The Knowledge of the Glory of God in the Face of Jesus Christ

"The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And **the glory of the LORD shall be revealed**, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it." (Isa 40:3-5)

What is the glory of the LORD that was revealed to us and seen? The Truth!!

"In **the beginning** was the **Word**, and the Word was **with God**, and the Word **was God**. The same was **in the beginning** with God. **All things** were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made." (Jn 1:1-3) "And **the Word was made 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." (Jn 1:14)

We beheld the glory of the Word made flesh, which is the truth that was with God and was God.

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, **the truth**, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and **from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him."** (Jn 14:6-7) "I and my Father are one." (Jn 10:30)

For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of **the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.** But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us. (2 Cor 4:6-7)

The knowledge of the glory of God that we beheld was the glory of the Word made flesh, which is the truth that was with God and was God, in the face of Jesus Christ who is the expressed visible image of his person.

"Who being **the brightness of his glory**, and **the express image of his person**, and upholding all things **by the word** of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:" (Heb 1:3)

"But he said unto them, **I have meat** to eat that ye know not of. Therefore said the disciples one to another, Hath any man brought him ought to eat? Jesus saith unto them, **My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work."** (Jn 4:32-34)

Jesus said **his meat** was to do the will of him that sent him, which meat was **to offer himself** a sweet smelling sacrifice **unto God** in order **to reconcile** the world back unto **himself**. The work of God was that **you believe on him (Jesus) of whom God sent.**

"Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed. Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent." (Jn 6:26-29)

The work of God is to believe on Jesus of whom God has sent. This is the meat which endures unto everlasting life. If you believe you must partake of this meat. O taste and see that the Lord is good!! Blessed is that man that makes the Lord his trust!!

"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. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world. The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us his flesh to eat? Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever." (Jn 6:48-58)

My flesh is meat indeed and my blood is drink indeed. The meat of God was the Bread of life which was of the Word of life which was the Body of Christ of which we would eat his flesh and drink his blood that we would be able to dwell in him and he in us and God will raise us up at the last day. But we must have the Spirit of Christ in order for this to take place. Through the veil, by the blood, our bodies washed with pure water by baptism in Jesus name; whereby we will receive the promise of his Spirit. We then must continue to take part of eating his flesh and drinking his blood in remembrance of his laying down his life for his friends of whom you are if you keep his commandments which are not grievous.

"Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest **by the blood** of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, **through the veil**, that is to say, **his flesh**; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and **our bodies washed with pure water**. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)" (Heb 10:19-23)

Our God is a Spirit.

"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." (Jn 4:24)

No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him. (Jn 1:18)

Our God is Light.

"There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not." (Jn 1:6-10)

I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession;" (1 Tim 6:13)

What was the confession?

"Jesus answered, **My kingdom is not of this world**: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is **my kingdom not from hence**. Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice. Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all." (Jn 18:36-38)

"I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who <u>before Pontius Pilate</u> witnessed **a good confession**; That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: Which **in his times** he shall show, who is the blessed and **only Potentate**, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; **Who only** hath immortality, **dwelling in the light** which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen." (1 Tim 6:13-16)

What is truth? The Word made flesh. This is the knowledge of the glory of the LORD that was revealed to us that we all beheld in the face of Jesus Christ.

John 17:1-26

- 1 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:
- 2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give **eternal life** to as many as thou hast given him.
- 3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life. (1 Jn 5:20)

4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have **finished the work** which thou gavest me to do.

He glorified God on Earth by finishing the work which was revealing the truth to men of who God is and how we could partake of eternal life.

5 And now, O Father, **glorify thou me** with thine own self **with the glory which I had** with thee before the world was.

Here Jesus praying in his humanity asked the Father to glorify him referring to the man, the body of Christ, with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was. This referring to himself as the Word of God that was before the world was. The Word being the thoughts, plan, and reasoning in the mind of God. (See definition of the Logos)

- 6 I have **manifested thy name** unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have **kept thy word.**
- 7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.
- 8 For I have given unto them **the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them**, and have known surely that **I came out from thee**, and they have believed that thou didst send me.
- 9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.
- 10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and **I am glorified in them.**

Jesus is glorified in them because **they believed** he came forth from the Father.

11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through **thine own name** those whom thou hast given me, **that they may be one**, **as we are.**

He is no more in the world because **he overcame the world**. If you are to be one with him as he is one with the Father **then you must** eat his flesh and drink his blood. "He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him." (Jn 6:56)

- 12 While I was with them in the world, **I kept them in thy name**: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. 13 And now **come I to thee**; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.
- 14 I have given them **thy word**; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as **I am not of the world**.
- 15 **I pray** not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.
- 16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

The word is truth. Jesus is the Word and Jesus is the Truth.

18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

Jesus was sent into the world to bring the knowledge of the glory of God; the truth to man. Even as God sent forth Jesus into the world to bring forth to man the knowledge of this truth even so now Jesus sent forth his disciples into the world to bring forth to man the knowledge of this truth.

19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

Jesus said for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through **the truth.** What was truth? **Thy word is truth.** The knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ, **the Prophet** of whom was spoken of **by the LORD** to Moses that was **to come**, of whom God would **put his words in his mouth**, of which whosoever **that will not hearken** unto the **words of God** of which he shall speak **in God's name**, God will **require it of him**.

- 20 Neither **pray I** for these alone, but for them also which **shall believe on me through their word:**
- 21 That they **all may be one**; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be **one** in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

By the Spirit of Truth, the Holy Ghost, which gives us access to the body of Christ. One in truth, One in Spirit and One in body.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

What glory? The knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ or the body of Jesus Christ of which is the truth. We partake of this truth through the Word by being born of water and of the Spirit as well as by eating his flesh and drinking his blood.

The Lord **will not** give his glory to another and Jesus said, "the glory which thou gavest me I have given them". Jesus is God and Jesus is one with God in truth, in name, in body, and in Spirit. **We become one in Jesus** by the truth when we receive the Holy Ghost or the Spirit of Truth. This Spirit of Truth, the Holy Ghost, gives us access to the body of Christ of which we become members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. (Eph 5:30)

- 23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.
- 24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; **that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me**: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.
- 25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: **but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.**
- 26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.