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PART ONE

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"As the worker studies the life of Christ, and the character of His Mission is dwelt upon, EACH FRESH SEARCH will reveal something more deeply interesting than has yet been unfolded. The subject is inexhaustible. The study of the incarnation of Christ, His atoning sacrifices and mediatorial work will employ the mind AS LONG AS TIME SHALL LAST." GW p. 251.

"That God should thus be manifest in the flesh, is indeed a mystery; and WITHOUT THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT we cannot hope to comprehend the subject. The most humbling lesson that man has to learn is the nothingness of human wisdom, and the folly of trying by his own UNAIDED EFFORTS to find out God"! R&H April 5, 1906. THE MESSAGE HERE IS THAT WITH THE AID OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WE CAN UNDERSTAND THE INCARNATION OF CHRIST.

"This is a great mystery, a mystery that will not be fully, completely, understood in all its greatness UNTIL THE TRANSLATION of the REDEEMED (Wavesheaf) shall take place. Then the power and greatness and efficacy of the gift of God to man will be understood. But the enemy is determined that this GIFT shall be so MYSTIFIED that it will become AS NOTHINGNESS! SDA – BC Vol. 5:113.

"The more we think about Christ becoming a babe here on earth, the more wonderful it appears. How can it be that the helpless babe in Bethlehem's manger is STILL THE DIVINE SON OF GOD? Though we cannot understand it, we can believe that He who made the worlds, for our sakes became a helpless babe. Though higher than any of the angels, though as great as the Father on the throne of heaven He became one with us. In Him God and man BECAME ONE, and it is in this fact that we find the hope of our fellow race. Looking upon Christ IN THE FLESH; WE LOOK UPON GOD IN HUMANITY (Adam and Eve) and see in Him the brightness of divine GLORY (Spirit-Fem.); the express image of God, the Father (male and female-Gen. 1:26,27; 5:1,2). Youth's Instructor, Nov. 21, 1895.

## THE "BRIDE" OF CHRIST

"There is LIGHT and GLORY in the TRUTH that Christ was ONE with the Father BEFORE the foundation of the world was laid. This is a light shining in a dark place (our world) making it resplendent with divine original glory. This TRUTH, infinitely mysterious in itself, EXPLAINS OTHER mysterious and otherwise unexplainable TRUTHS, while it is enshrined in light unapproachable and incomprehensible." R&H April 5, 1906 p. 8. Except it be understood in the light of Rom. 1:20.

"The King of the Universe (the ETERNAL Father) summoned the heavenly hosts before Him, that in their presence He might set forth the true POSITION of His SON, and show the relation He sustained to all created beings. The Son of God, shared the Father's throne, AND THE GLORY OF THE ETERNAL self-existent ONE (The Holy Spirit) ENCIRCLED BOTH. P.P. p. 36.

"However much a Shepherd may love his sheep, he loves his SONS AND DAUGHTERS more." Jesus is not only our Shepherd He is our "EVERLASTING FATHER"; Heb. 1; Isa. 9:6; Micah 5:2. And He says) "I know mine own, and Mine own know Me; even as the Father knoweth Me, and I know the Father." John 10:14,15.RV.

"WHAT A STATEMENT IS THIS!--the only "BEGOTTEN SON", He who is in the BOSOM of the Father, He whom God hath declared to be "the Man that is My fellow" (Zech. 13:7)--the communion between Him (the Son and the ETERNAL God (His Father) is taken to represent the communion between CHRIST (the Everlasting Father Isa. 9:6) and His CHILDREN ON EARTH (born of the Holy Ghost)." R&H 1906.

Therefore, according to the Scriptures we can see clearly by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the story of the Creation of Adam and Eve, that God (Elohim, Heb. -plural), is Male and Female. Gen. 1:26,27; 5:1,2 --TWO Adams - male and female made in the image of at least two Persons called "God".

"And God said, let us (Father and Holy Spirit) the Son and His Spirit (Holy Ghost), four, make MANKIND in OUR IMAGE, after OUR likeness let THEM have complete authority over the fish of the sea ... (Heb. 11:3; 1:2; Ps. 104:30).

"So God (Elohim) created man in his own IMAGE and likeness of God created He him; MALE and FEMALE created He THEM (an EARTHLY FATHER) Adam, and MOTHER, Eve, in their Heavenly Image). "And God blessed THEM and said unto THEM (both) ...have dominion..." Gen. 1:26-28.

### THEIR CREATION – a Review

"But there went up a mist (a fog-vapor) from the land and watered the whole surface of the ground.

"THEN the Lord God (Elohim-plural, Mas. Fem.) FORMED man of the dust of the ground) (first) and (then) breathed into his nostrils the breath (or spirit of life); and man BECAME a LIVING SOUL." Gen. 2:7.

The FIRST Adam's creation prefigured that of the Second Adam, the only begotten Son of God in the flesh (of Mary, also an earthen vessel) away from Paradise the HEAVENLY Eden,

OUTSIDE the Garden of God - in the earth even as Adam was formed outside the EARTHLY Garden of Eden.

"And God planted a garden toward the east in Eden (meaning delight); and there he put the Man whom He had formed (framed constituted).

"And the Lord God (Elohim) took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and guard and keep it.

"Now the Lord God said, It is not good (sufficient, satisfactory) that the man should be alone; I will make him a helpmeet (suitable, adapted, COMPLETING) for him. Gen. 2:6-8; 15,18,21-24. By these verses it is clear that Eve was NOT created in the SAME PLACE or in the SAME MANNER as was Adam though he was made in the image at God, Male and Female (his rib) as one person. Therefore, the lesson shows that the SECOND Adam was to be revealed FIRST as ONE PERSON in the flesh, in the image of God who is male and female and that upon his return to Paradise, the HEAVENLY Eden, His helpmeet (Bride) would be revealed as Eve (Adam's Spirit-feminine self) was brought forth from his side IN the EARTHLY Garden of Eden.

"And the Lord caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and while he slept he took one of his ribs--a part at his side--and closed up the (place with) flesh instead of it". Gen. 2. Amplified Version. The FIRST Adam's sleep (he later died because of sin) was a TYPE of the SECOND Adam's death (sleep) that was to bring forth His Bride (Rib).

"And the rib or part of his side which the Lord God had taken from the man, He built up and made into a woman and brought her to the Man (as his equal).

"Then Adam said, This (creature) is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called WOMAN because she was taken OUT OF MAN". NOTICE, Eve was made of LIVING flesh and bone in the Garden of Eden the EARTHLY THRONE of God. The FIRST Adam symbolically died (slept) prefiguring the death of the second Adam; so that the Lord God could reveal His Bride, a part of Him-flesh (blood) and Spirit (water) in the HEAVENLY Eden-throne of God in Paradise; "and SHE shall be called God, because she was taken OUT OF CHRIST."

"But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear and immediately BLOOD and WATER came (flowed) out. That the Scripture might be fulfilled Zech. 12:10; John 19:34-36).

Two separate symbolic streams gushed forth from the Saviour's side, one of blood (flesh) and another of water (Spirit) signifying in the first instance, His human (flesh and blood) and His DIVINE nature (Spirit water) and secondly, the division of Himself, like the FIRST Adam; to reveal His Spirit-Self, The Holy Ghost His Bride.

"And when Jesus CRIED with a "LOUD VOICE". Luke 23:46:

It was the appointed time that He should be crucified through weakness. (2 Cor. 13:4) But like the dying martyrs who had such visions of coming Glory before breathing their last, as to impart to them STRENGTH to UTTER a MESSAGE to wondering ONLOOKERS; just so, the MIGHTY VOICE of the dying Redeemer was another example of one Who received strength for the final exultant shout of victory, even in death as recorded by John: "FATHER, UNTO THY HANDS I COMMEND MY SPIRIT." This was His MESSAGE to us who look upon His suffering-to bring forth THE TRUTH of the HOLY GHOST (John 14:16, 26; 15:26; 16:7,13-16). His Soul, the Holy Ghost, emerged from It's mysterious horrors. The Son of God yields up into

His Father's hands His infinitely precious Spirit (Ps. 31:5). "This COMFORTER (John 14:26-in His name) is the Holy (Ghost) Spirit the SOUL of His (Christ's) LIFE." R&H Vol. 5, p. 42.

His cry, "It is finished," was His last, and He bowed His head and gave up the (Holy) Ghost". John 19:20-30.

## PART 2

### THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

Matthew 25:1-13

The harvest in the End of the world (Matt. 13:39)

"Christ with His disciples is seated upon the Mt. of Olives. The sun has set behind the mountains and the heavens are curtained with the shades of evening. In FULL VIEW is a DWELLING HOUSE, lighted UP brilliantly, as if for some festive scene. The light streams from the openings, and an expectant COMPANY wait around indicating that a MARRIAGE PROSESSION IS SOON TO APPEAR. In many parts of the East, wedding festivities are held in the EVENING. The bridegroom GOES FORTH TO MEET his BRIDE and bring her to HIS HOME. By torchlight the BRIDAL PARTY PROCEEDS from HER FATHER'S HOUSE to HIS OWN, where a feast is provided for the INVITED GUESTS. In the scene upon which Christ looks, a COMPANY (ten virgins) are awaiting the appearance of the BRIDAL PARTY, intending to JOIN THE PROCESSION. "Lingering NEAR the BRIDE'S HOUSE are ten young women robed in white ...all are anxiously watching for the appearance of the bridegroom. But there is a delay ...the watchers (10 virgins) become weary and fall asleep. At midnight a cry is heard, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him". The sleepers suddenly awaking, spring to their feet. They see the PROCESSION MOVING ON, bright with torches, and glad with music. They HEAR the VOICE of the BRIDEGROOM AND the VOICE of the BRIDE. The ten maidens seize their lamp and begin to trim them IN HASTE TO GO FORTH.

"As Christ sat looking upon the party that waited for the bridegroom; He told the disciples the story of the ten virgins, by THEIR experiences ILLUSTRATING the EXPERIENCE of the CHURCH that shall live JUST BEFORE His SECOND coming." C.O.L. p. 416. At His first coming, the Saviour of the world told the disciples in the parable how the FIRST-FRUIT harvest was to be conducted in the END of the world. "The ten virgins are watching in the EVENING of this earth's history." C.O.L. p. 422.

"The interpretation given the parable by the messenger of THE THIRD ANGEL, 1844; IS THUS:

1. The two classes of watchers (10 virgins; wise and foolish) represent two classes who profess to be waiting for their Lord.
2. "The LAMPS represent the WORD of God (Ps. 119 105)
3. "The OIL is a symbol of the HOLY SPIRIT" as brought forth in the prophecy of Zech. 4:1-14."
4. The message of Zech. 4 was: The work will be FINISHED, "not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts".

"And I answered AGAIN and said unto him, What be these TWO olive BRANCHES which through the TWO golden pipes (prophets) empty the golden oil out of themselves?...Then said he, These are the TWO ANNOINTED ONES that stand by the Lord of the whole earth."

"The TWO Divine Guides of life, the WORD and NATURE, as we have already seen, are the BEST and ONLY TEACHERS that speak with AUTHORITY. Anyone, therefore, who neglects their counsel is unwittingly walking in darkness and heading for trouble ...Entering Wedge p. 38.

Notice that in Zech. 4:11 the identity of the TWO Olive Trees is in question and in Verse 12 the identity of the two olive BRANCHES is likewise, in question.

In Verse 14 the IDENTITY of the TWO olive BRANCHES is given prophetically.

"Then said he, these are the "TWO anointed ONES that stand BY the God (Elohim, Heb. plural) of the WHOLE earth.

Please note, there are TWO living trees. Each tree has His OWN BRANCH from which flows the golden oil through TWO golden pipes (Prophets: Moses and Christ) into the bowl (containers fem.) -symbol of the office of the Spirit (Feminine) of Prophecy, the Writings of the prophets as given by the Holy Ghost.

The two olive trees have been defined by the Spirit of prophecy in times past, to be the Old and New Testament, TWO trees, "the WORD of God to Zerrubabel (Governor-or symbol of the Holy Ghost Who relates the Scripture to the prophets by direct Inspiration) thus making the "two witnesses represent the SCRIPTURES (two Branches) of the Old and New Testament", the two olive trees. (G.C. p. 267).

In the Old Testament (Tree) we see the revelation of the Father, as ONE, under the mosaic dispensation by a prophet Moses with the PROMISE of a Son.

In the New Testament (tree) is the revelation of the "only begotten" Son as ONE, made in the Image of God, the Father. (Heb. 1:3,5,6,13).

Here we have TWO MALE figures revealed as two trees. But what of the Branches? Knowest thou not what these be? Then said He, these are the two ANOINTED ONES that stand BY the Lord of the whole earth.

In the primary application, one of the Divine guides of life, NATURE, in the light of Romans 1:20 and Gen. 1:26;27; 5:1,2, only, can tell us who these two anointed ONES are. The key is found in Gen. 2:21. From the Tree, the FIRST Adam, a branch (rib) was brought forth. In the first step of creation, Adam was made in the Image of Christ, his creator (John 1:3), one person. In the SECOND step, "God took one of his ribs (a Branch of him) ...and...made he a woman, and brought her to the man ...bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh." Gen. 2:21.

Thus, Adam became two Male and Female Persons, BOTH called Adam. Eve was made in the Image of God, her creator in Heaven. Gen. 1:26,27, says, "and God said, Let US make man in OUR Image, Male and Female." Like the first earthly Adam, Christ his creator, the heavenly Adam, by creating Adam and Eve in His Image, Male and Female, revealed His CO-CREATOR a BRANCH of Himself--the Holy Ghost, His helpmeet standing by Him (Zech. 4:14) in the creation of all things in Their Image, male and female.

The sum of all this nature story is:

As the Heavenly Adam, the Son of God and the earthly son of God, Adam, were made in the Image of the Eternal Father in Heaven; then, the evidence is conclusive:

The Eternal Father has a FEMALE counterpart, a Branch of Himself, a co-creator standing BY Him, The Holy Spirit, the Eternal Mother (Zech. 4:14).

All these symbols denote TWO SETS of Witnesses in Heaven: (1) The Eternal Father and Eternal Mother. (2) The Everlasting Father (Christ) Isa. 9:67 and the Everlasting Mother, the (Holy Ghost John 14:26).

(3) In the earth, two SETS of WITNESSES--The first Adam and Eve and the Second Adam (Christ) and Eve (Holy Ghost) to be further revealed in the next publication.

In the parables notice the SETTING. "Then shall the KINGDOM of HEAVEN be LIKENED to ten virgins ...This earthly scene before which Christ and the apostles sat was to teach them FIRST about the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN how the harvest was conducted there, so they could understand how it would be in the earthly harvest in the end of the world. (To be fully explained in the next publication.)

Under the FINAL phase of the Third Angel's message in the Judgment of the Living; March-April 1986, the messenger of the Holy Spirit of 1977 gives additional light on the Parable concerning its present truth application to the Harvest of the FIRST fruits-the Wave-sheaf, and the Wave loaves.

The TEN virgins are seen as the church, universal, who are the invited GUESTS, five of whom were wise and five foolish, at the wedding of Christ and the Holy Ghost, His BRIDE-a DIVINE PERSONAGE (Isa. 6: Rev. 10). In the bridal party are the Bridegroom and the Bride with THEIR ATTENDANTS who represent the wave-sheaf; MALE and FEMALE.

In the first instance Christ was the wave-sheaf (D.A. 785) and those resurrected with Him were like Him, martyrs for their faith. FIRST we see the wavesheaf (barley) as ONE DIVINE PERSON; Christ representing the DEAD wave-sheaf, the Bridegroom. Secondly, we see the wave-sheaf as a multitude of ATTENDANTS to the Bridegroom and certainly the Bride who is also ONE divine person (representing the LIVING Wave-sheaf). The Holy Ghost, has her attendants - the female wavesheaf - her maids of honor.

The DWELLING HOUSE, brilliantly lighted as for a festive scene equates with the Heavenly Jerusalem Temple – woman and her counterpart on Earth, the church the dwelling place of the Holy Ghost, the Bride's house-temple.

The "company" waiting around is the church membership universal (ten) virgins professing a pure doctrine and "awaiting the appearance of the BRIDAL PARTY, the Groom's attendants plus the Bride's attendants, intending to join the procession.

"Clearly, then, the Bride represents the Holy City (in heaven Heb. 12:22,23) and the (ten) virgins that go out to meet the Bridegroom and (the Bride) are a symbol of the church (members). In the Revelation the PEOPLE of God are said to be GUESTS at the Marriage Supper. Rev. 19:9. If GUESTS they CANNOT be represented ALSO as the BRIDE. G.C. 426-7.

Let it be remembered that the Scriptures confirm the fact that an individual, ONE person, not a multitude, represented the Holy City, New Jerusalem THE BRIDE. An earthly woman, Sarah, a MOTHER and the legal wife of Abraham represented the HEAVENLY JERUSALEM.

"But Jerusalem which is ABOVE is free which is the MOTHER of US ALL. Read Gal. 4:22-31. Heb. 12:22,23.

Therefore, the Bride is ONE as the Bridegroom is ONE. In the Parable, Christ, the Heavenly Bridegroom and His Bride are members of the God-head (Rom. 1:20), the only begotten Son and His Spirit, the Holy Ghost.

"Lingering NEAR the BRIDE'S HOUSE (the church) are ten young women robed in white. They are NOT a part of the BRIDAL PROCESSION, but are waiting for its appearance. They go to sleep and are awakened by the cry, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh." They awaken and see the procession MOVING ON. "THEY HEAR THE VOICE OF THE BRIDEGROOM AND THE BRIDE", TWO INSPIRED VOICES. GC. p. 426. They trim their lamps and go forth. The BRIDAL PARTY is composed of the Bride's attendants FEMALE, her father and mother, and the Bridegroom's male attendants (wave-sheaf).

When Jesus was resurrected by the LIFE that WAS within Himself, a multitude (of martyrs-DA. 786) were raised with him, Male and Female , and were representative of the BRIDAL PARTY, ATTENDANTS, of the Bridegroom AND the BRIDE. They were taken to His Father's house above, preparatory for the Bethrothal in the first apartment of the Heavenly Sanctuary where Christ and the Holy Ghost were inaugurated into Their MEDIATORIAL Kingdom on the Day of Pentecost as signalized by the outpouring of POWER as (2) tongues of fire (VOICE of the BRIDEGROOM and VOICE of the BRIDE) upon the heads of the 120 disciples on earth, GUESTS at the Inauguration.

#### "The Heavenly Council"

"There is the throne, and around it the rainbow of Promise. There are cherubim and seraphim. The COMMANDERS of the angel hosts, the SONS of God, the REPRESENTATIVES at the UNFALLEN WORLDS, are assembled. The heavenly council before which Lucifer had accused God and His Son, the REPRESENTATIVES of those SINLESS realms over which Satan had thought to establish his dominion--all are there to welcome the Redeemer. They are eager to celebrate His triumph and to glorify their King.

The Sons of God are the Heavenly Apostles, REPRESENTATIVES, of the UNFALLEN Worlds, twelve Adams in our solar system of twelve planets. (Gen. 37:9; Gen. 1:16, Isa. 34:4).

"Since along with our heaven and earth, therefore, our WHOLE solar system is to pass away (Rev. 21:1) not only the saints from the earth then, but WITH THEM also THE SONS of God from the whole system (12 planets) shall live and reign with Christ a thousand years. O What a Privilege!" Behold I make all things new p.p. 25, 26.

This event occurred at the end of their forty days ministry to gather the first fruits, the 120 disciples, and to prepare them to receive the power of the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost.

The first ascension of Jesus, the Wavesheaf (D.A. 786) was on Sunday, the 18th day of the first month at Passover (John 20:17,19,22; D.A. 785).

The next event to take place in the Harvest of Souls in the end of the World, Matt. 13:39, is the coming of the Bridegroom (Christ) and His Betrothed Bride (Holy Ghost) for the living Wavesheaf from the Remnant church, who will be joined by the resurrected Wavesheaf since 1844, for their inauguration into their Kingdom of Glory with Christ and His Bride in the Kingdom of Glory in the Most Holy Apartment of the Heavenly Sanctuary - the Bridal Chamber. Then the Latter Rain, Holy Ghost in power, will be poured out upon the waiting GUESTS - the 144,000 living saints on Mount Zion in Earthly Jerusalem.

I AM,

Yours, to be a True Witness of the Glorious Kingdom  
of Christ and the Holy Ghost on earth) (Rev. 18 and 10).

Lois Irene Scott Roden

### **The Marriage Feast**

ASCEND, beloved, to the joy;  
The festal day has come;  
Tonight the Lamb doth feast His own,  
Tonight He with His bride sits down,  
Tonight puts on the spousal crown,  
In the great upper room.

Ascend, beloved, to the love;  
This is the day of days;  
Tonight the bridal song is sung,  
Tonight ten thousand harps are strung,  
In sympathy with heart and tongue,  
Unto the Lamb's high praise.

Sorrow and sighing are no more,  
The weeping hours are past;  
Tonight the waiting will be done,  
Tonight the wedding robe put on,  
The glory and the joy begun;  
The crown has come at last.

Ascend, beloved, to the life;  
Our days of death are o'er;  
Mortality has done its worst,  
The fetters of the tomb are burst,  
The last has now become the first,  
Forever, evermore.

Ascend, beloved, to the feast;  
Make haste, thy day has come;  
Thrice blest are they the Lamb doth call  
To share the heavenly festival  
In the new Salem palace hall,  
Our everlasting home

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