

## **Kingdoms of Man**

### **Part Seventeen**

(Gears)

Here, I repeat a passage of Scripture that the prior portion of this offering of understanding references. I do so because it is the prophet's vision of a divine gear.

*Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces. The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel. When they went, they went upon their four sides: and they turned not when they went.*

(Ezekiel 1:15-17)

The prophets are the example of the will of God, to the world. This example spanned beyond just the nation of Israel. Scripture shows us an incident of prophetic activity, outside of Israel; in an assignment that the LORD gave to the prophet Elijah.

*And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria: And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room.*

(1 Kings 19:15-16)

The prophet Daniel was, primarily, a prophet to the Gentile nations.

*Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth;*

*Peace be multiplied unto you. I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: for he is the living God, and steadfast for ever, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed, and his dominion shall be even unto the end. He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.*

*So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.*

(Daniel 6:25-28)

The prophets need examples, too. The prophets need something that teaches them how they must behave; let us call it a Master Example. Scripture tells us that the Master

Example for the prophets is Jesus Christ. In order for you to incorporate this message of Scripture into your soul, requires that, first you accept the Revelation, through Christ; for, the operation of the prophetic portion of the LORD'S redemptive umbrella for mankind was summarized in the Revelation. This is a very important passage of Scripture for us to study because this is the Scripture that completes the umbrella of salvation for the kingdom of man. The entire set of prophetic utterances of the LORD flow in a single pattern: *for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.*

*And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.*

*And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.*

*And I fell at his feet to worship him.*

*And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.*

(Revelation 19:9-10)

Please, do not allow your self to slip into confusion; the Scripture, above, does not say that the person of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. The Scripture, above, says, *for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.* The difference is one of function, as set against personality. The personality of Jesus is the means by which we come to the place of being absorbed in the way of God. This requires a renewing of the mind, not an understanding of the full nature of God. I am referring, here, to the clamor that has emerged about the thing known as, the Trinity.

For us to move in Christ, we do not have to muddy the waters of righteous understanding by bringing in extra-biblical and non-Scriptural concepts. It is enough that we follow the instruction that we received from God, flowing through the mind of the apostle Paul.

*If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.*

*Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.*

*Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should*

*bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;  
And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the  
glory of God the Father.*

(Philippians 2:1-11)

We need to have the separation that exists between the essence of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the "person" of God; there is much Scripture that tells us that there is a difference between these two. In fact, the Lord Jesus Christ is the one who highlighted the Scripture that is the summation of the difference between the LORD God and everything else. For, there is nothing else to which we must all give our unconditional, spiritually perfect love. Moses delivered the words of the LORD God, on this matter. In a later time, Jesus summarized the Law that Moses delivered, for the people of his day; and onward, through time, to ours.

*But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to  
silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, which was a  
lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is  
the great commandment in the law?*

*Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,  
and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great  
commandment.*

*And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.  
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.*

(Matthew 22:34-40)

Jesus Christ is the heaven-sent Son of God, holding the umbrella of redemptive protection from the penalty of sin, which spans over all mankind. The mission that the Father assigned to him is one of negotiation. The negotiation that he does is the negotiation between the condition of man, and the requirement of the LORD God.

*I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions,  
and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are  
in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness  
and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our  
Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the  
knowledge of the truth.*

*For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man  
Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due  
time.*

(1 Timothy 2:1-6)

We must have this intervention for the sake of the kingdom of man.

*And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple. And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.*

*And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?*

*And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.*

*And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows.*

*Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.*

(Matthew 24:1-14)

This intervention is the reason that the kingdom of man still exists. In the time of the early church, the benefit of the intervention of Christ, with the Father on our behalf is the subject of the Scripture included below.

*When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.*

*And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!*

*But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the*

*beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.*

*And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.*

(Matthew 24:15-22)

We cannot get this protection anywhere else. It was not sufficient for us to try to bring our minds to bear on the human condition, in an attempt to persuade God that we should be allowed to continue to exist. I imagine that there were some logic-driven folks in the day of Noah, too; but those folks did not stop the flood. I imagine that there were some logic-driven folks in Pharaoh's military complex; but these folks did not stop the Red Sea from returning to its flow. I imagine that there were many logic-based folks in the ancient Roman Empire; but these folks did not stop the recompense that was delivered by the LORD, for the atrocities that this kingdom did to the people of God. (This might be a good place for some of our modern kingdom to make a mental note.) In the entire world, there was no one who could perform the mission that was assigned to the Lord Jesus Christ. The situation was, then, comparable to the situation that existed in Heaven when the books were presented.

*And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof? And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.*

*And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.*

*And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.*

*And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.*

(Revelation 5:1-8)

The kingdoms of man needed a champion; to transport it from being controlled by Satan, to a place of being under the stewardship of the representatives of the LORD God. The New Age required a repeat of the example that is contained in Moses. However,

rather than as was appropriate for the atmosphere of Moses' day, the New Age needed an example that was especially equipped for the rigors of communing and communicating with the LORD God for the sake of both a people who were his brothers, as well as for those who were of a strange tongue. This is the place that Jesus Christ fills in the history of the kingdom of man.

*And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.*

*The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*

*And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.*

(Isaiah 11:1-10)

Through his time of study in the presence of God the Father, the Son of God, who came to us in Jesus, was able to fulfill our need, and to provide us with the necessary insights to once again make forward movements toward a state of readiness for true service to the Living God. Jesus Christ was able to do this because he was given a unique place, of all the inhabitants of the kingdom of man.

*In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal him.*

(Luke 10:21-22)

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The revelation of the purpose of God for the kingdoms of man was accomplished in the time of the apostles of Christ. At that time, the kingdom of man reached its final destination. Jesus Christ described it both as being our umbrella for protection from the sway of Satan, and as being the place of rest from our carnal labor in the world.

*When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?*

*And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.*

*He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?*

*And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.*

*And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*

*And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.*

(Matthew 16:13-19)

So, it seems that the kingdom of man now has the complete presence and knowledge of its umbrella protection. Now, too, the kingdoms of man have no excuse that would allow them to bypass the will of God. Let us internalize this precious gift that the LORD has given us, and move forward in service.

*Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.*

*For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them. But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall*

ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:) Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.)

But what saith it?

The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach; That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

(Romans 10:1-10)



**--- Next, in the Kingdoms of Man --**  
Longevity

