Lesson 86  Hear O Israel  May 9, 2012

05/08/12 CT –
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Hear O Israel the Lord is one - praise Him.
Hear O Israel the Lord is one - be obedient unto Him.

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I AM calling you out, out of sin, out of self, out of despair.
Follow my ways.

Adhere to that which I set forth.
Make Me your true Lord.
The time for playing at it is over,

Now’s the time to be serious,
Now’s the time to be devoted to your King,
No more playing around.

I AM a jealous God.
You shall have no other God’s before Me.
Amen (So be it)!

The Lord is One

The Lord began by declaring that He is one. This subject is not one unfamiliar to us.
Remember studying Deuteronomy 6:4 “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the Lord is one!”
And then there are other verses, just as easily recognizable, that make the same declaration, as the one above. For example:

James 2:19 You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!

This, however, may seem confusing because God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit have different names. Sometimes they even appear separate like in these verses from:
Matthew 3:16-17  When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

Mark 16:19  So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.

John 1:1-2  In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. (NKJ)

John 15:26  But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

So what is the Lord saying when He says, “the Lord is one!”? Well, I think He is saying they are one in thought, one in purpose, one in truth and one in love! Yet I believe they are distinct from each other but how is this possible? Well, the Lord has provided the answer to this question on the THH website http://www.takehisheart.com/inthebeginningwastheword.htm

"In the fourth dimension (spirit realm), the bulk or weight of a mass, by the separation of the particles, can gain magnitude (multiply itself) without diminishing the weight or bulk of the original mass.”

Let's look in the Bible for evidence of this principle working. The first thing I remembered as this precept was brought back to my memory was in the story of Moses, where the spirit of prophecy was being given to the seventy elders.

Numbers 11:25
And the Lord came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and gave it to the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and did not cease.

It says the Lord ...took of the spirit that was upon him... and gave it to the elders. God didn't bring more of the spirit of prophecy with Him when He came down. He took of the spirit that was on Moses.

Let's look at this again. Going back further in scripture to where God tells Moses what He is going to do, the Lord had just instructed Moses to gather the elders in the tabernacle.

Numbers 11:17
And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and I will put it upon them...

The Lord said, "I will take of the spirit (the separation of the particles) and I will put it upon them." The spirit that was upon Moses was not diminished. This all happened in the spirit realm. Now let's move to this formula working in the spirit realm and manifesting in the three-dimensional realm in a real physical way.

This formula was working when Jesus fed the multitude with the loaves and the fishes. They were reproduced without the depletion of the original loaves and fishes.

Matthew 15:33-38
And his disciples say unto him, Whence should we have so much bread in the wilderness, as to fill so great a multitude? And Jesus saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven, and a few little fishes. And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks, and brake them, and
gave to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets full. And they that did eat were four thousand men, beside women and children.

Understand here that the people all took various quantities of bread and fish and in different portions, but there was always enough for the next person to take the portion that he wanted of each item. Why? Because the original portions were not, could not be, depleted. It was more than enough!

This principle happened earlier when Elisha the prophet told the woman to gather jugs and instructed her to fill all the other jugs from the one jug containing the oil. By the separation of the particles, the other jugs were filled and the original jug was not depleted. It is obvious that this principle that exists in the fourth dimension (spiritual realm) is triggered by faith.

Then the Lord took me to John 1:1,2, He said, "A father must preexist before a son." This is when I saw the true message of John 1: 1,2 was so simple.

John 1:1,2
1. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2. The same was in the beginning with God. (KJV)

First, let me make it clear that God is talking about "the beginning," the first thing that happened. This is not at the creation of the world, or the universe. It was before that. This is about God having a Son! When God says beginning, He means the "absolute beginning."

There is a progression in the following. Something happened between "In the beginning was the Word" and "the Word was with God." God is a spirit. In the beginning was the Word God was alone but everything that is came from within Him. He was not a manifested Father although it was already in Him. Then He had a Son (the Word was with God). A son cannot come into existence without a father. God, by the separation of the particles of Himself, reproduced Himself in a Son, and God was not diminished in any way. Then it says "and the Word (that was with God) was God." Jesus is God, an exact reproduction of God Himself. How? By the separation of particles, an exact reproduction (not a new creation) took place, without diminishing the original.

Is this true, Jesus is identical to God? Yes! Look at the next verse.

John 1:2
The same was in the beginning with God.

The same is Jesus. He is the same as God! The same was with God in the beginning! The only difference between God and Jesus is the fact that one is the Father and one is the Son. This is why we can say that Jesus is God. He is not God the Father, but God the Son. He is simply God in a different position.

I think we can also look at it from another perspective like that found in Genesis 2:24
Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one…. The husband and wife do not fuse into each other and become one person. Likewise the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are one just as the husband and wife ideally are to be one as well. They (the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit) are one in thought, one in purpose, one in truth and one in love! Yes, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are distinct
but the same. Nothing was ever taken from God. God was not diminished but an exact reproduction was made. In this way the Lord is one!

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And we are to be one with Him as well. Remember the words the Lord gave us on

06/03/2009 Jesus' blood spilled for you. Jesus' life spent for you. The cup is his life taken into you, a communion between me and you, a union; a marriage; and the two become one. Communion is sacred. It symbolizes our union. Chemistry; elements coming together representing our marriage. Not only does it serve as a remembrance of my sacrifice for you but it also serves as a symbol of our union. Think of this as you take your communion. We are to be united with the Lord.

05/04/12 BN - Be one with Me.
05/04/12 CN - Be one with Me.
05/05/12 DP - Oneness in Me.
05/05/12 BN - Now take the bread and eat of it, This is My body which was destroyed for you...but was built back up, in the same way let Me destroy your "self" and build you back up in My image.

We cannot be full of self and be united with the Lord. We must realize we do not know better than the Lord.

Can man know better than the Lord

Can man know better than the Lord?
It is time to humble your self before the Lord.
It is time to be obedient and follow after His ways.

These words remind me of the expression “It's time to get on board!” I guess this is because now that we have established that the Lord is one and that we are to be united with Him, now that we understand this concept, well, now it’s time to realize that we cannot do better than life with the Lord. The Lord is perfect, imperfection is not found in him. We as humans cannot know better than the Lord. If our plans are different from the Lord’s then our plans are imperfect. Self does not know better than the Lord. In other words, we cannot know better than perfection, consequently, now's the time for us to be obedient and follow after His ways. You cannot be full of self and united with the Lord.

2 Samuel 22:31 As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the Lord is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.
Psalm 18:30 As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.
Psalm 33:11 The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations.
Psalm 92:5 O LORD, how great are your works! Your thoughts are very deep.
Proverbs 19:21 There are many plans in a man’s heart, nevertheless the LORD’s counsel—that will stand.
Isaiah 55:8-9 “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,” says the Lord. “For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

The Lord assured us in these many verses that we cannot presume to know better than the Lord. His thoughts are higher, deeper, and perfect, ours are not. We cannot improve on the Lord’s ways or His plans. Therefore, it is time for us to be humble. It is time for obedience!

05/03/12 DP - Be not presumptuous seek Me for understanding.
05/06/12 MVA - Refinement. Hindsight and time reveal the cleansing. Continue to stay on track finding your purpose.
05/07/12 MVA - My truth. Not mans truth which contains error. Perfect truth is truth from your God Jesus. Abide in this truth.

Man

Does man presume to make the rules?
I AM Lord. I AM King.
Do not presume to establish man’s ways!

In his words the Lord mentioned the word presume or a variation of it several times. What does it mean to presume? Well presume means to undertake without leave or clear justification, to dare; to expect or assume especially with confidence, to suppose to be true without proof; to take for granted, to imply; to act or proceed without clear justification; to go beyond what is right or proper. So basically I think the Lord is saying, “Why does man go beyond what is right or proper to make his own rules?” Why does man assume that he can even undertake the making of his own rules? It is like man is not honoring the Lord. We are going beyond what is proper for our position. But the Lord brought us back down to earth with these words, I AM Lord. I AM King.

So we have to ask the question, “Why do we as humans disregard what the Lord has established?” “Why have we allowed sin and wickedness (self) to establish our ways?” I think we have allowed haughtiness and greed to take control. We like power or at least the illusion of it. We want to do it our way. We have even gone so far as to create our own traditions, disregarding those established by the Lord.

We believe in man’s intellect and we even believe in his common sense, we suppose we are correct. We then presume to make the rules, to create the very traditions spoken of earlier. How can this be? It is time to get rid of self. It is time to be humble before the Lord. It is time to be one with the Lord. This, however, is not a new message. The Lord said this in his word.

Genesis 6:5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
Psalm 10:3-4 For the wicked boasts of his heart’s desire; he blesses the greedy and renounces the LORD. The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts.

And Jesus himself called us “Hypocrites!” He could see into our hearts, he could read our thoughts. He knew we were breaking the Lord’s commandments because of the emphasis we placed on our own traditions.
Matthew 15:1-9  Then the scribes and Pharisees who were from Jerusalem came to Jesus, saying, “Why do Your disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat bread.” He answered and said to them, “Why do you all transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition? For God commanded, saying, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and ‘He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death.’ But you say, ‘Whoever says to his father or mother, “Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God”—then he need not honor his father or mother. Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition. Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying: ‘These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’”

Mark 7:8  “For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men—the washing of pitchers and cups, and many other such things you do.” He said to them, “All too well you reject the commandment of God, that you may keep your tradition.

And the first apostles likewise understood the importance of submitting to the Lord ways, to his commandments. How are we honoring him by creating our own way? Aren’t we breaking the first two of the ten commandments with these types of actions?

Acts 5:29  But Peter and the other apostles answered and said, “We ought to obey God rather than men.

Romans 10:1-3  Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.

You can see that it is time to discard the traditions of man and follow after the Lord’s ways. Man must stop trying to be pleasing the world, pleasing to others, pleasing to self. We should instead seek to be pleasing to the Lord. We have tried looking to the world for joy, happiness and answers. But they have been elusive. This is because the world does not have the answers. The truth of joy, happiness and answers only come from the Lord. The Lord does not change He continues delivering this message:

05/02/12 DP - Do not look to the world for answers I AM your answers.
05/02/12 SN - Choose wisely.
05/03/12 DP - Be not side tracked by the world and it's ways.
05/04/12 SN - Choose wisely.
05/05/12 SN - Choose not what you will say, let Me be your guide, I will tell you what to say when the time is right.
05/06/12 MVA - The world is mixed in -hidden in many things. I AM exposing the world.
05/06/12 BN - The spirit of fear prohibits man from doing many things. The fear of failure keeps you from acting. How can you fail if you do exactly what I tell you to do? Just because the results may not turn out the way you thought it should have does not mean that it was not a successful part of My plan. Who are you to know what My plan is? You could not understand its magnitude or depth.
05/06/12 CN - You be the clay, I'll be the potter.
05/07/12 BN - Keep the things of the world in their place.
05/07/12 SN - Hold onto what I have said, Go into the world and focus.
Listen for My Voice

Of course, it will be very difficult to receive messages from the Lord if we do not actually stop and focus on Him by lifting up silence, or by recording our dreams or visions. The Lord wants to guide our path, He wants us to grow in Him. I believe that it is imperative that we make time to be one with Him. Remember the analogy of the husband and wife? How can any marriage be successful if you do not make time for your spouse? How can any marriage be successful if you are not willing to listen to your spouse? This week the Lord said:

Hear O Israel - listen for my voice, 
I AM calling you out, out of sin, out of self, out of despair. 
Follow my ways.

I believe the Lord talks to everyone, we just have to listen. Some people call it that still small voice. Some may call it their heart but in reality I believe it is the Lord. Remember, He wants to be one with you. We wants to lead and guide you. This should not seem frightening or ominous. Remember He is perfection. He is love. He wants the best for you. Listening to him is important. Take the time to bring the Lord into your life, into your decisions, focus on his guidance. Follow his ways to the joy and happiness we spoke of earlier.

Adhere to My Rules

Of course being obedient to his instruction comes after listening to him. Listening is all well and good but then we must “do” that which He says. We must apply it to our lives. We must adhere to His rules, His direction, His guidance. We cannot stop at listening. This is not new either, remember Romans 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world,… that is just another way of saying follow My rules, follow My ways. Just as He stated this week,
05/02/12 MVA - You have done well to follow My ways yes Jesus. My ways yes Jesus. Cooperate in unity in Me Jesus.
05/02/12 SN - There is so much more to learn, Follow my path.
05/03/12 DP - Time is not your friend run quickly do all that I said to do.
05/03/12 MVA - Obedience purpose fulfilled. Seeing truth revealed.
05/04/12 DP - See My purpose execute My plan for your life. My way is a way of safety and peace. Be not afraid to come unto Me
05/04/12 BN - Walk in obedience, be diligent, do what you say you will do, walk in My will, and obey Me.
05/04/12 SN - Do all that I say.
05/05/12 MVA - Instruction Michael being followed. Wholesome in everything be. Pure truth establish. Pure truth cleansing. Rocket science not.
05/05/12 BN - Be obedient, earnestly seek Me. Do My will when I tell you without question. Love is not enough, there are rules and boundaries (to be followed). It is a legal matter. Do as I say, I will not lead you astray.
05/05/12 SN - Do all that I say to do.
05/06/12 DP - Maintain all legal precedent Brideship protocols are a must.
05/06/12 MVA - Obedience to what is shown is all that is necessary. Don’t worry about future. My timing in all. Understanding today’s instructions one day at a time.
05/06/12 BN - You are successful when you are obedient, that is how you should judge your success.
05/07/12 SN - Listen to Me, you must do what I tell you, focus is your key.
05/08/12 MVA - Wisdom I AM. My ways are Wisdom. Study know My ways. How did I treat others do the same. Love, Kindness, Gentle, Humble show. Reflect your God Jesus in all Love. The more time spent with your God Jesus clearer reflection. Mirror image be.
05/08/12 CN - Walk in My path.
05/09/12 MVA - You need only to take action -To do them. Don’t neglect or let slip refinement of the past. Continue to walk in them adding to them. Stay focused. Training in diligence wins the race.

Understanding this, following someone’s request should not be difficult once you realize that they love you and that they want the best for you. The Lord’s ways are for our own protection and benefit. He loves you, He wants the best for you. Keep your focus, walk in his path, be one with Him.

No Gods Before Me

Several times in this lesson I mentioned the first two commandments:

Exodus 20:3 You shall have no other gods before Me.
Exodus 20:4,5 You shall not make for yourself a carved image…you shall not bow down to them nor serve them, For I the Lord your God am a jealous God…

The Lord has not changed. He is still a jealous God. He wants our attention, he wants our focus, and he wants to be in our hearts. This week He said, Make me your true Lord. And He said, Now’s the time to be serious, Now’s the time to be devoted to your King, No more playing around. I AM a jealous God. You shall have no other God’s before Me. This is the Lord’s desire, now’s the time. Likewise, He said this:
05/02/12 DP - Treasure is where your heart is, what do you treasure most? You King Jesus. Spend your time with Me, Keep Me first above everything else, Let nothing stop you from seeking Me. Meditate on Me. Be faithful in least and be entrusted with much.
05/03/12 DP - Keep heart and mind focused on Me and all will be well. Do My will.
05/03/12 MVA - Respect beautiful.
05/03/12 SN - Bring to Me all that you have and I will make your paths straight.
05/03/12 CN - Be faithful to Me.
05/04/12 DP - Magnificent newness in Me come explore, grow in Me, learn of Me, to know Me is to know yourself. Join Me hand in hand. Mystery of godliness, pure undefiled holiness, reverence to the one above.
05/04/12 BN - Be My faithful servant.
05/04/12 SN - Follow me in all things. Focus on Me, I will lead you out, focus for the time is nigh, trust Me in this.
05/04/12 CN - Be faithful.
05/05/12 DP - Honor Me with faithfulness and it will be well with you.
05/05/12 MVA - Fellowship. Communing with your God Jesus. Exalting your God Jesus.
05/05/12 BN - When will this world ever turn to Me. For thousands of years I have waited and only a few have truly ever known Me. Now this time grows short and still I wait patiently. Make sure you are one of the few that will know Me and not one of the many that will be cast into outer darkness. Be humble and respectful when in My presence. Focus on Me.
05/05/12 SN - Keep your focus on Me.
05/06/12 DP - Fellowship is a necessary component to maintain intimacy.
05/06/12 BN - Let Me lead you in everything you do, let Me lead our time together.
05/07/12 DP - Focus your mind into Me.
05/07/12 MVA - Stay focused on Me Jesus.
05/07/12 BN - Keep Me front and center.
05/08/12 MVA - The more time spent with your God Jesus clearer reflection. Mirror image be. Stay attentive.
05/08/12 SN - Be faithful with Me.
05/09/12 MVA - Complete attention to your God Jesus give. Clear vision comes with complete attention.

This week the Lord has helped us to understand the importance of keeping Him at the forefront of our hearts and mind allowing Him to take control. He has admonished us to get rid of self and replace it by following after His ways. This act on our part will ultimately be for our own good and it will also be a demonstration to Him that He indeed is our Lord and our King.

This week the Lord taught us that He is one in thought, purpose, truth and love. He is one and we are to be one with Him.

May the Lord Bless and Keep You,
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