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of Our Body

We are reminded of our **change** that takes place once we are called and given God’s Holy Spirit. “And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven **as of a rushing mighty wind**, and it filled all the house where they were sitting” (Acts 2:1-4).

This rushing mighty wind was not actually a wind, but **like to a rushing mighty wind**. The receptive impression made upon those going through the experience was as though it were **a mighty rushing wind**. The word translated **wind** is “Pnoe,” Strong’s # 4157. It is used in the New Testament in Acts 17:25, where it implies “**Breath**.” Luke here, may have chosen “**pnoe**” to describe the supernatural **breathing**, that the disciples were about to experience. That must have recalled to them their feelings when the Lord breathed on them “The Lord **breathed “pnoe”** on them, and said unto them, **Receive you the Holy Spirit**” (John 20: 22). They must have felt the divine impact of the awe – inspiring, divine breath from God. Finishing Acts 2: verses 3 and 4, “And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, And it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.” The out pouring of the Holy Spirit was the new birth of the Church of God!

The Bible is very clear once we have been called in regard to **putting on the new man**, meaning, a **physical change** and **spiritual change**, by applying the fruits of Gods Holy Spirit and removing Satan’s fruits of the flesh, we are to have a new way of life.

When the Apostle Paul was speaking about the order and method of the resurrections, he made a positive statement: in 1Cor 15: 50, “Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God; neither does corruption inherit incorruption.” The emphasis here is on the word “inherit.” Many will become citizens in the Kingdom of God, but only a few will inherit rulership!

In the 8th chapter of Romans, Paul pointed out that all who obey God’s word are the children of God -- and therefore “heirs of God.” “And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also Glorified together.” (Rom 8:17).

This was Christ’s prayer request to His Father in John 17 just before His crucifixion. He was asking to allow His dedicated loyal followers to behold and share in His glory. “Father, I will that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am; that they may behold My glory, which you have given Me: for You loved Me before the foundation of the world” (John 17: 24).

Before any of us can one day be inherited for change with Jesus, the Christ, a mystery of change has to take place. Immediately after Paul stated, “Neither doth corruption inherit incorruption,” he went on to explain in detail: the rest of **the millennial story** in 1 Cor 15, “Behold, I show you a mystery; we shall not all sleep [that is, die], but we shall all be **changed**, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the **last trump**: For the trumpet

shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be **changed**. For this corruptible must put on in-corruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, death is swallowed up in victory” (I cor. 15: 51-54).

Twice Paul used the phrase, “we shall be changed.” Change is defined in the Webster Dictionary as implying making a radical difference; to under go transformation; substitute one thing – for another; foliage – changing color; put on different clothing. Keep **foliage and clothing** in your mind as you read through this article today.

Paul's statements, although intended to be clarifying, would still be an enigma– a mystery, if it were not for some additional means of acquiring knowledge. God has not been unmindful of this need to be a help in understanding things to come.

For **example**: Within the confines of a twenty-four hour day, most human beings are taking part of being in a state of death,– meaning there is no consciousness or comprehension, we experience suspended animation for a few hours. Then we wake up recharged and ready for active action again. All living adults know that they will die, but the dead are not conscious of that! The scriptures state in Eccl 9: 5, “the dead know not any thing.” Their worries, pains, stresses are felt no more.

For us who are yet alive a dreamless sleep demonstrates how there can be a total forgetfulness, with no knowledge of the passing of time. But it's a fact that, when one awakens, information apart from oneself, tells them how long they have been sleeping, If it were not for that, there would be no immediate personal recognition of the extent of the passing of time.

Therefore, the Bible refers to the first death as just being asleep, – from which there will be an awakening in the day of a persons resurrection and change, to a time of eternal life or eternal death. To help us understand what I'm talking about, lets turn our attention back to the first book in the Bible [called beginnings]. We have all heard Mr. H. W. Armstrong open many of his sermon's with Gen 2, that speaks of Adam and the two trees. Here is where leavening [sin] started.

Let's visit those verses again to refresh our understanding. ‘And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and beathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a lving soul. And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there He put the man whom He had formed. And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil” (Gen 2:7). Now reading **Verses 16-17**, “And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, of every tree of the garden you may freely eat: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, you shalt Not eat of it: for in the day that you eat thereof you shalt surely die.”

This death is speaking of just being asleep, being unconscious until the resurrection. Now between verse 17 and verse 24 is recorded, Adam was given a help mate [Eve] and verse 25 indicates “**They were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.**” We have all heard this story of Adam and Eve, eating from the tree of good and evil, many times!

But there seems to be evidence to bear out that, due to the disobedience that brought about the verdict of death for Adam and his posterity, **a change did occur --affecting there human body**. Many have heard Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong sermons, where he spoke about the **tree of good and evil** and their created **matter**. he said it is constantly **changing**. **What is this ever changing created matter, he was speaking about? And who is responsible for creating it?**

Notice John 1. “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. **All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any Thing made that was made.** In Him was life; and the life was the **Light of men**. And **the Light shines** in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.”(John 1:1-5).

Now take Note of – Eph 3:9 and Rev 4:11. They both clearly say– “Jesus, the Christ “created all things.” Daniel expresses -God knows everything. “He (God) reveals the deep and secret things: He knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with Him.

Through out life it has been rightly observed there is much that we do not know, and even more that we

do not know that we do not know. It seems there is no end to the discoveries man makes about the mysteries revealed in the heights of the universe and the depths of the oceans.

While scientists address those realms of knowledge, the average person is consumed with his own lists of “Don’t know,” and wrong predictions. There have been quite a few wrong predictions made in history. To name a few; (1). In 1901 Wilbur Wright said that man would not fly for 50 Years. (2). Henry Ford’s banker told him, “The horse is here to stay, And the automobile is only a novelty and fad.” (3). The manager of the Grand Ole Opry fired Elvis Presley, And said, “you ain’t goin’ nowhere son.” As the Wright brothers, – Henry Ford, and Elvis, were **not afraid** to press on with their visions, ignoring the skeptic’s opinion, God’s called should never be afraid either! Listening to critics should only increase our study and our faith.

With that back ground- setting the stage, lets with our vision look forward with some thoughts on Gen 2:25 that said, **Adam and Eves were both naked, and were not ashamed.**” There was an article of special interest that was published, in the “Inventors About.com” in which the reference was made about fluorescent lights — fluorescent lamps, by the inventor Mr. Irving Langmuir. Irving Langmuir was a chemist who worked for General Electric Co. His accomplishments there was the introduction to “hydrogen welding.” He also discovered using dry ice and iodide to seed certain clouds so they would produce rain or snow. One day while he was working with electrified ionized gases, he invent the fluorescent light. He writes, “It was the way electrified fluid carried high velocity electrons, ions and impurities that reminded me of the way **Blood plasma** carried red and white corpuscles and germs. So I named my experimental result **plasma.**”

Now I would like for us to keep in mind what we were taught in school while growing up, that electricity powers our world and our bodies! Our bodies are a collection of positive and negative electrical matter. Mr. Armstrong used this term **matter**, in some of his sermons on Gen 2 that spoke of “The tree of knowledge of good and evil,” he did not give us an explanation of “**Matter.**” So started looked to find an answer for it.

Plasma is one of four states of matter it makes up 99% of all visible matter in the universe. According to the dictionary definition of “blood plasma,” it is the fluid part of blood,

I have learned scientist have known for years, blood may be considered to be **crystalized light.** “Plasma” is a word used also in regards to a variety of quartz. In Revelation chapter 21 and 22, writes of the New Jerusalem’s foundation having transparent crystalline- plasma quartz, called precious stones.

(1). Jasper - is pale green; (2). Chalcedony - green; (3). Sapphire – blue; (4). Sardonyx – red and white; (5). Sardius – blood red; (6). Chrysolite – yellow or gold; (7). Topaz – greenish - gold - or yellow; (8). Jacinth – bluish purple; (9). Amethyst – deep purple; (10). Gold also a plasma quartz! All brilliant bright transparent crystalline colors that are faintly translucent, allowing light to partially pass through them.

Plasma is a gas, in which at very high temperatures strip electrons from the atoms, making it plasma, a good electrical conductor, and it causes a brilliant luminescence to come out of solids,-- liquids – and ordinary gas. “Space Weather Center” and “Jefferson Lab” records, “our **sun** is a great plasma fusion furnace as are all **stars** that give off light. Another internet site called “Space Log” writes, ‘negatively charged dust particles in plasma can form crystal like structures, this makes the topic of dusty plasmas of interest to a wide community of researchers.

In researching this subject the assertion was made in a old book called “The Hour Cometh” wrote that a leading scientist said, “Blood is Crystallized Light.” This led to the reasonable conjecture that Adam and Eve, in their sinless state, were clothed in **light** as with a garment. Going back and reading over Gen 1 and Gen 2: verse 26 of Gen 1: catches our attention, “And God said, let us make man in Our **image**, after Our **Likeness**:

In the New Brown Driver-Briggs-Gesenius –Hebrew-English Lexicon, Strong’s number 1823 — gives the definition for **likeness** as external appearance; something that appeared; like the son of man; resemblance; son in likeness of father; man in likeness of God.

The Biblical account states in Gen. 2: 25, “they were naked and **were not ashamed.** Apparently it seems, when they sinned, disobeying God’s instructions too **not** eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil they lost their garments of light, **God’s likeness** He created them in, with that result they hid them-selves when they heard the voice of the Lord, as He walked in the garden. “And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, where art you? And he said, I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked;

and I hid myself. And He [GOD] said, who told you that you was naked? Have you eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded you that you should not eat?

What was the atomic change that took place in the sphere of this **electrical matter**, to bring about this transformation? If blood is "congealed" light, the conclusion is justified that, when the garments of light disappeared, its crystallization became blood in the bodies of Adam and Eve.

While we do not now possess the necessary knowledge to fully comprehend what was involved we do know that, after they sinned, Adam and Eve were aware that they were naked. "And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons" ((**Gen. 3: 7**)).

Does the Bible bring to light other examples and miracles such as this? Turn to Exo 34: When Moses descended from Mount Sinai, after having been in the presence of the Lord, his face shone with such brilliance that he had to put **on** a veil while he talked with the people. "And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, Behold, the skin of his face shone; and they were afraid to come near him. And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned unto him: and Moses talked with them. And afterward all the children of Israel came near: and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him in Mount Sinai and till Moses had done speaking with them, he put a vail on his face. But when Moses went in before the Lord to speak with Him, he took the vail off, until he came out. And he came out, and spake unto the children of Israel that which he was commanded. And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the Skin of Moses' face shone: and Moses put the vail upon his face again, until he went in to speak with Him" (Ex 34:30-35).

When Jesus was on the mount of transfiguration, the Bible tells us "His face did shine as the sun. "And after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and brought them up into an high mountain apart, And was **transfigured** before them: and His face did **shine** as the **sun**, and His raiment was **white as the light**" (Matt 17:1-2).

The apostle John speaks of the brightness of our Lord in Rev 1:16, there it states, "His countenance was **as the sun shines in his strength.**" At this point, we should start to see this created pattern of **likeness** from the beginning starting to emerge and our spiritual future of likeness ahead.

It is asserted that the sun, stars and nebulae of matter is plasma maintained by the intense heat of nuclear reactions in the stars. Researchers say - it is now possible to make "plasma-torches"— meaning "Colorful "laboratory stars." They can do this by introducing different quantities of matter—elements into the torches heat.

Then they compare the spectrum of bright brilliant translucent array of colors with those of natural stars. All of this- opens up intriguing fields of investigation and introduces some very interesting speculations.

For us, God's called to attaining eternal life that 1 Cor 15 and 1 Thess 4 expresses, "**We shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye.**" **Question comes to mind?** Will our change to spirit beings be "congealed" light? Will we be clothed in garments of a bright translucent white light? Will we shine as the sun? Jesus Christ answer this last question for us in Matt 13:43, "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. Who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Now lets look for answers to the other questions about wearing **garments of white light**. In Revelation 3:5, reference is made on these subjects. He that overcomes, the same shall be **clothed in white raiment**; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life." The Greek word translated "white" means: light, bright, brilliant, white, shining. We now know - man has produced plasma matter that can cause a brilliant luminescence, accompanied by great heat, the example is the **flourescent light**.

But the gleaming brightness of the glorified body that we are reading of, will be a bright light with out the accompanying destructive heat. The words of the prophet Daniel, comes to mind, when he was referring to the resurrection yet to come. He prophesied: in verse 2 of Dan 12, "Many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, Some to everlasting life, and some to shame and ever lasting contempt." **Then he stated specifically in verse 3**, "They that be wise shall **shine as the brightness** of the Firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the **Stars** for ever and ever" (Dan. 12: 3,) Daniel was referring to the exalted position that will be occupied by the wise and the righteous, called ambassadors.

The degree of brightness and color in the garment or clothing, worn in the service of our Lord of lords and King of kings, is also implied here. Verse 4 in Daniel 12, the angles puts a time table on this event. “But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.”

We are still in this time of increased knowledge! Another question arises, will the variety in the colors and brightness of the light in which each will be clothed reveal the rank of the official position of the one so dressed? I’m not sure what your thoughts are on those questions or even what I have said here today, but mine is that there will be a variety of jobs and rewards granted that will bring about transparent differences of garment colors, and garment brightness.

Like today there is diversities of gifts; differences of administrations; diversities of operations; different jobs; different possessions; and responsibilities; ect etc. This will be according to one’s faithfulness in his or her earthly obedience in their serving God and His Word! It’s for this reason **we need always to keep in mind 1 Pet 4: 17**, that “Judgement begins at the house of God.”

Paul seems to confirm this job identification in 1 Cor 15, he defines a variation in the magnitude of order by using the example of God’s tools in the heaven to help us put this in perspective. “There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differs from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead” (I Cor. 15:41-42).

Read how the Ferrar Fenton Bible renders this: “the sun has one splendor, and the moon another splendor, and another splendor for stars; for stars differs from stars in brilliancy: And thus also in the resurrection of the dead.” This is extremely thought-provoking in view of the fact that John in Rev 19:14 describes our returning Lord and those who follow Him will be “clothed in fine linen, white and clean” and the armies which were in Heaven followed Him upon White horses, **clothed in fine linen, white and clean.**” The Greek word **lampros** translated “white,” is also used in the fifteenth chapter of Revelation verse 6 that refers to the garments worn by the seven angels. “And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the Seven plagues, clothed in **pure and white linen**, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.”

“Lampros” is the same word which is translated “clear” in reference to the river of life, “clear as crystal” in Rev 22:1, “And he showed me a pure river of water of life, **clear as Crystal**, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.” **Lampros** - also in Greek means, to shine; be bright; be magnificent. These verses reveal God’s great army following our Lord are clothed in light.

It goes without saying that degree and rank in that army will be distinguished as readily by the type of uniform worn as is true in any earthly army of today. The radiant display, of God’s army wending its way to the earth, will be beyond description! Read the words of Paul, translated by the Phillips Bible in 2 Thess 1:10, “But to those whom He has made holy His coming will mean Splendor unimaginable.” It will be a breath-taking wonder to all who believe.

Notice a few verses to think about: Job 14:14, “If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my **change** come.” Matt 13:43, “Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. Who has ears to hear, let him hear.” Rev 21:23, “And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to Shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the Light thereof.”

In 1 Cor 15; “As we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I show you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be **changed**, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised Incorruptible, and we shall be **changed**” (1 Cor 15: 49-52).

The real change for us is promised from heaven— one we can truly believe in! ☞

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