

WHAT 'WAS' BECOMES WHAT 'IS'!

Illustration: Visiting a friend and staying till the following morning. It comes time to retire and you are instructed as to which bedroom is your's. You go to your room but you do not know what it is like. The furnishings and layout are there waiting for you in the darkness. You switch on the light and what was there already (what "WAS") takes on visibility — takes on form to you — takes on reality and 'IS' what you can experience. You see what 'was' and it 'is' ... reality and no longer just a promise or a hope. Your host tells you (spoken word) that his car 'IS' available tomorrow. It 'IS' in the garage even though you cannot see it to know its make and colour. It is in darkness to you for you are ignorant of its reality. You believe the word of your host (faith) and you rest in the darkness (of not yet knowing) even though He knows and IS aware of the truth. The 'tomorrow' of 'yesterday' becomes 'today' and today is **NOW**. Your host has been in the 'now' all along but it took the light (enlightenment) to make it real to you ... to give it 'form'. There is this principle ... it takes LIGHT to give the invisible (what was hidden) form and thus brings it into the 'now' of your experience.

Light brings understanding and a knowing (the fruit of faith) what 'was to be' is actually 'now'. Believing the word of your host, the car (or whatever) which was invisible to you, causes it to take on visibility or form and 'NOW IS' yours to enjoy.

In passing, 'HOPE' is a certainty ... Jesus spoke 'hope' to Simon. He declared that he was Simon (= weak) but he would be Peter (= rock). Simon receiving this word, then had a 'hope' of being Peter ... and it was so!

There is a 'NOW-FAITH' and there is a 'SOME-DAY FAITH' —

(An eye-catching way of looking at Hebrews 11:1 *Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.* ['substance': Gk = huperstasis = what stands under you . . . 'evidence': Gk= eleghos = conviction from a knowing].)

There is only one sort of faith that is real and not presumptuous and that is a 'now-faith' and it is how the *4th-dimension man of the Spirit* lives. Remember that the first 'Adam' was a spirit-man of a higher expression than what we are today. He was lowered into the form of the 3-dimensional human being. We refer to the spirit-man dimension as the 'FOURTH DIMENSION. 'Future Some-day-faith' is a 3D human hope ("I hope it works out OK" and that is not faith or true hope). True faith brings substance and form to what 'IS' in the Spirit-unseen-realm which is a revelation of what was all along.

With your Host, it is always 'NOW' because He knows. He awaits your believing (faith) to become 'a NOW-FAITH' . . . that is when you see, have and enjoy the substance/manifestation of the reality that your natural mind needs for renewing.

GOD IS — never WAS and never WILL BE. One God and Lord Who **IS** the Spirit in the timeless realm of 'NOW'. *He that comes to God, must believe that HE IS and that HE IS a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him* (Heb. 11:6). The major name of God is 'I am that I am' ... that's a 'now' name, right?

Now is the 'day of salvation' The same for all whenever ... (2Cor. 6:2 *For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.* When was the provision made for your salvation? 2000+ years ago? 'No'! The Lamb was slain before the world came into being (Rev.13:8). Once 'what was' is revealed to you by faith, then it is a 'now-experience' for you.

'Before you call, I have answered you' ... the 'WAS' is!

Remember Jesus declared, *'Before Abram was, I AM'* showing the time on God's watch reads 'NOW'. 'Time' is a part of the 'timeless'. The earthly time is a part of the timelessness of God which has taken on form and boundaries.

Now we come to the out-working of such revelation so that it becomes reality to us. It is very simple ... it just requires us to . . .

LET IT BE . . .

Gen 1:1 *In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. (2) And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. (3) And God said, LET THERE BE LIGHT: and there was light.*

Word and words need to be spoken for anything to happen. God is the Word. Christ is the Word made flesh in/as us. LET implies that what WAS come into the seen NOW-realm.

Heb 11:3 *Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God* (something spoken with the very being of the speaker being in those words), *so that things which are seen* (the resulting world) *were not made of things which do appear* (which can be seen . . . but from words which are not tangible but spirit)..

God begins to reveal Himself. The created earth and heaven were in darkness. What it all consisted of was hidden from this new seen realm. We are told ... *God dwells in the thick darkness* ... where there is no form, an emptiness and darkness. We cannot know Him until He says ... until we say ... '**LET THERE BE LIGHT**'. Let there be enLIGHTenment to my understanding. Light gives form to what was hidden in the unknown. **NOW** we see!

The word LET according to Hebrew language along with a good dictionary, has some interesting meanings. First it means '**ALLOW TO HAPPEN**', **GIVE OPPORTUNITY TO, BE FREE FROM CONFINEMENT OR TO CAUSE TO**. Hidden in its make-up is further enlightenment ... **A CHANGE OF ONE FORM** (or arena) to **ANOTHER** (i.e. **to become**); an abrupt change of energy having or containing a direct object (to appear).

Examples: Let there be ... let us make ... in a smaller way, let me ... let him ... let you.

What is hidden from our earthly understanding because it is in the spirit becomes a reality when we declare '**let there be light**'. The meaning of this simple word '**BE**' means or has within it, **TO COME INTO BEING ;(TAKE ON FORM) TO BECOME, HAPPEN, TAKE PLACE, APPEAR OR TO EXIST.**

To summarize: All things are in Christ and all things are ours through the provision of the cross. We basically are required to believe that all things **ARE** in Him and they simply need to be believed and then declare what is truth even though we do not have evidence of it. Faith is the substance (confidence) God

is for us and not against us ... great is His provision. God, who is the Word, has placed His word-creating-ability in mankind. We create with all our words all the time. *Death and life are in the power of the tongue.*

Speak forth liberating words because every cell of your body knows the vibrations of your voice and can be affected by your words.

Speak to 'this mountain' whatever it may be; say with conviction, Let there be LIGHT ... Let there be LIFE ... Let there be HEALTH ... Let there be supply ... Let there be FORGIVENESS ... Let there be RESTORATION ... Let there be whatever you might think is lacking in you or in a situation as *the mind of Christ in you* is allowed to be LORD.

As a man thinks in his heart, so is he (Prov. 23:7). Thinking precedes speaking. Thoughts are spirit and are stored in a mind. *Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ-Jesus...*

Let there be and there was this is the first principle of the Bible that is to become our life.§