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### **CONNECTING TO HIS GREATNESS**

*“Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and His greatness is unsearchable.”*

God dwells within you. He breathed a measure of His Spirit into your living soul. *“He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is”*—making the expression of God through you divinely potent as the seed of His unsearchable greatness. Your purpose in life is to give birth to that greatness within you. But it’s been a challenge since the beginning.

Immediately following the Creation, the Destroyer attempted to separate mankind from his Divine Source. The attack came in the subtle form of a question. *“Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?’”* The implied doubt questioned the validity of what Adam and Eve believed.

The very first attack in recorded history came as a ‘spin’ on truth. The Destroyer said, *“You shall not surely die. For God knows that in the day that you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”* The Destroyer replaced the stardust of heavenly places with the dust of the earth. It changed man’s perception. Instead of seeing God’s competence and wondrous works, Adam and Eve now saw their ineptness and lack.

Echoes of this doubt continued throughout the generations until Christ. Moses questioned his authority to lead saying, *“Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?”* David doubts his genealogy is good enough to even be king, saying *“Who am I that God should be mindful of me and my house?”* It’s difficult to believe that Solomon, the wisest man that ever lived, once doubted his wisdom or ability by questioning, *“Who am I to build You a temple?”*

### **The Fourth Dimension**

How many times have you likewise questioned your ability to manifest what's been asked of you to do? Just as these three leaders exemplified the building of the first three dimensions of the Tabernacle/Temple of God in the earth—you become the fourth. The fourth dimension is God's expression manifesting as the Body of Christ.

Jesus boldly said, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness of the truth." He didn't doubt who He was or what He was called to do. His last prayer was that we'd be one as He was one with the Father. In other words, it's important that you see your connection as a son—that you know who you are and what you're called to do 'in' Him. Jesus led the way but now we are joint heirs with Him. "*Beloved now are we the sons of God.*"

Before the fall of man there were no limits on creativity or prosperity. Everything flourished because the same power and ability of Jesus was placed in all mankind. That means you have the same seed of greatness in you that is in Jesus. This is called the mantle of the Spirit. If you are in Him, then the mantle of the Spirit passed to you as "*joint heirs with Christ.*" In Him you build the House and raise up the Body of Christ.

*"For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit 'in' the inner man, that Christ may dwell 'in' your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded 'in' love, may also comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height (your place 'in' the fourth temple or dimension)—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works 'in' us, to Him be glory 'in' the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.*

You manifest the Temple of God in the Body of Christ. You enter the fourth dimension in your Christ Consciousness (the power within you to know God) and become His expression in the earth. But how do you bring this to pass?

### **You Focus on What You Think is Important.**

In the beginning God blessed them saying; "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it, have dominion" over everything created. Yet it seems that the one exception was the command not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and if he did partake of it—he'd die.

You focus on what you think is important—and "in making that choice you eliminate entire worlds." Adam and Eve had the choice to focus on what they would or wouldn't do. The Apostle Paul wondered why he ended up doing the very thing that he chose not to do, saying, "*For what I will to do, that I do not practice, but what I hate, that I do.*" But he understood something extraordinary about Christ Consciousness and said, "*There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are 'in' Christ Jesus, who do not walk*

*according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life 'in' Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death."*

Paul revealed a secret in how to succeed. *"For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit the things of the Spirit."* The secret is to set your mind on what you want. You must first clearly see a thing in your mind before you can do it. Mentally zero in on the desired result as though it already existed.

### **Your Divinity is the Christ In You**

There is a creative mind that thinks and speaks the thoughts of God and the destructive mind that works against it. The Spirit of God influences the creative mind. This is the mind that was in man from the beginning. It is full of light and possibility. It's connected to the 'all' of God and has a part in the overall plan of creation.

Sometimes there's ignorance to the vast power of your 'thoughts.' Thoughts can be classified as positive or negative. These can be creative thought patterns that stimulate, rejuvenate and heal—or destructive thought patterns that are depressing, discouraging and damaging. "It is the reaction of the mind upon the body that makes a man what he is—a failure or a success, a negative or a forceful personality."

The creative mind has a voice that speaks of truth and possibility—focusing on heavenly places or 'blue sky thinking.' These are the thoughts that affirm who you are and what you're called to do. But if you think these thoughts are too good to be true, that it's being boastful, egotistical and arrogant, then you close the curtain on your greatness.

### **You are Destined to be One In the Father**

Some look for God somewhere else—as though His address is somewhere over the rainbow. Others know God dwells with man but feel they fall short of His grace by what they do or don't do—thus separate from Him. But the scripture says *"For (Jesus) is our peace, who made both one."* He made it possible to be a divine soul manifesting God. Paul revealed that heaven had come to earth—that you don't have to die to get there. And he also located where God is—He's within you and already *"broke down the middle wall of separation ... so as to create 'in' Himself one new man ... that He might reconcile them both to God 'in' one body ... For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father."*

*"Let this mind be 'in' you which was also 'in' Christ Jesus, who being 'in' the form of God did not consider it robbery to be equal with God."* This is the heritage of man. *"I and the Father are one."* There's only one way to be one with the power of God and that is to be in relationship as a son. It's important to be one with God and bring forth the manifestation of His thought 'form' in the Body of Christ.

You have a ‘form of God’ in you. It’s your Christ Consciousness that allows you to tap into the divinity of the Father through your thoughts. Jesus tore down the middle wall of separation. It doesn’t make you God, but it does allow you to do good works. The greater work for each soul is to lift your thoughts to such heights in Christ that you comprehend and manifest the greatness of God in His Body.

You express God through what you do—whether it’s singing in the shower or at the Metropolitan Opera, twirling in your prayer closet or part of the Royal Ballet, testifying to your neighbor or before a full house at Madison Square Garden.

### **You Can Change Your Atmosphere**

Did you know that your thoughts create a holding pattern? If your thoughts are made up of doubts, fears, jealousy or selfishness they’ll hold you back from fulfilling your purpose by forming barriers to achieving success. If you’re blaming fate, bad luck, or other people for why your life is off track and unproductive—you’re bumping into destructive thought forms. You may feel disappointed or frustrated that your life didn’t turn out the way you wanted but you have the ability to change it.

You choose to be successful or not by what you persistently aim for in your daily activities and thoughts. You are the programmer in control of what you think. Since two opposing thoughts cannot coexist it means you choose which thought to dwell on now. If these thoughts are creative they’ll build an energy force around you of positive thought forms—every time you bump into one of these thoughts you’ll feel recharged.

Darkness is merely the absence of light but if you open the curtain the light dispels the darkness. It’s not the sheer force of will power but simply a substitution—the light instead of the darkness. The higher thought of godly possibility releases your mind and body by replacing the lower thoughts that once held you captive. Merely holding good thoughts in your mind attracts more good thoughts to you and eventually alters the atmosphere. Call to mind *"whatsoever is pure ... lovely ... of good report ... honest (etc. and) think on these things."*

You can change your outlook simply by making a choice, and then by practicing or acting out that new plan, response or behavior. Just as a pianist can choose to strike a different key or a dancer learn a new step you too can choose how you’ll change. It requires conscious watchfulness and practice. Allow a deeper Christ Consciousness to dominate your life and it’ll open a whole new world of possibility for you that’ll be a far richer experience in Him.

Man is beginning to see that he has a choice to tap into the creative force or not—that he chooses whether to create a positive or negative energy field around him by his thoughts. If you don’t recognize greatness within you it’s because the voice you hear doubts it could possibly exist—thus hindering and holding you back. But if you recognize God’s greatness within, then you’ll make choices for that greatness to manifest.

You hear truth and choose to believe in divine possibility. You are set free from the law of limitation. You're totally free to experience life in Christ and manifest your greatness.

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