

Scripture

Seeing Christ in every Page

Two Manner of People

Illustrating the layers of Scripture

And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padanaram, the sister to Laban the Syrian. And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived. And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If it be so, why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD. And the LORD said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and **two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger.** And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb. And the first came out red, all over like a hairy garment; and they called his name Esau. And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore years old when she bare them. And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents. And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob. And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was faint: And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called **Edom**. And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright. And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me? And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he swore unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: **thus Esau despised his birthright.**

- Jacob/Israel
 - Those who treasure the inheritance of God
 - Those who wrestle for the full blessing of God
 - Those that believe, those that trust God to be who He says He is
 - People of faith

- Esau/Edom/Amalek
 - Those who despise the inheritance of God
 - Those who reject what God can provide, because they believe they can provide it themselves
 - Those who are self-sufficient
 - Those who oppose the concept of a dependent life
 - People of flesh (Esau, Saul)

And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy; the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

1 Corinthians 15: 45-50

The Basic Philosophy

**Everything in Scripture pertains to Christ
He is the key to unlock the mystery**

Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures.

Luke 24:45

And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

Luke 24:27

Search the scriptures . . . they are they which testify of me.

John 5:39

For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

Romans 15:4

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

2 Timothy 3:16

Flesh versus Spirit

Flesh versus Spirit – Self-Effort versus Promise – Law versus Grace

Flesh, Self-Effort, Law = Ishmael, Esau, Saul

Spirit, Promise, Grace = Isaac, Jacob, David

That is, They which are the children of the **flesh**, these are not the children of God: but the children of the **promise** are counted for the seed.

Romans 9:8

Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman (The Law, after the Flesh) and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman (Grace, Conceived after the Spirit).

Galatians 4:30

But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the **flesh**; but he of the freewoman was by **promise**. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Hagar. For this Hagar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

Galatians 4:23-25

That which is born of the **flesh** is **flesh**; and that which is born of the **Spirit** is **spirit**.

John 3:6

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the **flesh**, but after the **Spirit**.

Romans 8:1

For what the **law** could not do, in that it was weak through the **flesh**, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful **flesh**, and for sin, condemned sin in the **flesh**:

Romans 8:3

For they that are after the **flesh** do mind the things of the **flesh**; but they that are after the **Spirit** the things of the **Spirit**.

Romans 8:5

So then they that are in the **flesh** cannot please God. (**Esau and Saul**)

Romans 8:8

Evidences of the Great Battle

The Flesh versus the Spirit

- Ishmael versus Isaac
 - One born after the Flesh
 - The other born of Promise

- Esau versus Jacob
 - The one of the Flesh spurned the Promise
 - The one of the Spirit wrestled for the Blessing

- Wilderness versus Promise Land
 - The one after the Flesh, became the grave of the unbelieving
 - The one after the Spirit, became the destination of the people of faith

- Amalekites versus Israelites
 - The one after the Flesh, fought to keep others from the Promise
 - The one after the Spirit, fought those who would block the way to the Promise

- Saul versus David
 - One after the Flesh, did what was right in his own eyes and kept the Flesh alive
 - One after the Spirit, did what was right in God's eyes and destroyed the Flesh

- Sinai versus Moriah, Zion
 - After the Flesh, The Giving of the Law to Expose Men's need
 - After the Spirit, the Habitation of the Spirit, to Meet Men's need

Evidences of the Covenant Shift

From External to Internal

Law unto Spirit

- Law
 - Written upon Tablets of Stone
 - The Requirements of God for one to Commune with the Almighty
 - empowered the flesh and proved Sin's control

- Spirit
 - Written on the Tablets of Human Hearts
 - The enablement of God for one to Commune with the Almighty
 - quickened the spirit of man to obey, and enthroned Christ as King

Human High Priest unto Divine High Priest

- Human High Priest
 - Could Make sacrifice to cover sin
 - Of Order of Levi (Human line)
 - Lives and Operates within the Temple of God on Zion

- Divine High Priest
 - Made final sacrifice to cleanse and abolish sin
 - Of Order of Melchizadek (Heavenly line)
 - Lives and Operates within the Human Temple

Baptism of Repentance unto Baptism of Fire

- **Baptism of Repentance**
 - An awakening to the Problem and need of Rescue
 - An acknowledgement of the root of Sin
 - A falling upon God as the only Savior and Rescuer of the soul

- **Baptism of Fire**
 - An invasion of the Solution and impartation of eternal Life
 - A deathblow to the power of Sin
 - A possession of God and radical rebirth unto life on planet earth

John the Baptist unto Jesus Christ

- **John the Baptist**
 - Of the Seed of Man
 - Of Nazarite Perfection
 - A Friend of the Bridegroom
 - Bringing the Baptism of Repentance
 - Able to Prepare the Way for Christ

- **Jesus Christ**
 - Of the Seed of God
 - Of Spiritual Perfection
 - The Bridegroom
 - Bringing the Baptism of Fire
 - Able to Transform the Human Life

Temple built by Human Hands unto Temple built by God

- **Temple built by human hands**
 - Operated by the Levitical Order
 - Designed after the Heavenly Temple
 - Crafted by the most skilled human artisans

- **Temple built by God**
 - Operated by Christ within, the Heavenly High Priest
 - Designed after Christ Himself
 - Crafted by the Divine Carpenter from Nazareth

External King and Kingdom unto Internal King and Kingdom

- External King and Kingdom
 - Ruling lands and peoples
 - Mortal and susceptible to failure
 - Leads into battle, vulnerable to death

- Internal King and Kingdom
 - Ruling hearts and minds
 - Divine and capable only of perfection
 - Leads into battle, already has conquered death

Symbols of Scripture

Pictures in the Old of Life in the New

And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sinai an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.

Acts 7:30-36

- **Christ:**
 - Seed of the Woman
 - Passover Lamb
 - Rock in the Wilderness
 - Manna in the Wilderness
 - Uplifted Serpent in the Wilderness
 - Tent/Tabernacle/Temple
 - The Priest in the Temple
 - King of Israel – David
 - Bridegroom – Solomon
 - Prophet
 - Joshua
 - Judge
 - Boaz
 - Wisdom
 - Mordecai
 - Jonah

▪ **Holy Spirit:**

- Oil
- Fire
- Cloud
- Dove
- The Law
- The Ark of the Covenant
- The Promise
- The Inheritance

▪ **Christian**

(Christ-follower, one of faith, believer, purchased of God)

- Abraham – who believed
- Jacob – who recognized his need - wrestled with God – pursued the inheritance
- Israel – the covenanted

▪ **After the Flesh**

(Humanity possessed by Self)

- (Humanity minus the Heavenly Answer)
- Hagar/Ishmael – the self solution to a problem
- Esau – the rejection of God's solution because of confidence in self
- Moses (pre-wilderness) – Finding the answer in himself
- Saul – Israel's choice – filtering God's message through self's agenda
- Obadiah – entire chapter concerning Esau

▪ **After the Spirit**

(Humanity possessed by God)

- Abraham – sacrificing everything, being led whithersoever God directed
- Jacob – pursuing the blessing of God
- Moses (post-wilderness) – no confidence in self, empowered by God, a friend of God
- Aaron – staff budded, led into the tabernacle to abide and serve the Most High
- Joshua – Believed God could perform that which he promised, fought the Amalekites, crossed the Jordan, and claimed the Promise for Israel
- David – Vigilantly guarded the position of God in Israel, fought God's causes, destroyed the Amalekites
- Solomon –built the Temple, patterned after the Heavenly temple
- Elijah, Elisha, the God-fearing Prophets - Doing God's bidding, proving God's power, demonstrating God's supreme position – at the same time appearing the fool and being the outcast

- Josiah – Zealous for the fullness of God, removing everything that stands in the way
- Jonah – compelled to speak
- Hosea – compelled to love those stained by sin

▪ **The Baptism of John**

(Repentance – preparation for the Baptism of Christ)

- Immersion in Water/ The Red Sea/Jordan River
- The Wilderness
- Mt. Sinai
- 1st Pentecost
- Law - Schoolmaster which leads to Christ
- Forty Years/Forty Days

▪ **The Baptism of Christ**

(With the Holy Spirit and Fire)

- Immersion in Fire (The Burning Bush/2nd Pentecost)
- The Promise Land
- The Inheritance
- Elijah's Offering (Consumed in Fire)
- The Power of God to Destroy all that stands in the Way
 - The Amalekites (the flesh)
 - Jericho (the strongholds of sin)
 - The Giants in the Land
 - All the Armies of Canaan
- The Priestly Anointing

And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

Acts 19: 2-6

Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus; Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house. For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house. For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God. And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after; But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end. Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness: When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years. Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in their heart; and they have not known my ways. So I swore in my wrath, They shall not enter into my rest.) Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end; While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation. For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses. But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness? And to whom swore he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

Hebrews 3: 1-19

Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it. For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works. And in this place again, If they shall enter into my rest. Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief: Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts. For if Jesus had given them rest,

then would he not afterward have spoken of another day. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do. Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4: 1-16

I am that bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.

John 6:48-50

And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. **Now these things were our examples**, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

1 Corinthians 10:4-6

And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them. And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, **which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt**, where also our Lord was crucified. And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

Revelation 11:7-9