

The Lamb in the Man... Warfare through Oneness

Introduction

The best way to communicate what the Lord is doing in our lives is through His Word, because in all things what He is doing is bringing forth more of His Son in us! Before we look at the scriptures though, I would like to thank God for the unspeakable blessing of experiencing Christ's Life in new ways as He grows within. Jesus is more than a message; He is God's Son who is inside of every born-again believer. May all the things we go through be understood and experienced through His Life rather than our old carnal nature. Oh, what a treasure is hidden within us ... the very Son of God! Christ in us, the hope of glory! Amen!

Attacking Us At Our Weakest Points

"Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt; How he met thee by the way, and attacked you from behind, even all that were feeble behind thee, when thou was faint and weary; and he feared not God."

Deuteronomy 25:17-18

The Amalekites, descendants of Amalek, were a nation living near the land of Canaan. They were the first nation to attack the Jewish people after the Exodus from Egypt. The Amalekites would attack God's people from behind and at their weakest points (Deuteronomy 25:17-18). Their specific strategy involved preying on the weakness of the people. Their point of attack was concentrated on places of weakness and vulnerability.

In Exodus 17 we find that as soon as the people of God start moving forward in their eternal purpose to bring forth Christ in a way that reaches the heart of the Father, a very specific attack came against them. In order to prevent onward progress (*and progress in God's eyes is bound up with His Son coming out of us*) the adversary came to bully and take down the weak ones among them.

"For he was crucified in weakness, but lives by the ability and abundance of God."

II Corinthians 13:4a

How interesting that this attacking of the weak is the very same attack the enemy used on Jesus when He was being crucified? The scriptures tell us that "He was crucified in weakness" (II Corinthians 13:4a). The enemy hit Jesus the hardest when He was defenseless. Jesus' strategy in "warring against all evil" was simply to die in a weakness that was soaked in His spirit of love. What came forth from the Lamb upon Calvary's wood were not mighty arrows and sharp swords of slaughter, but rather a sweet savor of forgiveness and blessing, even in the face of utterly giving oneself unto death. A complete and utter destruction was wrought through One who gave Himself in death completely and utterly (I Samuel 15:18). The power to defeat such an enemy came through this Lamb-weakness. In weakness He was crucified and through death He destroyed the works of the devil (Hebrews 2:14). This weak and defenseless Lamb overcame all enemies through His death, including our flesh (Romans 6:6).

"None of the rulers of this age knew this wisdom, because if they had known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory." 1 Corinthians 2:8

First Corinthians tells us that if the princes of this world had understood the wisdom and power of God, they would have never crucified Christ. The Amalekite's must have thought that by hitting the people of God in their weakest spot they would surely overcome them. Yet it is in just those places that the Lamb of God (*who IS IN God's people*) can most gloriously manifest His nature of sacrifice. Our weakness is no longer a problem or hindrance on the journey but the very place where the Lamb can most preciously manifest His nature through us, *if* we let Him.

The Lamb in the Man



God has given us a beautiful picture in Exodus chapter 17 of how we can "marry the Lamb" and thereby overcome Amalek. Let us look at the scriptures that share this amazing reality.

"Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim. And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: tomorrow I will stand up on the mount with the rod of God in my hand. So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up on the mount. And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that

Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat on it; and Aaron and Hur held up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua slaughtered Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword. And the LORD said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it, The LORD is my banner: For he said, Because the LORD has sworn that the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation." Exodus 17:8-16

God did not position Moses down in the valley in the fray of the battle. God had Moses up in the mount with Him. I believe this is a type and shadow of Moses coming to the spiritual "mount Calvary" and abiding as one in our Lord's death. As long as Moses remained on the Mount in a spirit of oneness with the Lamb in His death, Joshua (Jesus) in the valley overcame the enemy. Moses did not need to lift one finger to defend himself or attack the Amalekites with a sword. His whole concentration was on allowing the Lamb to rise up and fill him with His Nature. In one sense you could say that

as long as Moses “hung on the Tree with the Lamb” the enemy was defeated. But as soon as Moses tried to “take out the nails and get down from the Cross” the enemy started to win.

During this vicious onslaught by Amalek, God lifted up His crucified Son in Moses’ eyes, heart and being in such a powerful way that Moses was able to abide in oneness during incredible attack. “The Lord is my banner” is the name of the ALTAR that Moses built signifying the spirit of what had happened in him during the battle against the Amalekites. It is crucial to notice that Moses did not raise a flag or set up a banner, rather He built an altar. It was not a flag he lifted up on a pole, but what was lifted up high was the nature of the Lamb within Moses, *and that required an altar*. The Lamb within the man brought the victory. This altar signifies to US that when our flesh, the enemy, sickness, or any situation comes to hinder us from bringing forth Christ, THE LORD will LIFT UP HIS LAMB IN US, and HE will bring the victory through His nature of sacrifice!



The slain Lamb on His Cross and in His Crucified nature needs to be lifted up SO HIGH in our eyes and hearts that He is all we see and are consumed with. He is the banner that is raised during this particular battle against that which attacks our weak places to stop us from bringing forth the Son. Rather than defending and protecting ourselves, strengthening ourselves or collapsing in defeat, we can choose to enter into union with the Son in His sacrificial nature and let Him come forth in His Lamb-weakness! God does the rest. Our place is in oneness with Him up on the mount on the Cross in His death, and out from that place the Spirit of Christ will be released to deal with the enemies below in the valley (Joshua with his sword against the Amalekites).

God Strategy

It is easy to be inspired and deeply moved by the imagery of Jesus being crucified on His Cross, in love pouring out His life and overcoming everything. We believe in that Jesus and find our own salvation in His victory on Calvary. But then when it comes time to allow that same Jesus to manifest through us, many times we pray away the vicious attack on our weak places, rather than releasing the Lamb from within to give Himself through us.

On Calvary’s mount God’s victory manifested on a very dark day when everything was going wrong. It was the worst day... but it was the best day. The Old Testament calls it “the great and terrible day of the Lord”. God brings forth the sweet from the bitter, but only to those that love Him. The enemy hits us right where we are vulnerable, seeking to draw out from us the poison of the knowledge of good and evil. If we have been eating from and abiding in the “wrong tree: (*the knowledge of good and evil*)” then we are defenseless against such attacks and will be swallowed up with hurt, anger, unforgiveness, self-pity, self-preservation, etc. But if we are eating from and abiding in the Tree of Life (the Cross), such attacks will draw out from us the Life of the Lamb in our attitudes and reactions. We may indeed be weak and defenseless, but we still have free will. We can

choose within that weakness to yield to our flesh and embrace hurt, resentment, revenge, our rights, *or* allow the spirit and essence of the Lamb to fill us. Will it be our weakness or His? When these situations come the Spirit of God is stirring within us, lifting up the Cross IN US in a REAL way. The Holy Spirit strives within us that we might apply Christ's death to OUR FLESH and allow His Lamb nature to reign from within. The greatest enemy we will ever face is our flesh that wants to rise in us instead of the Lamb. Our weaknesses can become excuses for the flesh to remain or tools for the Lamb to manifest. The Son within us is motivated by another mind than ours, and He wants to pour out of us in sacrifice, forgiveness, love and blessing. When we allow the Lamb to rise from within and stand up on the inside of us in His Crucified nature, true victory over these enemies prevails. When we grow weary under the attack and yield to the flesh, we push down the Lamb within us allowing His enemies to triumph. Instead of letting the Son come forth in His Lamb nature, our flesh wins and overcomes the Lamb within us.

“Not just to See...

**but to Be the wife
of the Lamb.”**

Let Him Rise Within As Your Banner!

As long as we allow ALL THINGS in our lives to become a part of Jesus, the Son, being manifest through us in His Lamb nature... the enemies are overcome. These enemies are those things in us that want to rob the Father of getting His Son out of us! Yet once we simply move out of ourselves and into HIM... our weaknesses are no longer problems but places where the Lamb Himself can manifest and give Himself through us.

Well, as you might have guessed, this is not a teaching from me, but a personal prayer request of what God is trying to do in me. I am so DEEPLY GRATEFUL for this season of knowing the Lord in this way, together with those who are of like precious faith and heart. Let's keep pursuing to know Him in this way. May we let that "banner rise within us" of His Lamb Life. Rather than focusing on ourselves and scheming all day in carnal strategies to overcome, may we choose to LOSE OURSELVES in oneness with the Lamb and let Joshua take care of all the issues down below in the valley.

Abiding in His Nature with you, Kelly



*I am crucified with Christ;
nevertheless I live; yet not I,
but Christ liveth in me:
And the life which I now live in the flesh
I live by the faith of the Son of God
Who loved me and gave Himself
for me.*

Galatians 2:20