

The Courts of Heaven

Part Two: Heaven's Court of Inheritance The Court of the Sons

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### **INTRODUCTION:**

This eBook, Heaven's Court of Inheritance, is Part Two in a two-part teaching.

Both eBooks in this series are divided into two sections.

<u>The first section</u> is the general teaching about the Courts, which has been included in both eBooks because it is important to understand what the Courts are, how they work and how you can access them.

<u>The second section</u> is the specific aspect of The Court of Redemption or The Court of Inheritance, respectively, as follows:

eBook #1:	Heaven's Court of Redemption, The Blood Court
	General Teaching on the Courts
	Criminal Courts in the natural
	Heaven's Blood Court - Redemption
eBook #2 <sup>.</sup>	Heaven's Court of Inheritance, The Court of the Sons
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	Heaven's Court of the Sons - Inheritance

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### THE CONCEPT OF THE COURTS OF HEAVEN

At the heart of the various teachings about the Courts of Heaven, is the premise of prayer and seeking answers to prayer, and understanding the Courts of Heaven as a place to go and seek an answer to as-yet unanswered prayers.

I believe in plain, straight-forward teaching, so let me dismantle the teaching and premise from the outset. I want you to understand from the beginning what I mean about the Courts.

The concept of the Courts of Heaven is this:-

There are prayers that we have prayed that have gone unanswered. It may not be that what we are asking for is wrong--but that there is a different venue or a different way in which to pray.

For example, many of us are familiar with warfare types of prayer, and these would be classified as Battle-Field Prayers. So, in the same way that you may be familiar with warfare prayer and deliverance prayer, if someone came to you and said, "I'm going to teach you about battlefield prayers – you may think "I've never heard of that" but in practice you are very familiar with it, but you haven't heard that terminology before.

The same is true with praying in the Courts of Heaven. It is a principle that you may be familiar with in your every day – especially if you pray prayers from the Word, and especially if you pray prayers from the book of Psalms – King David prayed often in the Courts. The new piece of the puzzle is the terminology of the Courts of Heaven.

Does that make sense? You have prayed in the Courts before, but you just haven't realized it, the same way that you have prayed in the battlefield, you just didn't use "battle-field prayer" terminology?

BUT: This is the Power of The Courts of Heaven:-

When you come to understand where and how you are actually praying – You can use this understanding and position to your advantage – And that is the point of this teaching:-

To show you the resource and position you have in the Courts of Heaven, Which will you give an advantage in prayer.



That is the role of revelation. You get a deeper grasp on a spiritual principle and it sets you free at higher levels and you gain much needed strength, purpose and advantage.

For example, when you were first saved, you may have understood that God loved you and that because of Jesus' sacrifice, you can be forgiven of your sins.

But then, as you grow and learn more, you come to understand that not only have you been forgiven of those sins but that God no longer remembers them, and the way that He interacts with you is separate and apart from any memory of sin. He interacts with you from a position of looking forward to what can be, not from looking back at what once was.

When you come into a new revelation that not only does God love you and not only has God forgiven you, but also that God has chosen to forget every trace of memory of your sin, which means when you bring it up He has no idea what you're talking about and all He wants to do is move forward into the amazing blessings He has set aside for you, and that He will withhold no good thing from you – and all it takes to step into that place of living in the fullness of His promises is agreeing with Him that you are free from sin – that you have no sin left in you because it all hung on the cross, and not just every sin you have committed to date, but every willful choice against Him and His ways that you are yet to commit –

When you understand that kind of forgiveness – it sets you free from sin in the sense that it no longer inhibits your interaction with God and your ability to live in His love, and that realization catapults you into the amazing realm of His perfect, complete, encompassing, overwhelming love, joy, purpose, fulfillment, and promise of life that He has made in His Word!

Did you just get a revelation about His love and forgiveness?! Do you want more?!

The best place to start, is to talk about prayer:



### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO PRAY?

In the book of Mark, we read the account of Jesus feeding the multitude miraculously from what began as just a few loaves of bread and a couple of small fish. That accounts end with this statement:

Mark 6:46 "when He had dismissed and released them [the people], Jesus departed to the mountain to pray, to "proseuchomai".

In the Greek language this verse was originally written in, the word for pray is the word "*proseuchomai*". What is "proseuchomai prayer"?

Proseuchomai in the Greek means:-

- Entering into God's Holy Presence--
- But with an emphasis on the fact that:
  - The important thing is to come into God's Presence,
  - Only secondary is the content or requests the what we say.

That means, when you pray, You don't have to get the words right!

### The important part is not what you say, The important part is simply that you come!

There's a deeper meaning as well - not only do we come BUT in coming:-

- We interact with God **by**
- Exchanging our human ideas, wishes and desires for
- His ideas, wishes and desires, as
- He imparts faith to us, and
- We accomplish difficult, stupendous, incredible things.

These "difficult, stupendous, incredible things" are exactly what James 5:16 references:

James 5:16 *The prayer of those in right standing with God, has great power and produces wonderful results.* 



So let me re-write the Mark 6:46 verse with the full meaning from the Greek:

Jesus went to the mountain, To enter the Holy Presence of God Interacting with Him, Exchanging human ideas and goals For God's ideas and goals, While God imparted faith, The result being The accomplishment of difficult, stupendous & incredible things!

With that insight of what it means to pray and what happens when we do, let's continue to develop the idea of the Courts of Heaven, which will give you amazing tools for effective, power in prayer.

Ready? Let's go:

The idea of interacting with God as a Judge, or Of entering into the Courts of Heaven is not a new notion.

> Both the Old Testament prophets and The New Testament Apostles Wrote from this concept.

### **SCRIPTURAL BASIS & PRECIDENT FOR THE COURTS OF HEAVEN**

We see it plainly throughout the Scriptures, including the following verses:

### God as Judge

In the bible, there are many words used for God. There are words that describe His nature and words that describe His functions. Here the word used for "God" is the Greek word "theos", meaning "<u>magistrate</u>" or "divine judge."

James 4:12:-*There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy.* 

Psalm 7:11 God is an honest and righteous judge.



In this next verse from Isaiah, the word for judge is the Hebrew word "shaphat", which means: "<u>one who decides controversies and renders judgment</u>." The word for "lawgiver" is the Hebrew word "chaqaq", which means: "<u>one who issues decrees</u>."

Isaiah 33:22 For the LORD (Jehovah) is our <u>Judge</u>, the LORD is our <u>lawgiver</u>, The LORD is our king, and He will save us.

### The Courts of God

Psalm 82: 1 God stands up to open <u>Heaven's court</u> and pronounces judgment.

Hebrews 9:27 *It is in store for people to die once, and after that is the <u>court trial</u>.* 

### **Thrones of God**

These Old Testament verses use the Hebrew word "kicce", which means <u>both a royal</u> throne and the tribunal seat of a judge.

Psalm 11:4 *The LORD is in His holy temple; the LORD is on His <u>heavenly throne</u>.* 

1 Kings 22:19 I saw the LORD sitting on His <u>throne</u>, and all the host of heaven standing by Him on his right hand and on his left.

Isaiah 66:1 *Heaven is my <u>Throne</u>, earth is my footstool* 

In the New Testament book of Hebrews, the word for "throne" is the Greek word "thronos", meaning a royal chair of the king or the <u>seat of authority of a judge</u>.

Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the <u>Throne of Grace</u>, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.



### Satan as Prosecutor, Accuser and Adversary

In Revelation, the word "accuser" is the Greek word, "kategoreo", which literally means "<u>one who makes accusations before a judge</u>", and is therefore in context a legal accusation.

Revelation 12:10 *The <u>accuser</u> of the brethren, who <u>accuses them before our God</u>, day and night, <i>Has been cast down*.

The word "adversary" here in this New Testament verse is the Greek word "antidikos" and means an <u>opponent in a court of law</u>.

1 Peter 5:8 *your <u>adversary</u>, the devil* 

### Jesus as Mediator/Arbitrator

In this letter from Paul to Timonty, the word "Mediator" is the same as Arbitrator, from the Greek word "mesites", which means: "<u>someone who intervenes between two or more</u> parties to restore peace or ratify a contract/covenant."

Jesus works as the one who goes before God, on our behalf, in order to restore our peace with God and to ratify the covenant God has made with us, His people.

1 Timothy 2:5 *There is <u>one Mediator</u> between God and man – Jesus Christ.* 

#### Jesus as Advocate/Lawyer

The word, "Advocate" here in this letter from John is from the Greek - "parakletos", which means the comforter, and the one who pleads the case of another before a judge, or one who presents counsel for a legal defense.

This Greek word also means "an intercessor", which shows us what we are really doing in intercessory prayer—we are taking the case of another before God the Judge, and pleading for the case on their behalf.

1 John 2:1 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you will not sin. But, if anyone does sin, we have <u>an Advocate</u> with the Father – Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.



### Holy Spirit as Witness

The Greek word used in Romans and 1<sup>st</sup> John for "bears witness" is the Greek word "symmartyreō", which is a word with legal connotation and means "<u>to testify</u>".

Romans 8:14-17 All who are lead by the <u>Spirit of God</u> ... have received the <u>spirit of adoption</u> .... The <u>spirit himself bears witness</u> that we are sons of God

In 1<sup>st</sup> John, the word "martyreo" and "martyria" is used for "the record" and means the testimony given before a tribunal (court) judge.

1 John 5:7-8 *Three witnesses that "bear record and testify" in heaven – Father, Word, Holy Ghost. Three witnesses that bear witness in the earth – the spirit, the water, the blood.* 

1 John 5:11 This is the <u>record [the testimony before the Court]</u>:- God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His son.

### **Believers come as Petitioners**

In the Old Testament, the Hebrew word "she'elah" is translated to the English word petition, and means to make a request or a demand for something, and is most often used in terms of the requests we make to a Judge. We see this when you go to court in the earthly courts, and you file a "Petition". We see it used here:-

1 Samuel 1:17 *Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant* thee *thy petition that thou hast asked of him.* 

Also translated as "supplication", the Greek word "deesis" is best translated as petition, which is <u>the act of bringing a request or demand before a Judge</u>.

Philipians 4:6 In everything by prayer and supplication make your requests known to God.

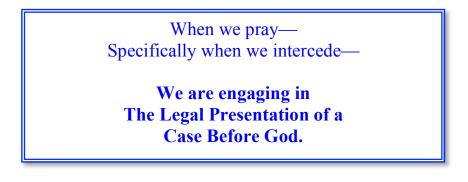
Ephesians 6:18 *With all <u>prayer and petition</u>, pray at all times in the Spirit.* 

1 Timothy 2:1 I urge that entreaties and <u>prayers, petitions</u> and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men.



These are all words describing the act of prayer. When we pray, we intercede, we bring petitions and supplications. In the dictionary, the word "intercession" is defined as: "to entreat the favor of another--especially in prayer, or to make a petition specifically to God on behalf of another. It also means "to mediate a dispute", which is a legal process.

### So this is what we need to understand:-



### **GOING INTO THE COURTS OF HEAVEN**

As you can see, there is no need to get over-complicated in your mind about "how do I go into the courts" – it's very simply your prayers, your intercession, **your conversations** with God.

In the same way that we come into God's Presence when we pray or when we worship – you come into His courts.

Remember one of the first verses I read about the throne -

Hebrews 4:16 *Let us therefore come boldly unto the Throne of Grace...* 

This "throne" is the Greek "thronos" meaning both a kingly throne but also <u>a judicial seat</u> <u>of authority, that of a Judge</u>. Historically, kings fulfilled both roles, the kingly royal role and the judicial judge role.

What is also important in this verse is <u>how</u> we come before that Throne.

This Hebrews 4:16 verse specifically tells to not only come unto the Throne of Grace, but also to come "boldly" and that "boldly" word in the Greek is "parresia" which is a power-packed word.



**<u>COMING BOLDLY</u>** We see "parresia" in Ephesians:-

> <u>Ephesians 3:12</u> in the **King James Version** reads: *In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.*

This same verse in the **New International Version** reads: In him and through faith in him we may approach God with <u>freedom and</u> <u>confidence</u>.

Both of these versions translate the Greek word "parresia" as: boldly, or freedom, or with confidence. But this word has even more depth, as the following explains<sup>1</sup>

### Parresia Parresia was both the freedom to speak one's mind, and a privilege conferred on the first citizens of ancient Athens. Parresia constitutes pure frankness in speaking, even to the extent of ignorant outspokenness.

In speaking *parresia*, the person may say everything on their mind: Such a person does not hide anything but opens their heart and mind completely to other people through their speech.

While there may inherently be a risk for such outspokenness, the speaker is to speak their mind *without fear of retribution*.

Therefore, *parresia* also implies that if one cannot speak in *parresia*, meaning that they do not have the right of free, frank, bold speech, then that person, in that situation, is a slave because they lack true and complete freedom. This is why *parresia* was so important to the ancient Athenians—this right confirmed their citizenship and was a privilege granted to them above non-citizens and separated them from slaves, who had no such right.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Dr. A. Nyland, The Source, Acts 4:29, page 212



What all this means is that the kings required their advisors and members of their court, to speak to them openly, boldly, frankly, and without fear of retribution <u>because</u> the demand and necessity for truth outweighed any offense that may come with the truth.

That bears repeating:

### The demand and necessity for truth Outweigh any offense that may come with the truth.

The same is true with God, as this verses' use of the word "parresia" shows us:- God cannot be offended by anything that we have to say.

Even when we are angry, any offense that could come with the truth of our heart is of far less importance to Him than with the ability for us to enter into open, frank conversation, without fear of retribution.

This is important for Believers because the Word tells us that we are to approach God's Throne speaking *parresia*.

Given that the "throne" refers to both His royal and His judicial / legal seat of power and authority, we know that we can boldly come before Him in His Heavenly Courts.

We are told by the Apostle Paul in Hebrews 4:16 and Ephesians 3:12

- To approach God as Judge in the Heavenly Court, and

- To speak with the Right of Freedom of Speech:frankly, boldly, and without fear of punishment.



### **IMAGINATION – YOUR ABILITY TO "SEE" IN THE SPIRIT**

But, *how* do you enter the courts?

The answer is actually quite simple: just picture it in your mind – imagine it, as you pray to Him, as you speak with Him.

Do you realize that your imagination is not a carnal or pretend thing?

### Your "imagination" or your "mind's eye" Is the place where you see and enter into the spirit realm?

This is why Satan has purposed to defile our imaginations and to taint our understanding of our imagination and the ability to see in the spirit realm. Do not allow New Age or Occultic teachings about the third-eye and the mind's eye to confuse you or to prevent you from using your imagination, your "mind's eye", or your ability to "see" in the spirit.

The truth is that our imagination, our ability to see in the spirit (which some refer to as the mind's eye), is a pure gift from the Lord and is not an operation of darkness. The enemy has sought to counterfeit and to co-opt this ability. But we can redeem it with truth and take back that which the Lord intended for our use, ability, benefit and advantage.

Like other aspects of ourselves, to the extent that our imagination has been polluted by sin, it needs to be cleaned out – which we do with repentance and the washing of the word.

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and <u>to cleanse us</u> from all unrighteousness.

Psalm 51:10 *Create in me a clean <u>heart</u>, O God.* 

The word for "heart" is the Hebrew word "leb" meaning the mind, the understanding, the thinking of the inner man. This means we could re-write this Psalm 51:10 verse like this:

*Create in me a clean mind and a pure imagination.* 

We also see the "imagination" in:-

Genesis 6:5 God saw that the wickedness of man was great and that every <u>imagination</u> of the thoughts of the heart was only evil continually.



And this word "imagination" is the Hebrew word "yester" which means our framework, our meditation and thoughts.

We see this "yester" in these verses:-

Psalm 103:14 For He knoweth our <u>frame</u> [our yester, our meditation, thoughts and imaginations] and remembers we are dust.

Isaiah 26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind, [whose framework, meditation, thoughts,] is stayed on Thee.

In fact, you could write this Isaiah 26:3 verse this way and be more accurately on point:-

### Those who keep their imagination on You, o Lord, You will keep them in perfect peace!

Where our imagination is polluted, we clean it with repentance and by re-framing it with the truth and purity of the Word. Ephesians 5:26 tells us that we are washed and made holy with the washing of the Word.

So as you continue to listen, don't get stuck on "how do I enter the heavenly courts"? Just remember this:-

### Your imagination is a gift to you from the Lord As the place or the way in which you can "see" in the spirit.

When we are in praise and worship, we understand that each of us sees and experiences different things, we even experience similar throne room experiences but in different ways. Similarly, you can see the court -room differently than someone else and yet it is still a real and valid experience!

Enter His Courts the same way you enter His presence in prayer or in worship:-

See Him before you in your mind. Imagine it - simple!



### WHY A HEAVENLY COURT PROCESS IS NECESSARY

Before we talk more about entering Heavenly Courts, lets address a very basic question – why is a Heavenly Court case even necessary?

It is important to know that there are parallels between the procedures and protocols of earth's courts and heavenly courts. Most of what we have in the natural is established in order to mirror something in the spirit – to give us a context for understanding. For example, the principle of marriage in the natural is given to reflect the nature of the intimate relationship we can have with the Lord.

The Apostle Paul said it plainly here:-

Ephesians 5:31-32 31 As the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother, and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. 32**This is a great mystery, but it is an** illustration of the way Christ and the church are one.

Similarly, there are other principles in the natural that reflect Kingdom truths.

### Earthly Court Cases reflect Processes and Procedures and Principles That the Kingdom of Heaven is similarly established upon.

### Here are 3 Reasons why a Heavenly Court Process is necessary:-

- 1. The Courts are where we take ownership of the Promises.
- 2. The Courts orders that it is illegal to take matters into our own hands.
- 3. The Courts provides a Venue to Punish the Enemy.

Let's begin with the first reason:-

1. A Court Process is necessary because it is how we take ownership.

Do you realize that the promises of God that are in the Word, Must be "activated" by you in order for them to manifest in your life?

The promises in God's Word are "opportunities" that you need to avail yourself of, you need to do something in order to get the benefit and advantage of them.

They are promises or gifts – like gifts under the Christmas Tree. A gift under the tree may have your name on the tag, but until you take it and unwrap it and use it, you haven't "availed yourself" of the gift. It may be yours, but you are not getting the benefit or use of it until you take it, unwrap it and use it!



There is a common misconception that "The promises in the Word should "just be" in my life because I'm a Christian."

> But that's not how the most important gift works, So it follows that it is not how the other promises work.

The most important gift is the gift of salvation, Which requires us to do something in order to receive it and benefit from it.

While it is true that Jesus died for everyone, not everyone is saved UNLESS they 'avail themselves' of the gift, they must take it as their own.

Let me put it this way, if salvation did not require us to do something to "activate it" in order to "benefit from it" or "enter into it", then, because of Jesus death, everyone, everywhere, at all times throughout history and the future, <u>would automatically be saved</u> because the "opportunity of salvation" the "gift of salvation" the "promise of salvation" is there.

### But we know that is <u>NOT</u> true!

There are conditions that must be met in order for us to benefit from the promise, these conditions must be met before we can actually be saved. Those conditions are found in Romans 10:9:-

*IF* you <u>confess with your mouth</u> that Jesus is Lord, *AND* <u>Believe in your heart</u> that God raised Him from the dead, *THEN* you shall be saved.

Only 'knowing' about salvation is like seeing a Christmas present under the Tree and seeing your name on the tag. But "believing and confessing" is like unwrapping the present and taking it out to enjoy using it. There is no benefit from the gift if it is not opened.

This model for the greatest gift from God Is the model for His other promises as well.

**Even if we know of a promise,** We are still required to do something to accept it--to "activate" it.



Another way of saying it is, in order to "profit" from an opportunity, you have to engage with it more than simply "hearing about it." You can hear about a work or job opportunity, but until you engage with it, say yes to it, actually get involved with it, show up for it, you don't get any profit, benefit or advantage. You just hear about a job.

You have to go to the person advertising the opportunity and say "I would like to take advantage of this opportunity - I want this job, this ... whatever it is." Then, depending on whether you meet the qualifications, you can get that job, you can take advantage and benefit from the opportunity.

With salvation, when you show up and say "hey, I want that" and you follow the requirements of the advertisement, "confess with your mouth and believe in your heart", then you get it! The good news is, those are the only qualifications!

### If this is true of the most important promise and gift from The Lord, How much more so is it true for all the other promises?

# You have to show up, confess with you mouth – speak out your agreement - and believe in your heart that it is true.

By way of example, Hebrews 11:6 emphasizes the need for belief:

In order to draw near to God, you must believe:-

- that God exists, and
- that He rewards those who seek Him.

As a lawyer, I would say that activating a promise in the spirit is equivalent in the natural law to taking title and possession to the gift.

# For example, if I left you my house as a gift of inheritance in my Will, you would have to go to court to have that gift confirmed and to have the title transfer made legal and official.

There are so many promises and gifts in the Word that we have not taken title to and that's at least one reason why they are not manifest realities in our lives.

The Good News is that the promises and gifts in the Scriptures, like healing, peace, unity, security and safety, etc., which are not evident in our life, can become ours.



Take a moment to think of the promises that are not your reality yet. Is there a health promise that you are not walking in? Is there a peace and family unity promise that is not your reality? Is there a personal prophetic word that you know is from the Lord, that has not yet manifest in your life?

This teaching will show you:-

- How to go to Court, and
- How to take Title to Your Promises, and
- How to receive a Judgment in your favor!

In the same way that I said earlier not to get confused in your mind about "how to enter the courts", I also want to encourage you not to get nervous or confused about actually doing it.

There are people who know about operating in the Courts of Heaven, but they are too nervous, too afraid to go. They're worried that they don't know what they are doing or that they will do something wrong and either not accomplish what they are meant do, or that they will somehow make it worse. Perhaps that's you...

Let me put your mind at ease and tell you a funny story – that actually happened to me in a court case as an attorney:-

This is the story of my very first court appearance as a lawyer.

It was at a very small court in Rancho Cucamonga in California. I had my husband drive me because I was sure I would get lost and miss my hearing because I was so nervous.

Now, listen, I had never appeared in Court before and I did not even know what I was allowed to say to the Judge, so here's what I did – I told my client "if you want to ask the Judge about anything, just go ahead and ask him." !!!

And guess what, they did!

And when my client just started talking to the Judge, I kind of faked this look on my face and rolled my eyes like, "I'm so sorry Your Honor, my client has no idea that they shouldn't just be asking like this."

I totally threw them under the bus!!



But guess what I learned--you're allowed to ask the Judge questions!! He was totally cool, a very nice Judge, and he listened intently and kindly and answered them without legal-terminology but in very plain terms – and not only that – he granted us our Petition!

This was one of those moments where Holy Spirit whispered to me:-

"This kind Judge is what I am like. Ask me anything. I'm here to listen to you and to answer you, and I will give you what you are asking for."

Isn't that amazing! God is waiting for us to ask so that He can give us what we are asking for.

In fact,

1 John 5:14-15 says it this way:- *This is the confidence that we have in God That if we ask anything <u>according to His Will</u>, He will hear us, And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask We know that we have the petitions we have desired.* 

And then here is one of my favorite verses:-

John 16:23-24 In that day [when we are with Him face-to-face] You will ask of me nothing, because you will be with the Father and your joy will be full, but for now, ask of me whatever you will so that your Father who is in Heaven may give it to you, so that your joy may be full.

We get to ask – according to His Will – whatever we want – so that He can give it to us – so that our joy will be full!!



### **PRAYING "ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL" – WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?**

We see an example of praying according to God's Will with King David at Ziklag. In this account we see where King David and his men have returned from battle only to find their city plundered and the women and children have been kidnapped. In the moment, it would seem obvious that the first thing to do would be to go and rescue the women and children. But David didn't make any assumptions!

Read it here:-

### 1 Samuel 30

Now when David and his men came home to Ziklag on the third day, they found that the Amalekites had made a raid and had taken the women and all who were there, both great and small, captive. <sup>5</sup> David's two wives also had been taken captive. They killed no one, but carried them off.

Then David and the men with him lifted up their voices and wept until they had no more strength to weep.

<sup>6</sup> David was greatly distressed, for the men spoke of stoning him because the souls of them all were bitterly grieved, each man for his sons and daughters. But David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.

<sup>8</sup> And David inquired of the Lord, saying, Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them? The Lord answered him, Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them and without fail recover all. ...

<sup>17</sup> And David smote them from twilight even to the evening of the next day, and not a man of them escaped, except 400 youths who rode camels and fled.

<sup>18</sup> David recovered all that the Amalekites had taken and rescued his two wives.

<sup>19</sup> Nothing was missing, small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything that had been taken; David recovered all.

<sup>20</sup> Also David captured all the flocks and herds [which the enemy had], and the people drove those animals before him and said, This is David's spoil.

This is the important point that cannot be over-stated: even though it seemed obvious that the first thing David should do, was go and rescue the women and chidren, including his own wives and children, David first inquired of the Lord.

Only in inquiring of the Lord do we come to know His intention.



### Making a decision based on the circumstances alone, invokes our soul's response. Inquiring of the Lord, invokes His response.

We have become too accustomed to praying what we want or what we perceive is the need, when in fact, EVEN WHEN THE CIRCUMSTANCES LOOK OBVIOUS, we must stop and ask the Lord what it is that He is doing.

When the Lord tells us what He is doing, He will also show us how to pray, and most importantly, He will give us the winning strategy.

This is especially important when praying in the Courts of Heaven:

In the Courts of Heaven, You <u>do not</u> decree your own opinion of the circumstances, You do not decree your own wants or wishes,

### You go to the Courts to receive, to activate and to establish God's Purposes.

I want you to be aware of this important strategy because the Lord wants you to come to the Courts, He wants to release to you the fullness of His Promises, but we have to be agreeing with and praying according to His Will.

This is true in the natural as well. Lawyers cannot litigate a client's wishes, they can only present a case according to what the law provides.

### **UNDERSTANDING THE COURTS OF HEAVEN**

Before we go into the Court, which we will do at the end of this teaching, the following will build the framework for your understanding of what you are doing.

This is exactly what I would do with clients. Before I would go into Court with a client, I would explain what the procedure is, what the purpose is, what the end goal or result will be, and what they should expect in the process.

Remember, the question we are asking first is:-

#### WHY IS A COURT PROCESS NECESSARY?

One reason a court procedure is necessary is because it is how we take title to a gift. Remember I gave the example of gifting you a house in my Will, and you would have to go to Court for the title to be transferred properly.



### 2. It is illegal to take matters into our own hands.

Another reason we go to Court is because it is illegal to take spiritual matters into our own hands.

In the earth realm, "self-help" is illegal. You know this already--if someone shoots a family member, no matter how much you want to, you're not allowed to go and shoot them back, not even just to wound them. If you do, what happens to both of you? You both have to go to court and probably both go to jail.

If someone steals from you, are you aware that you can't just go and take it back?

If someone steals from you, you take them to court, you do not just go to take back what belongs to you. Part of the reason for this is for your protection because the situation will likely escalate and violence often ensues.

### My Client and the Tenant – Gunshots fired

In fact, this happened with one of my clients.

He inherited a house, and the title had been legally confirmed and transferred into his name by the court, but a tenant would not leave. The tenant happened to be his nephew, which complicated the matter, but my client went to personally remove his nephew and his nephew's stuff from the house – you can imagine in your own minds that this was not a situation that would likely end well ... and in fact, gun shots were fired.

While no-one was hurt, the police were called, and even though my client was the rightful, legal title owner, both my client and his nephew were removed from the property by the police.

This is one reason why taking matters into your hands is not permitted, it is for your own safety.

The same is true in the spiritual realm. You cannot take matters into your own hands in a face-to-face confrontation with the enemy because your safety is at risk.

The Scriptures explain it this way:-

John 10:10 *The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy;* 

Ephesians 6:12 confirms:-For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.



### **PRAYING "IN JESUS' NAME" – WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?**

Our authority over the enemy is in Jesus Name, but that phrase "in Jesus Name" refers less to us actually saying the words "in Jesus Name" at the end of a prayer, but refers more specifically to **the authority that His Name represents and confers to us.** 

When we go to Heaven's Courts, the Judge confirms our authority and issues Orders and Decrees against the enemy, requiring the enemy to comply with the Judge's instruction. It has less to do with us and much more to do with the Judge's authority over the enemy, which authority He confirms to us.

Said another way, a Court appearance also :-

-Provides the opportunity for an <u>Authority higher than yourself</u> To confirm to you – and to the rest of the world - what is yours.

The rest of the World recognizes your authority:

When you go to court on an inheritance matter to transfer title to the heir, the Court confirms what the Will says, but more importantly, the Court confirms it so the rest of the world will deal with you in your new capacity as owner.

When you inherit title, you not only have the new property as your own, you also have a new position and a new authority to go with it.

This is a spiritual principle we see in Scripture, and specifically in the language and words King David chose when he wrote.

We see it specifically in this verse:

Psalm 37:4 Delight yourself in the Lord and He will **give** you the desires of your heart.

This word for "give" in the Hebrew is the word "Nathan", which means not only to give in the sense of <u>causing someone to receive</u> but also it has the sense that what is given, cannot be refused or returned.

Even more importantly, "nathan" confirms that <u>a new title and new authority</u> are a part of the gift given, not only is the gift received, but there is new authority that is part of the gift.



A great example of what this word "nathan" means, is seen when a woman becomes a mother.

A woman receives the gift of the baby, but not only does she now have a child (the gift), but she also has a new title and authority directly tied to the gift—she is now a Mother.

That title and authority as the Mother forever changes who the woman is, and more importantly, that title and authority can never be taken from her.

So in a court of law, when the Judge issues an Order confirming your ownership of the property, the title companies, and the insurance agents, and the utilities company, everyone involved with that property, are now required by Judge's Order to acknowledge you as the new owner and to recognize and respect your new authority.

Similarly in the Heavenly Courts, when we go before God as Judge, he confirms our authority in Christ, and then issues spiritual decrees and orders that require His angels to serve us in this new capacity, and those same orders and decrees require the forces of darkness to comply with the authority we are granted by the Court of Heaven.

When a judgment is granted in our favor, from the Judge in the Heavenly Courts, even our adversary, those Ephesians 6:12 "evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, the mighty powers in this dark world, and evil spirits in the heavenly places" must comply.

That is the benefit of going to the Courts of Heaven and having an authority higher than yourself, that is God as the Heavenly Judge, confirm your authority!

And it is not only the forces of darkness, the Lord has commissioned His angels to serve you also.

We see this in <u>Hebrews 1:14</u> (International Standard Version)

All angels are on a divine mission, Sent to serve those who inherit salvation.

It is an amazing thing to have power and authority over the realm of darkness, but it is not a thing to be taken lightly, nor is it really the proper focus. Jesus taught it this way:-

Luke 10:20 But don't rejoice because evil spirits obey you; rejoice because your names are registered in heaven."



WHY IS A COURT PROCEDURE NECESSARY? Continuing under this section, we come to the third aspect:-

### **3. A Court procedure provides a Venue to Punish the Perpetrator.**

It may seem like a hassle, having to go to court. But the legal process serves an important purpose. The same is true in the spirit realm.

We see this principle in:-

Proverbs 6:31 But if the thief is caught, he must pay back seven times what he stole, even if he has to sell everything in his house.

A heavenly court procedure will impose this sentence on our enemy.

In the same way that we cannot take earthly legal matters into our own hands, the same is true in our spiritual walk, we are not to take spiritual matters into our own hands.

1 Thess 5:15 Make sure that no-one pays back wrong for wrong.

Romans 12:19 Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, "I will take revenge; I will pay them back," says the LORD

Going to Court puts the responsibility of who charges the enemy in the right hands – in God's. When God does this, He is the one responsible to see that His word is followed. We are responsible to allow God to do it.

GOING TO THE COURTS IS PURPOSED:-

- TO ALLOW GOD TO ORDER YOUR LIFE, AND - TO RELEASE YOU INTO YOUR DIVINE DESTINY.



### HOW, THEN, DO WE:

### -STEP INTO THE FULLNESS OF THE PROMISES -AND INTO OUR DESTINY?

In the arena of personal growth, life coaching and motivational speaking, there is a focus on self-promotion. So much of life and business coaching is about motivating you to show up and to take control and to position yourself in your destiny.

But you need to know that it is NOT up to you to take the matters of your own destiny into your own hands.

At the end of this teaching, you will go up into the Heavenly Courts to activate your destiny by following the Scriptural principles of "confessing with your mouth and believing in your heart", but it is strategic and important that you fully grasp that it is not up to you to promote yourself in the earthly realm into the place God has shown you.

### Even stepping into your destiny is a holy gift from the Lord.

A very powerful place we see it, is in relation to King David's destiny. King David's inheritance was his destiny to be King, and yet David never took his own destiny into his own hands.

Even though he had already been anointed by the Priest to be King, David relied on God to promote him at the right time. He understood it was not up to himself to put himself on the throne of his destiny. Read it here:-

### 1 Samuel 24 : David Did Not Kill Saul

When Saul returned from following the Philistines, he was told, "See, David is in the desert of Engedi."<sup>2</sup> Then Saul took 3,000 chosen men from all Israel, and went to find David and his men in front of the Rocks of the Wild Goats. <sup>3</sup> He came to the places where the sheep were kept on the way. There was a cave there, and Saul went in to get rid of his body waste. Now David and his men were sitting farther back in the cave. <sup>4</sup> David's men said to David, "See, this is the day the Lord told you, 'See, I am about to give the one who hates you into your hand. You will do to him what you think is best." <u>Then David got up and cut off a piece of Saul's clothing in secret. <sup>5</sup> After this, David felt guilty in his heart because he had cut off a piece of Saul's clothing.</u>

<sup>6</sup> So he said to his men, "May the Lord not let me put out my hand against my leader, for he is the Lord's chosen one." <sup>7</sup> David stopped his men with these words. He did not let them go against Saul. So Saul stood up and left the cave, and went on his way.



<sup>8</sup> After this David got up and went out of the cave and called to Saul, saying, "My lord the king!" When Saul looked behind him, David put his face to the ground, showing much respect. <sup>9</sup> David said to Saul, "Why do you listen to the words of men who say, 'David wants to hurt you'?<sup>10</sup> See, your eyes have seen how the Lord gave you to me today in the cave. Some told me to kill you, but I had pity on you. I said, 'I will not put out my hand against my leader, for he is the Lord's chosen one.<sup>11</sup> Now, my father, see the piece of your clothing in my hand. I cut off the piece of your clothing but did not kill you. So know and understand that I have no desire to do wrong to you. I have not sinned against you, yet you come wanting to kill me. <sup>12</sup> May the Lord judge between you and me. May He punish you for your action against me. But my hand will not be against you. <sup>13</sup> As the men of long ago said in their wisdom, 'Out of the sinful comes sin,' but my hand will not be against you. <sup>14</sup> After whom has the king come out? After whom are you running? After a dead dog? After a little bug? <sup>15</sup> May the Lord be the One to judge between you and me. May He see and help me, and save me from you."

<sup>16</sup> When David had finished speaking to Saul, Saul said, "Is this your voice, my son David?" Then Saul gave a loud cry. <sup>17</sup> He said to David, "You are more right and good than I. For you have brought good to me, while I have done wrong to you. <sup>18</sup> You have said today that you have done good to me. **The Lord gave me to you and you did not kill me.** <sup>19</sup> If a man finds the one who hates him, will he let him go away safe? **May the Lord bring good to you for what you have done for me this day.** <sup>20</sup> **Now I know that you will be king for sure.** The nation of Israel will be made strong under your power. <sup>21</sup> So promise to me by the Lord that you will not destroy my children after me. Promise that you will not destroy my name from my father's family." <sup>22</sup> David gave Saul his promise, and Saul went home. But David and his men went up to the safe place.

In the same way that King David's destiny was not in his own hands,

Your destiny, your promises, your promotion into your inheritance Comes from only one place – the Lord.



This principle is re-iterated here:

<u>Psalm 75:6-7</u> says, Promotion does not come from the east or the west or the south. But **God is the Judge**: he puts one down and raises up another.

> So, in the same way that earthly court cases prevent you from taking matters into your own hands,

Spiritual or Heavenly Courts provide a forum for you to safely receive that which rightfully belongs to you, at the right time, and under the correct circumstances.



Before specifically addressing Heaven's Court of Inheritance, there are some amazing parallels between the earth's natural courts and heaven's courts that teach us about Heaven's Court protocols.

For example, in an earthly court case, there are 3 pre-requisites that must be met before you can bring a case before a Judge. They are: Standing, Jurisdiction and Governing Law. These are an excellent guide for us also when we bring a case before our Heavenly Judge.

### 1. STANDING:

This is the pre-requisite the person filing the case must meet.

### The person filing the case must have standing, which is defined as:-

A legally protect-able stake or interest, for which a court can provide judicial relief.

Eg: a dispute between two parties involving title to property or a contract. There must be a breach of a promise, a contract or a property boundary, Which breach is protected by the law.

You can't just file a lawsuit against someone because you don't like them or because they annoy you. They must have broken a law or be in breach of a contract.

### 2. JURISDICTION:

This is the pre-requisite the court must meet in order to hear and rule on a case.

### The court must have jurisdiction, which is defined as:-

The authority given to a court, by a law, enabling it to decide a case or controversy.

Eg: jurisdiction can be geographical or issue related.

A state court for state laws, a federal court for federal laws, a family court for family matters, a tax court for a tax matter.

For example, you can't file an appeal to your tax return audit in a family law court. The two matters do not relate. A family law court that has jurisdiction over matters of divorce and adoption, but has no authority to rule on a tax matter. A court must have jurisdiction over a matter before it can rule on the matter.



### 3. GOVERNING LAW

This is the pre-requisite the law must meet in order to provide relief to the situation.

The dispute must involve relief according to an existing law or statute.

**There must be a governing law that provides the principles and procedures of how a case will be decided, and is defined as:** *The body of law of a particular jurisdiction, which governs the rights and responsibilities of parties in a given situation.* 

Examples of governing law are:-

United States Supreme Court cases rely on the Constitution as the governing law. In tax court cases, the courts rely on the Internal Revenue Code as the governing law. In our faith, we rely on the Scriptures as our governing law.

> WHEN WE TAKE MATTERS BEFORE THE COURTS OF HEAVEN, WE HAVE THESE SAME PRINCIPALS:

STANDING: In Christ, we have all of God's promises and prophetic words, Which are our legally-protect-able interests.

Romans 5:1 Amplified Classic (AMPC) Therefore, since we are justified, that is acquitted, declared righteous And GIVEN RIGHT STANDING with God through faith, ...

Romans 4:3 Amplified Classic (AMPC) For what does the Scripture say? Abraham believed in (trusted in) God, and it was credited to his account as righteousness (right living and right standing with God).

JURISDICTION:

The Kingdom of God and His Courts have authority to rule over the matters related to His people and His promises.

Romans 9:21 The potter (God) has authority, power and jurisdiction over the clay (us.)

GOVERNING LAW: As heirs and sons, we operate under

Romans 8:2 The Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus, Which sets us free from the law of sin and death.



### PREPARING YOUR OWN MATTER FOR THE COURTS OF HEAVEN

Use this guide as a practical resource for taking your own matters into the Courts of Heaven:

1. STANDING: Write out the matter that you are bringing before the Court, your legally-protect-able interest, the promise or Scripture or prophetic word that you are waiting to come to pass and to manifest in your life.

2. JURISDICTION: Write out your relationship to God.

3. GOVERNING LAW: Find a correlating Scripture that affirms the promise you are bringing before the Court.

NOTE: At the end of this teaching are three Petitions for you to use as a Prayer Guide in the Courts. You documents do not need to be this elaborate – remember, it's not about getting the words right, the most important thing is that you come. But having things written down in front of you, even in bullet-point format will help you as you pray.

What is important is that the Word is the foundation and basis, or as a lawyer would say, it is the *precedent* upon which you base your claim.

### **CIVIL COURTS PROCEDURES**

Civil Courts deal with matters involving individual persons or companies, and could be a suit over a breach of contract, or it can be a probate will or trust matter.

### **NO PROSECUTOR / ACCUSER IN CIVIL COURT** In Civil Court, there is no Prosecutor. There is no accusation of any illegal actions.

Only the persons directly involved in the matter appear before the Judge. (There may be a suit over a breach of promises, contracts, etc., but there is no accusation of a law or statute broken where jail time is a possible sentence--that's a criminal court issue.)

This is an important distinction to remember between criminal and civil courts. In the criminal courts, there is an accuser, but in the civil courts, it's simply a matter between the parties involved.

This is important because Inheritance Wills & Trusts matters are handled in the civil court.



### When you go to Heaven's Court of Inheritance, You are not facing your adversary the devil!

The accuser has <u>no standing</u> in that court!

### This is simply a matter between the Will of God and The heirs of God who have come to legally claim their inheritance.

Civil Courts are the courts where - that which you are entitled to, your inheritance, is transferred to you so that you may properly:

TAKE POSSESSION AND EXERCISE AUTHORITY

over it in such a way where the rest of the world acknowledges, respects and honors your authority.

### **GOD'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

In earthly inheritance (probate) courts, the court will confirm your ownership and authority to the estate property, because without it, the entities and institutions such as banks and title companies who hold the assets, will not release those assets to you.

The way this is accomplished is the Judge issues an Order confirming who has been named as the Personal Representative of the Estate, and confirming to this Personal Representative full authority to administer and distribute the estate, and confirming to all the agencies involved (banks, title companies, etc.) that they must acknowledge your new authority and deal accordingly with you in that capacity.

This is true in Heaven's Court of Inheritance also. God the Father has elected you as his Personal Representative of His Estate in the earth:-

2 Corinthians 5:20 *We are Christ's ambassadors*.

The term "ambassador" is literally defined as **the Personal Representative of the Sovereign** [King], who lives in and exercises authority in a foreign realm. The **ambassador is granted full authority to represent that King and to act fully on his behalf in all matters.** 



Let me give you an example from a client experience I had:

A man came to my office with his recently-deceased father's Will, which Will designated my client, the son, as both the Personal Representative of the Estate and as the sole heir.

Our first step was to set a Hearing Date at Court to formally submit the Will to Probate, and to Petition the Court to appoint him as the Personal Representative.

On the morning of the Hearing, I was driving with my client to the Court when he asked me this question: "What do you think the odds are of me being appointed today?"

Immediately I realized that I had not properly explained the process, or he wouldn't be asking me that question. I told him,

"Your father wrote in his Will that you are his Personal Representative. That means, <u>unless you have done something egregious</u> (illegal) <u>that would</u> <u>disqualify you, then the Judge has no power or authority to deny your</u> <u>father's designation in his Will</u>. Based on that law, I am 100% confident that you will be formally appointed today and that the Judge will issue an Order in your favor appointing you as the Personal Representative so that you can distribute and take title to all of your Father's estate assets."

### This is an important aspect to point out because of how it relates to our designation as our Heavenly Father's Personal Representative.

In Heaven's Court of Inheritance, your ability to serve as your Heavenly Father's Personal Representative on the earth, and specifically as it relates to receiving your spiritual inheritance, weighs on the same requirement:- unless you have done something egregious (sinful), then the Judge of Heaven (God) has **no power or authority to deny your Petition** to be Appointed Personal Representative.

This is really good news! For us, in the Heavenly Courts, any egregious or sinful behavior on our part is already covered by the blood in Heaven's Criminal Courts, also known as Heaven's Blood Courts.

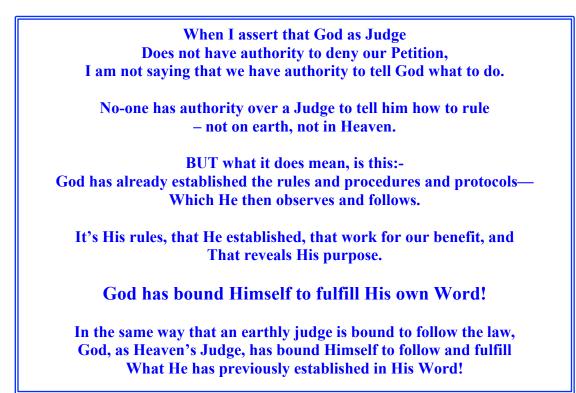
Once we repent, we are cleansed, and our "heavenly criminal record" is expunged, meaning it is sealed in the Blood, and at that moment our sin is no longer admissible as evidence against us because we have been pardoned by the Blood and deemed to have never even committed it !!

> Therefore, since our Heavenly Father has elected us as His Personal Representative on the earth, then God as the Heavenly Judge has no authority to deny us our position.



This is where we have to remember the different roles and positions that God holds. He is both our Heavenly Father and He is the Heavenly Judge.

-In His role as Father, He elected us, established us as Personal Representative. -In His role as Judge, He enforces what He has already established.



We see this confirmed when God speaks to Jeremiah the prophet here:-

Jeremiah 1:12 [The Lord said to Jeremiah] "I am alert and active, Watching over My word to perform it.

This is why the Scriptures tell us that when we ask "according to His Will" or "In Jesus Name", He will grant us what we ask for. We see it expressly written here:-

John 16:23 *Truly, truly, I tell you, Whatever you ask the Father in My Name, He will give you.* 



Therefore, God has already established the law to operate in our favor. When we Petition Him for those things He has already promised to us, He must grant them, because as the above Jeremiah verse tells us, He is watching over His Word, His Promises to perform it!

# **OPERATING IN OUR AUTHORITY AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:**

# WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO ASK "IN JESUS NAME"

We know that we are to pray "In Jesus Name" but what does that mean?

First, it is not just saying His name at the end of a prayer, it's not a chant or magical, genie-like phrase that conjures up what we want.

In fact we see this very clearly in:-

### Acts 19:11-17

<sup>11</sup> And God did unusual and extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul,

<sup>12</sup> So that handkerchiefs or towels or aprons which had touched his skin were carried away and put upon the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.

<sup>13</sup> Then some of the traveling Jewish exorcists (men who adjure evil spirits) also undertook to call the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, I solemnly implore and <u>charge you by the Jesus Whom Paul preaches!</u>

<sup>14</sup> Seven sons of a certain Jewish chief priest named Sceva were doing this.

<sup>15</sup> But [one] evil spirit retorted, Jesus I know, and Paul I know <sup>[b]</sup> about, but who are you?

<sup>16</sup> Then the man in whom the evil spirit dwelt leaped upon them, mastering [c] two of them, and was so violent against them that they dashed out of that house [in fear], stripped naked and wounded.

<sup>17</sup> This became known to all who lived in Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks, and alarm and terror fell upon them all; and the name of the Lord Jesus was extolled and magnified.

What did these men lack? They new the right name, they knew the right person. But why did they lack authority? **Because they lacked relationship with Jesus!** 

It is our relationship with Jesus that gives up the right to invoke His authority!



# **IMPERSONATING AUTHORITY**

If Prince William, the grandson of the Queen of England, called the U.S. President and said, "I want to come and make a tour of the United States, in the place, honor and name of my grandmother the Queen." The President would grant him that request and we would welcome the Prince with open arms. In fact we saw this in December 2014 when Prince William, Princess Katherine and their young son Prince George came for a Royal Tour.

But if I called the President and said, "I want to make a tour of the United States in the place, honor and name of the Queen of England." The first question would be – what position, title or authority do you have to travel in her honor or stead or name?

Well, I do not know the Queen. I do not have any royal title or position and I have no authority, which would make me guilty of impersonation at the least or more likely of usurping royal authority. In which case, they would probably lock me up - I would be imprisoned by the higher authority – much like the demons in this account from Acts did to those magicians who sought to invoke or benefit from or wield an authority that did not belong to them.

### When we pray in the Name of Jesus,

We are praying from a position of relationship that gives us authority.

Remember, we are His ambassadors, His Personal Representatives, and

That's what gives us the ability to ask or make demands according to His Will.

### Praying in Jesus' Name means to stand in Christ's position of authority.

We stand in Christ's authority when:-

- We are unified through intimacy with the Father and
- When we only do what we see our Father doing, as Jesus stated here:-

John 5:19

Jesus answered them by saying, I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, the Son is able to do nothing of Himself (of His own accord); but He is able to do only what He sees the Father doing, for whatever the Father does is what the Son does in the same way [in His turn].



Likewise, when we only do what we see the Father is doing, then we will pray only according to His Will and then, and only then, will we get ALL that we are asking for because we are asking according to His Will, to what He is doing.

### The take-away for us, is this:

### God has elected us as His Personal Representatives, and When we have repented from our sin and had our records expunged, God has provided no grounds that would disqualify us from that appointment AND we get everything that we ask for because we ask according to His Will!

In earthly courts, we see this when a beneficiary asks to receive what their earthly father's Last Will & Testament sets out -- <u>there is no authority that can prevent them</u> from receiving it!

### **RECEIVING YOUR INHERITANCE:**

Receiving our inheritance is a free-gift, received by grace through faith in Jesus.

Having said that, let me make an important point: There is currently a lot of misunderstanding and misinterpretation of what it means to live under grace, so if you will permit me, I want to set out what the Apostle Paul taught as grace:

### **DEFINING GRACE**

In the following portions of this teaching, when I state that there is nothing that we need to do to earn our inheritance, (our inheritance being the fullness of the Promises of God found in His Word), this distinction must be made:

### There is a BIG difference between: 1. not having to "work to earn God's favor", and 2. living in sin.

The first is grace, the second is not. The Apostle Paul stated is clearly here:

Romans 6:15 NLT What then? Shall we sin because we are not under the law but under grace? Of course not!

Unfortunately there is a mis-interpretation or a mis-application that has resulted in a perspective that stopping sinning = works under the law. But this is not the point of grace.

Sin is what the Blood of Jesus has set us free from. Jesus did not set us free to continue sinning but to free us from sin. Continuing in sin is slavery to the Law of Sin and Death.



But our Governing Law is the Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus, which sets us free from the Law of Sin and Death. (Romans 8:2)

# **GRACE IS POWER TO BE FREE OF SIN**

# NOT PERMISSION TO LIVE IN SIN

This distinction is important because understanding that "we do not need to work to earn God's favor" and understanding what it means to "live in grace", it must be clear that I am referencing a life free of sin. This concept will continue to unfold, but this is the position that you must begin from.

With that clarification in mind, let us continue.

### **RECEIVING YOUR INHERITANCE:**

Your inheritance is not something you have to work for. It is a free gift from a Father to a Son. It's not about what you have to do.

Believers are often obsessed with "what should I be doing?" They are often praying for God's Will and wondering if that means a missions trips to Mexico or to Africa, or whether it means quitting your day job to become a pastor or full-time minister.

Believers often ask the question "what is God's will for my life?"

And when they ask that question, they are usually looking for a specific job to do. The question is asking for a job description -a list of what we are supposed to be doing for Him.

The disciples asked this exact question bluntly to Jesus in **John 6:28-29**, but Jesus answered it in a very surprising way:

The disciples asked, "What is it that we need to be <u>doing</u> to be <u>doing</u> the work of God."

Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, That you believe in the One whom He sent."

We see from this answer, that we have been asking the question all-wrong.

We are busy looking for something to do – when in fact we're not supposed to be "doing" we're supposed to be "believing."



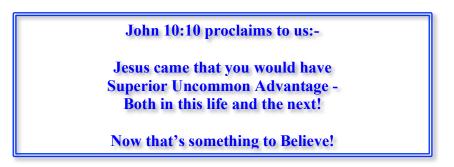
### What is it that we need to believe?

Hebrews 11:6 tells us that we need to believe:-*That God is, and That He rewards those who seek Him* 

John 14:6 tells us that we need to believe:-That His Son, Yeshua Messiah, is The Way to God

John 10:10 tells us *That Jesus came to GIVE TO US life abundant* 

And that phrase "life abundant" is the Greek is "zoe perisos". "Zoe" meaning life both enjoyed in 'the land of the living' (on earth), and eternal life in the life-to-come. "Perisos" meaning "*superior uncommon advantage*".



Hebrews 6:12 tells us that we need to believe **that we will inherit all the promises of God:-**

Hebrews 6:12 *Follow the example of those <u>who inherit God's promises because of their faith.</u>* 

Given that, what if we approach God's Will – Not as some job description of what <u>we need to do</u>, But as a description of the inheritance He has for us *To receive as his free-gift to us* 

IT'S NOT ABOUT WHAT WE NEED TO DO, IT'S WHAT WE NEED TO BELIEVE - ABOUT HIM, OR MORE SPECIFICALLY -<u>TO BELIEVE WHAT WE INHERIT FROM HIM.</u>



This is a radical change of thinking! This is true "repentance" – which simply means: "change the way you think."

Under the law in the Old Testament, it was how we needed to behave, it was literally what we needed to do or not to do, but the New Testament tells us we need to "repent" – change the way we think!!

No longer is it what we need to do. It is fully about what has He done, and

Because of what He has done, We can receive from Him our inheritance

Simply by believing alone!

This is the message of grace by faith we have been saved.

Romans 4:5

The person who doesn't do any work, but who believes in God—the One who makes the ungodly right, this person, the one who doesn't do any work, this person's faith is counted as making them right with God.

Romans 4:6 Even as King David described the blessed man, he wrote, Blessed is the man whom God imputes righteousness to without any works.

In context of receiving what God has promised for us-

No longer is it what we need to do – But it is fully about what has He done, and

Because of what He has done, We can receive from Him our inheritance!



# SO THEN, WHAT IF:-In terms of discovering **how we need to believe** - *in order to receive our inheritance*,

What if we talk about GOD'S WILL in terms of it being HIS "LAST WILL & TESTAMENT" ?

# The Apostle Paul did!!

In Hebrews 9:16-17 For where there is a will and testament, it is necessary for the person who made the will and testament to die. For the will and testament is guaranteed as valid only after the person is dead, since it cannot go into effect while the person who made it is alive.

This is where earthly law courts' process and procedure can tell us a lot about how to operate in Heaven's Court of Inheritance.

In an earthly probate proceeding, there would need to be:-

- 1. A Will, a document that tells us the necessary directions
- 2. An Heir, someone to receive the estate
- 3. An estate, something to be inherited, and
- 4. A Trustee or a Guardian for any minor children.

### **HEAVEN'S COURT OF INHERITANCE** We see each of these spelled out very clearly in the Word!

- 1. There must first be a Will
  - a. Eph 1:9-14 He has made known to us the mystery of <u>His will</u> that in the fullness of time, He might gather together in one, all things in <u>Christ in</u> <u>whom we have obtained an inheritance</u>, ... that those who first trusted in Christ were sealed with the Holy Spirit of Promise—who is the earnest (guarantee deposit) of our inheritance

### 2. There must next be Heirs

- a. Galatians 4:7 You are no longer a slave but a son; and since you are a son, you are also an heir through God.
- b. Galatians 3:26 For you are legally adopted by God on account of your faith in the Anointed One, Christ Jesus.
- c. Galatians 3:29 Since you belong to Christ, then you are <u>Abraham's</u> <u>'descendant' and heirs of the promises</u> of God to him.
- d. Romans 8:17 *if we are children, then we are heirs, heirs of God and <u>co-</u> <u>heirs with Christ.</u>*



### There must be an Estate – property that the Father owns.

The term "estate' is simply everything that the Father owns, and it is our inheritance-our legally protect-able interest, which gives us standing before the Courts of Heaven.

Everything that belongs to the Father, including everything that He has promised to His sons, is the inheritance. This means that every promise in Scripture and every personal prophetic word describes your inheritance.

Colossians 3:24 *Knowing that from the Lord you shall receive the reward of your <u>inheritance</u> – <i>for you serve the Lord Christ* 

The Greek word for "inheritance" here is "kleronomia", and means property received as an heir to have as one's possession.

I would suspect that most people reading this understand that there are promises in the Word that they are supposed to be enjoying.

I would expect that most are aware that you have a God-ordained destiny, and that you are seeking to walk in it.

I know that many of you are waiting for that moment of "break-through" when what has been promised becomes your reality.

I also expect that the reason you are not walking in the fullness of your inheritance is not because of ignorance of your inheritance, and it is not because you haven't believed in your heart and confessed with your mouth in agreement with your inheritance.

So why has it still not manifest ...



# PERHAPS THE ENEMY IS <u>ILLEGALLY TRESPASSING</u> SUCH THAT YOU CANNOT PROPERLY TAKE POSSESSION OF YOUR INHERITANCE.

# WHEN THE ENEMY ILLEGALLY TRESPASSES

Remember the story of my client who tried to take possession of his house from his nephew – the tenant – who no longer had legal possession and ... gunshots were fired? In that situation, even though the title to the property was in my client's name, and even thought the court had issued an order confirming that, <u>the nephew</u> refused to leave.

Similarly, our spiritual Adversary, Satan, who has lost all legal rights to prevent us from our inheritance, still seems to block our possession and enjoyment of what is ours.

There are two ways that the enemy can seek to prevent you from receiving your inheritance.

- 1. Legally because of sin, whether that is personal sin or bloodline sin, or
- 2. <u>Illegally</u> by trespass, often where he no longer has a legal right but when He refuses to give up possession.

For some of us, we have already gone to the courts in prayer (whether we realized that's what we were doing or not!), and have petitioned God to transfer the title, ownership and enjoyment of our inheritance – but the enemy is holding it up and is preventing us from walking in the fullness of what rightfully belongs to us.

Practically, what does this look like?

You could be suffering with health issues – even though health is part of the actual definition of "salvation", it is what Yeshua's name literally means, yet many Believers struggle with health. We have a legal right to health, but we do not as yet have full enjoyment of it.

Another aspect is family salvation, or inner peace of mind, or unity with others, or joy, or prosperity and abundance -- -- the list could go on.

In fact, any promise in the Word or any personal prophetic word that the Lord has confirmed to you is your inheritance, upon which Adversary may be trespassing.



So what do you do?

**EVICT YOUR ADVERSARY** – it is a heavenly legal court case.

# **COURT PROCEDURE FOR EVICTION OF TRESPASSER**

Let me tell you what happened with my client:

My client filed a suit for eviction of trespasser.

The particulars of this case were very unusual. My client's father previously owned the house, and while the father was alive, he permitted his grandson (my client's nephew) to live in the house. In fact, the grandson had been raised by my client's father from a very young age and had lived continuously in that house and at the time of the grandfather's death, was now 42 years of age. My client's nephew had been raised and lived his whole life in that house. However, upon the death of my client's father, the father's Will stated that my client was the rightful owner. As the rightful owner, my client was fully within his rights to require his nephew to leave the premises. The nephew had no lease (remember, it was his childhood home), but despite the Court Order affirming title and ownership to my client, the nephew refused to leave.

The suit to evict trespasser was met with great opposition. Even though the nephew no longer had any legal rights to the property, he argued in open court with the judge. The judge ruled against the nephew as a matter of law.

Well, the nephew refused to leave. You remember I recounted earlier how my client tried to take matters into his own hands, gun shots and all, but to no avail.

Two more appearances before the court, and the dispatch of Sheriff's to forcibly remove the nephew, and the construction of a high chain-link security fence around the property, finally convinced the nephew to leave.

After the second court appearance, my client actually contemplated simply not fighting anymore and reluctantly was going to let the nephew stay. I pointed out to my client the following: "Your father wrote specifically in his will that you were to be the sole heir, it is your father's intention that you now own and enjoy the property." Fortunately, my client was able to resolve himself and trust the legal process, and so he finally prevailed.

To date, the nephew has not been heard of.



I must admit, I did wonder if we would ever get rid of him, and was concerned that the nephew would just show up from time to time and create havoc. But he hasn't in over a decade. I am reminded of the verse that describes the end of Jesus' Temptation in the Desert where it says, after three arguments put up by the enemy, "The devil went away." (Matthew 4:11).

In his particular situation, the trespasser who once had a legal right to live in the house, lost that legal right and was required by operation of the father's will to leave.

There are so many parallels from this story to our own spiritual inheritance.

It's interesting to me that the nephew's original legal right to the house arose because of illegal activity by his parents, and so the grandfather had raised him. It was a blood-line issue that had nothing to do with my client.

For many of us, because of sin (ours or bloodline), the enemy has had the right to trespass in our lives and upon our inheritance. And, even upon losing that right when we repented (for our own sin and that of our bloodline), the enemy refuses to leave – and quite frankly that enemy is likely simply waiting for you to give up, like my client considered doing.

But the truth is, that your Heavenly Father has written in His Will that you are to be the heir of His estate and to be His Personal Representative on the earth, and you need to stand for what's yours and trust God's process. You will prevail. The devil will leave. We are encouraged by this in the following:-

James 4:7 *Resist the devil and he will flee from you.* 

The word here for "resist" is the Greek "anthistemi" which means to oppose, to withstand, to set yourself against. This is the perfect picture of what you do in a lawsuit – you oppose and set yourself against the unlawful party. The promise, when you do this, is <u>he will flee</u>.

What happens, though, if:-

-You have recognized that you have an inheritance, -You have petitioned the Father for title, ownership, enjoyment rights, and -You have evicted the enemy from illegal trespass ...

### **BUT YOU ARE STILL NOT ENJOYING THE PROMISES AS A SON SHOULD?**



# WHEN A TRUSTEE STILL SERVES OVER YOUR INHERITANCE

### DID YOU KNOW THAT UNDER THE TERMS OF YOUR FATHER'S WILL & TRUST, <u>A TRUSTEE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED</u> IN ORDER TO SAFE-GUARD YOUR INHERITANCE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS YOU REACH MATURITY AND ARE ABLE TO RECEIVE THE FULL INHERITANCE?

The answer may be as simple as:-

### THE <u>TRUSTEE</u> OVER YOUR INHERITANCE HAS NOT AS YET BEEN REMOVED.

Let me explain:-

Trusts pass an inheritance as a free gift to the sons, but there are always conditions that must be satisfied before the sons can take title, ownership, possession, and exercise management, administration and distribution rights.

The main condition is age, which is actually a condition of:-Maturity.

### Paul tells us that it's the same with God's Will!

Galatians 4 (NLT)

4:1 Think of it this way. If a father dies and leaves an inheritance for his young children, those children are not much better off than slaves until they grow up, even though they actually own everything their father had.<sup>2</sup> They have to obey their guardians until they reach whatever age their father set.<sup>3</sup> And that's the way it was with us before Christ came. We were like children; we were slaves to the basic spiritual principles<sup>[a]</sup> of this world.

<sup>4</sup> But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. <sup>5</sup> God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children.<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>6</sup> And because we<sup>[c]</sup> are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, <u>"Abba, Father.</u>"<sup>[d] 7</sup> Now you are no longer a slave but God's own child.<sup>[e]</sup> And since you are his child, God has made you his heir.



# UNTIL NOW, YOU HAVE BEEN UNDER A TRUSTEE AND GUARDIAN BECAUSE YOU HAVE NOT AS YET <u>'MET THE CONDITION OF MATURITY''</u> ACCORDING TO THE FATHER'S WILL.

WHEN YOU MEET THE CONDITION OF MATURITY, YOU WILL BE RELEASED FROM THE TRUSTEE WHO GOVERNS THE ESTATE AND ALL THAT THE FATHER HAS FOR YOU CAN BE DISTRIBUTED OUTRIGHT TO YOU.

# THIS BEGS THE QUESTIONS WHO, OR WHAT, IS THIS TRUSTEE?

### Galatians 3:15-24

<sup>15</sup> Dear brothers and sisters,<sup>[i]</sup> here's an example from everyday life. Just as no one can set aside or amend an irrevocable agreement or Last Will & Testament, so it is in this case.

<sup>18</sup> If the inheritance could be received by keeping the law, then it would not be the result of accepting God's promise. But God graciously gave it ... as a promise.

<sup>19</sup> Why, then, was the law given?... The law was designed to last only until the coming of the child, Jesus, who was promised.

<sup>23</sup> Before the way of faith in Christ was available to us, we were placed under a Guardian, a Trustee, <u>who is the law</u>. We were kept in protective custody, so to speak, until the way of faith was revealed.

<sup>24</sup> Let me put it another way. **The law was our guardian, a Trustee of the promise until Christ came**; it protected us until we could be made right with God through faith.

<sup>25</sup> And now that the way of faith has come, <u>we no longer need the law as our</u> *Trustee.* 

# THE LAW IS YOUR TRUSTEE.



# What are other tell-tale signs that while you understand faith and grace, your inheritance is still held under a trustee?

### MINORS GET NEEDS MET, HEIRS GET THE ABUNDANCE

Under the terms of a Trust, a child receives from the Trustee those things that are necessary to meet his needs. His housing, his food, his education. While there may be great abundance in the Trust Account, only that which is <u>necessary</u> is distributed, very simply because the minor cannot be trusted with anything more.

But, when the child meets the terms of the coming of age, then the Trustee is removed and the full inheritance is received. This is because it is now presumed that the mature child will act with wisdom, prudence, being circumspect, and seek the advice of counsel when necessary.

In fact, there are often trusts that say, despite a trustee being removed, if the child is deemed to cease acting with wisdom and prudence, and refuses counsel – to the detriment of the trust assets -- the court can again impose a trustee over the child again <u>because the</u> <u>Court's responsibility is not to the child but to the proper management of the Estate.</u>

### **PROVISION v. ABUNDANCE**

This analogy reveals a lot to us about our rights to our inheritance and why we may be receiving "only what is necessary to meet the need".

When we are not mature sons, when the law presides over us as trustee, we receive only that which is necessary for our housing, our food, our education. <u>Our needs are met. We have provision but we do not have the abundance.</u>

We do not receive the full measure of abundance until we reach the requirements of maturity AND the Trustee is removed.



### A CALL TO MATURITY

Maturity, by the way, is not about being above the law, it is about being the kind of person who naturally lives in accordance with the law – without having to be told to.

# THE ONLY INTERVENING FACTOR STANDING BETWEEN AND YOUR INHERITANCE MAY BE:-

- WHETHER YOU ARE A CHILD, ie: under the law, or

-WHETHER YOU ARE A MATURE SON, ie: no longer in need of the law as trustee

The only factor remaining that stands between you and the full realization of your promises and inheritance may be a matter of maturity.

### **LET'S BUILD THE CASE FOR YOUR MATURITY**

Before God sent His Son, the law was set up to protect His sons who were not as yet mature. It's really a safety net.

In earthly trusts, a Trustee or Guardian is put in place to make decisions for the child because a minor child does not have the ability to make sound decisions.

**In relation to our spiritual inheritance the same is true.** In order to receive our spiritual inheritance, we need to meet the condition of maturity as defined in God's Will and show to the Court that we have actually become mature.

**MATURITY DEFINED** So how does God's Last Will & Testament define maturity?

> If we can define maturity and step into it, Then we can receive our full inheritance.

Here's what the Scriptures say:-

Gal 5:18 If you are lead by the Spirit then you are not under the law.



### Gal 5:16

If you are led by the spirit, then there is no way that you will perform the wants and wishes of the natural realm. The natural realm wants things which are contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit wants things which are contrary to the natural realms; they are in opposition to each other. So then, don't just do whatever you please. If you are led by the Spirit, then you are not under the law. (22) Being lead by the Spirit will produce love, happiness, peace, tolerance toward others, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness and self-control – against these there is no law.

(26) Let us not become conceited, challenging one another or envying one another

# The Scriptures define maturity as BEING LEAD BY THE SPIRIT:-

### BEING LEAD BY THE SPIRIT is EVIDENCED by:-

-Not performing the wants and wishes of the natural realm,

-Not just doing whatever it is you please,

-Your life is lived in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness and self-control.

# HOW TO LIVE UNDER GRACE NOT LAW

If you have difficulty living according to the law *while not under the law* –meaning you have difficulty living in maturity being lead by the spirit and not performing the wants and wishes of the natural realm – **then go before God's Throne of Grace** because that is where we receive empowerment to live according to the law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus which sets you free from the law of sin and death!!



Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the <u>Throne of Grace</u>, [loving-kindness] that we may obtain mercy, and find grace [empowerment, assistance and strength] to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:15-16 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who was tempted in every way that we are, yet was without sin.

Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Do not be discouraged at this point and think that because you are not living perfectly, that you will never walk in abundance and be free from the law of sin.

Remember, God is a God of mercy and He understands our frame and that we are merely dust (Psalm 103:14).

Our life is a journey into Him, into His heart and into the fullness of all that He has promised us. Our life is a journey into our Inheritance, into what is rightfully yours, which cannot be taken from you and cannot be prevented from you anymore.

This is the meaning of the Throne of Grace:- when we fall, we repent and ask for grace, (understanding that grace is the strengthening and empowerment to do what is right). This is not a message that you have to get it right and live in perfection. It's a message of maturity, which is a life that when confronted with the truth and fact of sin, simply acknowledges it, repents, and moves forward deeper into the heart of God.

The call to maturity is a message that affirms the gospel—you can't get it right, but when you purpose in your heart to be lead by the Spirit of God and to obey His direction, repenting along the way, He is faithful to keep you.

Living a life "lead by the Spirit" is a life lived like King David, who despite his failures, had a heart after God's own heart.

Living a life lead-by-the-Spirit, is not a matter of what you do, It is not a matter of you behaving properly, because that is works, That is in fact a life lived under the law.

A life lived-by-the-Spirit is one lived simply following His lead.



Paul wrote it this way:-

Philippians 2:13 For it is <u>God working in you</u>, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases Him.

It is God's Spirit <u>in you</u> that prompts you, and enables you, and causes you <u>to desire</u> to do what please Him AND that gives you the power to do it.

The call to maturity is not a call for you to get it right.

(The call to get-it-right is the voice of your Trustee, the Law).

But the Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus Sets you free from the law of sin and death!!

The call to maturity is a call for you to live At the foot of the Throne of God's Grace

To live in His mercy and gentle loving-kindness, Which will strengthen and empower you to Simply hear His voice and to follow His lead.

### **BUILDING THE CASE TO PETITION THE COURT TO HAVE THE LAW REMOVED AS TRUSTEE FROM YOUR INHERITANCE**

I had a case where I had to Petition the Court to have a Trustee removed.

What was really fascinating about this case was that it was in a small, rural court in northern California and when I appeared in Court that day, the Judge called every case before mine, and then dismissed everyone else from the Courtroom.

Then instead of calling my case "to be heard" – which means to be recorded in the public record before the Court Reporter and the Court Clerk, the Judge simply said to me, "Counselor, meet me in my Chambers." I had never met with a Judge in chambers on a matter before the court, so I gulped and got up and followed him out of the Courtroom, through is private back door, into his chambers, where he took off his robes, sat down at his desk and motioned for me to sit opposite him.



He then said to me, "Do you know the people you are representing?" And I said I did, at least in context with the case. He said, "Because I know these people. I know who the Trustee is, I appointed him. I know who the beneficiaries are, I remember when they were born." Tell me what you know about this family.

What he was trying to ascertain was the soundness and the legality of my claim. He knew all the circumstances outside of the case before the court, he knew them personally and he was determined to know if I fully understood what I was asking the Court to do before he would rule.

I told him what I thought he was really getting to – that there was great family dysfunction, that the trustee and the beneficiaries had been at odds with each other their whole lives, and that the children, who had now grown up (they were 18 and 21), no longer wanted to have to answer to the trustee. The trustees were their Aunt and Uncle, which aunt and uncle did not like their mother and so they created great family stress and tension every time they asked for money.

The judge laughed and said, "Yep, you've got that right. One crazy family. I just wanted to be sure we were all on the same page."

With that, he signed the Order Removing the Trustee and that was that.

Remember I said that one part of a Court Procedure is simply for your protection?

Here, this Judge just wanted to be sure that I was properly representing the beneficiary children – and in order to do that, he felt I would have to know what was going on behind the scenes. Once he was sure, no problem!

Sometimes, the Judge just needs you to give him the legal right to rule in your favor. Show him what the Trust terms are, show him that you have met them, then it is His desire to confirm them.

# Sometimes, you just have to show up in court – the Judge is waiting to rule in your favor!



### What do the Scriptures tell us about coming out from under the law?

Remember Galatians 3:19-25

*The law was our guardian, a Trustee of the promise until Christ came;* it protected us until we could be made right with God through faith.

<sup>25</sup> And now that the way of faith has come, <u>we no longer need the law as our</u> <u>Trustee.</u>

What does this mean? It means that God no longer intends for you to be under the law!

We are no longer under the Old Law, but we are now under The Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus, which sets us free from the Law of Sin and Death.

Romans 8:1-2 There is therefore <u>now no condemnation</u> to those who are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the <u>law of the Spirit of Life in</u> <u>Christ Jesus has made us free from the law of sin and death</u>.

Rom 7:6 *for point in fact, we have been discharged from the Law, which enables us to serve in newness of quality of spirit and <u>not in the obsolete code of the written law.</u>* 

When the law is dismissed as Trustee, we become the Personal Representatives of our Father's Estate, such that we administer and manage His affairs and His business according to the terms of His Trust.

> When our heart and behavior are in compliance with the law – **without requiring the law** – then we are mature and the law is obsolete.

For example:

If you have to be told "do not covet", "do not commit adultery" or "do not have other gods before Jehovah", then you are not a mature son.

An immature child requires a curfew primarily because he cannot be trusted to make good decisions.



But a mature son doesn't need a curfew because whether home early or late, he can be trusted to always make good decisions. A mature son will follow the lead of the Holy Spirit and not the lead of his own wants or wishes.

> Mature sons do the right thing, they follow the Lord's ways, <u>because</u> they love Him.

### Mature sons obey, not because "they have to" Mature sons obey because they want to, and because <u>They live empowered by His Spirit to do so.</u>

### FREE FROM THE LAW

The Apostle Paul taught us in Romans that we are free of the law.

The example he gave was of marriage – which is legal covenant only binding (applicable) during the lifetime of both spouses.

Romans 7: 2-5: If you are married to someone, the covenant is "til death do us part" – after a husband's death, the wife is free of that covenant and is free to marry again, without falling under the condemnation of adultery.

The law governing her covenant to that particular man becomes <u>obsolete</u>, <u>superseded</u>, when the husband dies. It has no relevance to the way the surviving spouse lives her life.

This is the example of understanding our transition out of the bondage of the law to the freedom of the spirit.

When we enter into the life that Christ offered us through the cross, in that moment, we died to sin.

<u>At that moment</u>, we are free from the bondage of that law in the same way that a spouse is freed from the covenant with a spouse.

Romans 7:6 says it this way, We have been discharged from the law, which enables us to serve (operate) in newness of quality of spirit and not in the obsolete code of the written law."



Here is another example from a personal experience:

I have an iPhone 3s, which I got back in 2009, but it doesn't work anymore because the software program that it operates on is obsolete, it has been superseded by a new version, an update. I can't even download the new software onto the iPhone3s because the 3s doesn't have the right internal parameters to run it. I need a whole new phone with the new operating system.

We should view our new life in Christ Jesus like this. The old way of thinking, the old software of our mind is obsolete and will not permit us to operate in the spirit.

In Romans 8:2 Paul wrote: the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and death.

We must "think differently".

John the Baptist & Jesus both began their ministries by declaring that we must change the way we think. This is what the word "repent" means.

When John the Baptist and Jesus both proclaimed:-

Matthew 3:2 and Matthew 4:17 *Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.* 

This word "repent" is the Greek word "*metanoeō*" which means only "change the way you think".

How did John the Baptist and Jesus want us to think differently? Under the Old Testament law, God was a long way off and our sin was not actually forgiven, it was just covered for a season. Under the New Testament, God was suddenly among us, and our sin could be both forgiven and removed, we can be free of it. It was a radical change in thinking! God is close to you and He is not mad at you!

The call to repentance, while resulting in us not sinning,

is <u>not</u> a call to stop sinning, it is a call to stop the way you are currently thinking.

Let that sink in for a moment.



The call is to think differently, to upgrade your operating system. Under the Old Testament law, it was about how you behaved. Now, under the New Testament covenant, it is about how you think, it is about how you believe. Believe that God has provided a way of escape from sin for you. Believe that His forgiveness is a free gift. Believe that the Holy Spirit will work the desire and ability in you to live differently.

# **RECEIVING YOUR INHERITANCE IS A CALL TO MATURITY**

### All things must be done in the spirit first -

Zechariah 4:6

Not by might Not by strength But by My Spirit says the Lord.

If, as Paul states in <u>Ephesians 6:12</u>:-We wrestle not against flesh and blood [that is in the natural realm] But against spiritual forces of evil in heavenly realms,

If our battle is in the heavenly realms, we can only combat those forces in that heavenly realm – in the spirit. It is not by us changing our circumstances here on earth that will effect anything, it is only by going "in the spirit" by prayer through faith, that we can effect change in the natural circumstances.

When we do this, THEN we rule from two dimensions – both the spirit and the earth – but in that order. We must first have our authority confirmed in the spirit and receive the Heavenly Judge's Decree & Order, because that will then require the rest of the spirit and natural realms to deal with us in that capacity, as the owners of our inheritance, with full title, full legal rights to possession AND enjoyment!

Only when we first accomplish a matter in the spirit, can the Holy Spirit come in and fill the places we carve out in the natural!

God doesn't want us to rule one dimensionally – either only in the spirit or only in the natural.

If we rule only from the spirit, we are neglecting our role and purpose in the earth, because we are the conduit for the spirit realm to rule the earth.

If we rule only in the earth realm, we lack authority and we find ourselves in endless fights that may cost us our very lives. (Remember my client's gunfight in the house because he took it on himself.)



But when we pray "on earth as it is in Heaven" we are agreeing with the God's ways, and when we come into agreement with God's ways, they can manifest on the earth through our faith and agreement.

This includes our authority -

so we must first go and receive our authority in Heaven AND receive the Judge's Court Order that then requires the rest of the world to comply!

Remember, we invoke Jesus' Name – His authority BUT when it comes ORDERED FROM THE JUDGE That's a whole new level of authority!

When we pray in the spirit AND act in the natural – when these two come together – THAT IS HIS WILL – HEAVEN ON EARTH. We approach the natural with the spiritual truth governing the circumstances – so the spiritual swoops down and causes the natural elements to come into slip-stream, such that <u>the results in the natural are exponential to what they would have been on their own</u>.

Remember my story about my client who went to his house where the gun shots were fired? He went in his full right and authority, but he ended up being carted off by the police that night because of the fight that broke out and the gunshots that were fired. But, after the Judge confirmed his right and title, the Judge sent him back to the house with the Sheriff to physically remove the trespasser.

When we move about in the natural, with the authority of the Court of Heaven behind us, the angels and sheriff's of heaven move in the unseen realm on our behalf, to remove anything that seeks to prevent our title, ownership rights, possession and enjoyment of our inheritance.

Before going to the Judge, we have a legal right.

After going to the Judge, we have the full authority of the Courts of Heaven backing us up and doing for us what we cannot accomplish on our own.

Moreover, going to the Courts of Heaven is not just a good option. It is a spiritual legal requirement.

In earthly situations, it is illegal to take matters into your own hands.

In the spirit the same is true.



# We must first receive the Judge's confirmation and approval, which are given through His Court Order and Decree.

### **BUT WAIT THERE'S MORE!**

### WE ARE NOT JUST SONS, WE ARE NOT JUST MATURE SONS,

### WE ARE FIRST-BORN SONS!

First: We become a Son

We become sons when we are saved – when we confess with our mouths that Jesus is Lord, and believe in our hearts that God raised Him from the dead.

### Second: We Mature

As we leave behind the wants and wishes of the natural world, and live our lives lead by the Spirit, then we become Mature Sons -- <u>ones entrusted with the administration and</u> management of the Father's estate.

Lastly: We Step into the Shoes of First-Born Sons

As mature sons, living life by faith, lead by the Holy Spirit, we step into the position of a first-born son – receiving a double portion inheritance.

Note:

Ladies, do not be tempted to insert the words "and daughter" in bible verses when you see "son". The term son is rarely used instance to signify gender! It is used to signify position – and that's a very different thing! You want to inherit as a son!! It is the position not the gender.

### John 1:12

As many as received him, to them He gave the power to become <u>Sons</u> of God, even to them that believe on His name.

This word "sons" is from the Greek word *teknon* which does not infer any gender but is inclusive of both male and female. It denotes rather the status of the person, in this case, one whose Father is God. We see it again in-



**1 John 3:1** Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, That we should be called the sons (the teknon) of God.

This is important because in relation to our Inheritance:-

We are described as the "first born" sons of God, and As first-born sons, we receive a <u>double portion</u> inheritance!

# **THE DOUBLE-PORTION OF FIRST-BORN SONS**

The Scriptures describe two different kinds of a double-portion gift, and both have a different purpose.

The first is a double-portion for what the enemy has stolen and taken from you. This is often referred to as the "double for your trouble." We see it in the Word here:-

Zechariah 9:12 Return to the place of safety, all you who still have hope! I promise this very day that I will repay two blessings for each of your troubles. Yes, I will restore double to you!

Job 42:10 *The Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he prayed for his friends, And the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before.* 

This double-portion is a repayment and restitution for what had been stolen.

But there is another double-portion, a double-portion of inheritance that is set aside for first-born sons. That is what I want to focus – the inheritance double-portion. We see it here:-

**Exodus 4:22** *This is what the LORD says: Israel is my firstborn son.* 

Moreover, Deut 21:17 and Jewish tradition dictates that the firstborn inherits a double portion – but for a specific purpose and responsibility.

The double portion is granted solely because:-

The first-born son steps into the Father's stead in the role of responsibility toward the widowed wife/mother and the unmarried sisters who do not receive any inheritance at all.



In the Father's stead, the first-born son was required by tradition and by Jewish law to step into the father's shoes.

The first-born son bore an obligation and responsibility.

Of his double portion, one share was for him and his family, but the second share was to provide on-going care and support for the father's wife and for any unmarried daughters, including providing a dowry for the daughters. The first-born son steps into the Father's shoes and takes on the responsibility as the head of household.

# JOSEPH'S ELDEST BROTHER, RUEBEN

We see an example of this in **Genesis 37**, in the account of Joseph, where his brothers decide to kill him because they are so jealous of him. But Reuben, who is the eldest brother, is the one who talks them out of it – the story reads like this:-

Genesis 37:18-34

<sup>18</sup> When Joseph's brothers saw him coming, they recognized him in the distance. As he approached, they made plans to kill him. <sup>19</sup> "Here comes the dreamer!" they said. <sup>20</sup> "Come on, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns. We can tell our father, 'A wild animal has eaten him.' Then we'll see what becomes of his dreams!"

<sup>21</sup> But when Reuben heard of their scheme, he came to Joseph's rescue. "Let's not kill him," he said. <sup>22</sup> "Why should we shed any blood? Let's just throw him into this empty cistern here in the wilderness. Then he'll die without our laying a hand on him." <u>Reuben was secretly planning to rescue Joseph and return him to his father.</u>

<sup>23</sup> So when Joseph arrived, his brothers ripped off the beautiful robe he was wearing. <sup>24</sup> Then they grabbed him and threw him into the cistern. Now the cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

<sup>25</sup> Then, just as they were sitting down to eat, they looked up and saw a caravan of camels in the distance coming toward them. It was a group of Ishmaelite traders taking a load of gum, balm, and aromatic resin from Gilead down to Egypt.



<sup>26</sup> Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain by killing our brother? We'd have to cover up the crime.<sup>[c] 27</sup> Instead of hurting him, let's sell him to those Ishmaelite traders. After all, he is our brother—our own flesh and blood!" And his brothers agreed. <sup>28</sup> So when the Ishmaelites, who were Midianite traders, came by, Joseph's [other] brothers [without Reuben's knowledge] pulled him out of the cistern and sold him to them for twenty pieces<sup>[d]</sup> of silver. And the traders took him to Egypt.

<sup>29</sup> <u>Some time later, Reuben returned to get Joseph out of the cistern.</u> When he discovered that Joseph was missing, he tore his clothes in grief. <sup>30</sup> Then he went back to his brothers and lamented, "The boy is gone! What will I do now?"

<sup>31</sup> Then the brothers killed a young goat and dipped Joseph's robe in its blood.
<sup>32</sup> They sent the beautiful robe to their father with this message: "Look at what we found. Doesn't this robe belong to your son?"

<sup>33</sup> Their father recognized it immediately. "Yes," he said, "it is my son's robe. A wild animal must have eaten him. Joseph has clearly been torn to pieces!" <sup>34</sup> Then Jacob tore his clothes and dressed himself in burlap. He mourned deeply for his son for a long time.

As the firstborn son, Reuben had already stepped into the shoes of his elderly father and was operating as the head of the household, responsible for the family members and the affairs of the household. He was responsible to his father for the safety of his brothers, especially of his younger brother, who at the time, was about 17 years of age (Gen 37:2).

The double portion is not purposed to doubly increase the first-born sons' own bank accounts or to provide for him a lifestyle twice as lavish as his brothers, it is purposed to be used for the welfare and safety of the family.

As it relates to us today, we read in **Hebrews 12** about "the Church of the firstborn [ones.]". This speaks of Believers who are firstborn ones.

Hebrews 12:15, 16, 18, 22, 24

*Look after each other so that none of you fails to receive the grace of God. Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many.* <sup>16</sup> *Make sure that no one is immoral or godless like Esau, who traded his birthright as the firstborn son for a single meal.* [meal = the wants and wishes of the world].



<sup>18</sup> You have not come to a physical mountain,<sup>[h]</sup> to a place of flaming fire, darkness, gloom, and whirlwind, as the Israelites did at Mount Sinai.

<sup>22</sup> No, you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to countless thousands of angels in a joyful gathering. <sup>23</sup> <u>You have</u> <u>come to the Assembly of God's firstborn children, whose names are written in</u> <u>heaven.</u> You have come to God himself, who is <u>the judge</u> over all things.

<sup>24</sup> You have come to Jesus, the one who mediates the new covenant between God and people, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks of forgiveness...

As Believers, as mature sons, as first born sons, we should take note of this, and of the story about Reuben and Joseph because, if we are to step into the shoes of the firstborn sons, receiving a double portion inheritance, we need to be aware that we are responsible to our Father for the welfare of our brethren – that's the only reason we are entrusted with the double portion.

When we speak about receiving our rightful inheritance, as sons, as mature sons, as firstborn sons, receiving a double portion, let us do so:-

- In maturity,

- not seeking the wants and wishes of the world,
- not seeking an inheritance purely for our own benefit,
- But in order to be the Father's trusted Representative in the earth,
- Motivated only by love for the Father, and caring for our brethren,
- Bringing the Kingdom, such that we operate "On Earth as it is in Heaven."

It is no accident that the ultimate revelation of the Courts of Inheritance is that we are sons, mature sons, and first born sons, whose lives can only be described as:-

"Ones who are motivated only by love for the Father and who caring for their brethren"

Compare this with Jesus comments in Matthew 22:



### Matthew 22:

But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.

<sup>35</sup> Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying,

<sup>36</sup>*Master, which is the great commandment in the law?* 

<sup>37</sup> Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

<sup>38</sup> This is the first and great commandment.

<sup>39</sup> And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

<sup>40</sup> On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

The greatest commandments – upon which the law hangs – Is to love God and to love your brethren as yourself.

This is the description of the role of the firstborn son purely and succinctly.

### IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE DOUBLE PORTION INHERITANCE,

### WE MUST BE PREPARED TO USE THAT SECOND PORTION,

### NOT FOR OUR OWN BENEFIT,

### BUT FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR BRETHREN,

### FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR FATHER'S KINGDOM.



### COURT ISSUED DECREE

The last thing that we do in the Courts of Heaven is receive a Court Issued Decree.

Remember we asked the question: "Why is a court procedure necessary?" It is for our safety and for exponential authority.

#### Another reason is:- to have the Court issue an Order, a Decree.

The purpose of this Decree is not to tell you what you own, you already know what you own.

<u>The purpose is to tell the rest of the world –</u> and to ensure that the rest of the spiritual realms deal with you in that capacity!!

When we go to the Court of Inheritance, the role of the Judge is to:-

- Ascertain your fitness to fill the role -= which you have through the cross.
- Confirm the validity of the Will and Trust -= It is God's own Will that His Word confirms.
- Appoint the Personal Representative of the Estate -= which the Word affirms you are.
- Issue a decree requiring the rest of the world to deal with you in your authority and capacity as set out in The Father's Will & Trust

So let's go to the Court's of Heaven, but as we do, let us be mindful of the following:



### **OPERATING IN THE COURTS OF HEAVEN**

#### IS NOT A CALL TO PROCEDURE OR PROTOCOLS,

NOR IS IT SOMETHING YOU HAVE <u>TO DO</u> – It's not a job description or obligation,

> IT'S A CALL TO BE SONS IT'S A CALL TO MATURITY

IT'S A CALL TO POSSESSING, AND TO BEING THE ONE WHO, BY KINGDOM AUTHORITY, IS A VESSEL THROUGH WHICH GOD'S KINGDOM COMES ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

IT'S A CALL TO STEP INTO THE ROLE OF FIRST-BORN SONS THOSE WHO RECEIVE A DOUBLE PORTION BECAUSE THEY CAN BE TRUSTED TO PROVIDE FOR THE KINGDOM PRACTICING TRUE RELIGION CARING FOR THE WIDOWS & ORPHANS --FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NO LEGAL STANDING, AUTHORITY OR VOICE.



When we go to the Courts of Heaven in prayer, we will specifically be going into the Courts of Inheritance, which I call the Courts of the Sons.

There, we will:-

HAVE THE TRESPASSER EVICTED,

THE TRUSTEE REMOVED,

HAVE US, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, APPOINTED,

AND HAVE OUR INHERITANCE RELEASED TO US.



# IN THE HEBREWS 12:23-24 HEAVENLY COURT<sup>2</sup> THE COURT OF GOD – JUDGE OVER ALL THINGS

# IN THE ROMANS 8:14 COURT DIVISION<sup>3</sup> THE COURT OF INHERITANCE – THE COURT OF THE SONS

RE: \_\_\_\_\_(Your Name Here)

# **PETTION FOR EVICTION**

Petitioner files this complaint against Adversary-Defendant to evict Adversary-Defendant from Petitioner's Inheritance Promises.

Adversary-Defendant currently occupies and/or prevents Petitioner's occupancy, possession and enjoyment of the Inheritance Promises.

Defendant does not have legal occupancy of the Inheritance Promises but has entered and remained without legal authority and as such is a Trespasser.

Petitioner seeks not only restoration of the Inheritance Promises, but requests that this Court enter a Judgment for reparation and compensation for lost access to the Inheritance Promises, including late fees, penalties and charges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <sup>23</sup> You have come to the assembly of God's firstborn children, whose names are written in heaven. **You have come to God himself, who is the judge over all things.** You have come to the spirits of the righteous ones in heaven who have now been made perfect. <sup>24</sup> You have come to Jesus, the one who mediates the new covenant between God and people, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks of forgiveness instead of crying out for vengeance like the blood of Abel. (Hebrews 12:23-24)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For all who are lead by the Spirit of God, these are the Sons of God. (Romans 8:14)



### **GROUNDS FOR EVICTION - TRESPASS**

Petitioner is entitled to occupancy, possession and enjoyment of the Inheritance Promises because Petitioner is the legal rights, owner and title-holder.

Defendant has entered the Inheritance Promises and/or prevented Petitioner's access to and enjoyment of the Inheritance Promises, without authority and remains as a Trespasser.

To date, Defendant has refused to vacate the Inheritance Promises and/or to relieve any and all blockages preventing Petitioner's occupancy, possession and enjoyment.

# JUDGMENT REQUESTED

Petitioner request Judgment in favor of Petitioner and against Defendant, and requests the issuance of an Order for Possession, including restoration of time lost and payment of damages, including costs Petitioner has incurred while being prevented from the promises, with all fees, penalties, interest and charges applicable.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_.

Petitioner



# JUDGMENT GRANTED:

On this day, in the Hebrews 12:23-24 Heavenly Court, the Court of God—Judge Over All Things, In the Romans 8:14 Court Division—The Court of Inheritance, The Court of the Sons:

The Judge hereby finds:

 $\Box$  In favor of the Petitioner, and

FURTHER hereby renders Judgment in favor of the Petitioner.

#### **ORDERS ISSUED:**

The Hebrews 1:4<sup>4</sup> Clerks of the Court, those who are called to serve the heirs of salvation, are hereby authorized and released to enforce this Judgment, even to the physical and forcible removal of Adversary-Defendant from the Inheritance Promises upon which he Trespasses.

From before the foundation of the world, and affirmed by this Court again from this day forward, Petitioner was and is as the rightful heir and owner, with all rights of possession, occupancy and enjoyment of all the Inheritance Promises.

#### JUDGMENT IS HEREBY ENTERED.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Are not all angles ministering spirits sent to serve those who are the heirs of salvation. Hebrews 1:4



# IN THE HEBREWS 12:23-24 HEAVENLY COURT<sup>5</sup> THE COURT OF GOD – JUDGE OVER ALL THINGS

# IN THE ROMANS 8:14 COURT DIVISION<sup>6</sup> THE COURT OF INHERITANCE – THE OF THE SONS

RE: \_\_\_\_\_(Your Name Here)

# PETITION TO REMOVE TRUSTEE

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Your Name), hereby declare as

follows:

- According to Galatians 3:26, I am a legally adopted son of God;
- According to Galatians 3:29, I am a descendant and heir of the promises of God

through Abraham, by faith;

• Acording to Galatians 4:7, I am a mature son and heir of God, and as an heir of

God, then also

- According to Romans 8:17, a co-heir with Christ.
- According to Hebrews 12:23, I am part of the firstborn assembly, whose name is

written in Heaven.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> <sup>23</sup> You have come to the assembly of God's firstborn children, whose names are written in heaven. **You have come to God himself, who is the judge over all things.** You have come to the spirits of the righteous ones in heaven who have now been made perfect. <sup>24</sup> You have come to Jesus, the one who mediates the new covenant between God and people, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks of forgiveness instead of crying out for vengeance like the blood of Abel. (Hebrews 12:23-24)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> For all who are lead by the Spirit of God, these are the Sons of God. (Romans 8:14)



### **STATEMENT OF THE FACTS:**

The Law should be removed as Trustee of my Inheritance Portion of the Estate of my Heavenly Father, for the following reasons:-

1. On the basis of Galatians 3:26 states, *Now that faith has come*, *I am no longer under a Trustee*. *I am a son of God through faith in Christ Jesus*.

2. On the basis of Galatians 5:16-22, *If I am led by the Spirit, then there is no way that I will perform the wants and wishes of the natural realm. The natural realm wants things that are contrary to the Spirit and the Spirit wants things that are contrary to the natural realms; they are in opposition to each other. So then, I do not just do whatever I please.* For if I am led by the Spirit, I am not under the law. Being *led by the Spirit produces in me love, happiness, peace, tolerance toward others, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness and self-control – against which there is no law.* 

3. Further, Romans 7:6 states, *I have been discharged from the law,* which enables me now to serve in newness of quality of spirit and **not under the obsolete** code of the written law.

4. Finally, Romans 8:2 states, the law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death.



# **DETAILS:**

# INHERITANCE RIGHTS AS AN HEIR, A SON, A FIRSTBORN SON

### 1. THE LAW HAS SERVED AS TRUSTEE

To date, Petitioner's Inheritance Portion of the Heavenly Father's Estate has been under the authority, management, administration and distribution of The Law.

- a. PURPOSE OF THE LAW The purpose of the law was to protect the son until such time as he reached maturity.
- b. PETITIONER HAS COME OF AGE THE SON IS MATURE Petitioner, as a mature son has come of age such that The Law can be relieved of its duties and dismissed. Therefore, Petitioner takes full right, title, interest, possession, dominion, rule and authority over Petitioner's inheritance portion.
- c. PETITIONER IS A FIRSTBORN SON Petitioner is a firstborn son with rights of inheritance as a firstborn son, entitled to receive a double-portion inheritance share.

# THEREFORE:

THEREFORE, I Petition this Court to issue an Order removing The Law as Trustee and

to grant me permission and authority, as a mature son, to take full possession of and have

administration and distribution power and authority over my Inheritance Portion of the

Estate of my Heavenly Father.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_.

Petitioner



# JUDGMENT GRANTED:

On this day, in the Hebrews 12:23-24 Heavenly Court, the Court of God—Judge Over All Things, In the Romans 8:14 Court Division—The Court of Inheritance, The Court of the Sons:

The Judge hereby finds and ORDERS as follows:-

- That Law as Trustee be removed, and
- That Petitioner be and is hereby authorized to serve over, manage, administrate and distribute Petitioner's Portion of the Inheritance of The Father's Estate, in such a manner as serve is compliance with, following and lead by the Holy Spirit, as is fitting a son, a mature son, a firstborn son.

**ORDER ENTERED.** 



# IN THE HEBREWS 12:23-24 HEAVENLY COURT<sup>7</sup> THE COURT OF GOD – JUDGE OVER ALL THINGS

# IN THE ROMANS 8:14 COURT DIVISION<sup>8</sup> THE COURT INHERITANCE - THE COURT OF THE SONS

# **PETITION FOR:**

### **PROBATE OF LAST WILL & TESTAMENT, AND APPOINTMENT AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, AND ISSUANCE OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION** WITH FULL AUTHORITY AND DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE

PETITIONER: (Your Name Here), hereby requests:

- I. That the Last Will & Testament be and is hereby admitted
- That the Personal Representative be Appointed, II.
- That Letters of Administration be issued with Full Authority. III.
- That the Estate Inheritance be Distributed. IV.

#### PETITIONER SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING:

#### I. LAST WILL & TESTAMENT

# I.A. The Last Will & Testament is as follows:

Ephesians 1:19-14:

God has made known to us the mystery of **His will** – that in the fullness of time, He might gather together in one, all things in Christ – in whom we have obtained an inheritance, ... that those who first trusted in Christ were sealed with the Holy Spirit of Promise—who is the earnest (guarantee deposit) of our inheritance

 $<sup>^{7}</sup>$   $^{23}$  You have come to the assembly of God's firstborn children, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God himself, who is the judge over all things. You have come to the spirits of the righteous ones in heaven who have now been made perfect. 24 You have come to Jesus, the one who mediates the new covenant between God and people, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks of forgiveness instead of crying out for vengeance like the blood of Abel. (Hebrews 12:23-24)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> For all who are lead by the Spirit of God, these are the Sons of God. (Romans 8:14)



Colossians 3:24 Knowing that from the Lord **you shall receive the reward of your inheritance** – for you serve the Lord Christ.

Matthew 6:10 *Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.* 

# I.B. The Last Will has been verified and activated, as follows:

Hebrews 9:16-17

For where there is a will and testament, it is necessary for the person who made the will and testament to die. For the will and testament is guaranteed as valid only after the person is dead, since it cannot go into effect while the person who made it is alive.

Moreover, Christ died, evidence by the following:-

John 19:30 [on the cross] Jesus said, "It is finished" and He bowed His head and He gave up His spirit.

Romans 6:10 *The death He [Christ] died, he died once, to break the power of sin.* 

# II. PETITIONER IS APPOINTED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

2 Corinthians 5:20 *We are Christ's ambassadors*. His Personal Representative on the earth.

The term "ambassador" means one who is **the Personal Representative of the Sovereign**, and who lives in and exercises authority in a foreign realm. The **ambassador is granted full authority to represent that Sovereign and to act fully on his behalf in all matters.** 



# III. FULL AUTHORITY HAS BEEN GIVEN TO PETITIONER

#### AUTHORITY OVER THE EARTH, as follows:-

Genesis 1:26

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and **let** *them have dominion* over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

"radah" authority – to subjugate, to have power over, to rule and reign over, to take possession of.

#### AUTHORITY OVER THE ENEMY, as follow:-

Luke 10:19

I [Jesus] have given you authority to overcome all power of the enemy.

"exousia" power – authority, jusidiction, power, right, strength, liberty and rights of privilege

# AUTHORITY IN ALL THINGS AS A SON OF GOD

John 1:12

To those who receive Him, to them He gave power [authority, jurisdiction, liberty, power, right, strength], to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name.

#### IV. **DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE**

Petitioner requests that the Estate of the Father be distributed outright and free from trust, immediately, effective upon issuance of a decree from this Court:-

The following identifies the Father's Estate and His Promises to His Sons to be distributed:-



# <u>"SALVATION"</u> <u>- SAFETY, WELFARE, PROSPERITY, VICTORY, HEALTH</u>

Hebrews 1:14 -

Are not all [angels] ministering spirits sent to minister to those who shall be **heirs of salvation**?

In the Greek and Hebrew languages, "salvation" is defined as follows:

-From the Greek "soteria" Deliverance, preservation and safety from the enemy

-From the Hebrew "yeshuwah" Welfare, Prosperity, Victory, Health

#### EVERY SPIRITUAL BLESSING IN HEAVENLY PLACES

#### Ephesians 1:3-8

3 All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. <sup>4</sup> Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. <sup>5</sup> God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. <sup>6</sup> So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his dear Son.<sup>[b] 7</sup> He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. <sup>8</sup> He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding. 9 God has now revealed to us his mysterious will regarding Christ—which is to fulfill his own good plan.<sup>10</sup> And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth. <sup>11</sup> Furthermore, because we are united with Christ, we have received an inheritance from **God**, [c] for he chose us in advance, and he makes everything work out according to his plan.



# THE EARTH AND ALL THE PEOPLE

Psalm 24:1 -

The Lord owns everything and everyone in and on the earth, even the earth itself.

The earth is the Lord's and all it contains, the earth and the fullness thereof, the earth and all the people therein.

# THE PROMISES OF ABRAHAM

Galatians 3:29 – And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and **God's promise to Abraham belongs to you**.

> Genesis 12:2-3 I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and You shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, I will curse him who curses you; and In you all the families of the earth shall be blessed

Genesis 17:7 <sup>7</sup> *I will always keep the promise I have made to you and your descendants, because I am your God and their God.* 

#### THE GATES OF OUR ENEMIES

Genesis 22:16-18 – (After the 'sacrifice' of Isaac) Your seed shall possess the gate of their enemies.

After Abraham had obeyed God and showed that in his heart, he would not withhold his son, his only son, his only heir, God promised to Abraham that he would possess the gates of his enemies.

Likewise, as a child and heir of Abraham, through faith, Petitioner shall possess the gates of the enemies, which gives him authority over and possession of the access points the enemy has, such that those access points, those gates, doorways, portals and openings become fully Petitioners and the enemy has no more authority or access.



# ACCESS TO KNOW WHAT GOD INTENDS TO DO IN THE EARTH

Genesis 18:17-18 – God indicates that we have access to information about what God intends to do in the earth - <u>because of our position with</u> <u>God through faith:</u>-

The Lord said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do <u>since</u> he will surely become a great and mighty nation, and in him all the nations of the earth will be blessed?

Inasmuch as Petitioner is a Son of God, by faith, as an heir of Abraham, Petitioner likewise has access to the thoughts and plans of God to know what shall be done in the earth, because God has given the whole earth to Petitioner as an inheritance, and in order to properly administrate His Estate and Kingdom, this knowledge and access to same is necessary and required.

# THE PROMISE LAND

Genesis 17:8 and Exodus 6:8 I will give you the Land of Canaan -I will bring you to the land I promised Abraham – Your Promise Land.

# THIS GIFT OF THE PROMISE LAND – is a literal, and a spiritual, and a metaphorical Land.

# AS SPECIFICALLY RELATES TO PETITIONER, THE TERM "PROMISE LAND" IS DEFINED AS:

- 1. **PETITIONER'S DESTINY**,
- 2. THE FULL PROMISES OF GOD FOR PETITIONER'S LIFE,
- 3. EVERYTHING WRITTEN BY GOD ON PETITIONER'S SCROLL,
- 4. EVERYTHING THAT GOD PURPOSES FOR PETITIONER TO WALK IN AND TO FULFILL FOR HIS KINGDOM.

# **DISTRIBUTION OF ESTATE – PREVIOUSLY HELD IN TRUST**

By walking in the Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus, Petitioner has been set free from the Law of Sin and Death, and further walks in all things by faith, being lead by the Spirit.

Therefore, the Estate may be distribution outright and free from trust.



Galatians 3:24-25 – The Estate has been under the administration of The Law, as Trustee

The law was our Trustee until Christ came, it protected us until we could be made right with God through faith. And now that the way of faith has come, we no longer need the law as our Trustee.

Further,

Galatians 5:1 *Christ has truly set us free.* 

Galatians 5:5 But we who live by the Spirit eagerly wait to receive by faith the righteousness God has promised to us.

Under the terms of maturity, Petitioner has been called to live in freedom, and as evidence of same, Petitioner uses that freedom to serve the brothers and sisters in love.

Galatians 5:13-14 For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself.



Petitioner thereby requests this Court issue a Decree Order as follows:

- 1. That the Last Will & Testament be and is hereby admitted,
- 2. That the Personal Representative be Appointed,
- 3. That Letters of Administration be issued with Full Authority,
- 4. That the Estate Inheritance be and is hereby immediately Distributed to Petitioner, outright and free from trust.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_, 2017. \_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner

# **JUDGMENT GRANTED:**

On this day, in the Hebrews 12:23-24 Heavenly Court, the Court of God—Judge Over All Things, In the Romans 8:14 Court Division—The Court of Inheritance, The Court of the Sons:

The Judge hereby ORDERS as follows:

- 1. That the Last Will & Testament be and is hereby admitted,
- 2. That the Personal Representative be and is hereby Appointed,
- 3. That Letters of Administration be issued with Full Authority,
- 4. That the Estate Inheritance be and is hereby immediately Distributed to Petitioner, outright and free from trust.

# ORDER ENTERED.