# THE AWAKENING OF THE BRIDE

## EPHESIANS 1:4

4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

# **EPHESIANS 1:5**

5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

### EPHESIANS 1:6

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

## **EPHESIANS 1:7**

7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

## **EPHESIANS 1:8**

8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

## **EPHESIANS 1:9**

9 Having made known unto us the mystery of his will,

according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

EPHESIANS 1:10

10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

### EPHESIANS 1:11

11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

57-0113 WHAT. DOES. IT. TAKE. TO. MAKE. A. CHRISTIAN. LIFE\_ CHICAGO. IL SUNDAY\_

E-40 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Now, a word is a thought expressed.

God had in His mind what to do, but when He expressed it, it had to come into existence. It's become a reality because it was God's Word expressed. May you take me to record this morning, friend. There isn't enough power in all hell can ever defeat the purpose of God. God will do it anyhow.

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E-15 All powers of hell might wager against it, but it will prevail. We have God's eternal promise. There may be teachers; there may be isms rise;

there may be great programs rise; there may be things that look like that it would be destroyed; but it can never be destroyed. It is the purpose of God to see that it will prevail. Then it's not up to me,

and it's not up to you whether it will be destroyed or not. It's up to God. And we can rest assured on it, that God will never let our heritage be destroyed; for it's His purpose to give it to you

58-0406S I. KNOW. MY. REDEEMER. LIVETH\_ JEFFERSONVILLE. IN SUNDAY\_ He made us for a purpose. Therefore, there is a purpose of us all being here. You're not here just to be another human being. You are here because that God made you for some purpose.

You're not here just to eat the food that God growed. You're not here just to live in the house that--that man made, or to wear the clothing that someone fashioned. You are here for a specific purpose.

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E-12 No matter how little you are, how big you are, how important you are, or how unimportant you are, you are here to serve a purpose, just as my finger is here for a purpose.

My nail on my finger is for a purpose. My eye and every part of our bodies is to serve a purpose. And it was not put here just to see what it would look like when it was put here; but it was put here to serve its purpose.

It was God's Divine plan to do so. And if we were put here for a purpose, then there is nothing can destroy us until God's purpose is fulfilled. Nothing can harm us until that purpose that God has put us here for has been made manifest. No matter how much trouble we have, how much heartaches or sorrows that we go through, all of these are reasons, and there's a reason for it.

God's purpose can never be defeated. There is nothing can defeat it. So how happy ought we to be today, resting upon that beautiful revelation of the Word of the living God, that there is neither things present nor things that can come;

there's no sickness, no sorrow, no death, no perils, nor nothing can separate us from the purpose of the living God. What God has imagined in His mind, what God has purposed in His heart to bring to pass,

there is no demon, there's no power, there is nothing can ever separate God's great immortal eternal plan. It must be as God has said

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149-1 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

Jesus Christ is choosing His own bride just the same as men choose their brides today. The bride today does not simply decide she is going to take a certain man for a husband.

No sir. It is the groom who decides and chooses a certain woman for his bride.

149-2 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4 Watch carefully now and see this. Before there was ever a speck of star dust; before God was God. God is an object of adoration and no one was there to worship Him,

so He was at that time only potentially God. and He was known only as eternal Spirit, the bride was already in His mind. Yes, she was. She was existing in His thoughts. And what about those thoughts of God? They are eternal,

149-3 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

The eternal thoughts of God! Let me ask you, "Are the thoughts of God eternal?" If you can see this, you will see many things. God is unchangeable in both essence and behavior.

We have studied that and proven that already. God is infinite in His abilities so therefore He as God must be omniscient. If He is omniscient, then He is not now learning, nor is He taking counsel even with Himself,

If He is omniscient, then He is not now learning, nor is He taking counsel even with Himself, nor is He at any time adding to His knowledge.

He IS omniscient. He has never had a new thought about anything because all His thoughts He has always had and always will have, and knows the end from the beginning because He is God. THUS THE THOUGHTS OF GOD ARE ETERNAL. THEY ARE REAL.

THE THOUGHTS OF GOD ARE ETERNAL. THEY ARE REAL. They are not simply like a man with a blueprint he has drawn up and which one day will be translated into substance and form, but they are already real and eternal, and part of God.

See how this works. God always had His thoughts for Adam. Adam, as His thoughts, was yet unexpressed. Psalms 139:15-16 will give you a little idea of this, "My substance was not hid from Thee, when I was made in secret,

and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in Thy book were all my members written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them. "

That, as I said, was not written about Adam but it gives

you the idea and knowledge that the thought was there in His mind, and that thought was eternal and had to be expressed.

So when Adam was formed of the dust of the earth and his spiritual being created by God, then Adam became God's thought expressed, and those eternal thoughts were now manifested.

150-2 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

Down through the centuries we could go. We find a Moses, a Jeremiah, a John the Baptist, and each one of these were God's eternal thought expressed in its season.

50-3 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

Now it says that "He hath chosen us IN HIM (Jesus) before the foundation of the world. "

That means that we were right there WITH Him in the mind and thoughts of God. Before the foundation of the world. That gives an ETERNAL quality to the elect. You can't get away from that. 150-4 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

Let me inject a thought in here. Even our natural birth is based upon election. The female ovaries produce many, many eggs.

But why is it that at a certain time a certain egg comes down and not another one? And then amongst the male sperm, for no known reason a certain germ attaches itself to the egg while others that could have just as easily attached themselves,

or had a better opportunity to do so did not do so and perished. There is an intelligence behind all this, otherwise what determines whether the baby is a boy or girl, blond or brunette, light or dark type of eyes, etc

These elect were not only the eternal thoughts of God which were to be expressed in flesh in their due season, These who are of the Royal Seed are the elect of God; are the predestinated, fore-known of God, and were in the mind of God and His thoughts.

In very plain language the True Bride of Christ was in the mind of God eternally, though not expressed until each came forth in the designated, decreed season. As each member came forth it became EXPRESSED and took its place in the body. Thus this bride is the literal SPOKEN WORD SEED BRIDE.

65-0119 THE. GOD. WHO. IS. RICH. IN. MERCY\_ PHOENIX. AZ V-19 N-2 TUESDAY\_ But one day, you being part of God, you had to be part of the Word. And when you heard the Word, you know where you come from, you knowed what was the Truth.

You were always, the seed was in you always. The Word seen the Word that was in you, that was before the foundation of the world, saw the Word and you come to It

Thus this bride is the literal SPOKEN WORD SEED BRIDE. And though she is feminine in designation she is also called the "body of Christ". It is very apparent that she ought to be called that for she was predestinated in Him, came from the same source,

she ought to be called that for she was predestinated in Him, came from the same source, was eternal with Him, and is now manifesting God in a many membered body whereas once God was manifested in ONE MEMBER, even our Lord Jesus Christ.

## 152-1 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

Now then, here we are coming to a conclusion. As the eternal Logos (God) was manifest in the Son, and in Jesus dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,

and that Eternal One was the Father manifest in flesh, and thereby gained the title of Son, in Jesus dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and that Eternal One was the Father manifest in flesh, and thereby gained the title of Son, even so we,

eternal in His thoughts in our turn. Even so we, eternal in His thoughts in our turn became the many membered Spoken Word Seed, manifest in flesh,

and those eternal thoughts now manifest in flesh are the sons of God, even as we are so called. WE DID NOT BECOME SEED BY THE REBIRTH, WE WERE SEED AND THEREFORE WERE REBORN

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JEFFERSONVILLE. IN V-3 N-12 SUNDAY\_ 137 So does God. He is that Great Eagle. In His thoughts He knowed He'd have a Church. He knowed He'd have a people.

No matter what's cuddled them, no matter what they was hatched out under, He is hunting. He is hunting for His Own.

138 And one day, the story goes, this old eagle flew over the barnyard. She was looking everywhere, and she found him. Oh, for that resurrection, to recognize that he really wasn't a chicken, after all.

He was an eagle! And he was always taught to look down, look for a bug or something in the barnyard. But he heard a scream, that said, "Look up this way!"

And he looked above him, and there was a creature with fourteen-feet wings, powerful-er than all the chickens there was in the barnyard, and claimed him to be her son.

He said, "Mama, how can I get to you?"

139 Said, "Just jump, start flopping your wings, for you're an eagle."

140 See, she knew she had a son somewhere. No matter what he's been raised up in, she's got a son somewhere.

65-0418M IT. IS. THE. RISING. OF. THE. SUN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE. IN V-3 N-12 SUNDAY\_ 141 And God knows! Hallelujah! He's got a predestinated, foreordained Church! He knowed He's got sons and daughters,

and a Bride, waiting somewhere; when the Holy Spirit begins to fly over it, that wave Sheaf. Oh, my! He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. Not some mythical story, but a reality!

142 No matter how many tried to tell him, "a eagle," he didn't know what a eagle was. Yet, he was a eagle. He would not understood it until he seen something that reflected him, that he reflected, rather.

65-0418M IT. IS. THE. RISING. OF. THE. SUN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE. IN V-3 N-12 SUNDAY\_ 143 And when we see, not a denomination, not a Ph. D. , not a LL. D. , not a good neighbor; but a son of God molded in the image of God,

with the dynamic Power of God to answer the request of this day, that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, there ain't no hen going to hold you. He hunts for his Mama. He's an eagle, to begin with. He recognizes.

This real eagle recognizes the call of God's Word. Why? He's an eagle. A eagle to a eagle! The Word before the foundation, the Word to the Word! The Word, predestinated, to the Word written for the hour. You realize your position. He hunts for It.

152-2 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK WE DID NOT BECOME SEED BY THE REBIRTH, WE WERE SEED AND THEREFORE WERE REBORN FOR ONLY THE ELECT CAN BE REBORN.

Because we WERE SEED is the reason we could be quickened. In NON-SEED there is nothing to quicken.

152-2 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

Hold this carefully in mind. Now take the next step. Redeem means to buy back. It restores to the original owner. God, by His death, the shed blood BOUGHT BACK HIS OWN.

He bought back the Spoken Word Seed Bride. "My sheep hear My voice (Word) and they follow Me." You always were a sheep. You never were a pig or a dog turned into a sheep.

That is impossible for every kind of life produces the same kind and there is no change in specie. As we were in the thoughts of God and then expressed in flesh, there had to come a day when we would hear His voice (the Word), and hearing that voice become aware of our Father calling us, and recognize that we are the sons of God. We heard His voice and we cried out as did the prodigal son, "Save me, Oh, my Father. I am returning to Thee. "

152-3 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

A son of God can go a long time before he recognizes that

he is a son. In fact a lot of true Christians are like the story of the baby eagle that was hatched out under a hen.

You know that the eagle is a type of the true believer. Well, a farmer took an egg from an eagle's nest and he placed it under a hen. In due time all the eggs under the hen hatched out.

The baby chicks got along fine with the mother hen but that little eagle could not figure out the clucking and scratching for food in the manure pile. He managed to make a living but he was pretty confused about it all.

But one day, from way up in the air the mother eagle that had laid the egg spied that little eagle on the ground. She swooped down with tremendous speed and screamed at the top of her voice for him to fly up to meet her.

He had never heard an eagle cry, but when he heard that first scream something in him stirred and he longed to launch out toward it. But he was afraid to try. Again that mother screamed for him to arise in the wind and follow her. He screamed back that he was afraid. Once more she called out, screaming that he try. Beating his wings he hurled himself into the air, and answering the cry of his mother, he soared off into the blue skies. You see he always was an eagle.

He acted like a chicken for a little while but he could not be satisfied. But when he heard the call of the great eagle he came to his own place. And once a true son of God hears the cry of the Spirit by the Word, he too,

will realize who he is and run to the Great Prophet Eagle and be with Him forever seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.