

The Gospel Herald

“As the truth is in Jesus” (Ephesians 4:21)

For The LORD’S PILGRIMS, STRANGERS & SOJOURNERS

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“And from the seven Spirits which are before his throne”

Revelation 1:4

Dear Beloved of Christ, called into that blessed hope of sins forgiven and life everlasting:

During my scriptural studies of years gone by I had come across the aforementioned scripture that really puzzled my finite mind. How could God who is “SPIRIT” have seven Spirits?

If we study the scriptures long enough, in many cases God will cause the scriptures to interpret scripture. This is one of the key reasons for the admonition for the child of God to “study the word of God” as inexhaustible as the Holy Writ is, its revelation is continually revealed to us as we grow in the grace and knowledge of our God and Saviour.

“These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars” (Rev. 3:1). It is quite interesting that there are “seven Spirits” indicated in scripture and ALL are specified by being “Capitalized” as being the supreme and ultimate Spirit which is of the Almighty. If God is “Spirit” as the scripture indicates (John 4:24), how can there be “seven of them?”

Letting scripture interpret scripture, this is the manifestation of how this assumed mystery is explained (IMHO).

“And of the angels he saith, who maketh his angels SPIRITS, and his ministers a flame of fire” (Heb. 1:7). “Are they (angels) not all ministering SPIRITS, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation” (Heb. 1:14)?

“The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are THE ANGELS of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches” (Rev. 1:20). And then in

the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, he expressed, "Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks" (Rev. 2:1). As recorded, our Lord had instructed messages to be written to the angels of the seven churches.

Seeing this manifestation of God's "ministering Spirits", we are revealed that His angels are those angelic messengers which minister to heirs of divine sovereign grace the truth as it is in Jesus. I ask myself, is there the visitation of God's ministering angel Spirit when we gather together as a local called out assembly of believers? Shall we not believe and trust that our sovereign Head and Master will visit us with his ministering Spirits to cause us to worship Him as we ought? Or are we just going through some religious tradition and order seeking to mimic the genuine? Shall we pray that God be pleased to send such ministering angelic host to make visitation among us who gather in attempts to worship the God of scripture "in Spirit and in Truth?"

There is so much that I do not know nor understand about the servitude of our Lord angelic host, yet I do have some promises the scripture has set forth. "The angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that fear Him, and delivereth them" (Psa. 34:7). "For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways" (Psa. 91:11). These divine promises give me great consolation that our God never leaves us without divine protection and oversight as we journey through this low ground of sin and sorrow.

We that are blessed to behold the Lord Jesus Christ as our ONLY help and hope of sins forgiven and life everlasting. We can rejoice that we have the angel(s) of God as our divine protector(s) that defend our cause as the purchased possession of God through the precious price of the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, with an everlasting covenant.

I am convinced there is never a time that Gods ministering Spirit(s) does not abide with me. In the person of His Son Jesus by Spirit, and the ministering Spirit(s) of the angelic host of heaven itself. May it my prayer that God cause His Spirit to give divine unction to minister the everlasting gospel to those called as "gifts" to the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ here in time. And to take each elect and ordained heir of grace "to say so" as witnesses of so great salvation. "For when the Holy Ghost shall come upon you, YE SHALL BE WITNESSES UNTO ME."

Blessed be our God that sin and death hath no power over the children of God, but our great Deliverer has loosed those powers that we walk in the newness of life which is by Christ who causes us to WILL and to DO of His good pleasure.

May Christ be forever praised among the those caused to believe upon his glorious and precious name of which there is NO GREATER!

*Respectfully submitted,
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