

THE GREATEST TEST PART 8 - BEING OF THE SEED

In the final part of this series, The Greatest Test, we are going to unpack the last verses in this passage from Genesis 22.

Genesis 22:18-19 "In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice." So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beersheba; and Abraham lived at Beersheba.

Verse 18 makes a profound statement in relation to the spiritual oneness we, as God's people, are called to enter into and live from. This was the prayer of our Lord Jesus Christ in John 17, that all His disciples would be one just as He and the Father are one.

Notice it says the seed, not seeds, of Abraham. The seed (singular) of Abraham is for both the Jews and the Gentiles. A people of the spirit who are one in and of the Spirit. They are called to live in accordance with the Spirit, and the Spirit alone. We are to be built in and of the Spirit, with every facet of our lives, lived in accordance with the Spirit.

There is no longer male or female, Jew or Greek, slave or free for we are all one in Christ, and Christ is of the Spirit. It's not about natural bloodlines, genealogies, culture, nor ethnicity. This life of the spirit has no beginning, nor end of days. It is purely eternal and is of ONE seed, and that seed is Abraham.

Abraham is the father of spiritual faith, which opens up this spiritual reality called the kingdom of God, which is to be formed within and through us. This has absolutely nothing to do with circumcision or uncircumcision, living morally correct or trying to be a good person by doing good works.

Galatians 5:6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything, but faith working through love.

Galatians 6:15 For neither is circumcision anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.



Romans 4:13-17 For the promise to Abraham or to his descendants that he would be heir of the world was not through the Law, but through the righteousness of faith. For if those who are of the Law are heirs, faith is made void and the promise is nullified; for the Law brings about wrath, but where there is no law, there also is no violation. For this reason it is by faith, in order that it may be in accordance with grace, so that the promise will be guaranteed to all the descendants, not only to those who are of the Law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, (as it is written, "A father of many nations have I made you") in the presence of Him whom he believed, even God, who gives life to the dead and calls into being that which does not exist.

Just as we discussed in the beginning, Abraham was tested on whom he loved the most. Was it God or himself? It is no different for us today. Those of Abraham's seed will overcome this same test, due to knowing God, through revelation and living by faith in Jesus Christ. This is the beautiful outworking of the tandem team of Love and Faith as testified to in Galatians 5:6.

As God's people we are His possession, and we are to live as His possession. This means we are not to be the lord of our own lives, and we are not to be the possession of others or to hold others in our own hearts above Him. If we are not one with the Father, we unfortunately will still be the lord of our own lives and will be found loving ourselves and others first, proving that we are unworthy of Him.

Matthew 10:37 "He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me."

Because we are of Abraham's seed, by the spirit of faith, we are granted to know all the mysteries of the kingdom and be living in accordance with these kingdom promises. All these promises are concealed in the Christ, and they must be revealed. Proverbs 25:2 says "it's the glory of God to conceal a matter and the glory of kings to search out a matter."

The greatest mystery yet to be revealed in the hearts and minds of many in the church today, is the Marriage Covenant that the Father made between Christ and His Church.



Matthew 10:37 above, relates to this mystery.

Unless we are able to demonstrate and live out this eternal wisdom, through a singular pursuit of devotion unto the Son, we will have no part in this Marriage Covenant. We will find ourselves separate from Him and this reality in His kingdom yet to come.

Abraham as we know is the father of faith, so all those of His seed, which is the seed of Christ, are to be and live by this kind of faith. All those who live by this faith will possess the promises of Christ and live from them, being the overcomers the Scripture testifies to, passing not only the test of love, but all other tests which come our way.

QUESTIONS

- 1. Why is oneness of spirit and being perfected in oneness so vital for every follower of Jesus?
- 2. Why is the way of the spirit not about natural bloodlines or genealogies or culture or ethnicity?
- 3. Our reference and reality of faith must be a Godly one. What is Godly faith?
- 4. Name the eternal unseen promises of God that you have received in you, through revelation by the spirit, which has enlarged your faith in Jesus Christ?
- 5. What have you been made aware of about yourself in relation to this resource called The Greatest Test?

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