

## QUESTIONS:

### **Acts 2:41-47**

*41 Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.*

*42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.*

*43 Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.*

*44 Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common,*

*45 and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.*

*46 So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart,*

*47 praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved. (NKJ)*

1. DISCUSS THE FOUR PILLARS OF APOSTOLIC/KINGDOM CULTURE.
2. WHAT WERE THE RESULTS OF SUCH A CULTURE?
3. DISCUSS PICTURES OF APOSTOLIC CULTURE FROM THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT AND THE EFFECTS OF SUCH A CULTURE.
4. HOW DOES THIS CULTURE RELATE TO THE GLORY?
5. HOW IS THIS CULTURE PRACTICALLY IMPLEMENTED?

## COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING LINKS:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3VeeR4dbHR0>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9oOjw6v6tMw>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FsPxAg5sliE>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CjAmZjqmkEQ>

## ANSWERS:

1. The four pillars of an apostolic culture are:

- Apostles' doctrine
- Fellowship
- Breaking of bread
- Prayers

### ■ **APOSTLES' DOCTRINE**

Apostles' doctrine is not systematic statement of faith. Nothing was written in the first 300 years. Apostles' doctrine was the word spoken by the apostles. It was the word proceeding from the apostles – the mouths of God.

**APOSTLES' DOCTRINE - RHEMA**

### **Eph 4:29**

*Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. (NKJ)*

**WHAT IS GOOD FOR NECESSARY EDIFICATION IS THE RHEMA.**

**FAITH COMES BY HEARING THE RHEMA.**

**JOHN 1 – WORD IS FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH:**

### **John 1:14**

*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. (NKJ)*

**RHEMA IS THE JUICE FROM THE LOGOS THAT CARRIES THE GRACE.**

**Obey the Rhema.**

**Joel 2:23-27**

23Be glad then, you children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God; for He has given you the former rain faithfully, and He will cause the rain to come down for you-- the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

24The threshing floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil.

25"So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the crawling locust, the consuming locust, and the chewing locust, my great army which I sent among you.

26You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you; and My people shall never be put to shame.

27Then you shall know that I am in the midst of Israel: I am the LORD your God and there is no other. My people shall never be put to shame.(NKJ)

**Deut 32:2**

2My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass:(KJV)

**CHARACTERISTICS OF PROCEEDING WORD**

**IT IS A MANNA WORD**

YESTERDAY'S MANNA IS TODAY'S WORMS. IF THE APPLICATION IS USED TODAY IT IS TOXIC.

**Exod 16:16-20**

16"This is the thing which the LORD has commanded: 'Let every man gather it according to each one's need, one omer for each person, according to the number of persons; let every man take for those who are in his tent.'"

17And the children of Israel did so and gathered, some more, some less.

18So when they measured it by omers, he who gathered much had nothing over, and he who gathered little had no lack. Every man had gathered according to each one's need.

19And Moses said, "Let no one leave any of it till morning."

20Notwithstanding they did not heed Moses. But some of them left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them.(NKJ)

Yesterday's manna was good for yesterday. You could not live on yesterday's manna. Similarly you cannot live on yesterday's revelation(illumination). God must be sought for fresh bread today. When the cloud moved, the nation had to move, because the manna was only found under the cloud.

PROCEEDING WORD CAN ONLY BE GRASPED BY THOSE WHO ARE PREPARED TO MOVE WHERE GOD IS, NOT WHERE GOD WAS.

PROCEEDING WORD IS THE RELEVANT WORD FROM GOD FOR YOUR CONDITION. IT IS THE JUICE OR VITAMIN C IN THE ORANGE.

**Matt 4:4**

But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"(NKJ)

"word" – rhema – the spoken word

"proceeds" – comes forth

Proceeding word brings life. Spiritual death results from an absence of the proceeding word.

**Prov 29:18**

Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but happy is he who keeps the law.(NKJ)

**Prov 29:18**

*Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.(KJV)*

VISION = REVELATION = WORD(MESSAGE) = PROCEEDING WORD FROM THE LORD.

**1 Sam 3:1**

*Then the boy Samuel ministered to the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no widespread revelation.(NKJ)*

GOD IS THE SOURCE OF ALL REVELATION.

**Col 2:2-3**

*2that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,  
3in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.(NKJ)*

Consider the question "What must I do to be saved?" posed to each of the following and their respective answers.

ABEL – OFFER A BLOOD SACRIFICE.

NOAH – GET INTO THE ARK.

LOT - GET OUT OF THE CITY.

ABRAHAM – GET CIRCUMCISED.

MOSES – KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS.

JOHN THE BAPTIST – REPENT AND BE BAPTISED.

PAUL – BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

Notice that the question is the same but the answer constantly changes with time. Getting into the ark was relevant for Noah, but is no longer relevant for us. The present demand of God for salvation is belief on the Lord Jesus Christ. Getting circumcised or keeping the commandments were preceding truths. Believing on the Lord Jesus Christ is a proceeding truth that is the present demand of God for salvation.

 **ANOINTED WORD**

**Rev 2:29**

*"He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.(NKJ)*

Proceeding word is what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Progress in the last 10 years of the Spirit speaking. What was said is still relevant today:

- autonomy
- set man principles
- second man principles
- father son wineskin
- economic structure
- dominion

 **NEW WORD**

**Isa 42:9**

*9Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."(NKJ)*

**Isa 48:6-8**

*6"You have heard; see all this. And will you not declare it? I have made you hear new things from this time, even hidden things, and you did not know them.*

*7They are created now and not from the beginning; and before this day you have not heard them, lest you should say, 'Of course I knew them.'*

*8 Surely you did not hear, surely you did not know; surely from long ago your ear was not opened. For I knew that you would deal very treacherously, and were called a transgressor from the womb.(NKJ)*

1. New in the sense that our understanding of the word has changed:

- John 5
- prodigal son
- bent woman
- withered hand

2. A NEW INSTRUCTION

- MOSES

**Exod 17:6**

*6 "Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.*

*(NKJ)*

**Num 20:8-12**

*8 "Take the rod; you and your brother Aaron gather the congregation together. Speak to the rock before their eyes, and it will yield its water; thus you shall bring water for them out of the rock, and give drink to the congregation and their animals."*

*9 So Moses took the rod from before the LORD as He commanded him.*

*10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock; and he said to them, "Hear now, you rebels! Must we bring water for you out of this rock?"*

*11 Then Moses lifted his hand and struck the rock twice with his rod; and water came out abundantly, and the congregation and their animals drank.*

*12 Then the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not believe Me, to hallow Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them."(NKJ)*

The first time God told Moses to strike the rock in order to obtain water. The second time God asked Moses to speak to the rock. However Moses repeated the past action of striking the rock, failing to recognize the new demand of God in a new season. This act which God called unbelief disqualified Moses from entering the Promised Land.

- DAVID AND THE MULBERRY TREE

■ **NOW WORD**

**2 Pet 1:12**

*For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.(NKJ)*

IT REFERS TO THE WORD REVELATION RIGHT NOW.

FOR US RIGHT NOW AS I WRITE GOD IS REVEALING HIS TABLE.

■ **ADDITIONAL WORD**

GOD IS CONTINUALLY COMMUNICATING WITH HIS CHURCH. HE ADDS ANOTHER LAYER. THIS IS AKIN TO UPGRADE. PRAISE WAS SINGING AND SHOUTING. NOW WE ARE THE PRAISE.

**1 Chr 12:32**

*of the children of Issachar who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do, their chiefs were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their command;(NKJ)*

**Luke 12:54-56**

*54 Then He also said to the multitudes, "Whenever you see a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, 'A shower is coming'; and so it is.*

55 "And when you see the south wind blow, you say, 'There will be hot weather'; and there is.

56 "Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it you do not discern this time?(NKJ)

TRUTH IS CUMULATIVE. I USED ELIJAH BEFORE – NOW I AM USING ELISHA. A NEW SEASON HAS DAWNED.

#### ELIJAH'S PROPHETS

Elijah's prophets saw Elisha emerging from Jordan with the mantle of Elijah. Instead of pursuing the mantle, they went looking for the body of Elijah - the past. They failed to perceive the new season of the double portion upon Elisha.

The understanding of the present demand of God will keep the church in obedience to the voice of God and relevant to the purposes of God.

Failure to understand the times, leads to religious bondage.

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ALSO SEE Josiah and Pharaoh Necho(2 Chron.35:20-25).

**1 Tim 4:1-11**

1 Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons,

2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,

3 forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.

4 For every creature of God is good, and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving;

5 for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

6 If you instruct the brethren in these things, you will be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished in the words of faith and of the good doctrine which you have carefully followed.

7 But reject profane and old wives' fables, and exercise yourself toward godliness.

8 For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

9 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance.

10 For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe.

11 These things command and teach.(NKJ)

#### COMMENTARY

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#### DOCTRINE OF DEMONS:

■ FOUNDED ON LIES AND DECEPTION AND FLOWS FROM A SEARED CONSCIENCE.

■ FORBIDDING TO MARRY

## 🎬 DIETARY RESTRICTIONS

The latter times is now.

Departure from the faith: the faithful engage in harlotry – they become pagans.  
SEE Ezekiel 16.

*giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons,*

Apostles' doctrines now face the challenge of doctrines of demons – deception.

These doctrines are lies. Those who speak them speak with eloquence and confidence.

### SOME OF THE LIES:

- 🎬 SUPERSTITIOUS APPLICATION OF BLOOD.
  - 🎬 DISAPPEARANCE OF THE CHURCH.
  - 🎬 AFTER YOU DIE YOU GOING TO LIVE IN A HOUSE.
  - 🎬 ISRAELISM – SECOND CHANCE FOR THE JEWS.
  - 🎬 RETURN TO ANIMAL SACRIFICE.
  - 🎬 RESUSCITATION VS RESURRECTION
  - 🎬 SABBATH OBSERVANCE
  - 🎬 DENIAL OF TRIUNE GOD
  - 🎬 JESUS HAS ALREADY COME
  - 🎬 FORBIDDING TO MARRY
  - 🎬 DIETARY RESTRICTIONS
- REVIEW MIGRATION.

PERFECTION DOES NOT RESULT FROM ABSTENTION FROM OUTWARD THINGS.

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WARNING THE BRETHERN ABOUT THESE LIES IS GOOD DOCTRINE.

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## 🎬 FELLOWSHIP

### 2.1 DEFINITION

Joint participation, sharing with each other, intimacy.

2842 koinonia-

fellowship, association, community, communion, joint participation, intercourse

a) the share which one has in anything, participation

b) intercourse, fellowship, intimacy

the right hand as a sign and pledge of fellowship (in fulfilling the apostolic office)

c) a gift jointly contributed, a collection, a contribution, as exhibiting an embodiment and proof of fellowship

A dwelling together.

2.2 REVIEW THE BENEFITS OF FELLOWSHIP/ASSOCIATION. SEE MNEMONIC "ASSEMBLE"

2.3 RELATIONSHIPS THAT ACTIVATE GRACE

- REVIEW CORNELIUS AND PETER, ONESIMUS AND PAUL ETC
- PETER AND JOHN SAID LOOK ON US.
- HEZEKIAH AND ISAIAH DISMANTLE SENNACHERIB.

2.4 GRACE KILLERS:

- FRATERNALS RESISTS THE GRACE
- NETWORKS SELL THE GRACE
- DENOMINATIONS MAKE A DAM OF THE GRACE

2.5 INACCURATE FELLOWSHIP – REVIEW "COMPANY"

2.6 THE FOUR DEMANDS OF UNITY – REVIEW "ACTS"

APOSTLES' DOCTRINE determines who you are going to fellowship with.

2.6.1 UNEQUAL YOKE WITH UNBELIEVERS

2.6.2 JONAH AND POVERTY

2.6.3 OLD PROPHET OF BETHEL

2.6.4 TIMOTHY TO TURN AWAY FROM CERTAIN FOLK.

**2 Tim 3:1-15**

*1 But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:*

*2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good,*

*4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,*

*5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!*

The above is a list of people not to fellowship with.

*6 For of this sort are those who creep into households and make captives of gullible women loaded down with sins, led away by various lusts,*

*7 always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.*

*8 Now as Jannes and Jambres resisted Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, disapproved concerning the faith;*

*9 but they will progress no further, for their folly will be manifest to all, as theirs also was.*

*10 But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance,*

*11 persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra-- what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me.*

*12 Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.*

*13 But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.*

*14 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them,*

*15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.(NKJ)*

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Perilous tunes

5467 chalepos (khal-ep-os');

perhaps from 5465 through the idea of reducing the strength; difficult, i.e. dangerous, or (by implication) furious:

KJV-- fierce, perilous.

**2 For men**(majority in the visible church) *will be lovers of themselves,*

Selfish – own interests – see good Samaritan.

*lovers of money,*

greed for money. Sell their souls for money. Judas betrayed Jesus for money.

Gehazi – money.

Achan – money.

Bailout cannot remedy love for money – it feeds the bottomless pit of greed.

Demonstrate you love God by giving it away.

Money is a strong defence.

**Eccl 7:12**

*For wisdom is a defense as money is a defense, but the excellence of knowledge is that wisdom gives life to those who have it.(NKJ)*

Money upgrades your sin.

Dangers of prosperity.

*boasters,*

think of Goliath.

*proud,*

Nebuchadnezzar.

*blasphemers,*

god – haters. You hate God when you hate his servants.

*disobedient to parents,*

prodigal sons.

*unthankful,*

I leper came back.

*unholy,*

no desire for sanctification.

**3 unloving,**

Seen particularly in the work environment.

☛ Meet people who don't love their jobs. Nurses. Doctors. Teachers.

**2 Tim 3:3-5**

**3 Without natural affection,**

*trucebreakers,*

cannot keep covenant

*false accusers,*

slanderers

*incontinent,*

no self-control

*fierce,( brutal)*

*despisers of those that are good,*

**4 Traitors,**

*heady,*

rash and reckless – no regard for laws and protocol

*highminded,*

blind with pride

*lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;*



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**2 Tim 2:16-18**

16 But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness.

17 And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort,

18 who have strayed concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past; and they overthrow the faith of some. (NKJ)

📺 **BREAKING OF BREAD(SEE EUCHARIST)**

📺 **PRAYERS(SEE ABC 1)**

REVIEW ASK.

2. THE RESULTS OF APOSTOLIC CULTURE:

Three thousand continued in the 4 pillars of an apostolic culture. It was the practice of the multitude – A CORPORATE CULTURE. The result of this was the breakthrough seen in vs. 43 onwards.

📺 **FEAR CAME UPON EVERY SOUL**

📺 **SIGNS AND WONDERS WERE DONE THROUGH THE APOSTLES**

43 Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.

**Acts 3:6-7**

6 Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

7 And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.(NKJ)

**Acts 4:33-37**

33 And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all.

34 Nor was there anyone among them who lacked; for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold,

35 and laid them at the apostles' feet; and they distributed to each as anyone had need.

36And Joses, who was also named Barnabas by the apostles (which is translated Son of Encouragement), a Levite of the country of Cyprus,  
37having land, sold it, and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.(NKJ)

**Acts 4:30-31**

30"by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus."

31And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.(NKJ)

**Acts 5:12**

12And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch.(NKJ)

**Acts 9:33-35**

33There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years and was paralyzed.

34And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus the Christ heals you. Arise and make your bed." Then he arose immediately.

35So all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord.(NKJ)

**Acts 9:40-43**

40But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up.

41Then he gave her his hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive.

42And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord.

43So it was that he stayed many days in Joppa with Simon, a tanner. (NKJ)

- COMMONISM (WHAT I HAVE IS YOURS) NOT CAPITALISM (WHAT I HAVE I WILL SELL IT TO YOU AT A PROFIT) AND COMMUNISM (WHAT YOU HAVE IS MINE).

44Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common,

45and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.

- UNITY(ONE ACCORD)

46So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart,

- COMMON MEAL FELLOWSHIP

46So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart,

Breaking bread refers to both common meal fellowship and the eucharist.

- JOY AND GLADNESS

46So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart,

**Acts 8:5-8**

5Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them.

6And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

7For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed.

8And there was great joy in that city. (NKJ)

**Acts 13:50-52**

50But the Jews stirred up the devout and prominent women and the chief men of the city, raised up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their region.

*51But they shook off the dust from their feet against them, and came to Iconium.*

*52And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.(NKJ)*

**Acts 15:3**

*3So, being sent on their way by the church, they passed through Phoenicia and Samaria, describing the conversion of the Gentiles; and they caused great joy to all the brethren. (NKJ)*

**📖 PRAISE**

**Acts 2:47**

*47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.(NKJ)*

**📖 FAVOUR WITH ALL PEOPLE**

**📖 CHURCH GROWTH**

**Acts 2:41**

*Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.*

**Acts 5:14**

*And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women,(NKJ)*

**Acts 4:4**

*However, many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men came to be about five thousand.(NKJ)*

**📖 A CULTURE THAT MAKES IT HARD FOR THE COUNTERFEIT TO WORK**

**Acts 5:1-6**

*1But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession.*

*2And he kept back part of the proceeds, his wife also being aware of it, and brought a certain part and laid it at the apostles' feet.*

*3But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself?*

*4"While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God."*

*5Then Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and breathed his last. So great fear came upon all those who heard these things.*

*6And the young men arose and wrapped him up, carried him out, and buried him.*

*(NKJ)*

**Acts 13:6-12**

*6Now when they had gone through the island to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew whose name was Bar-Jesus,*

*7who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man. This man called for Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God.*

*8But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith.*

*9Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him*

*10and said, "O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord?*

*11"And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time." And immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand.*

*12Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had been done, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord.(NKJ)*

## 📖 MULTIPLICATION OF DISCIPLES

### **Acts 5:42-6:1**

*42And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.*

### **CHAPTER 6**

*1Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a murmuring against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution.*

### **Acts 6:7**

*7Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.(NKJ)*

## 📖 MARTYRDOM

### **Acts 7:59-8:2**

*59And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."*

*60Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.*

### **CHAPTER 8**

*1Now Saul was consenting to his death. At that time a great persecution arose against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.*

*2And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.(NKJ)*

### **Acts 22:20**

*20'And when the blood of Your martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by consenting to his death, and guarding the clothes of those who were killing him.'(NKJ)*

### **Rev 2:13**

*13"I know your works, and where you dwell, where Satan's throne is. And you hold fast to My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days in which Antipas was My faithful martyr, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells.(NKJ)*

### **Rev 17:6**

*6I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her, I marveled with great amazement.(NKJ)*

## 📖 MULTIPLICATION OF THE WORD

### **Acts 12:24**

*But the word of God grew and multiplied.(NKJ)*

## 📖 MULTIPLICATION OF CHURCHES

### **Acts 9:27-31**

*27But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. And he declared to them how he had seen the Lord on the road, and that He had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.*

*28So he was with them at Jerusalem, coming in and going out.*

*29And he spoke boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus and disputed against the Hellenists, but they attempted to kill him.*

*30When the brethren found out, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him out to Tarsus.*

*31Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.(NKJ)*

### **Acts 16:3-6**

*3Paul wanted to have him go on with him. And he took him and circumcised him because of the Jews who were in that region, for they all knew that his father was Greek.*

*4And as they went through the cities, they delivered to them the decrees to keep, which were determined by the apostles and elders at Jerusalem.*

*5So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and increased in number daily.*




*6Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia.(NKJ)*

This breakthrough is the glory. It is evidence of the presence of the Lord. The breakthrough resulted from a new kingdom culture. This was not an event but a lifestyle of an alternate community. There was no evangelism to save people. The new culture attracted and converted people. There were no 4 steps to salvation, or altar calls, or tent meetings or door to door evangelism although none of these things are wrong. The demand right now is for those who are saved to continue in the culture of the early church – THIS IS KINGDOM CULTURE.

3. DISCUSS PICTURES OF APOSTOLIC CULTURE FROM THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT AND THE EFFECTS OF SUCH A CULTURE.

FOUR PILLARS OF ACTS 2:42 ARE THE 4 PILLARS OF AN APOSTOLIC OR KINGDOM CULTURE. THESE FOUR PILLARS BRING THE GLORY OF GOD. THIS CULTURE IS SEEN IN THE NEW AND OLD TESTAMENT. OLD TESTAMENT.

**1. THE HOLY PLACE OF THE TABERNACLE OF MOSES HAD 3 PIECES OF FURNITURE:**

-  CANDLESTICK – APOSTLES' DOCTRINE
-  TABLE OF SHEWBREAD – FELLOWSHIP AND BREAKING OF BREAD
-  GOLDEN ALTAR OF INCENSE – PRAYER

This was daily ministration – not just an event. This culture was there between the outer court and the glory of the Most Holy Place.

**2. EZEKIEL 8**

THIS SHOWS THE END RESULT OF THE VIOLATION OF THE FOUR PILLARS:

**Ezek 8:4-6**

*4 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, like the vision that I saw in the plain.*

*5 Then He said to me, "Son of man, lift your eyes now toward the north." So I lifted my eyes toward the north, and there, north of the altar gate, was this image of jealousy in the entrance.*

*6 Furthermore He said to me, "Son of man, do you see what they are doing, the great abominations that the house of Israel commits here, to make Me go far away from My sanctuary? Now turn again, you will see greater abominations."(NKJ)*

The departure of the glory is equivalent to the departure of the person of God. God said the practice of the priesthood was going to make Him depart – this was manifested in the departure of the glory. The departure was gradual.

**Ezek 8:3-4**

*3He stretched out the form of a hand, and took me by a lock of my hair; and the Spirit lifted me up between earth and heaven, and brought me in visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the north gate of the inner court, where the seat of the image of jealousy was, which provokes to jealousy.*

*4And behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, like the vision that I saw in the plain.(NKJ)*

**Ezek 9:3**

*Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up from the cherub, where it had been, to the threshold of the temple. And He called to the man clothed with linen, who had the writer's inkhorn at his side;(NKJ)*

**Ezek 10:4**

*Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, and paused over the threshold of the temple; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory.(NKJ)*

**Ezek 10:18**

*Then the glory of the LORD departed from the threshold of the temple and stood over the cherubim.(NKJ)*

**Ezek 10:19**

*And the cherubim lifted their wings and mounted up from the earth in my sight. When they went out, the wheels were beside them; and they stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house, and the glory of the God of Israel was above them.(NKJ)*

**Ezek 11:22-23**

*22Then the cherubim lifted up their wings, with the wheels beside them, and the glory of the God of Israel was high above them.*

*23And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city and stood on the mountain, which is on the east side of the city. (NKJ)*

The glory moves from the temple to the threshold to the mountain.

The culture of God was violated:

1. apostles' doctrine – image of jealousy
2. fellowship – 70 elders in the dark
3. breaking of bread – weeping for Tammuz
4. Prayer – faces turned to the sun.

It is in this context that God says he will not hear their prayers.

### **3. AFTER CROSSING JORDAN:**

- 📖 THIS BOOK OF THE LAW – JOSH.1:8 – APOSTLES DOCTRINE
  - 📖 12 STONES – FELLOWSHIP
  - 📖 PASSOVER – BREAKING OF BREAD
  - 📖 JOSHUA BOWING TO THE CAPTAIN OF HOSTS – PRAYER
- ALL BEFORE DOMINION.

**4. THE FLYING SCROLL HAD AN AREA OF 200 CUBITS – POINTS TO THE AREA OF THE HOLY PLACE. METAPHORICAL DESIGNATION OF THE 4 PILLARS.**

**Zech 5:2-3**

*2 And he said to me, "What do you see?" So I answered, "I see a flying scroll. Its length is twenty cubits and its width ten cubits."*

*3 Then he said to me, "This is the curse that goes out over the face of the whole earth: 'Every thief shall be expelled,' according to this side of the scroll; and, 'Every perjurer shall be expelled,' according to that side of it."(NKJ)*

THE APOSTOLIC CULTURE BRINGS JUDGEMENT.

In this culture the thief and perjurer are judged.

Ananias and Sapphira are judged – thieves.

Elymas the sorcerer and Simon the sorcerer are judged – perjurers.

THE GLORY BRINGS JUDGEMENT.

### **5. THE NUMBER 300**

THREE HUNDRED IS THE NO. OF VICTORY/PREVAIL.

- 📖 SAMSON'S FIRE

**Judg 15:4-5**

*4Then Samson went and caught three hundred foxes; and he took torches, turned the foxes tail to tail, and put a torch between each pair of tails.*

*5When he had set the torches on fire, he let the foxes go into the standing grain of the Philistines, and burned up both the shocks and the standing grain, as well as the vineyards and olive groves.(NKJ)*

SAMSON USED THREE HUNDRED FOXES TO ANNOUNCE HIS VICTORY OVER THE PHILISTINES- A VICTORY OVER FLESH.THIS 300 DESTROYED THE GRAIN AND VINEYARDS OF THE PHILISTINES. THIS IS A PICTURE OF APOSTLES' DOCTRINE DESTROYING FALSE DOCTRINES.

📖 GIDEON'S ARMY

**Judg 7:6-7**

*6And the number of those who lapped, putting their hand to their mouth, was three hundred men; but all the rest of the people got down on their knees to drink water.*

*7Then the LORD said to Gideon, "By the three hundred men who lapped I will save you, and deliver the Midianites into your hand. Let all the other people go, every man to his place."(NKJ)*

SYMBOLIC OF VICTORIOUS FELLOWSHIP IN A LIKEMINDED COMPANY.

📖 MARY'S WORSHIP

**John 12:3-8**

*3Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.*

*4Then one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said,*

*5"Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?"*

*6This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.*

*7But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial.*

*8"For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always."(NKJ)*

MARY'S WORSHIP WAS A SACRIFICE – A VICTORY OVER EVERY LEGITIMATE HUMAN NEED AND SELFISHNESS. HER GIVING IS A SYMBOL OF BREAKING OF BREAD. BREAKING OF BREAD IS ABOUT JESUS' GIVING.

📖 ENOCH

**Gen 5:22-24**

*22After he begot Methuselah, Enoch walked with God three hundred years, and had sons and daughters.*

*23So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years.*

*24And Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.(NKJ)*

ENOCH WALKED WITH GOD FOR 300 YEARS BEFORE PREVAILING OVER DEATH. WALK WITH GOD IS A SYMBOL OF PRAYER.

**6. THE DWELLING PLACES OF GOD**

PSALMS 91

THE SECRET PLACE IS HIM. WHEN WE DWELL IN HIS CULTURE WE DWELL IN HIM. THIS GIVES US SPIRITUAL IMMUNITY.

How do I dwell in Him?

📖 ABIDING IN HIS WORD – apostles' doctrine

**John 15:4-7**

*4 "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.*

*5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.*

6 *"If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.*

7 *"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.(NKJ)*

3306 meno-

1) to remain, abide

a) in reference to place:

1) to sojourn, tarry

2) not to depart

a) to continue to be present

b) to be held, kept, continually

b) in reference to time:

to continue to be, not to perish, to last, to endure; used of persons, to survive, live

c) in reference to a state or a condition:

to remain as one, not to become another or different

2) to wait for, to await one

3306 meno (men'-o);

a primary verb; to stay (in a given place, state, relation or expectancy):

KJV-- abide, continue, dwell, endure, be present, remain, stand, tarry (for), X thine own.

**Deut 6:6**

*"And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.(NKJ)*

**Job 23:12**

*12 I have not departed from the commandment of His lips; I have treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.(NKJ)*

**Ps 119:11**

*11 Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You!(NKJ)*

**Jer 15:16**

*16 Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; for I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hosts.(NKJ)*

**John 8:36-44**

36 *"Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.*

37 *"I know that you are Abraham's descendants, but you seek to kill Me, because My word has no place in you.*

38 *"I speak what I have seen with My Father, and you do what you have seen with your father."*

39 *They answered and said to Him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham.*

40 *"But now you seek to kill Me, a Man who has told you the truth which I heard from God. Abraham did not do this.*

41 *"You do the deeds of your father." Then they said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father-- God."*

42 *Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me.*

43 *"Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word.*

44 *"You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.(NKJ)*

**Col 3:16**



*16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.(NKJ)*

**I Jn 2:14**

*14 I have written to you, fathers, because you have known Him who is from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the wicked one.(NKJ)*

**II Jn 1:2**

*2 because of the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever:(NKJ)*

**II Jn 1:9-10**

*9Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.*

*10 If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him;(NKJ)*

**THE END RESULT OF ABIDING IN THE WORD:**

**I Jn 4:15**

*15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. (NKJ)*

**🏠 DWELLING TOGETHER - fellowship**

**Ps 133:1-3**

*1 Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!*

*2 It is like the precious oil upon the head, running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron, running down on the edge of his garments.*

*3 It is like the dew of Hermon, descending upon the mountains of Zion; for there the LORD commanded the blessing-- life forevermore.(NKJ)*

**Isa 11:6-16**

*6 "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.*

*7 The cow and the bear shall graze; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.*

*8 The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den.*

*9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.*

*10 "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, who shall stand as a banner to the people; for the Gentiles shall seek Him, and His resting place shall be glorious."*

*11 It shall come to pass in that day that the LORD shall set His hand again the second time to recover the remnant of His people who are left, from Assyria and Egypt, from Pathros and Cush, from Elam and Shinar, from Hamath and the islands of the sea.*

*12 He will set up a banner for the nations, and will assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.*

*13 Also the envy of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off; Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not harass Ephraim.*

*14 But they shall fly down upon the shoulder of the Philistines toward the west; together they shall plunder the people of the East; they shall lay their hand on Edom and Moab; and the people of Ammon shall obey them.*

*15 The LORD will utterly destroy the tongue of the Sea of Egypt; with His mighty wind He will shake His fist over the River, and strike it in the seven streams, and make men cross over dry-shod.*

16 There will be a highway for the remnant of His people who will be left from Assyria, as it was for Israel in the day that he came up from the land of Egypt.(NKJ)

**Jer 32:38-40**

38 'They shall be My people, and I will be their God;

39 'then I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me forever, for the good of them and their children after them.

40 'And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from doing them good; but I will put My fear in their hearts so that they will not depart from Me.(NKJ)

**Phil 2:2-3**

2 fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

3 Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.(NKJ)

**I Jn 4:11-13**

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

12 No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.(NKJ)

**I Jn 4:16-21**

16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

19 We love Him because He first loved us.

20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?

21 And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also.(NKJ)

🍞 **EATING THE FLESH AND DRINKING THE BLOOD – breaking of bread.**

**John 6:48-51**

48 "I am the bread of life.

49 "Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and are dead.

50 "This is the bread which comes down from heaven, that one may eat of it and not die.

51 "I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world."(NKJ)

**John 6:53-59**

53 Then Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you.

54 "Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

55 "For My flesh is food indeed, and My blood is drink indeed.

56 "He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.

57 "As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me.

58 "This is the bread which came down from heaven-- not as your fathers ate the manna, and are dead. He who eats this bread will live forever."

59 These things He said in the synagogue as He taught in Capernaum.(NKJ)

## 🏠 HOUSE OF PRAYER

### **Matt 21:13**

13 And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"(NKJ)

### **Isa 56:7-8**

7 Even them I will bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on My altar; for My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations."

8 The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, says, "Yet I will gather to him others besides those who are gathered to him."(NKJ)

## **9. THE FOUR CRAFTS MEN OF ZECHARIAH**

### **Zech 1:18-21**

18 Then I raised my eyes and looked, and there were four horns.

19 And I said to the angel who talked with me, "What are these?" So he answered me, "These are the horns that have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem."

20 Then the LORD showed me four craftsmen.

21 And I said, "What are these coming to do?" So he said, "These are the horns that scattered Judah, so that no one could lift up his head; but the craftsmen are coming to terrify them, to cast out the horns of the nations that lifted up their horn against the land of Judah to scatter it."(NKJ)

## **10. DAVID BRINGING THE ARK**

### **2 Sam 6:10-23**

10 So David would not move the ark of the LORD with him into the City of David; but David took it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.

11 The ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite three months. And the LORD blessed Obed-Edom and all his household.

12 Now it was told King David, saying, "The LORD has blessed the house of Obed-Edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God." So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with gladness.

13 And so it was, when those bearing the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, that he sacrificed oxen and fatted sheep.

14 Then David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was wearing a linen ephod.

15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet.

16 Now as the ark of the LORD came into the City of David, Michal, Saul's daughter, looked through a window and saw King David leaping and whirling before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

17 So they brought the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place in the midst of the tabernacle that David had erected for it. Then David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.

18 And when David had finished offering burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts.

19 Then he distributed among all the people, among the whole multitude of Israel, both the women and the men, to everyone a loaf of bread, a piece of meat, and a cake of raisins. So all the people departed, everyone to his house.

20 Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, "How glorious was the king of Israel today, uncovering himself today in the eyes of the maids of his servants, as one of the base fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!"

21 So David said to Michal, "It was before the LORD, who chose me instead of your father and all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel. Therefore I will play music before the LORD.

22 *"And I will be even more undignified than this, and will be humble in my own sight. But as for the maidservants of whom you have spoken, by them I will be held in honor."*

23 *Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death.*

(NKJ)

### **A NEW SEASON.**

TRANSITION FROM THE HOUSE TO THE CITY.

WE HAVE OBED – EDOMS THAT DON'T WANT TO RELEASE THE ARK.

BLESSING MEANS A NEED TO TRANSITION.

CRISIS MEANS A NEED TO TRANSITION.

TRANSITION DEMANDS A FEW THINGS.

1. SACRIFICES
2. KILL THE NUMBER 6 – SELF- DENIAL
3. GLADNESS – DANCING.
4. LINEN EPHOD – RIGHTEOUSNESS
5. MICHAL CANNOT TRANSITION.

BOOK OF CHRONICLES OUTLINES THE PROTOCOL IN THE TRANSITION.

1. THIS IS APOSTLES DOCTRINE – LEVITES TO CARRY THE ARK. GET RID OF THE NEW CART. HEADS OF THE FATHERS HOUSES TO CARRY THE ARK. SANCTIFY YOURSELVES. CARRY THE ARK ON YOUR SHOULDERS. BRING THE ARK WITH JOY, SACRIFICE EVERY 6 STEPS. DAVID WORE THE LINEN EPHOD.

2. ONE MAN IS NOT GOING TO EFFECT THE TRANSITION.DAVID AND ALL THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL BROUGHT THE ARK. THIS IS FELLOWSHIP.

3 *And David gathered all Israel together at Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD to its place, which he had prepared for it.*

3. BURNT OFFERING AND PEACE OFFERING – THIS IS THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND PRAYER.

26 *And so it was, when God helped the Levites who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that they offered seven bulls and seven rams.*

ACTS 2:42 TO BRING THE ARK INTO THE CITY.

### **1 Chr 15:1-29**

1 *David built houses for himself in the City of David; and he prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched a tent for it.*

2 *Then David said, "No one may carry the ark of God but the Levites, for the LORD has chosen them to carry the ark of God and to minister before Him forever."*

3 *And David gathered all Israel together at Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD to its place, which he had prepared for it.*

4 *Then David assembled the children of Aaron and the Levites:*

5 *of the sons of Kohath, Uriel the chief, and one hundred and twenty of his brethren;*

6 *of the sons of Merari, Asaiah the chief, and two hundred and twenty of his brethren;*

7 *of the sons of Gershon, Joel the chief, and one hundred and thirty of his brethren;*

8 *of the sons of Elizaphan, Shemaiah the chief, and two hundred of his brethren;*

9 *of the sons of Hebron, Eliel the chief, and eighty of his brethren;*

10 of the sons of Uzziel, Amminadab the chief, and one hundred and twelve of his brethren.

11 And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites: for Uriel, Asaiah, Joel, Shemaiah, Eliel, and Amminadab.

12 He said to them, "You are the heads of the fathers' houses of the Levites; sanctify yourselves, you and your brethren, that you may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel to the place I have prepared for it.

13 "For because you did not do it the first time, the LORD our God broke out against us, because we did not consult Him about the proper order."

14 So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel.

15 And the children of the Levites bore the ark of God on their shoulders, by its poles, as Moses had commanded according to the word of the LORD.

16 Then David spoke to the leaders of the Levites to appoint their brethren to be the singers accompanied by instruments of music, stringed instruments, harps, and cymbals, by raising the voice with resounding joy.

17 So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brethren, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of their brethren, the sons of Merari, Ethan the son of Kushaiah;

18 and with them their brethren of the second rank: Zechariah, Ben, Jaaziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattithiah, Elipheleh, Mikneiah, Obed-Edom, and Jeiel, the gatekeepers;

19 the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were to sound the cymbals of bronze;

20 Zechariah, Aziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with strings according to Alamoth;

21 Mattithiah, Elipheleh, Mikneiah, Obed-Edom, Jeiel, and Azariah, to direct with harps on the Sheminith;

22 Chenaniah, leader of the Levites, was instructor in charge of the music, because he was skillful;

23 Berechiah and Elkanah were doorkeepers for the ark;

24 Shebaniah, Joshaphat, Nethanel, Amasai, Zechariah, Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, were to blow the trumpets before the ark of God; and Obed-Edom and Jehiah, doorkeepers for the ark.

25 So David, the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD from the house of Obed-Edom with joy.

26 And so it was, when God helped the Levites who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that they offered seven bulls and seven rams.

27 David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, as were all the Levites who bore the ark, the singers, and Chenaniah the music master with the singers. David also wore a linen ephod.

28 Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting and with the sound of the horn, with trumpets and with cymbals, making music with stringed instruments and harps.

29 And it happened, as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the City of David, that Michal, Saul's daughter, looked through a window and saw King David whirling and playing music; and she despised him in her heart.(NKJ)

## **11. ELI AND SONS**

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*1King 10:1-9*

*1 Now when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, she came to test him with hard questions.*

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*3 So Solomon answered all her questions; there was nothing so difficult for the king that he could not explain it to her.*

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*Isa 6:1-3*

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*3 And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!"(NKJ)*

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*21 with the flowers and the lamps and the wick-trimmers of gold, of purest gold;*

*22 the trimmers, the bowls, the ladles, and the censers of pure gold. As for the entry of the sanctuary, its inner doors to the Most Holy Place, and the doors of the main hall of the temple, were gold.*

#### CHAPTER 5

*1 So all the work that Solomon had done for the house of the LORD was finished; and Solomon brought in the things which his father David had dedicated: the silver and the gold and all the furnishings. And he put them in the treasuries of the house of God.(NKJ)*

THE FURNISHINGS OF THE PRECEDING CHAPTERS ARE TYPICAL OF DOCTRINE.

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**2 Chr 5:2-5**

*2 Now Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel, in Jerusalem, that they might bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD up from the City of David, which is Zion.*

*3 Therefore all the men of Israel assembled with the king at the feast, which was in the seventh month.*

*4 So all the elders of Israel came, and the Levites took up the ark.*

*5 Then they brought up the ark, the tabernacle of meeting, and all the holy furnishings that were in the tabernacle. The priests and the Levites brought them up.(NKJ)*

🏛️ BREAKING OF BREAD – SACRIFICES

**2 Chr 5:6**

*Also King Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel who were assembled with him before the ark, were sacrificing sheep and oxen that could not be counted or numbered for multitude.(NKJ)*

**2 Chr 5:11-14**

*11 And it came to pass when the priests came out of the Most Holy Place (for all the priests who were present had sanctified themselves, without keeping to their divisions),*

*12 and the Levites who were the singers, all those of Asaph and Heman and Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, stood at the east end of the altar, clothed in white linen, having cymbals, stringed instruments and harps, and with them one hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets--*

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*14 so that the priests could not continue ministering because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of God.(NKJ)*



## PRAYER

**2 Chr 6:41-7:1**

41"Now therefore, arise, O LORD God, to Your resting place, you and the ark of Your strength. Let Your priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation, and let Your saints rejoice in goodness.

42"O LORD God, do not turn away the face of Your Anointed; remember the mercies of Your servant David."

### CHAPTER 7

1When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the temple.

(NKJ)

**AFTER PRAYER THE FIRE GLORY NOW FILLS THE TEMPLE.**

## 16. JOSIAH AND THE PILLARS

**II Ki 22:8-11**

8 Then Hilkiyah the high priest said to Shaphan the scribe, "I have found the Book of the Law in the house of the LORD." And Hilkiyah gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it.

9 So Shaphan the scribe went to the king, bringing the king word, saying, "Your servants have gathered the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of those who do the work, who oversee the house of the LORD."

10 Then Shaphan the scribe showed the king, saying, "Hilkiyah the priest has given me a book." And Shaphan read it before the king.

11 Now it happened, when the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, that he tore his clothes.(NKJ)

**II Ki 23:1-3**

1 Now the king sent them to gather all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem to him.

2 The king went up to the house of the LORD with all the men of Judah, and with him all the inhabitants of Jerusalem-- the priests and the prophets and all the people, both small and great. And he read in their hearing all the words of the Book of the Covenant which had been found in the house of the LORD.

3 Then the king stood by a pillar and made a covenant before the LORD, to follow the LORD and to keep His commandments and His testimonies and His statutes, with all his heart and all his soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people took a stand for the covenant.(NKJ)

**II Ki 23:21**

21Then the king commanded all the people, saying, "Keep the Passover to the LORD your God, as it is written in this Book of the Covenant."(NKJ)

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24 Moreover Josiah put away those who consulted mediums and spiritists, the household gods and idols, all the abominations that were seen in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, that he might perform the words of the law which were written in the book that Hilkiyah the priest found in the house of the LORD.

25 Now before him there was no king like him, who turned to the LORD with all his heart, with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the Law of Moses; nor after him did any arise like him.(NKJ)

## 17. HEZEKIAH

**2 Chr 29:3**

3In the first year of his reign, in the first month, he opened the doors of the house of the LORD and repaired them.(NKJ)

**II Ki 18:3-9**

3 And he did what was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father David had done.

4 He removed the high places and broke the sacred pillars, cut down the wooden image and broke in pieces the bronze serpent that Moses had made; for until those days the children of Israel burned incense to it, and called it Nehushtan.

5 He trusted in the LORD God of Israel, so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor who were before him.

6 For he held fast to the LORD; he did not depart from following Him, but kept His commandments, which the LORD had commanded Moses.

7 The LORD was with him; he prospered wherever he went. And he rebelled against the king of Assyria and did not serve him.

8 He subdued the Philistines, as far as Gaza and its territory, from watchtower to fortified city.

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#### 18. FOUR PILLARS AT MIZPAH

1 Sam 7:1-10

1 Then the men of Kirjath Jearim came and took the ark of the LORD, and brought it into the house of Abinadab on the hill, and consecrated Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the LORD.

2 So it was that the ark remained in Kirjath Jearim a long time; it was there twenty years. And all the house of Israel lamented after the LORD.

3 Then Samuel spoke to all the house of Israel, saying, "If you return to the LORD with all your hearts, then put away the foreign gods and the Ashtoreths from among you, and prepare your hearts for the LORD, and serve Him only; and He will deliver you from the hand of the Philistines."

4 So the children of Israel put away the Baals and the Ashtoreths, and served the LORD only.

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(NKJ)

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#### NEW TESTAMENT

1. THE FOUR PASSOVERS OF JESUS – JOHN 2,5,6, 19

God is in the midst of this culture:

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**Luke 24:26-27**

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### 🎬 FELLOWSHIP

**Luke 24:29**

*But they constrained Him, saying, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And He went in to stay with them.(NKJ)*

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### 🎬 PRAYER

**Luke 24:51-53**

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**Ezek 1:10**

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**Rev 4:6-11**

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**CREATURES – REFERENCE TO CREATIONS – we must create this culture**

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**Ezek 8:4-6**

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The departure of the glory is equivalent to the departure of the person of God. God said the practice of the priesthood was going to make Him depart – this was manifested in the departure of the glory. The departure was gradual.

**Ezek 8:3-4**

3He stretched out the form of a hand, and took me by a lock of my hair; and the Spirit lifted me up between earth and heaven, and brought me in visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the north gate of the inner court, where the seat of the image of jealousy was, which provokes to jealousy.

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**Ezek 9:3**

Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up from the cherub, where it had been, to the threshold of the temple. And He called to the man clothed with linen, who had the writer's inkhorn at his side;(NKJ)

**Ezek 10:4**

Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, and paused over the threshold of the temple; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory.(NKJ)

**Ezek 10:18**

Then the glory of the LORD departed from the threshold of the temple and stood over the cherubim.(NKJ)

**Ezek 10:19**

And the cherubim lifted their wings and mounted up from the earth in my sight. When they went out, the wheels were beside them; and they stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house, and the glory of the God of Israel was above them.(NKJ)

**Ezek 11:22-23**

22Then the cherubim lifted up their wings, with the wheels beside them, and the glory of the God of Israel was high above them.

23And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city and stood on the mountain, which is on the east side of the city. (NKJ)

The glory moves from the temple to the threshold to the mountain.

The culture of God was violated:

5. apostles' doctrine – image of jealousy
6. fellowship – 70 elders in the dark
7. breaking of bread – weeping for Tammuz
8. Prayer – faces turned to the sun.

It is in this context that God says he will not hear their prayers.

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**THE FIRE FELL.**

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**BUILD EACH PILLAR INTO THOSE WHO ARE SAVED.**