. That is Jesus. I long to see Him and to know Him. But in the meantime, He has left us here that we might be vessels in a dark age in a dark place for Himself. For until that wonderful day, the Holy Spirit will continue His ministry through us. He will do His work here on earth.

His ministry in the Old Testament was not the same as the ministry of the Holy Spirit in the New Testament. In the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit came from without and He came upon people at certain times

and in certain seasons to accomplish a specific ministry. But today, those of us who know the Lord Jesus can know that the Word of God declares the Holy Spirit has come to take up His residence within us. He moves from within us to without, and, always the idea is to bring glory to our Lord Jesus Christ. Primarily, in the Old Testament, we read of God the Father, Yahweh. There we are introduced to the eternal God. When He spoke, His voice was heard with reverence and awe. He gave forth, through the Person of Jesus Christ, a very clear declaration of His awesome presence in clouds and in fire.

God the Son said, **I came down not to do my own will, but I came to do the will of my Father which is in heaven. (John 6:38)**. He also said, “The words that I speak, I speak not of Myself. I speak as the Father gave them to Me to speak.” **(12:50)** Also, He astonishingly declared, **. . .he that has seen Me has seen the Father. . . (14:9)**. Do you understand that when Jesus came He literally said, “You have seen the Father, because you see Me” ? In the Gospels, we read of God the Son and through His amazing voice, through the very words that He spoke, His disciples heard that eternal Word of the eternal God, for God is the Word. When our Lord Jesus came to the end of His life, He lifted up His eyes to heaven and He said, **It is finished!** and **I have finished the work that Thou gavest Me to do**. This glorious vocal crescendo of His voice came forth and resounded out through all eternity in victory. He is alive!

In **Revelation 11:19** , we read - **And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament . . . - that is the ark of the covenant.** There can be no ark without a mercy seat. There can be no mercy seat without the precious shed Blood, the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who is ever living as a testimony to show of His redemptive mission on earth: He overcame all the sin; He overcame the power of the devil; and He overcame death. Now this Blood is on the mercy seat in heaven. Because God's grace has completed the work of redemption on earth, the Spirit of God is poured out not just upon man but, wonder of wonders, it is poured out into man, into you, into me, that through you and through me, His life might spring forth to the people around. The Spirit of God brings to birth another body of His, the Church, as by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body. Glory to the Lord Jesus, Who lives and reigns and wants to work in and through His own beloved ones, those who have been purchased.

Now I am speaking to you in a very clear way today to say: this is the day of salvation. This is the day that you need to see - *I cannot act of trying to meet God my way anymore. I need to humble myself. I need to recognize all that He has done on my behalf can only be met at the Cross when I confess that I am a sinner and I need a Saviour.*

I am praying with you right now that you might say, *Come into my*

Heart, Lord Jesus. Come in, in Your wonderful power and presence, and not only purge and cleanse me, but come and live in me and do Your work through me. You have an extraordinary plan and through that plan, every second counts here on planet earth. Work out Your plan for every breath that You give me that there might be lives touched, encouraged, and reached because You live in me. I praise You for this in the lovely Name of Jesus, my Lord and Saviour.

Amen.