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Newness

Last year, the Lord revealed to me that the Church had entered into the era of the Golden Glory. (I believe it is the last era of the Church age before the coming of the Lord.) He revealed this to me through a picture of the Ark of the Covenant shining with splendor on top of a cliff in the midst of darkness. My heart was expectant and prepared to experience such goodness and glory.

As I now reflect back on my entire year, I must say with all sincerity, that it was the toughest year for me, my family and ministry. I could not help but cry out to the Lord with grief, complaint and disappointment.

Satan knowing of this new era of the Church, he attempted to hinder the Church by trying to immobilize and dismantle it via the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 and big government control in 2021 on a global scale and a fierce spiritual battle individually to the leaders of the Church.

In the midst of all the clutter, I heard the Lord say, “Newness of Life.”

Romans 6:4, NJKV

Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the **glory** of the Father, even so we also should walk in **newness of life**.

As believers in Christ, we have been co-raised from the dead by the glory of the Father. We have it. Now, as the righteousness of God in Christ, we can't help but walk in newness of life. It is not “if” we walk in newness of life, but we “will” walk in newness of life. It is a matter of time before we experience greater measures of it in our daily lives.

Even though Satan can try to delay the manifestation of the glory of the Father, he doesn't have the power to stop it. With this said, whatever he tried to hinder in your life the past two years, this is the year that it will break through.

-What is newness of life?

It is the state by which the ongoing life of God is produced without restraint because the presence of the ever-living Christ is now within you. You take the presence of Christ wherever you go and whatever you do. I can give you an image of what newness of life looks like: you operating fully

in the gifts of the spirit, the fruit of the spirit, and newness of the spirit (benefits that Christ purchased for you at the cross). To the non-believer, you will seem like a walking phenomenon.

Hebrews 10:19-20

Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a **new** and **living** way.

I believe God revealed to me the ark of the covenant because, in the old testament, it is the clearest expression of the presence of God's beloved Son, Jesus.

In this verse we see newness of life expressed in adjective form – new and living. Here we see it tied with the ark of the covenant in the Holiest, which is a picture of the presence of Christ.

Notice that we now enter His presence by the blood of Jesus, and not by our holy performance or perfect behavior. The blood is a once-and-good-for-all-time ticket. It is a new and living way because our invoking is now acknowledging that His ever presence is in us. You no longer have to search for Him in any other place but your heart on a daily basis, especially when you fail.

This year there will be newness of life for the Church. There will be new doors opening, new forms of doing ministry, innovations, new milestones reached, new positive experiences, new directions, new assignments, new ways, and new levels. The first century Church will be but a fraction of what the latter Church will accomplish.

Romans 1:30

...slanderers, haters of God, insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors of new forms of evil, disobedient to parents...

However, Satan will also bring newness to the world, but unlike the newness that brings life.

I feel the Lord tell me that Satan will try to mimic the Church with newness but a new and evil way, not a new and living way. I'm not sure what that will look like but I can try to elaborate the best I could with wisdom and observation of my surroundings.

As you see the Church experience newness of life, the world will experience new forms of evil that will pave the path towards the coming tribulation and coming of Christ. For instance, in the world there will be new forms of government to control the masses, new forms of controlling buying and selling, new forms of malicious technology, new forms of policies to ensnare citizens, new forms of evil science breakthroughs, new forms of healthcare to monitor society, and new destructive wars that will change boundaries and territories and intergovernmental organizations for the worst.

For you, believer in Christ, expect nothing less than newness of life via the person of Christ.

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