The series we have been covering is "National and Personal Crisis." We are preparing for whatever we will face in the future. We have already covered a few terms that were not covered in the past that we need in order to be prepared: The Divine Dynasphere, The **Cosmic System, Cosmic One, and Cosmic Two.** Today we will add to these: Super-Grace, Blessings **By Association, and Logistical Grace.**

 So, by taking the responsibility for his own failures and bad decisions, man learns his inherent and acquired weaknesses, and he seeks for a power source greater than his weaknesses that is greater than himself.
LESSON 14 (2-2-25)

16. Therefore, knowledge of truth/doctrine not only manufactures freedom, it also brings deliverance and prosperity to a nation. <u>This</u> occurs when groups of believers form a pivot/remnant by advancing to spiritual maturity, at which point they become **Invisible Heroes** with invisible impact. 17. The more a believer uses his positive volition toward the plan and power of God by trusting and obeying Him, the greater the blessing and prosperity he receives. God gives some believers *Super-Grace which have Greater Blessings (James 4:6). These blessings can overflow to family, friends, a city, or a nation. This is called *Blessings by Association.

*Super-Grace

 Grace is all that God is free to do for man on the basis of the Cross.

- God the Father was propitiated (satisfied) with the work of Christ on the cross which freed God to bless man under the plan of grace.
- 3. Grace is God's freedom to express His love through grace to mankind without compromising His essence.
- 4. Under the principle of grace, God does all the work and providing, while man does all the receiving and benefitting. In the concept of grace, everything depends on God's essence.

Definition of Super-grace

1. Super-grace (on earth) and Surpassing-grace (in heaven) are for those who reach spiritual maturity.

2. The nomenclature comes from James 4:6, "greater grace."

<u>James 4:6</u> But He gives a <u>greater grace</u>. Therefore it says, "God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

<u>Proverbs 3:33</u> The curse of the LORD is on the house of the wicked, But He blesses the dwelling of the righteous.

<u>Matthew 23:12</u> "Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted. <u>1 Peter 5:5</u> You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

- Both Super-grace & Blessings by Association are related to God's power, <u>Eph 1:19.</u>
- 4. Both are described as pursuing grace, Ps 23:5-6; Eph 1:6.
- 5. The blessings of each are beyond human imagination, <u>Ephesians 3:20</u> Now to Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us,

6. In 1 Tim 1:14 both are described as "abundant grace."

- 7. By definition, super-grace is the highest adult stage of the spiritual life in the royal family of God.
- 8. Super-grace is maximum glorification of Jesus Christ.

Specific Blessings of Super-grace

- 1. Spiritual blessings.
 - a. Sharing the perfect happiness of God, occupation with Christ.
 - b. Capacity for life, love, happiness, blessing, and total appreciation for grace.

c. A total sense of security, whether in prosperity or disaster.

d. Super-grace is the objective of the believer after salvation,

Ephesians 3:16-19 that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man; 17) so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18) may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth,

19) and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fulness of God.

*Blessings by Association

Definition - Blessing by association is the overflow of divine blessing imparted to the mature believer. It is one of the categories of blessing which go through the grace pipeline to the mature believer. Every mature believer has people associated with him, believers or unbelievers, who receive blessing as a result of their association with him. This is one of the reasons why the wicked prosper.

LESSON 15 (2-9-25)

The Source of Blessing by Association.

- 1. Direct blessing from God goes to the person in association with the mature believer.
- 2. Indirect blessing from God occurs because the mature believer provides the blessing from his own prosperity. In fulfillment of <u>Rom 12:13</u>, "contributes to the needs of the saints." The mature believer gives of his time, wealth, success, love, personality, and whatever the category of his prosperity might be.

Psalm 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,

God provides Logistical Grace to every Church Age believer. Logistics is a military word which refers to the military science of supply and provision. It is a technical military term for sustaining troops in every form of military activity and maneuver, in the barracks, in the field, in the battle, before the battle, and after the battle.

 God provides the things we need and we don't have to earn or deserve them. Even carnal and reversionistic believers and winners and losers receive Logistical Grace from God. <u>2 Corinthians 9:8</u> And God is able to make all grace abound to you, that always having all sufficiency in everything [including Logistical Grace], you may have an abundance for every good deed;

<u>Philippians 4:19</u> And my God <u>shall supply all your needs</u> according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

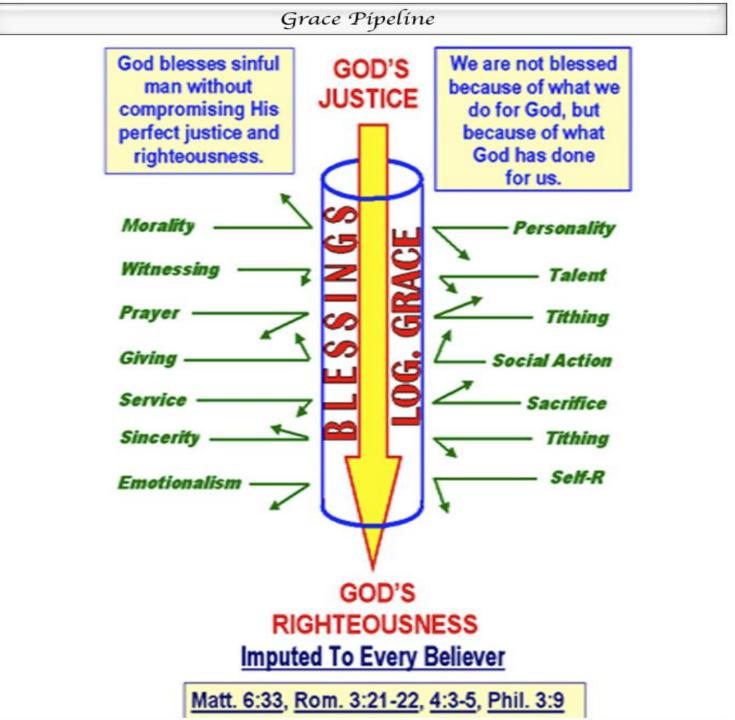
<u>Deuteronomy 33:27</u> The eternal God is a dwelling place, And underneath are the everlasting arms;

David gives the testimony of old age to Logistical Grace.
<u>Pslam 37:25</u> "I have been young but now I am old; yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken [Logistical Grace given to imputed righteousness] nor His seed begging bread."

3. This means that Logistical Grace blessings to us can extend as far as the third generation.

4. God sends Logistical Grace to the righteousness that He gave to us as a gift when we believed the gospel.

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6 Types of Grace

COMMON GRACE EFFICACIOUS GRACE LOGISTICAL GRACE SUPER GRACE DYING GRACE SURPASSING GRACE

<u>Psalm 68:19-20</u> "Blessed be the God who daily bears our burdens [both physical & psychological], the God who is our deliverance. God is to us a God of deliverances, and to God belongs the escape from death."

<u>Matthew 6:32-33</u> For all these things the Gentiles eagerly seek; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33) "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you.

LESSON 16 (2-16-25)

L. Out of Undeserved Suffering, comes strength through positive volition toward the truth of Bible Doctrine.

- Most teenagers are shocked when they experience Undeserved Suffering. They say what happened to them, was unfair! They haven't learned yet, that the world is very unfair.
- 2. Most people think that when they are treated unfairly, they have the right to retaliate. Are they right?

<u>Romans 12:19</u> Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. 3. All suffering is designed for blessing.

1 Peter 1:6-7 In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, 70) that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 1 Peter 4:14 &16 If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you... 16) but if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not feel ashamed, but in that name let him glorify God.

4. There are two types of Christian suffering:

- a) Disciplinary suffering, called deserved suffering;
- b) Suffering for blessing, called undeserved suffering.
- 5. The exception is divine discipline for carnal and for reversionistic believers who refuse to humble themselves nor acknowledge their sins (rebound) to God. Cursing (Divine Discipline) is turned to blessing for believers who humble themselves. Those who refuse to humble themselves, may die the Sin unto Death (1 John 5:16).

6. Read: Hebrews 12:5-11

We suffer to learn self-discipline. Our Lord Jesus Christ put Himself under discipline.

<u>Hebrews 5:8</u> though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.

<u>Philippians 2:8</u> And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

8. We may suffer a special type of suffering ahead of someone else, using doctrine all the way, in order to be able to help some weaker believer when they go through the same thing. This is a specialized type of suffering in which God uses a stronger believers to encourage a weaker believer. <u>2 Corinthians</u> 1:3-4 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, 4) who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

9. Suffering to learn the value of Bible doctrine.

<u>Psalm 119:67</u> Before I was afflicted, I went astray, But now I keep Your word.

<u>Proverbs 1:32-33</u> For the waywardness of the naive shall kill them, And the complacency of fools shall destroy them. 33) "But he who listens to me shall live securely And shall be at ease from the dread of evil."

10. Suffering for the advance and impact of doctrine.

<u>2 Timothy 1:12</u> For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day.

<u>1 Peter 4:16</u> but if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not feel ashamed, but in that name let him glorify God. God can only demonstrate His love to the believers through suffering in time. Whatever suffering is going to come to you, it will only occur in **Phase Two** time.
Phase Three, eternity, will have no suffering.

<u>Revelation 21:4</u> and He shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there shall no longer be any death; there shall no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away." There is no suffering too great for the plan of God.
Divine provision for suffering is greater than any pressure of life.

<u>1 Corinthians 10:13</u> No testing has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tested beyond what you are able, but with the testing will provide the way of escape also, that you may be able to endure it.

 Suffering develops Faith-Rest which is having faith in the Lord who gives us rest, rather than worry in our souls. <u>Hebrews 3:7-15</u>

LESSON 17 (2-23-25)

14. We need God and His plan for our lives. God's plan begins when we believe in Christ and continues when we learn Bible doctrine.

15. Man is not the master of his fate; our fate and our destiny are in God's hands.

<u>Proverbs 16:9</u> The mind of man plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps.

<u>Jeremiah 10:23</u> I know, O LORD, that a man's way is not in himself; Nor is it in a man who walks to direct his steps. (Man needs to follow God's plan for life, not his own.) <u>Proverbs 16:3</u> Commit your works to the LORD, And your plans will be established.

<u>Proverbs 19:21</u> Many are the plans in a man's heart, But the counsel of the LORD, it will stand.

18. The sooner the believer realizes his need of a power that is greater than himself and outside of himself, the sooner he will establish right priorities, which leads to good decisions by relying on God's plan for his life.

19. Man is not an independent power, but a creature of weakness whose strength depends on his free will to choose God's omnipotent power system. 20. Human power, authority, ability, genius, talent, or even a dynamic personality or beauty *are no substitutes for life in the **Divine Dynasphere**. Yet people depend on almost anything of a creature nature rather than on the provision of their Creator, Jesus Christ.

*Anything one does, or has, is nothing, if the Lord is left out of it.

21. It often takes personal or historical disaster to bring the believer (or anyone) to an understanding of how weakness is turned into strength. 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 illustrates: "And then He assured me, `My grace is sufficient for you. For the power [omnipotence of God] functions in weakness. Most gladly, therefore, I will rather demonstrate confidence toward God in my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may pitch a tent over me. Therefore, for the sake of Christ I discover contentment [+H] in weaknesses [helpless situations],

in the antagonisms of arrogance [opposition from Cosmic One], *in pressures* [momentum testing], *in persecutions* [opposition from Cosmic Two], *in disasters* [hopeless situations]; *for when I am weak, then I am strong.*"

LESSON 18 (3-2-25)

M. The Principle of Borrowed Strength.

 Borrowed strength is weakness; acquired strength is power.

2. Acquired strength is spiritual power that results from residing in the **Divine Dynasphere** which enables the power of the Holy Spirit and creates momentum from metabolized doctrine.

- Borrowed strength takes the form of human weakness by which the believer becomes involved in the Cosmic System. He gets involved by depending on the apparent strength and alleged wisdom of others. Borrowed strength is leaning on others for help, encouragement, counseling, or inspiration.
- 4. The implication is obvious. You can use your own free will to gain strength in the **Divine Dynasphere**, or you can use your own free will to borrow strength in the **Cosmic System**. If you live in the <u>Cosmic System</u>, you borrow strength and live on Satanic principles in a state of weakness.

- 5. The believer who lives consistently in the Divine Dynasphere gains strength through his daily decisions to learn doctrine. <u>Phil 4:13</u> "I have the endowed power [Divine Dynasphere] to attain all things [through spiritual maturity] by means of the One [the Holy Spirit] who keeps on pouring the power [Bible doctrine] into me."
- If you use your volition to gain strength, you will advance to maturity. But if you use your volition to borrow strength, you will be weak all your life.

7. You borrow strength when you make decisions to go along with people who influence you erroneously.

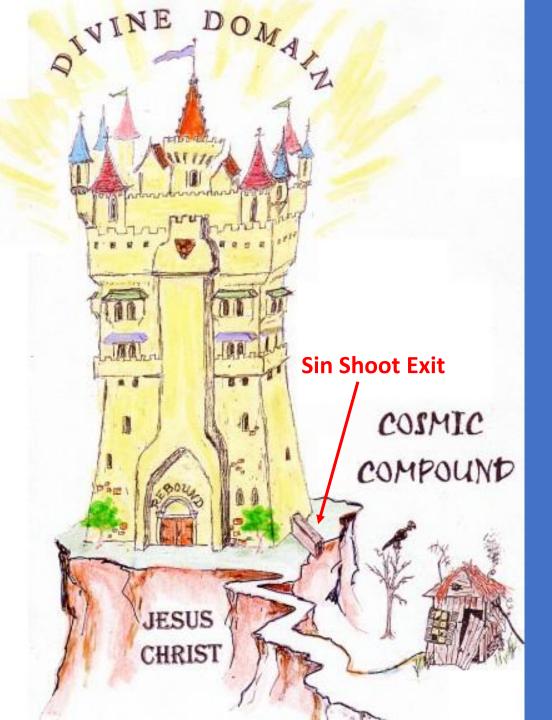
<u>1 Corinthians 15:33</u> "Do not be deceived; evil companions corrupt good morals [standards]." LESSON 19 (3-9-25)</u>

- a. You borrow strength by taking bad advice or simply going through life being influenced by people rather than what the Word of God says.
- b. You never have a thought of your own but always depend upon the counsel of others.
- c. You use others as a crutch rather than learning and applying doctrine for yourself.

d. You use someone else's scale of values rather than developing your own priorities through the perception of doctrine.

- e. Some try to borrow strength by depending on drugs or alcohol to deal with their problems. They never work; they only make matters worse.
- f. If you depend on others for happiness and for problem solving, you will wind up in the **Cosmic System** where there is no happiness nor problem solving, but there is plenty of misery.

We can choose to reside in the Divine Domain, or we can choose to live in the Cosmic Compound.

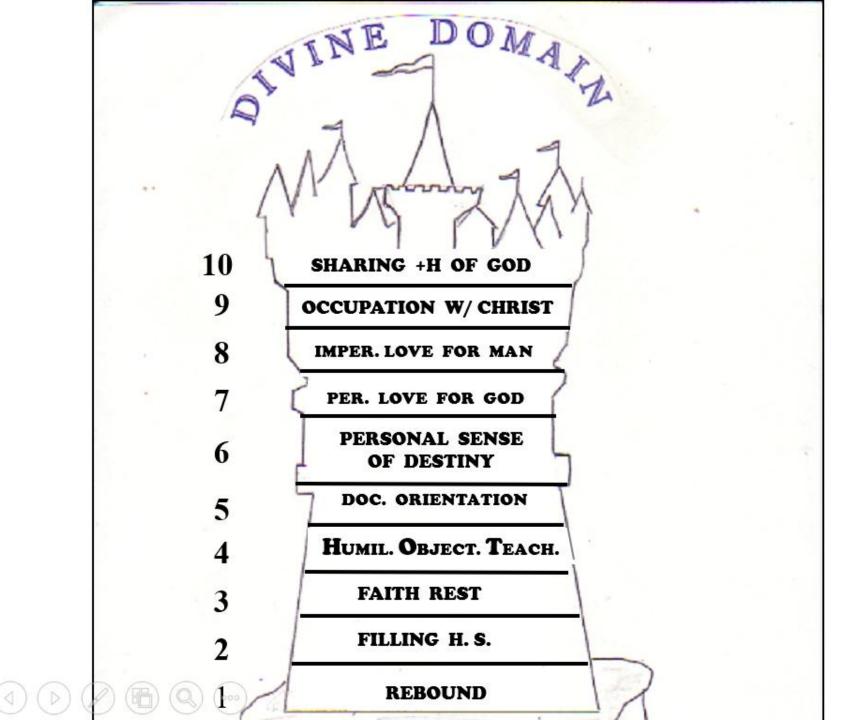


Those who abide in the Divine Dynasphere, live in the Divine Domain..

Those who don't abide in the Divine Dynasphere, reside in the Cosmic Compound.

Which one do you choose?





- g. You cannot learn doctrine by sending someone else to Bible class. You will either recognize the importance of learning God's Word, or you will not. <u>That decision will</u> <u>determine what kind of life you have on earth, and in</u> <u>heaven</u>.
- h. If we expect to grow in grace and knowledge, we must get our Daily Dose of Doctrine. You will live one of two ways: You will "Learn and Live", or you will "Live and Learn."
- i. To <u>Learn and Live</u> is much easier than to <u>Live and</u> <u>Learn</u>. Learning doctrine shows one how to Live which makes Life easier, whereas, Living by the school of hard knocks, is Learning Life the hard way.

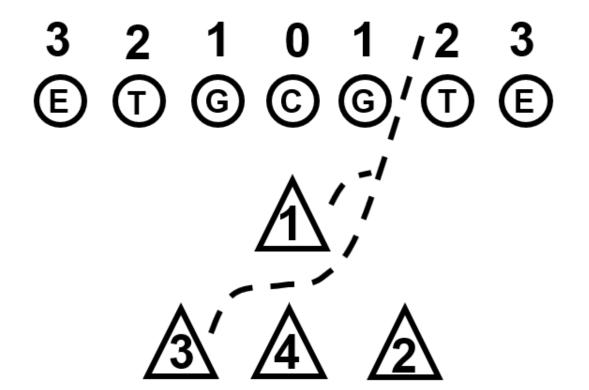
There is something important that we will never have if we have a "Hit or Miss" attitude toward abiding in the "Divine Domain" or the "Bottom Circle" where we are Filled with the Holy Spirit. By the way, we miss more than we hit when we have a "Take it or leave it" attitude.

So, what is it that we lack in our spiritual life if we have a poor attitude towards growing in grace by learning Bible Doctrine?



When confidence goes, faith and hope go, and then morale goes, and what is left is a miserable, defeated believer.

<u>CONFIDENCE</u>: full trust; belief in the powers, trustworthiness, or reliability of a person or thing: certitude, assurance, that in which faith is put



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Confidence and ignorance are mutually exclusive!

<u>Proverbs 8:33-35</u> "Heed instruction and be wise, And do not neglect it [Bible Doctrine]. ³⁴ "Blessed is the man who listens to me, [B.D.] Watching daily at my gates, Waiting at my doorposts. ³⁵ "For he who finds me finds life, And obtains favor from the LORD.

Confidence in doctrine produces courage, poise, and certitude.

There is a difference between having confidence that you know doctrine and having confidence in the doctrine you know.

<u>Hebrews 10:35-36</u> Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. 36) For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, you may receive what was promised. In the OT confidence is most often a private trusting, especially confidence in God; but in the NT, outside the shelter of an exclusivist religion, Christian faith is a public matter, and there is an emphasis on "speaking boldly" in the face of possible public ridicule or persecution. Here the most common word that comes to mind is confidence.

It isn't difficult to have self-confidence when that confidence relies on your confidence in God.

LESSON 20 (3-16-25)

N. Authority is a matter of human volition.

- 1. All authority in life is dependent upon human volition. God has given us the freedom to accept or reject authority in life.
- 2. While God has delegated authority in the human race, like government, marriage, and family, but this authority is useless if it is not accepted.
- 3. While the husband has legitimate authority over the wife, his authority is ineffective unless the wife from her own free will recognizes and accepts it. In doing so, she obeys God's commandment.

- 4. Christian wives are commanded by God to submit to their husband's legitimate authority. They do so because they want to please the Lord. (*Ephesians 5:22-24*)
- 5. While parents have legitimate authority in the home, this authority is useless unless the children from their own free will recognize and accept it. Those who don't, must learn by Forced Humility which will hopefully turn into Genuine Humility.

<u>Ephesians 6:1</u> - Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

<u>Proverbs 22:15</u> Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; The rod of discipline will remove it far from him.

- 6. Children are exceptions to the rule that we all have the freedom to accept or reject authority in life. Their parents make decisions for their children until they have been trained to make those kind of decisions themselves.
- 7. All legitimate authority is delegated by God through the laws of divine establishment and through the principles of freedom. All illegitimate authority is based on the function of the **Cosmic System**.

<u>Romans 13:1</u> Let every person be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no (legitimate) authority except from God, and those (legitimate authorities) which exist are established by God.

- a. There are many who say they have authority and there are misguided people who submit to them, but they are not legitimate authorities because they don't submit to the authority of God.
- b. It should be understood that all legitimate or lawful authority comes from God, so no one can ascribe absolute authority to himself. When one assumes authority that is not from God, then it is counterfeit, illegitimate, unlawful, and therefore requires neither respect nor submission.

c. Dictators, tyrants, despots, warlords, mafia heads, leaders of street gangs, etc. certainly have authority that they assert, but it is not legitimate because it has not been delegated to them from God. They do not submit to Him or His laws, but instead, act contrary to His Just and Righteous standards.

Believers and patriots must decide whether to submit or not submit to illegitimate authorities. Sometimes it's best to obey them for a time, but other times it's better to disobey them. If we are filled with the Holy Spirit, He will help us to make the right decision. d. God's delegated authority is not to be exercised independent of God's Word. In fact, the Bible recognizes no power independent of God (Rom. 13:1). For any delegated sphere of authority to speak of itself as a power independent from God is rebellion against Him. For the courts, the Internal Revenue Service, and other civil agencies to speak of their authority as being over all areas of life and as being derived from the state, is blasphemy."

- e. There are billions and billions of people who use their God given freedom to reject authority. This is why we have revolution, crime and other functions of evil. This explains the rise of evil dictators.
- f. This is why believers like Balaam recognized and accepted the authority of God until God gives them a command incompatible with their personal desires. At that point, Balaam rejected the **Directive Will of God**.

- g. The Permissive Will of God permits the function of volition under the principle of freedom. Therefore, the permissive will of God functions when the believer rejects the Directive Will of God as in the case of Balaam.
- h. There also is the Overruling Will of God. Jonah was a good illustration. God gave him a direct command to go to Ninevah, but Jonah went the opposite way. He ignored the Directive Will of God. God allowed him to disobey Him through His Permissive Will, and then He sent a whale that swallowed Johan which caused him to repent because of His Overruling Will. The whale spit him out on the shore and then he went to Ninevah.

i. God does not tamper with human volition. When a believer rejects the authority of God's Word and its divine mandates, he has in essence, rejected the authority of God in his life and reverts to the **Cosmic System** by putting himself under the authority of Satan.

LESSON 21 (3-30-25)

- Some people long to have authority while others have no interest in it. The following are the different ways that people view authority.
 - a. Some can't wait to have authority. This type usually can't wait to start bossing people around.
 - b. Some want to have authority because it usually pays more than being a subordinate.

- c. Some can take it or leave it.
- d. Some want to have authority in order to impress other people.
- e. Some don't want any part of having authority because they don't want the responsibility that comes with it.
- f. Some want authority because of the perks that are offered. Instead of driving your own car to work, some provide a company truck or car, including the gas. They may also offer paid vacations, health insurance, and tickets to sport events.

9. God has given husbands authority over their wives.

Ephesians 5:22-24 Wives, be submissive to your own husbands as unto the Lord. 23) For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body. 24) Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives should be to their husbands in everything.

Colossians 3:12, Titus 2:5, I Peter 3:1 & 5

11. Some husbands don't want to be the authority over their wives, but they have it whether they like it or not, because when the husband said, "I do", he became the head of the house.

12. God disapproves of husbands abdicating their leadership role. He condemned Adam for becoming the follower of Eve instead of being her leader in the first marriage. He punished him not only for eating the forbidden fruit, but also for subordinating himself to his wife's rebellious lead. <u>Genesis 3:17</u> Then to Adam He said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you... Cursed is the ground because of you; In toil you shall eat of it All the days of your life. 13. Husbands are not put in charge because they are smarter or better than their wives. God assigned the man the leadership role because He designed him physically and emotionally to shoulder the responsibility of command as well as to initiate love towards his wife. God designed the woman to complement the man physically and emotionally and to respond to his leadership with love and respect.

14. Many wives usurp their husband's position of authority, but find out that it is a hard job, so they resent their husbands for succumbing to them as they take on the responsibilities and the leadership that belongs to their husbands.

15. Husbands who submit to their wives, think their wife loves them more because they yielded to her desire to be in charge. Wrong! Wives lose respect for their husband and becomes imbittered against him. They see their husband as a mouse, not a man. Untold numbers of marriages have ended in divorce over this very issue.

16. Husbands don't have to prove themselves to be the head of the house because God has already said that the husband has authority over his wife. Some wives may get very angry because they want to be in charge. They may throw a fit and even threaten her husband with divorce, but he must stand his ground. If she divorces him, she will find that she made a big mistake because she will respect him because she was unable to get her way by manipulating him. If she had been successful in becoming the head of the house, she wouldn't have respected him which means that she couldn't love him because respect comes before love.

17. A popular notion today is that marriage is a 50/50 proposition with authority being equally shared between the husband and the wife. That is unbiblical and there is no such thing! Even animals have one in their group in charge - dogs, cats, chickens, cows, lions, sheep, goats, horses, etc. submit to the one in charge.

 The authority that God delegates to husbands is not unlimited, it is limited.

- a. When a husband goes beyond the delegated authority that God gave him, he will answer to God and will either acknowledge his sin/sins and be forgiven, or he will continue to abuse his wife, and God will severely punish him.
- b. When the one in authority mistreats his subordinates, whether it is physically or psychologically, those who are under such a monster no longer tyrant, obey him/her. He has become a tyrant, or a dictator and God doesn't require us to submit to them.

c. It doesn't matter who goes beyond their delegated authority, it may be a boss, a teacher, a coach, a judge, a husband, a police officer, a minister, or someone in government, etc. when they cross the line, they are no longer a minister of God and become a servant of Satan.

d. If we all would obey the following commands, the world would be a much better place;

e. <u>Colossians 3:18-20</u> Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.

19) Husbands, love your wives, and do not be embittered against them.

20) Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord.

LESSON 22 (4-6-25)

O. There is a huge difference between Nationalism and Internationalism.

- 1. First, let's get more informed about Nationalism.
 - a. <u>Nationalism</u> refers to autonomous nations in which their governments function over a certain segment of the world population..
 - b. <u>Nationalism</u> is the means of protecting and perpetuating the human race, in order that no segment of the human race will gain so much power as to destroy the rest of the human race and inevitably destroy themselves.

- c. Nationalism is the fourth Divine Institution. God divided the human race (1) Geographically, (2) Racially and (3) linguistically.
- d. Internationalism is Satanic. Satan uses internationalism, also called Globalism, to control nations by using his power to enslave them.
- e. <u>Nationalism</u> is a barrier against the ubiquitous evil of Satan in world. He is the Prince and power of the air for now (Ephesians 2:2).
- f. Satan is frustrated by the large number of nations that have definite boarders. He promotes open boarders.

g. Evangelism thrives when Nationalism flourishes worldwide.

- h. When international godless leaders are in control, they crush weaker nations in order to keep their power.
 Read: <u>Genesis 11:1-9</u>.
- i. Internationalism / Globalism bring many nations together under Satanic control. In the Tribulation, Satan will bring about a one world government and a one world religion that he will use to dominate the earth after Church Age believers are raptured.

 In the following pages, there are a few words that might not be familiar, so they will be explained now. They are "Pivot", "<u>Client Nation</u>", and "<u>Non-Client Nation</u>.".

- a. <u>The Pivot</u> is the accumulation of mature believers living in a Client Nation. While the pivot is composed primarily of mature believers, it may also include positive believers who have reached spiritual adulthood.
- b. A <u>Client Nation</u> always has a Pivot that some call a "remnant", which is a group of mature believers that God protects.

- c. When a nation has a large Pivot, God blesses that nation, but when the nation's Pivot is a shrinking, God withdraws His blessing from that nation.
- d. "A <u>Client Nation</u>" A Client-Nation to God is a nation under divine protection, because it has a Pivot of Mature Believers and it has a nation in which the civil government recognizes establishment principles of freedom, including privacy and the sacredness of property and life.
- e. A <u>Client-Nation</u> to God is a nation under divine protection, because it has a large Pivot of mature believers. It has six things that distinguishes it:

- f. 1. It must evangelize its own population at home.
 - 2. It must communicate Bible doctrine to the believers in the nation.
 - 3. It is responsible for the custodianship of Bible doctrine.
 - 4. It provides a haven for the Jews.
 - 5. It is responsible to send out missionaries to evangelize other nations.
 - 6. It must have an establishment of local churches which are autonomous.

LESSON 23 (4-13-25)

- 3. No nation ever learns from the mistakes of other nations when involved in cosmic arrogance.
 - 1. This refers to <u>Non-Client Nations</u> where there is neither a Pivot of Mature Believers nor freedom for the perception of truth in evangelism and doctrine.
 - The <u>Non-Client Nation</u> serves Satan and its own selfish motivations. Furthermore, the <u>Non-Client</u> <u>Nation</u> is the product of its own maneuverings and its self-determination.

- When a nation is involved in Cosmic arrogance, its people are blind to the fact they are making exactly the same mistakes that destroyed other great nations before them.
- 4. Hegel stated this principle as follows, "We learn from history that we learn nothing from history."
- 5. This is another way of saying that arrogant individuals or arrogant nations are unteachable and become blind to their own failures, resulting in their own self-destructtion long before they are invaded and overrun.

- 4. Three things that destroy a nation.
 - a. Economic depression. It can result from government destruction of industry through legislation, or from building our factories in other countries.
 - b. Social degeneration. Individual bad decisions destroy the structure of society. The sacredness of freedom, property, and life are ignored or rejected. Integrity disappears from society and is replaced by every form of crime or immorality.
 - c. Military defeat. No nation can win a war when the manpower suffers from social degeneration and the industrial complex cannot provide logistical support.

LESSON 24 (4-27-25)

- P. No nation can survive functioning on principle alone without a Pivot of Mature Believers.
 - A nation may have the best principles, but they are missing something that makes all the difference. Mature believers who pray to God for guidance and prepared pastors who accurately teach the Bible.
 - Survival takes evangelism, positive volition toward doctrine, the function of the plan of God, and cognizance of the invisible assets provided for each believer *(Escrow blessing for Mature Believers).

What is "escrow" and how does It work?

<u>Definition</u>: a grantor produces a written escrow agreement which is deposited with a depositary (an escrow officer), who holds the escrow until the conditions of the agreement are met, then he delivers it to the grantee who will receive the benefits of the escrow.

1. DOCTRINE OF ESCROW BLESSINGS

a. An escrow is a written agreement entered into by three parties, the grantor [God the Father], the grantee [You], and the depositary [Jesus Christ as the escrow officer], for the transfer of Escrow Blessings. b. The escrow agreement is a promise from God the Father as the Grantor, who secures invisible assets that are available to every grantee, (Church Age believers). However, the assets will only be conveyed to those who meet the condition of the escrow agreement, which is to reach Spiritual Maturity. When that occurs, God the Father) informs Jesus Christ, the escrow officer, that a grantee (a believer) has met the conditions of the escrow agreement, so He delivers the escrow blessings to the Mature Believer, which immediately go into effect.

Escrow blessings are infinitely superior to all other categories of divine blessings for both time and eternity.

c. The date of our escrow blessings was eternity past.

d. The conditions of the escrow are fulfilled by the execution of the unique spiritual life, culminating in Spiritual Maturity.

e. If the conditions of an escrow are not met, then the escrow blessings remain in heaven forever. Believers who don't receive escrow blessings do not lose their salvation, but they do lose their escrow blessings forever. Believers can see their escrow blessings in heaven in the heavenly hall of records. f. <u>Ephesians 1:2-3</u>, "Grace to you for your benefit and prosperity [escrow blessings] from God the Father [the grantor of our escrow blessings] and our Lord Jesus Christ [the depositary for escrow blessings]. 2) Worthy of praise and glorification is the God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in heavenly places in Christ."

The Scriptures below all have this phrase in them which are related to escrow blessings: "*the riches of His glory*"

Eph 1:2-3, 1:18, Eph 3:16, Phil 4:19, Col 1:27, 1 Cor 2:9

- g. If you don't meet the conditions of the escrow, you will not receive escrow blessings, but God will still protect you because you don't have the capacity to handle escrow blessings. You would be distracted by the blessings and assets (may include wealth) that would draw you away from your spiritual life and the intake of Bible doctrine.
 - Most people think that being poor is the hardest test to pass, but actually, being wealthy is the hardest test to pass because money can replace our relationship with the Lord.
 - The key to the Christian way of life is our mental attitude at any given moment, which determines our motivation, decisions, and actions.

h. God gave David many blessings, but he wasn't distracted by them, and he always gave God the glory for them.

<u>Psalm 23:5-6</u> "You have prepared for me a table in the presence of my enemies. You have anointed my head with oil. My cup [of blessings] is overflowing. 6) Only prosperity and grace pursue me all the days of my life [escrow blessings for time], and I will remain in the house of the Lord forever [escrow blessings for eternity]."

i. Here is the bottom line:

Our gracious benevolent God, in eternity past, devised a personal specific plan for the life of every Church Age believer and also set aside personal specific escrow blessings for every believer. Every believer has an equal opportunity to execute God's plan for their life and an equal opportunity to receive escrow blessings in time and in eternity, by reaching Spiritual Maturity.

How can anyone who understands the wonderful things that God did for us in eternity past, not be eternally grateful to Him and to be in awe of His love, His faithfulness, and His power? It isn't too late for us to act on the knowledge we now hold.