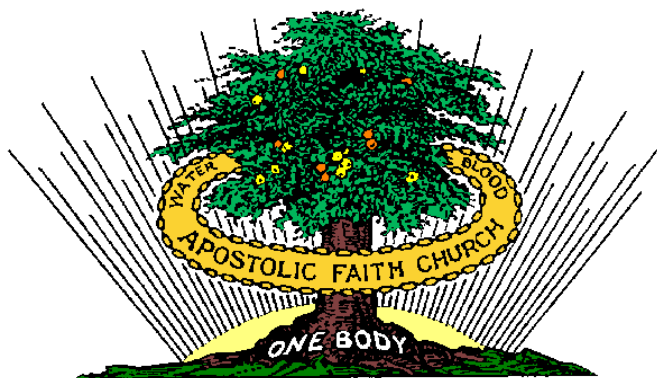


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It Is A New Day: Going On To Deeper Things

(Continued from Showers of Blessing No 5529.)

The Word of the Lord says the Church **is in a New Day... and must Go On to Pursue the Deep things of God.** As we receive the Word of the Lord in this new season, we are cognisant of the calling this hour – that we should **“Walk in Divine Wisdom, Revelation Knowledge and Understanding”**.

Showers No. 5529 exhorted us as members of this sheepfold, that we must to continue in this precious Apostolic faith and teaching until we all come into the Unity of the Faith and the Knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man unto a measure of the Fullness of Christ, according to Ephesians 4:13. The Showers also made reference to a people who made a shipwreck of their faith according to 1 Timothy 1:19, because they did not hold on to the teaching of the faith, and neither did they stand steadfast with the right posture of their hearts, in good conscience. They were tempted by pride, greed and person desires and made “a shipwreck of the faith,” the Bible says. They did not walk in divine wisdom, they did not receive and embrace the Knowledge that came by the Revelation of the Word that was given through the Apostles, and they rejected the word of truth and did not align with the purposes and will of God. And a question was asked – where do you stand today? What is your response when the Word of the Lord is spoken?

Samuel heard the Word of the Lord but did not recognise it at first. However, he was faithful to the Servant of God Eli his leader and with a teachable and submissive heart, he received counsel from Eli, and when the Lord called on him again, he answered and said – “Speak Lord, for thy servant heareth” (1 Samuel 3:10). Prophet Isaiah heard the Voice of the Lord according to Isaiah 6:8: “And I heard the voice of the Lord saying: ‘Whom shall I send, and whom will you go for us? Then I said, Here am I – Send Me!’”

Our Fathers in the Faith, beginning with our Founder Apostle William Oliver Hutchinson all the way to Apostle Duncan Lee, all answered to the call of God in their New Day. They received Revelation Knowledge through the Spoken Word in every season over the years, from when the Lord gave His Revelation and Light as He established this Faith and Vision of the Apostolic Faith Church (AFC Governance Manual, Section 2 [Decrees...], Article 1.1,1.2,1.3), which has over the years progressively spoken to us as the Lord added light in each season to open our understanding of the scriptures, as guided in Pastor Duncan Lee’s letter issuing the Governance Manual. Yet the Word of the Lord today is saying that we are in a New Day... and must go on to the deep things of God. It is yet a new season, and the Lord keeps progressively increasing His work, and it still speaking!

Having received the Spoken Word and as we begin to move on into the new season in this New Day, we are called to take heed and hold on to the things that we have heard and received from the beginning and what the Lord is revealing in this present time and for the days ahead. We live in a world where most people are rather focused on their own understanding and reasoning, driven by what they want to hear or desire – they will prefer to accept their own interpretation of what they perceive to be God’s will, rather than allow the Holy Spirit guide them through scripture and for the voice gifts of the Spirit to find expression among them.

However, we have since learned over the years how the Spoken Word has revealed the mind of God for every generation and we have seen and heard testimonies of how the Lord has fulfilled His Word. Hebrews 2:1-3 admonishes us: “Therefore we ought to give the most earnest

heed to the things that we have heard... which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord". The scripture here exhorts the children of God to pay the necessary attention to the voice of God even as the scripture in reference is challenging those that thought otherwise at the time, the same is true today. We must also understand that the Spoken Word of God is creative. It speaks things and situations into being. Through the Spoken Word, creation became a reality. The Bible in Hebrews 11:3 says "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which appear". We bless the Lord that as the Church presses forward unto deep things of God towards growth, the Lord has given unto us a gift in the Apostleship through appointment of His Servant Apostle Jeremiah Sande as our ICO, with the full blessing of Chief Apostle Duncan Lee. We are looking forward to the blessed days ahead which the Lord has set for us as the Office continues to function and discharge its duties as established by Christ Himself. The Bible says in Ephesians 4:11-12 "And He gave some Apostles... for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ".

However, while the Apostolic Office continues to provide the relevant guidance and teachings to the Church, emphasis is also placed on the responsibility of the saints on the need to take heed and hearken to what the Apostleship is heralding, so as to do the Work of the Ministry according to the Apostolic Order. It has been mentioned how that the Spoken Word of God is creative and speaks things and situations into being. It is, nevertheless, also important for the saints or the believers in the Church to receive and catch the Revelation and Understanding, as our late ICO Rev Duncan Lee said, that the Word of the Lord Works, but the Word must be Spoken and heard, and must be Believed, then it will take effective in a situation or bring transformation in your life and in the body of Christ. He would go on to say the believer must make an effort to act on and according to what has been Spoken through the Word and then watch the Lord fulfill His Word. (See the video that was shared by the Rev. J. Sande, of the Servant of God the ICO Rev Duncan Lee ministering).

The Word we received in this season is both a Revelation and an Instruction – that in this New Day, the Church must go on to Deeper things. We must therefore receive, by the Wisdom of God, the Revelation of What the New Day is, and must make a conscious decision to search, by the Divine Wisdom of God, for the Deeper things wrapped up in the Word of God, and seek the Understanding of these deeper things of God in Faith, the understanding that only comes by the Holy Spirit.

On the other hand, most times throughout history, new seasons also present new challenges, trials and difficult situations. Sometimes it is those within and among us who get tempted by the enemy and embrace wrong and misplaced motives that are not according to this Faith. In handling all of this, we need the Divine Wisdom of God to discern every situation, every heart and all the schemes of Satan, to defeat them by the Victory of the Blood and the Word of our testimony, as we pursue the deep things of God. But we are also to prepare ourselves for these new challenges that come with the New Day by posturing our hearts to receive Revelation Knowledge and Spiritual Understanding of the Will and Purposes of God, so that we may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord and please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, and growing in the Knowledge of God (Colossians 1:9-10).

But praise be unto God, in who we have confidence knowing that the Lord will lead the way and take us by the hand and carry us through difficulty times and even trials. For He has strengthened us with all His might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness..., and has made us qualified by His Grace to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light, having delivered us from the power of darkness, and translated us into the Kingdom of His dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1:11-14).

The Church is now marching forward and ready to take up new assignments and go on to begin the invasion of new territories and lands by the Victory of the Word of the Lord! Glory be to God! **For We are in a New Day... and we are going on to Pursue Deeper things of God!**

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