

PART 6 - JESUS IS A TYPE OF WILDERNESS

As we have been looking at in the previous resources, God inhabits the wilderness and the wilderness is a place of extreme abundance of life and vitality. It's not like many have thought and possibly still think, that it is a place of barrenness, and it is with this in mind that we look at Jesus Christ Himself as a type of wilderness.

Jesus is the eternal life and He brought His eternal kingdom with Him, but the temporal world and all those of the temporal world did not know Him. This world includes all of mankind, including us.

John 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

The eternal life is just that - eternal. The eternal life and the eternal kingdom is an unseen life and kingdom to the temporal, earthly realm. Jesus Himself was a type of wilderness. He stood directly in front of many people, while still being unseen. He was seen by some and completely unseen to others.

Hebrews 11:27 By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured, as seeing Him who is unseen.

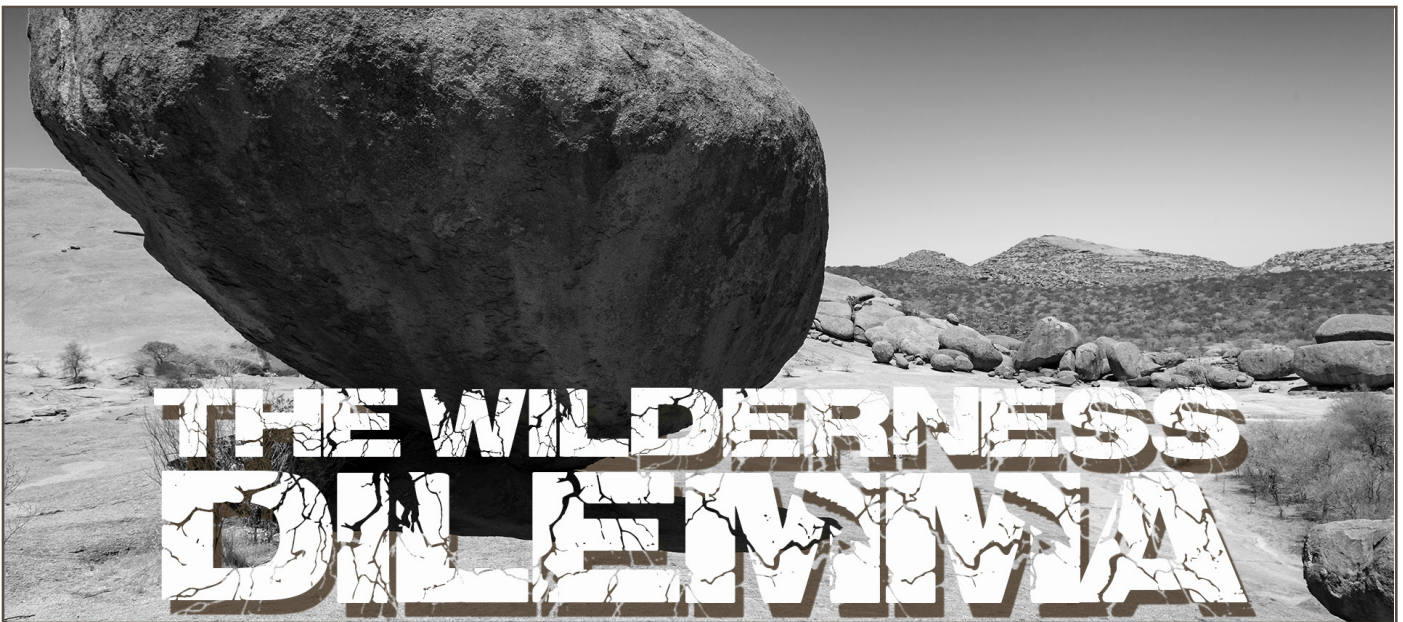
Jesus Christ Himself is the physical manifestation of a type of wilderness dimension. Unseen and unknown to many, while being seen and fully known by others. Those who truly know the unseen One, the Wilderness, know the eternal life that is contained within this eternal vessel and know how to access the abundant eternal life He gives.

John 17:3 This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

The physical natural temporal kingdom has no way of hearing, seeing, understanding, accessing and possessing this eternal life through its wisdom, known as the wisdom of man.

Human learning and the acquiring of informational knowledge of the scriptures through the intellect is human wisdom. It is this wisdom that says the wilderness is a place of dryness, lifelessness, empty, barren and desolate. Why, because it is not capable of seeing the incredible abundant life that stands directly in front of it.

Jesus was constantly faced with this dilemma by everyone in His life. Why did Jesus have to ask His disciples who He was after they had already declared they had found the Messiah?



Why did the disciples pretty much never hear what Jesus was saying when He spoke?

Why did the disciples for the most part, in the gospels, act completely the opposite way to how Jesus taught them?

Why can we, today, be exactly the same as Jesus' disciples were back then?

Because we too, just like them, apply man's wisdom, when it comes to hearing, seeing, understanding and attempting to access all of the eternal abundant resource that is in the One who is a type of wilderness, but this doesn't have to be the case.

When we completely surrender the operating systems of man and allow our will to fall upon the Rock and be smashed into pieces, and start asking the Holy Spirit to engrave His Word on our hearts through revelation, renewing our minds via the Spirit and having our emotions defined by His Truth, we find ourselves starting to access and possess all of the hidden manna that is concealed and contained in the One who is a type of Wilderness.

QUESTIONS

1. What are our thoughts about Jesus being a type of wilderness?
2. Water came out of the rock in the wilderness. What is this a spiritual type of?
3. Why does the unseen seen eternal life only exist in Him?
4. What role does faith play in knowing this eternal life and realm?
5. How much of this faith do you possess?