### THE CHURCH 48

# LUKE 15:22

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# LUKE 15:23

23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:

## LUKE 15:24

24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

# LUKE 15:12

12 And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living.

#### **LUKE 15:13**

13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

# LUKE 15:14

14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.

# LUKE 15:15

15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

#### LUKE 15:16

16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.

# LUKE 15:17

17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

# LUKE 15:18

18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

# LUKE 15:19

19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

#### LUKE 15:20

And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

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21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

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DEAD: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3498 nekros {nek-ros'} spiritually dead i.e. destitute of a life that recognises and is devoted to God,

because given up to trespasses and sins; inactive as respects doing right, destitute of force or power, inactive, inoperative

# MATTHEW 8:22

22 But Jesus said unto him, Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.

# ROMANS 6:13

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

#### EPHESIANS 2:1

1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

# COLOSSIANS 2:13

13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

#### I TIMOTHY 5:6

6 But she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.

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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,

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 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.

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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."

### **MATTHEW 13:38**

The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;

## **MATTHEW 13:25**

25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

### **MATTHEW 13:26**

26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

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# **MATTHEW 13:39**

39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

#### JOHN 8:36

36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

# JOHN 8:37

I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you.

#### JOHN 8:38

I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father.

#### JOHN 8:43

43 Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word.

#### JOHN 8:44

Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

### JOHN 8:46

Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?

### JOHN 8:47

47 He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

## JOHN 10:11

I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

# JOHN 10:12

12 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.

#### JOHN 10:13

13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

#### JOHN 10:14

14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

## JOHN 10:15

15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

# JOHN 10:16

16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

# JOHN 10:25

25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

# JOHN 10:26

26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.

#### JOHN 10:27

27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

## JOHN 10:28

And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.