

# The Parables of Christ 7

The Sower and the Seed

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4) **Matthew 13, verses 3 – 9** 3: And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow; 4: And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up: 5: Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth: 6: And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. 7: And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them. 8: But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixty-fold, some thirty-fold. 9: Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

**Matthew 13, verses 18 - 23** 18: Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower. 19: When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side. 20: But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it; 21: Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended. 22: He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful. 23: But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

- 1) **By the way side** These are they that just do not Understand the word, and when the wicked one comes along, they get caught off guard and are snatched away from the Truth.
- 2) **Stony Ground**, hear the word and receive it with joy for a while, but because they have no root, because they are shallow Christians, they endure for a while, but when tribulations come because of the Word, by and by or time after time they become offended. The word offend means to become stumbled, or to cause to sin. And we know that sin is disbelief. They stop believing. They did believe for a while, but they have stopped believing.

**Romans Chapter 11 Verse 16** For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

- 3) **Thorny Ground**, are those who hear the Word but the cares of this life and the deceitfulness of riches chokes the Word, and thus that person bears no fruit.
- 4) **Good Ground**, *heareth the word, understand it, bear fruit many fold.*

**Mark 4, verses 3 - 9** 3: Hearken; Behold, there went out a sower to sow: 4: And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls of the air came and devoured It up. 5: And some fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth: 6: But when the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away. 7: And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit. 8: And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred. 9: And he said unto them, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

**Mark 4, verses 14 - 20** 14: The sower soweth the word. 15: And these are they by the way side, where the Word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the Word that was sown in their hearts. (This is an aborted life because satan does this to the life of the word in this person)

16: And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the Word, immediately receive it with gladness; 17: And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the Word's sake, immediately they are offended. (This is the miscarriage, because it is not the power of another exorcized over them as in abortion, where the child has no control over it, but these are they who hear and receive with joy but then when the Word is preached that calls forth for them to bear the cross of the Word, they get offended, they stumble at that Word. They have no root IN themselves, and as the egg that can not hold onto the uterine wall becomes flushed away, they become a miscarriage. There is a weakness in them, and they can't hold onto the lifeline, and because they have no root, no true tie down to the uterine wall, they never do come to maturity,

and in that weak condition they die.

**18: And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word, 19: And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it (The Word) becometh unfruitful. 4: 18 - 19,** These are they which still birth. (This is the Laodicean bunch who love the cares of this world more than they love God's Word which calls for a total separation from unbelief and the things of this world.) And as the umbilical wraps itself around the unborn child and strangles it, so too do the cares of this life wraps itself around the child of God that has not yet come full maturity and chokes the life of the Word right out from them. This is the bunch that brother Branham was the most worried about. This is what he tried so diligently to shake the church because he saw that she was being affected by the choke hold of the world. That is why he cried out with a loud Voice in the vision as he stood watching the bride go by, and he cried out, "Stay in line".

**20: And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive it, and bring forth fruit, some thirty-fold, some sixty, and some an hundred. (This is the Elect seed Gene of God who are ordained to receive the change in the body)** These are the Bride who bring forth Life in the Image of the Father.

Now, where there is a birth, something has to die. There is movement and change that takes place in the body. Your body doesn't do what it used to do. There's a transforming power that has taken over. It's bringing forth a manifestation in your flesh that at first is not so noticeable, but as the development comes forth more and more, it becomes apparent to everyone just what is happening.

The apostle Paul said in the book of **GAL 4:19 My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,** He never said it would be painless. The pain is until when? I have actually heard women say that a good reason for having an abortion was that they did not want stretch marks. Others abort because the transformation is more than they can bear. But let's see what Paul said about that. **II COR 4: 8 10. [We are] troubled on every side, yet not distressed; [we are] perplexed, but not in despair; 9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; 10 Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.**

Others don't want to be inconvenienced. Others think it will cramp their lifestyle. In the natural we find women aborting their child because they don't want the inconvenience of that Life coming forth, and in the so called Christian we find the same mindset. They don't want the inconvenience that comes with the transforming power of another life and so they abort their Christian walk. They want a religion of convenience. One which won't cramp their lifestyle. One which won't cause too much pain. One which will let them live any old way they choose. But you know abortions not only kill the Life that is being brought forth, it also places a mark upon the one allowing it to happen.

**Luke 8, verses 5 - 8 5: A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. 6: And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, (attrition, falling away from the Truth) because it lacked moisture. 7: And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. 8: And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.**

**Luke 8, verses 11 - 15 11: Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. 12: Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. 13: They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. 14: And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. 15: But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.**

**I JOHN 5:7-8 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.** Notice here that we have three principle factors in the bringing forth of life. The Father who is the giver of Life, (and the word Father means one who begets life.) The second factor of Life mentioned by John here is "The Word" which is the Seed of Life, and the third factor of Life that John mentions here is the "Holy Ghost" which is the Life.

Remember, Jesus Himself said, *My words are Spirit and they are Life*"

Now, a few weeks ago we talked about how the bushel basket symbolized the preservation of Life, and last week we found that the meal offering is a type of Christ the bread of life and the meal or bread also types the sustaining of life. And since there were three measures of meal, we found them to be Justification, sanctification and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Always three's. why? Because God is Perfected in three's. The Father, The Word, and the Holy Ghost. These are not three, but John says, they are one. Notice how God is perfected in three's. There are 3 comings,

**LAW OR GRACE 54-1006 20** *God wrote three Bibles. God does everything in threes. He wrote three Bibles. He had three comings of Christ. There is three dispensations of grace. Now, like Jesus came the first time, He's been here once hasn't He? He come to redeem His Bride. He comes the second time to receive His Bride, catch her up, meeting in the air, and comes the third time with His Bride as King and Queen. See? So then, then, there is three also, the three in the manifestations of God. God manifested Hissself once in the Fatherhood as He led the children of Israel. The next time God manifested Hissself was in the Sonship, the Lord Jesus Christ. The third time God manifested Hissself is with us now, the Holy Spirit. See, three manifestations, everything in the threes...*

**ANGEL OF THE COVENANT 54-0301 E-6** *There's three comings of the Lord, you know that. There's three of everything in the Scripture. Three is God's perfect number:*

**SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEPFOLD 56-0403 E-9** *See, there's everything in the Bible runs in threes; we know that. And there's three comings of the Lord. The first coming is past; the second coming's the rapture when we meet Him; and the third coming is when He's coming to rule and reign a thousand years.*

**BE.CERTAIN OF GOD 59-0708E E-51** *The coming of Jesus is three times. Did you know that? Jesus come the first time to redeem His Bride. He comes the next time; we're caught up in the air to meet him in the air. We caught up to meet Him. He comes to receive His Bride. The next time He comes, He comes as King and Queen to reign on the earth with His Bride: three comings. Right. And the Church is in three stages: "Let him that's **filthy**, filthy still; let him that's **righteous**, righteous still; him that's **holy**, holy still."*

And there are 3 Exoduses under the Pillar of Fire. And there are 3 pulls to each ministry. And there are three stages of Grace, Justification, Sanctification, and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. And the earth is cleansed three times...The first by **water**, the second by **man's fire**, and the third by **God's Holy Fire**. There are three stages of our growth in Christ, (it begins with Faith, and then moves into Hope, and finally into Love which is an outward expression of Faith. And John said, and the greatest of these is love... And in **I peter**, He speaks of three stages that the Bride of Christ will come through at the time of the Revelation of Jesus Christ. And those three stages are Praise, Honor and Glory which is three stages of our Growth process into Sons. And then we have as the Scripture says here, "water, blood and spirit." Three stages of Life.

Now in order for Life to come forth, in the natural, the woman must receive the seed first. Then the process begins, then the life comes forth. CONCEPTION, TRANSFORMATION, and IDENTIFICATION. Again three stages of life.

**CONCEPTION:** means to take in or receive, to begin life. A seed being planted.

Now there are a few things about this Conception that we must understand, if we are to understand this process of Life.

1) The seed that is sewn is not the same as what comes up. **I COR 15:35 - 39 ¶** *But some [man] will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? 36 Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: 37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: 38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. 39*

2) There has got to be an order or law that governs reproduction in all life. Otherwise, conception would bring total chaos. **GEN 1: 11 - 12.** *And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, [and] the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed [is] in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. 12 And the earth brought forth grass, [and] herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed [was] in itself, after his kind: and God saw that [it was] good.*

Notice, God says it then He performs it. The law of God is only God in action. Word and Power. And Brother Branham said, "he Who gave the Word is here to perform it."

3) The seed must bring forth after it's kind. If there is Life in the seed, then what life is in that seed is the same life that will manifest itself. **JOHN 1: 1** *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God., 14. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. I JOHN 1: 1 - 3. That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life; 2 (For the life was manifested, and we have seen [it], and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) 3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship [is] with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.*

My wife and I knew a woman that was expecting a child and she went full term & then nothing. Just like some Christians. They say they are born again but to what. There's no manifested life. The woman saw a transformation within her self, but there was no seed in her. No Life in her, yet she could see herself being transformed, she thought. I think she was just eating too much and she got fat. But oh, how they were expecting but nothing came of it.

Now the Three stages of Life is most important because if you just have the first two stages, conception and transformation, you could still end up with a still born. And if you have just come up through justification and then onto sanctification, but do not come all the way into the baptism of the Holy Spirit, you are still lost.

**JOHN 14: 16 - 17** *And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; 17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.* But this is not complete yet. There must be a further fulfillment in order to bring forth the Life into manifestation. **JOHN 17: 20 - 22.** ¶ *Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; 21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, [art] in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. 22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: 23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.*

Now notice Jesus prayed to the Father, that the Glory which is the Doxa was necessary to bring on this special identification. "That they may be One even as we are One".

And how is it that we might be One "even as." which means in the same manner that Jesus and His Father were One? Jesus said, **JOHN 17:14** *I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.* Jesus tells us we become One with God through the same Word that He became One With God. **JOHN 17:20** ¶ *Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; 21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, [art] in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. 22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:*

Therefore it is very apparent that we are one by receiving the same Word which bring us into the same Glory or same mind as the Father. *And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:*

**HARVEST TIME 641212 87 034** *Jesus said, "That they might be one, Father, as You and I are one." Not for some man to be over something, it never will work; one denomination wants to take over the other, and one man over the other. But that you might be one with God, like Christ and God was one; that's what the prayer is. He was the Word, and Jesus prayed that we might be the Word, reflecting Him. That's His prayer to be answered. See how Satan scruples it up in the carnal mind? But that wasn't Jesus' prayer, at all, that we might all congregate together and all have a certain creed and so forth. Every time they do it, they go further and further from God. He wants us to be one with God, and God is the Word. Each individual in his heart must be that one with God.*

Brother Branham said, the threefold mystery was " Christ with you, Christ in You, and Christ through you".

**Colossians 3:4** *When Christ, [who is] our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.*

**I JOHN 3: 1 – 3** *Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone that has this hope in him, purifies himself even as He is pure.*

**I PETER 1:3** Tells us that it is God that begets us. *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a living hope,*

It takes the Lord Himself to bring the new birth. JUSTIFICATION made a way for Sanctification which made a way for the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, which made a way for the Baptizer himself to become identified among us.

And in Abraham's day, it was the appearing of god in a body of flesh that made a way for the arrival of the promised son.

**II COR 3: 18** <NIV> *And we who with unveiled faces, all reflect the Lords glory, are being transformed into His likeness with ever increasing Glory, which comes from the Lord, Who is the Spirit.*

**JOHN 3: 1 – 7** *There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. 3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. 4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? 5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and [of] the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.*

If you sow to the flesh you shall reap from the flesh. If you sow to the Spirit you shall reap from the Spirit.

We move from the second stage of Life into the third which is IDENTIFICATION.

**I COR 13: 12 -13** Moving more and more into the face, Love himself.

**I PET 1:3** *Let the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ be eulogized, who impelled by his abundant mercy caused us to be born again so that we have a hope which is made alive. This living hope having been made actual through the intermediate instrumentality of the resurrection of Jesus Christ out from among those who are dead, resulting in an inheritance, imperishable and undefiled, and that does not fade away...*

**ROMANS 8: 18 - 25** The whole creation travaileth and even you are.

Brother Branham said, *"Nothing outside the revealed word can come to life."*

In the **SONG OF SOLOMON**, the identification was external. The Life was manifested to her, but it then came to her and then entered into her. The Life comes from the external and comes into the internal. This is the age of the ear. The ear is a female organ. The seed enters the ear, and into the womb of the mind. The Word spoken is a projectile, it is a spora, or the sperm of God.

**I PETER 1: 22 -23** *Having purified your souls by means of your obedience to the Truth, resulting in not an assumed but a genuine affection for the brethren, an affection and fondness that springs from your hearts by reason of the pleasure you take in them, from the heart love one another with an intense reciprocal love that springs forth from your hearts because of your estimation of the preciousness of the brethren, and which is divinely self sacrificial in its essence, having been begotten again not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the Word of God which lives and abides."* The ear is the reciprocal, or the female organ, the mind is the womb of the spirit. The EXTERNAL WORD comes in and becomes internal Life.

The woman has a sort of seed that must come in contact with the male to be quickened. The church like the woman can't bring forth life on her own. The Word is the seed that brings to life. That's what **I PETER 1:3** tells us.

But just as the same spirit that is upon the N.O.W. group, they don't want a man. They think they are self sufficient. Women type the church. A woman can't produce life on their own. It

takes the man. A woman that tries to bring forth a child by coming together with another woman, is nothing but a perversion. And so is it when the church tries to bring forth life. They can't do it. They are only producing a perversion.

It takes the Lord Himself to bring the new birth. JUSTIFICATION made a way for SANCTIFICATION which MADE A WAY FOR THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST, which made a way for the BAPTIZER HIMSELF to become identified among us.

ABRAHAM: God's appearing made a way for the arrival of the prom-ised son.

Now let's examine what takes place after CONCEPTION. The next stage is transformation. This is the part that woman really hate. They don't mind the conception part. But they do not like the transformation part because it calls for sacrifice on her part. Our Mt. Carmel showdown is when the rapture takes place. That will be our complete identification. That will tell whether you really conceived or not. or whether you went through a term birth but really had nothing there. This woman I was telling you about felt movement, she felt life. But when life is ended it goes back to gases. and the doctor found no life there so you figure out what she had.

**I JOHN 3: 3** *And everyone that has this hope in him, purifies himself even as He is pure.* Now, what hope is this? Well, just like the woman, at first she is not aware that she has conceived: She feels lousy, she looks in the mirror, looks lousy, feels sick. I thought when I was born again, I would become sinless. I see more now that I hate about myself than ever before. A time of inner turmoil takes place. Look at

Now, the thing of it is, is that in order to receive the physical change in her body, the woman must first accept in her mind that she is going to enter into a conception mode in her mind. And thus she creates an atmosphere in which to receive the seed. **II COR 3:17 - 18.** *Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord [is], there [is] liberty. 18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, [even] as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

And we see in **ROM 12:1-2** *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, [which is] your reasonable service. 2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what [is] that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.* The transformation begins by the renewing of the mind.

**ROMANS 8: 5-6** *For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. 6 For to be carnally minded [is] death; but to be spiritually minded [is] life and peace.*

She conceives, then she goes through a transitional period where she feels lousy. But there is something happening inside of her. I remember one time brother Vayle came to Minneapolis Minnesota and I brought a friend. He went home that night and as he prayed about what He heard, he got sick. So he thought that it was God warning him to stay away. My goodness, can you imagine a woman who marries a man and she conceives and when she starts to feel sick she says, I need to get away from this man, he's making me sick. Don't you know that when you come to the Lord and Conceive of His Life, It causes you to have heart ache and inner turmoil and all sorts of nausea about yourself.

Why? Because something is about to take place. Something is coming alive in you and it's displacing other parts of you. It's pushing out the old man.

She who is aware of the birth prepares herself. A woman who smokes and drinks when she finds out she is expecting, she stops her smoking, her drinking, she prepares herself. She brings her whole body to nurture that. The very camel that Rebecca watered is the very thing that packed her home. In the 3rd or 4th seal Brother Branham said, "**the very seed she is watering will take her on out of here.**" If the woman has any motherhood in her, her whole life becomes dedicated to bringing forth that life that is in her. **I JN 3:3** *And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.*

When the conception occurs, the first thing that forms is the head and the spinal cord. Then later on, the body and the limbs. Then as cell is added upon cell, the fingers and toes begin to appear. The characteristics of the father are beginning to come forth in finer detail as the life within you grows. It comes more into the image of The Father as IT comes closer to the birth. AS THE NEGATIVE COMES CLOSER TO THE POSITIVE, THE MORE LIKE THE POSITIVE IT BECOMES. (the shadow). **I JOHN 3:2** *2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God,*

*and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.*

It's begins drawing forth. "DRAW ME AND WE SHALL RUN AFTER THEE, FOR THE KING HAS DRAWN ME INTO HIS CHAMBERS." JUST LIKE THE LILLY, THE SON DRAWING IT UP.  
<explain>

When people see her coming they don't know what is happening to her, until she becomes to a place that it shows in her flesh. When the woman doesn't understand what she is going through, she doesn't feel comfortable with anybody else, and she doesn't feel comfortable with herself either.

When she finally understands what is happening, then she should be able to deal with it. Oh, you may still have your mourning sickness. You may still go through the pains and uneasiness, (I used to tell my wife that it was all in her head, but she said, no way, it's in here.)

I won't deny that you may feel lousy, but just remember, Life is coming forth. You may feel like you are the lousiest Christian that ever walked the earth, but just remember, Life is coming forth. Stick with it. Don't abort.

**II COR 3: 18 <NIV> AND WE, WHO WITH UNVEILED FACES ALL REFLECT THE LORD'S GLORY, ARE BEING TRANSFORMED INTO HIS LIKENESS WITH EVER INCREASING GLORY, WHICH COMES FROM THE LORD, WHO IS THE SPIRIT.**

We move from the second stage of Life into the third which is IDENTIFICATION.

**I COR 13: 12 -13** *For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known<sup>13</sup> And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these [is] charity.*

Moving more and more into the face, which is Love, for God Himself is Love. That transformation brings us into an identification. We shall know as we are known.

Let's just bow our heads and our hearts in prayer and thankfulness.