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(The Divine Dynasphere)

Last Sunday, we studied the "Eyes of the Heart" from Eph.1:18-19. This Sunday we will study the "Divine Dynasphere" from this same passage (1 Pet.2:2; Heb.5:13).

You might recall from last Sunday's lesson that Paul prayed that the eyes of our hearts might be enlightened so that we might know three important church age doctrines.

He introduced these <u>three church age doctrines</u> with the English word (**what**) [Greek interrogative pronoun / tis / **Greek marker**]. Today's lesson comes from the third Greek marker (What)

(Eph.1:19) "And what is the surpassing greatness of HIs power towards us who believe."

The doctrinal concept of Divine Dynasphere is taken from three parts of this phrase

- Divine
 - O Surpassing greatness (to huperballo / p.a.ptc.nsm / megethos) of His (Son of God) surpassing defines greatness
- Dyna
 - o His Power (dunamis / dynamite) divine omnipotent power
- Sphere
 - o Towards those who believe (tous pisteuo / p.a.ptc.aplm)
 - o At the moment of salvation, every Believer enters into the Divine Dynasphere by the grace of God.

This lesson will study five aspects of the doctrine of Divine Dynasphere.

1. There are two decreed spheres in the world that are important to all members of the human race.

One sphere in the world is God's. We will call it **Divine Dynasphere**. The other sphere in the world is Satan's. We will call it **Cosmos Diabolicus**.

The main characteristic of <u>Cosmos Diabolicus</u> is **spiritual darkness** (Gen.1:2) Darkness and Void (tohu waw bohu) [chaos / fall of Satan] (Isa.14:12-15; Acts 26:18).

The main characteristic of the <u>Divine Dynasphere</u> is **spiritual light** (1 John 1:5; James 1:17; Gen.1:3; Isa.45:18 (Bara) [order]; 1 Cor.14:33, 40).

2. Every member of the human race is physically born in the sphere of Cosmos Diabolicus and can only be saved or rescued from it by faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ (1 Cor.15:22; John 1"5).

(**Col.1:13-14**) "For <u>He rescued us from</u> the **domain of darkness** (Cosmos Diabolicus), and <u>He transferred us to</u> the kingdom of His beloved Son (Divine Dynasphere), **in whom** we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

(1 Pet.2:9) "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you <u>out of</u> darkness <u>into</u> His marvelous light." (Acts 26:18)

3. Jesus Christ was the only member of the human race born physically into the Divine Dynasphere as the "Son of the Most High." (Luke 1:31-35; Matt.3:17).

Not only was Jesus born in the Divine Dynasphere; but He remained in it volitionally until death on the cross (2 Cor.5:21; 1 John 3:5).

Jesus was the visible manifestation of the light of God to the world until His death (John 1:1-9; 3:13, 16-21; 8:12-14; 12:35-36).

When Jesus was suffering for our sins during the last 3 hours on the cross, there was total darkness over the earth (ge) (Matt.27:45-46) [noon until 3pm] (Luke 23:44-46; Eph.5:8).

(1 John 2:2) "And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world." (John 3:16)

4. Gospel of Jesus Christ is the light of the Divine Dynasphere to those in spiritual darkness.

(2 Cor.4:4) "In whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God." (1 Cor.15:3-4)

(2Tim.1:10) "But now has been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel."

(2 Cor.4:6) "For God, who said, 'Light shall shine out of darkness,' is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ."

(1 Thess.1:5) "For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of men we proved to be among you or your sake."

<u>Cain and Judas Iscariot</u> are biblical examples of those in the Cosmos Diabolicus darkness who chose to remain in it rather than to be rescued from it by grace salvation in gospel of Christ (1 John 3:12; Acts 1:16-19; John 17:12).

(John 3:19) "And this is the judgment that the light is come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the light; for their deeds were evil." (John 3:19-21, 36) [Eternal darkness]

5. As a result of faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ, every Church Age Believer (CAB) becomes a son of God's light of the Divine Dynasphere.

(Eph.5:8) "For you were <u>formerly darkness</u>, but now you are <u>Light in the Lord</u>; walk as children of Light."

(1 Thess.5:5) "For you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness." (2 Cor.6:14, 16; 1 Pet.1:23)

As a born again son of God, God has granted us <u>two Divine Dynasphere promises</u>: "Seeing that **His divine power has <u>granted us</u>** everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence, for by these <u>He has granted to us</u> His precious and magnificent promises, **so that** by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust." (2 Pet.1:3-4, 19; Ps.119:105; Phil.2:15)