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I appreciate the Lord and what He is doing at this end time. We are so happy that He let us live here at this moment of time to see the things that we are seeing and to hear the things that we are hearing. In the Book of Matthew 13:17, Jesus told His disciples, "Many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which you see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which you hear, and have not heard them." And now we are hearing and seeing the end of all things. Also, we are seeing the final resting place of the feminine attributes of Christ in us, the Christ Wife. I thank God for all things. I cannot thank Him enough for all He has done for us and all that He is doing for us. Blessed be the Lord!

Today I want to speak on, *Being Created In the Image of God*. And what I want you to notice is that it takes Christ to project and bring into being the image of God. In Genesis, Chapter One, God began His creation, and there were angels that were created, but from the beginning all things pertaining to mankind started with the part of God called *Christ*. And we do not get away from that because Christ is the part of God's Spirit that He uses to work with mankind.

In Genesis 1:26-27, God is speaking to His Christ concerning His plan of creating mankind. And long before this, He already had other creations, such as the angels, and also the animals in the prehistorical age. But His Christ is the only one that He put His attributes in. Notice, He did not put His attributes in the angels as He did His Christ. God's angels are His helpers, and He made them *our* helpers too, for they are ministering spirits to minister to them that are heirs of salvation. (Hebrews, Chapters 1-2) And whether you are male or female, it makes no difference with them, for they are helpers to us all. Now let us pray before going any further into the Word.

Heavenly Father, it is in the name of Jesus Christ that we come, the greatest name that there has ever been. And we thank you for giving this name. And the Word teaches that we are saved by this name, and that we take on this name, this great name of the Lord Jesus Christ. And He shared the Christ part of His name with us His Wife—Christ the Wife of the Lamb. O’ God we praise you! And I pray this morning that you will bless us and help me say words that will benefit the Wife of the Lamb and help us as we walk with thee in this moment of the twinkling of an eye. Amen.

When we look at Adam being created, we see that he was created male and female just like God is, just like Christ is. Adam was created in the spirit first, and his spirit contained both the masculine and feminine attributes. Then later on down the road, I do not know how far, how many years or months or weeks or days or whatever it might have been, God made a body for Adam and put him into it. And this was after everything was created, for God created the animals and brought them to Adam to see what he would name them, and whatever he said their name was, that is what it was. And at this time, Eve had not yet been created. But then God saw that Adam was lonely. All the animals were created male and female, male and female, male and female. That is the way God started this off from the beginning, male and female. But it is the devil that tries to get it all crossed up. So God put Adam to sleep, took out of him a rib, and created him a wife, whom Adam named *Eve*. Then He separated out the feminine attributes that were in Adam and put them into Eve. And Adam and Eve were co-equal there in the sense of living together and being one, with God placing the leadership in the man.

So man was created in the image of God, for God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.” Now remember here that Christ has the same image that God has. The Christ Spirit had in it everything that God had; and we can follow that Spirit through time and see the different manifestations of

Christ. In 1 Corinthians 10:4, we see that Christ was that spiritual Rock that followed the children of Israel in the wilderness and gave them water to drink. And in Hebrews, Chapter 7, it shows Christ in Melchizedek, who had neither father nor mother, beginning of days nor ending of life; and there is no human being like that walking around on this earth because there is a father, there is a mother, and they produce a child. But here was one that was not produced that way. God just created a body for Melchizedek and put Christ into him, and then he had all those attributes of Christ (and just like Jesus Christ, he was mostly showing the masculine attributes). In Genesis 14:18-20, He came to Abraham and brought forth bread and wine, and ate and drank with him and blessed him. And it was something that was very important to Abraham, just as the action of Melchizedek and the picture it painted is important to us the Wife as seen in the Book of Hebrews. For it shows what Jesus Christ did for us in the garden, showing us that He overcame death and then died for us so that we could enter into glorification without ever having to struggle with death—for He overcame for us.

In order to put all this together about being in the image of God, let us begin reading in Genesis 1:26-27. It says, *“And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man (now watch) in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.”* Now I want you to watch what was in God, and what came forth from Him; the male and female. So in Adam both the masculine and feminine attributes were in him because he was made in the image of God. Then upon the creation of Eve, the masculine and feminine attributes were no longer in one vessel anymore. Likewise, when Christ came into Jesus, then there stood another man like Adam was in the beginning, with both

the masculine and feminine attributes of Christ in one man. So with Adam, God took the dust of the earth and created him, but Jesus came through a virgin named Mary, and He was that Word made flesh. Then after the fullness of Christ came into Jesus, He also possessed the masculine and feminine attributes, and here the masculine part of Christ found its eternal resting place. And just as the feminine attributes were taken from Adam and put into Eve, the feminine attributes in the Lord Jesus Christ came into the Wife of the Lamb and eternally rest in Her.

Thank God for the Apostle John, for he brought that out so clearly in his writings, that Jesus was the Word made flesh. Moreover, it all originated in the writings of the Prophet Isaiah that a virgin would conceive, which was fulfilled when God sent His trusted angel Gabriel to a virgin named Mary to tell her that she would conceive by the Holy Spirit overshadowing her and that she would bring forth Jesus the Son of God. And Mary believed Gabriel's Word and said, "Be it unto me according to thy Word." So Mary gave birth to Jesus, who was that special part of the Word that was from the beginning with God, as John bore witness of the Word in John 1:1,14, saying, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us."

So here was a man called *Jesus* that was much like Adam was. And as Jesus went through life, He showed us that a human could live here and be what God ordained us to be. And to know that is very important. God said, "Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness"—and here at about thirty years old, Christ came into Jesus after He was baptized of John the Baptist in the Jordan River, and He was given the Spirit without measure. Now here is a perfect man, and within Him are the masculine and feminine attributes of Christ, just like was in God from the beginning. And Jesus the Christ went forth and

preached for three and a half years showing forth the glory of the Father.

Notice, Jesus was raised as a Jew, and according to Luke, Chapter 4, He went to the temple on the Sabbath just as all the other Jews did as was His custom. Prior to Christ coming into Him, He was blending with the Jews and just being one of them, and He was such a good man. And even the Pharisees and Sadducees liked Him. The Bible says He grew in favor with God and man; everyone liked Jesus. But when Christ came into Him, He began to act differently, and as He walked here for three and a half years, He was a man with all the attributes of God in Him. That is why when they asked, "What is your doctrine?" he would say, "I do nothing until the Father shows me." That is why He could say certain things that no other human being on the face of this earth could say and get by with it, for when they pointed out to Him what Moses said, Jesus said, "Yes, I know what Moses said, but I say unto you." That was God speaking through His Son, as the Son had the authority of the Father in the earth, for the fullness of the Godhead dwelled within Him. And that was the Voice that was above what Moses said.

As Jesus Christ went amongst the Jews and taught in the temple, He began to establish a new line of thinking. The Jews would say, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," but Jesus said, "If they smite you on one cheek, turn the other. And if they take away your cloak, give them your coat also." And He began to change the thinking of some of the people and did many mighty miracles; like when the woman of Canaan came to Him asking healing for her daughter, Jesus told her, "I am not sent but to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. It is not meet (suitable) to take the children's bread and cast it unto dogs." And she said, "Yes, I know the bread belongs to the children." That was showing that she recognized God's favor upon Israel. And we can recognize it today. Israel is the only country that God put their borderlines in the Bible, showing exactly where

the borders are, which is all the way to that great River Euphrates. So we see there is yet some land to be taken back, and they are going to take back every foot of it. And all these things we see now are leading up to this; it is all coming into being in this moment of the twinkling of an eye where we are living now.

So when we begin to look and see what Jesus did on this occasion, we can see He listened to the Christ that was within Him when this woman of Canaan cried unto Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil," for He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and besought Him, saying, "Send her away; for she crieth after us." Well, it seemed like Jesus was about ready to listen to them and do that; but then this woman said, "Lord, help me!" And He answered and said (showing forth the masculine attributes of Christ), "It is not meet to take the children's bread and to cast it to dogs." And she said, "Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table." *Then* Jesus answered and said unto her, "O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt." And her daughter was made whole from that very hour. So we see that the masculine and feminine parts of the Christ Spirit was working within Jesus the Christ. And on this particular occasion, He yielded over to the feminine part of that Christ Spirit and gave the woman what she was seeking.

Then after Jesus Christ was crucified, He released His Spirit, His soul, and the Bible says, "He poured out His soul unto death," then He came forth in a glorified body. And He walked here for forty days and nights teaching His disciples things that pertained to the Kingdom of God. So He was still preaching and teaching even after He received His glorified body. No, we do not know what all went on at that time, but we do know that He was still preaching and teaching the Word that was for that time.

And then according to 1 Corinthians, Chapter 15, there was about five hundred that saw Him at once.

So we do not know what all will take place after we get together in our glorified bodies with those glorified saints that Christ Jesus brought with Him as God makes them visible to us. (1 Thessalonians 4:14) God has sent with Him those 'souls' that Paul saw in 2 Corinthians 5:1, which were shown as 'tabernacles that were not made by hands, eternal in heaven.' And the soul looks much like the glorified human will be when they walk around here in glorified flesh and bones. And Paul told us when it would be. He said, "When the last trump of God sounds, the dead in Christ shall rise first." And that was the best revelational knowledge that was available at that time.

Notice, Paul said, "The dead in Christ shall rise first," and he was speaking of resurrection. But I say, "Paul called it the resurrection, but we call it the spiritual man taking on glorified flesh and bones." And that is taking place as we speak, for as we are being glorified, they are also taking on glorified flesh and bones, because they were brought down from heaven to experience what Paul said would be when the last trump of God sounds, and that is now taking place. And God reserved a little time; for He spared us a moment in the twinkling of an eye right there at the end of Ephesians 4:13-16 (which we have come through) where we were growing and maturing, and now we are expressing the Son of God as the Wife of the Lamb. So all of this is taking place, and we are the body of Christ in the earth. Paul said it like this—"We are changed from glory to glory into His very image." And now we have reached the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, which is His very image.

So as we saw the different manifestations of Christ all through time, we are now seeing the fullness of Christ in a body of people called the Wife of the Lamb. And the body of Christ is male and female in its make-up. And just like God ordained it to begin with, it is always man and woman, male and female, all the way

through. And the body of Christ is one group, those members that are living and those members that went by the way of the grave who now have come together as the Christ Wife. And this all began in Revelation, Chapter 10, at the coming of Christ Jesus hid in the Mighty Angel with the little book in His hand.

In Revelation, Chapters 1-3, John described the attributes of Jesus Christ as He was seen coming through the church ages. So there is no mistaking who this was that came down from heaven in Revelation, Chapter 10, shrouded or clothed in a cloud with a rainbow over His head. It was Christ Jesus hiding Himself in the Mighty Angel as He made His descent with a little book in His hand that was for a certain people to eat that would produce a certain thing. And we took the little book and ate it up, and it baptized us into this creative Word, the message of the last trump of God, which caused us to begin to take on glorified flesh and bones, with Christ Jesus manifesting the masculine attributes through the body as well as the Wife manifesting the feminine attributes. This brought together both the masculine and feminine attributes, thus consummating the marriage of our Lord Jesus Christ to the body of Christ that was in the earth by a proxy marriage. And our proxy marriage made us one with our Lord Jesus Christ who still remains in heaven waiting to call us up to be with Him while the tribulation is taking place in the earth. This means that we were His Wife even while we came through Ephesians 4:13-16 as we grew up into Him as His Wife and have come into this moment of the twinkling of an eye for the rapture.

Even in the earliest foundational part of this, Paul espoused a virgin to the glorified Jesus Christ who would later be married to Him. So at the very beginning of the creative work, God gave Paul a creative Word to begin this creation of a Wife for His Son. Therefore, we can see how God shares His creative power with His creation. It is amazing what God has invested in us. And when Christ Jesus came back to earth in Revelation, Chapter 10,

it was not just the masculine part that came back, but it was the masculine and feminine parts of the Christ Spirit that came back to this earth. Because there had to be a marriage, bringing together the masculine and feminine parts of Christ within us the body of Christ. And the masculine and feminine parts of Christ are now married together, and this has produced the fullness of the faith of Christ the Wife. Yes, the virgin lived after the faith of the Son of God; but once we took the little book and ate it up and the marriage took place, then it produced the fullness of the perfect faith of Christ, which is made known in this moment of the twinkling of an eye.

In Paul's day he pointed to it and told us that we would be changed and that we would get a glorified body and that we could say, "O death, where is your sting? O' grave, where is your victory?" Thank God He has given us victory! And God let Paul see it in a way that when he was writing under the anointing, it was as though he was right here being a partaker of it. That is because in actuality he is here now! And Paul wrote about our being baptized into the body of Christ, for he said, "By one Spirit you are baptized into one body," but he left it strictly in the spiritual realm. But at the sounding of this last trump of God it came out of the spiritual realm into the flesh and bones realm, for we are bone of His bones and flesh of His flesh, thus making us the Queen, the Wife of God's only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 5:30-32)

Here, I want to bring in a prophecy that was spoken many years ago. We were having some meetings here in Dawsonville, and a brother named Gerald Cleveland from South Carolina, who was believed to be a New Testament prophet, came to the meetings; and during one of these meetings, Brother Cleveland stood up, and a light suddenly came in at the window and rested over his head, and he said, "Yea, I have raised this place up, and I have ordained it; and My people will come and find the answer." It does not mean that they have to come here to

Dawsonville, for we send to the Wife of the Lamb the answer through the books, audios, and videos, and it is being sent all around the world. We thank God that here is a message that has broken down the middle wall of partition between the living and those that went by the way of the grave who have never been dead but are much alive, and together we are one body and are caught away. And this includes every member of the Wife that came through the church ages that has been brought back to the earth with Christ Jesus, thus gathering all the Wife members together in our marriage to our Lord Jesus Christ by a proxy marriage. (1 Thessalonians 4:14)

Notice, through the church ages, God let these members *eat of* the tree of life, *eat of* the little book and partake of it. But it was not given to them to take possession of it at that time. They did not have possession of it. But here came a Mighty Angel, which was manifesting the fullness of Christ, for He came down from heaven with all these attributes that were in God, and He had in His hand a little book open. And there is a people walking around here now that took the little book and ate it up (took possession of it), which has given us the very nature of God, the very nature of Christ. When I say God and Christ, I am not making such a separation. I am not making a separation like between God and angels; there is some separation there, and between us and angels there is some separation. But Christ has all the attributes of the Almighty God Himself because Christ is the part of God's Spirit that He uses to deal with mankind.

So the fullness of Christ Jesus came back to earth; and when He came, He brought the little book for the glorification of our body. And as we took the little book and ate it up, it baptized us into this last trump of God message, which is producing, creating a body of glorified flesh and bones, not only for the living but for those that have gone on, even for Paul and those that received his message because they are included in those that Christ Jesus brought to this earth. Hallelujah! And in this body

of Christ, there is male and female, all those attributes, to be used as God ordained. And in the body of Christ a woman is a woman, and a man is a man. But we are all one in purpose, one in Spirit, and one with the attributes of God, and everything is perfect. And again, we have come through that stage where we grew up, and here we are no longer tossed to and fro; for we have passed that stage and came right on into this little moment of time, for God spared us a moment of the twinkling of an eye, where the completion of our glorification is taking place. Paul said, "When the trumpet sounds, then that is the time the dead will rise," but I say that is the time that those who have never been dead, those that were in reserve, those that Christ Jesus brought with Him when He came are taking on glorified flesh and bones, because this trumpet Word is putting flesh and bones on them, glorified flesh and bones. This trumpet Word is changing us in this moment of the twinkling of an eye because we are all one. And together we are caught up to meet the Lord and be with Him in a jubilee for the duration of the tribulation.

So today God has a body (a dwelling place) in the earth. It is the body of Christ, the Wife of His Son, and we have all the attributes that were with God way back there before He ever created the world. Male and female created He them—in His spiritual image. Jesus Christ was a perfect specimen of what God wanted in a person, and that is what we are in the spiritual, visible glorified realm. And spiritually we are 16 foot tall. That means all the attributes of God are in the body. When God looks at us, His Son's Wife, He does not look at us as all these separate persons in the body, but He looks at us as the Wife of the Lamb that is expressing all those feminine attributes. And John in Revelation 19:7-8 called us the Lamb's Wife, showing that all of the members of the body of Christ together makes the one body, the Wife of the Lamb.

So here we are today, just like God saw before the foundation of the world—there is His Son and here is His Son's Wife on

earth. And soon we will be sitting by the side of our Lord Jesus Christ, back on earth again, as He says to us, "Welcome to your new home," with joy and gladness. He is the King of all the earth, and He has made us His Wife, the Queen of all the earth. And we are showing forth *that* as the Wife of the Lamb, for we have all these heavenly attributes. So I praise God for it. And I praise God and say, "Look what we are today! Look what we are! Look where God has brought us!"

Heavenly Father, we appreciate you, and we thank you for the Word. And I pray, O' God, that you will send this Word to those that you have ordained to have it; may each one receive revelation as they hear the message, in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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