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Episode 36 – Obtaining the Glory: Spirit of Christ vs. Spirit of the Father

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Scott Stanley's videocast explores key biblical concepts centered on the relationship between **the Father, the Son (Christ), and the Holy Spirit**, focusing primarily on **Romans chapter 8** and related scriptures. The message underscores the importance of understanding **the distinctions between the Spirit of Christ and the Spirit of the Father**, and how these relate to salvation, spiritual life, and Christian character.

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Scriptures are transcribed directly with notations. Refer to KJV for verbatim wording.

Hi, I'm Scott Stanley, continuing this videocast concerning understanding Christ. There is a verse in Romans chapter 8 that speaks a lot to help us understand the difference between the Father and Son. I pray to take my time in this video, regardless of how long it's going to take me, because it's important that we grasp these concepts.

I believe we're just on the cusp of this message of the gospel going to all the world. I believe that the day of the Lord is just upon this world, and I pray to have people ready. We need to understand what's going on and who knows who's going to be listening to the podcast and the videocast, what they're going to be getting from it. It's my prayer

that people can understand what salvation is. So what I want to do is turn to Romans chapter 8. In verse 7, he says,

Rom 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God, for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can it be.

Rom 8:8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Rom 8:9 But you're not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Right there, I would put the end of that verse, and starting with the word "Now," should begin the next verse. He says,

Rom 8:9 ... Now, if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.

Rom 8:10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

Rom 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwells in you.

Well, let's talk about that for a minute because there are a couple of things in here. First of all, there is a distinction made between the Spirit of Christ and the Spirit of the one who raised him from the dead. The one who raised him from the dead is the Father. There's a difference between the Spirit of Christ and the Spirit of the Father. You do not belong to Christ. You're not his if you don't have the Spirit of Christ.

"If you have the Spirit of Christ," he says, "your body is dead because of sin. Your spirit is life because of righteousness. But if you have the Spirit of the one who raised him from the dead, if you have the Spirit of the Father..." and now we know that it is the spirit of a mother. It's the Holy Spirit, the emotional side of God, which you receive when you pray that prayer, "Father, into your hands, I commit, I commend my spirit," and you find death, and God can raise you and give you a new spirit.

Well, if the spirit that raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, then your body is quickened. Your mortal flesh is quickened. Now, what do we mean by that? Well, I want

to continue reading this because I think it's self-explanatory. Romans 8, starting at verse 12,

Rom 8:12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

Rom 8:13 If you live after the flesh, you're going to die; but if you, through the Spirit, put to death the deeds of the body, you'll live.

Rom 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

If you possess the Spirit of the Father, New Jerusalem, the Mother of us all, the emotional side of God, then you have within you the spirit of a mother to show empathy, sympathy, and compassion. These things, when you use those tools or the tool of the Spirit of God, it quickens your mortal body, your mortal flesh to put away the iniquity and act without sin... to put away your anger, to put away your bitterness, and you can act without sin. But it's only the Spirit of the Father that does that for you.

Again, it's almost unbelievable if you've never seen this. If you don't have the Spirit of Christ, you're none of his. If you have the Spirit of Christ, your body's still dead. What do you mean? Well, he just said, *If you have the Spirit of the Father, it quickens you to put away the iniquity.* Without that, if you just have the Spirit of Christ, your body is still dead. It isn't quickened to do what you need to do.

Interesting, isn't it? Because this is what we're getting into to get a better understanding of Jesus Christ and his Father and the Holy Spirit and now the Spirit of Christ himself. The Spirit of Christ himself does not quicken your body. Your body's still dead to respond to what it needs to do. It doesn't mean you don't have some will worship in there. You can make yourself do good. But eventually, it piddles out. What you want is the Spirit of the Father. You want that to become who you are, and you will act free from iniquity, which means you'll stop sinning.

Now, what is the Spirit of Christ? To show you this, I want you to turn to Philippians chapter 2, starting at verse 5.

Php 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was in Jesus Christ, or Christ Jesus.

Remember, throughout the scriptures, "spirit" and "mind" are used synonymously. So what you're getting ready to read is the Spirit of Christ, and remember, without this, you're not his, according to Romans 8.

Php 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was in Christ Jesus:

Php 2:6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

"Robbery" simply means "something to be taken." In other words, he's in the form of God, but he is not trying to be equal with God. Verse 7,

Php 2:7 But he made himself of no reputation (which means he emptied himself) and took upon him the form of a servant, and came to be in the likeness of men:

Php 2:8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Now, what's the Spirit of Christ? The Spirit of Christ is that you do not try to seek equality with God. That's laughable, isn't it? You would think, "Well, who would ever do that?" Well, I want to show you something here in just a second. The Spirit of Christ will not seek equality with God, but instead, he humbles himself and becomes a servant.

Now, listen, you have to have that mindset. You have to have that spirit. If you're ever going to understand what happened on the cross to receive the spirit of the Father, you have to have the Spirit of Christ, or you're none of his. But that spirit alone does not quicken your mortal flesh to do what needs to be done. That spirit is what is needed to find the humility to what? Well, he became a servant. He became a man. And then what did he do? He died even the death of the cross. There's the Spirit of Christ.

You do not exalt yourself. You find humility before God, and you become a servant. You become a man... You realize your humanity, and you die the death of the cross, too, because the cross isn't just Jesus' death, it's us. There's a double involved here, and maybe we need to talk even more about that. The point is, you need to have the Spirit of Christ, or you're not of his. You need to have that humility, and you don't want to exalt yourself more than a servant. I'm a servant, and I'm made like a man, and I'll die even the death of the cross. With that, you will receive the Holy Spirit, and that Spirit will quicken your mortal flesh.

Now, listen, I'm not making this up. We're simply reading verses, but I know this contradicts, let's just say, people's theology. I know this contradicts what people want to believe about God. So what is this that even though he himself, Jesus, was in the form of God, even being in the form of God, he chose not to seek equality with God. He wasn't going to try to make that happen where he's equal to God.

Why would that even be in the Bible? Why is God giving us that warning? Well, turn with me to Isaiah chapter 14. I want to start reading at verse 12. This is something we've probably read a million times, but I want you to understand something about this.

Isa 14:12 How are you fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How are you cut down to the ground, which did weaken the nations!

Isa 14:13 You said in your heart, I'm going to ascend into the heavens. I'm going to exalt my throne above the stars of God. I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

Isa 14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; and I will be like the most High.

What we're reading here is exactly the opposite of the Spirit of Christ. Now, what does it all mean? What I want to do is just kind of roll all this together to show you something. Paul uses these texts in 2 Thessalonians, chapter 2, about the man of sin. If we really dig into the prophecies and begin to understand what he's talking about, he is pointing the finger; he is showing you this man of sin is the papacy.

What does it mean when in these scriptures it says, *"I'm going to exalt my throne above the stars. I'm going to be like the most High"*? Let me ask you a question. The Pope is called Vicarius Filii Dei. "Vicarius Filii Dei" means "substitute, vicar of the Son of God." How does the Pope show that he is exalted to that place? How does he do that? Does he do that by riding in expensive cars and wearing a fish hat, wearing white clothes? How is he showing you that he is deserving of that? How is he manifesting that he is the Vicar of Christ? How is he doing that?

He's saying, "Well, you know, I have the power to forgive you. And I can take God and put him in a cookie, in a wafer, in a host, and we'll put that in your mouth, and you'll have God." Does that make him the substitute for Christ? How is he manifesting that

authority? It's when he interprets the Word of God, and he tells you what the Word of God means. Listen to me. The Bible is the Word of God. If you step into my life and you start exalting your throne (a throne's the conscience), and you exalt your throne above the stars (the stars are the truths of the scripture) ... You're going to exalt your throne above the stars; you've just made yourself equal to God.

This is the word of God, but you are going to be the one to interpret it for us and tell us what it actually means. Well, there are a lot of people doing that. It isn't just the papacy. There are a lot of people who do that, who will read the Bible and tell you what they think it means, and they don't realize that they, too, have that same spirit of Antichrist. They have the same spirit. You're going to take the word of God, and you're going to put your interpretation to it and then, you know, you're going to get mad at me if I disagree - maybe even to the point of physical harm that you will disagree to that point.

Well, the Pope can wear the hats, wear the clothes, ride in the fancy cars, and have the money they have. That doesn't make him a replacement for Jesus. Jesus is the mediator. Jesus is the guy, like Moses, who will bring us the understanding of God. That is what the Pope is trying to replace. Again, let's read this one more time.

Isa 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer (which simply means, O, enlightened one), you're the son of the morning! How are you cut down to the ground, which did weaken the nations (of the mind)!

Remember, you're redeemed from every nation, kindred, tongue, and people (Rev 5:9).

Isa 14:13 You said in your heart, I will ascend into heaven (it's "the heavens." The heavens is God's understanding. I'm going to exalt my conscience, my throne). It's going to be above the stars of God (the truth). I'm going to sit upon the mount of the congregation in the sides of the north:

Isa 14:14 And I will ascend above the high places of the clouds (the clouds are the church. I'm going to ascend above the heights of the church). I will be like the most High.

Is it getting any clearer to you why the Pope or anybody thinks that if they can simply put their interpretation to the Word of God, that makes them like God? What does he

mean when he talks about the sides of the north? Let's turn to Exodus 25. Reading from Exodus 25, verse 30,

Exo 25:30 You shall set upon the table shewbread before me always (or before me continually).

The table of shewbread. This is what we're talking about, the table of shewbread. Let me show you some things about the table of shewbread. First thing, on the table of shewbread were twelve loaves of bread (Lev 24:5-8). The twelve loaves of bread were in two piles or two stacks of bread. That means they were six and six. And "six" is the number of man. So what you're seeing on the table of shewbread are two people. "Shewbread" literally means "bread of faces."

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Who are the two faces? Well, it would be the Son of God who inspired the Old Testament and the Son of God who inspired the New. The bread comes from all the children of Israel (Lev 24:8). The bread is a symbol of the Bible. It's written by the children of Israel, inspired by the Son of God; we could say Old Testament, New Testament.

This table of shewbread was on the north side of the sanctuary (Exo 26:35). You walk into the sanctuary. To your left is the lampstand with seven lamps. Jesus tells us those are the seven churches of Revelation (Rev 1:20). What's on the other side? Well, that would be the north side. Because when you walk into the sanctuary, you're headed west. East, which is self, is to your back.

So, you turn, and you look north, and there is a table of faces. It is the bread, the shewbread, the bread of faces, the Son of God. And it is where? It's seated on the side of the north. For the Pope or anybody to tell you that they are going to exalt their understanding above the stars, above the clouds, above the church, "*They too,*" he says in Isaiah, "*I too will sit (where?) on the sides of the north*" (Isa 14:13). It's the shewbread he's talking about.

If you let the Pope or anybody else sit on the side of the north, you now have three sixes. Again, six is the number of a man. You now have three sixes, which is what? Well, 666. It means you're allowing another person to play God for you, to be God for you. They're going to tell you what God is saying, and they're going to put their own interpretation to it. And they will exalt themselves above you, above God.

God has his ministry, and he has warned us. The Apostle John warned us in 1 John, chapter 4. He says, *"Try the spirits. There are a lot of false prophets out there. Try the spirits. Anybody who says that Jesus Christ did not come in the flesh is not of God. That's the Spirit of Antichrist"* (1Jn 4:1-3). The flesh is your own understanding. Jesus came in his own understanding. He had to learn and grow into the understanding of God unto the day where God said, *"You're my Son,"* and he became the Christ, and he was born again (Psa 2:6-7).

Bear with me, because I want you to understand what is actually going on here... the danger. We live in perilous times. For somebody to think they have that authority over the church, they are sitting on the side of the north. This reminds me of Isaiah 42:8. Let's put this on the screen.

Isa 42:8 I am Jehovah. That is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

Question. Who can explain God's glory? This is something I've tried to cover in these videos. Moses asked the Lord in Exodus 33, *"Show me your glory."* In chapter 34, he declares the name of God when he says he's gracious and merciful and long-suffering and so on (Exo 33:18/34:5-7).

God says, *"I will not give my glory to another."* What do you get from that, *"I'm not going to give my glory"*? It's his character that he's talking about. Now, this is interesting, because I want you to compare that to 2 Thessalonians 2:14.

2Th 2:14 Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

There's also a verse in Romans 5 that *we are in hope of the glory of God* (Rom 5:2). What does he mean? *"I'm not going to give my glory to anyone,"* but Paul says, *"Through the gospel, we can obtain the glory."* Now, this is huge. God doesn't give you that character, but through the gospel, you can obtain it. That's two different things. He's not telling you, *"You could never be like me,"* because the only begotten Son is the image of the invisible God (Col 1:15). He's the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and he's given us the promise that we will be made in the image of Christ (Rom 8:29).

If you obtain the glory of Christ, the character of Christ, you've obtained the glory of God. But you obtain it. He doesn't give it to you. Well, how in the world do you obtain it? Well, Paul just said, through the gospel you obtain that glory. Through the gospel. Well, through the gospel, having the Spirit of Jesus, I can obtain the Spirit of God, the Father, and obtain his glory by working out my own salvation through fear and trembling (Php 2:12). And my works perfect my faith (Jas 2:22).

Did he give that to the papacy? This is something you obtain. He says, *"I'm not going to give my glory to another."* The people who are in that camp of Trinitarianism, the people who deny the Son of God, the Father, and the Son, they deny Christ came in the flesh... They can never obtain the glory of God. Think about it.

Can you watch these guys, these ministers on TV, these YouTube people, and they're on there, telling you all of these things and arguing about different aspects of the Bible... yet they themselves will tell you they can't stop sinning. You can't overcome sin, and you have to be given a new body before you can do that. So basically, what they're saying is God will give you his glory. If you hang on long enough, he'll give you a new body. You'll take that new body, and now you're not going to sin, so he did give you his glory.

No, God is not going to do that. You're going to work out your own salvation through fear and trembling. You obtain that glory through the gospel, and it is something offered to every one of us.

This videocast, if I'm going to help anybody, I have to be more specific about what I'm talking about. And, of course, when I do that, when I become more specific, I'm vulnerable to the onslaught of anger and accusations, and that's okay. That's fine. I pray that God will give us insight into what the truth is. We need to know the hope of his

calling, the riches of the glory that he's giving us, and you need to know resurrection power. The power that he used to raise Jesus from the dead is the very power that he uses to raise you from the dead and give you the ability to walk in a new life, free from iniquity.

This is what God is offering us. I pray that you have the power to overcome your anger, your resentment, and find the grace of God, find the Spirit of Christ so you can be made in the image of God.