

God's Character Being Revealed
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I called out to a friend in passing today. When she turned around to see who it was there was something in her face I hadn't noticed before. It was "Character". It seems strange to say it this way but that's what came to me. She was hesitant to look at me, as she always is, but it was plain.

Life has a way of unfolding and revealing us. As we go through this journey (back to our true nature or character), the many mistakes, the failures, the pitfalls, the pains and sorrows, hopes, dreams, disappointments, the anguish of our souls, the persecutions, the temptations, snares, trials and all the life experiences are transforming us into the very nature that has been overshadowed since the fall of Adam, "the Character (Nature) of God". Paul exhorted us to be not conformed to this world but to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. Some have seen themselves as abject failures, some have thought themselves to be very successful; there are even some who have gone through life without a clue as to where their place (and many of these are God's overcomers). Whether or not we understand it, the character of God is coming forth in each and everyone of us for **we (self)** die daily.

The Apostle Paul recognized that it wasn't how well he did or how good he lived (he called himself the "chief of sinners"), but his victory, joy, peace and hope came in knowing that God's ultimate purpose was to be **all in all and to us all**. After his Damascus road experience and the persecutions he endured in ministry he realized that God's plan for changing his name from Saul had nothing to do with him becoming a great missionary but rather flesh and blood was taking a back seat to spirit and many great mysteries, the Christ within would be unfolded in a remnant people who would go on to overcome all things in the earth; a people who ultimately will allow Him to nail them to the cross, bear out every temptation, every trial that "not I but Christ" will be seen in the age to come. Paul's ministry was based on the faith and knowledge that all things culminated in one, God the Father; that He was before all things and that by Him all things consist.

There is a day at hand, an age at hand, **the day of the Lord** that will reveal God's Character", through the Christ of God (who we are). We are giving up the fight and struggle (the battle was never ours), **losing our minds** that the **mind of Christ** can come forth in power. Religion taught us that we had

to dress right, pray right, stay away from this place and that place; from these people and those people if indeed we wanted to stay right with God. I'm so glad that Father is consuming, purifying every thought as we (by His spirit) bring them all into captivity to the obedience of Him. The struggle is coming to an end for this elect body that's beginning to recognize it has always been with **self**. This self is the very human mind that captivated the first Adam and brought bondage to all creation.

My earthly daddy taught his ten children to never forget who we were because we represented every time we went out. Somewhere along the way (and we know it began in Adam) we forgot who we were. It was not by accident though because the scripture teaches us that mankind was subjected into vanity; all for the purpose and unfolding of Father God. I believe it was and has always been in the plan of God for creation not only to fall but even more that an invisible eternal God would be revealed through a people.

We are that people, the Christ, the sons that creation is waiting for to be manifested in the earth. A shift is taking place in this Christ, it's happening in the mind. An awakening to truth and reality of the very character and nature of our heavenly Father who spoke to Moses and said I AM. We embody this very nature as born again believers but experientially by His spirit, God is working out of us all that He is. As we agree with the Truth of God, and allow the Character of God within to come forth, we will see the glory of God being revealed in us and those who walk in unity with the truth of Our Father. His Character is who we've always been. "Let us make man in our likeness and in our image." We are on our way home.

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