

“AND THE GLORY OF GOD CAME DOWN”

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TEXT A: Judges 13: SAMSON

1The Israelites did evil in the eyes of the LORD, so the LORD delivered them into the hands of the Philistines for forty years. **2** A certain man of Zorah, ... had a wife who was childless, unable to give birth. **3** The angel of the LORD appeared to her and said, **5** You will become pregnant and have a son whose head is never to be touched by a razor because the boy is to be a Nazirite, dedicated to God from the womb. He will take the lead in delivering Israel from the hands of the Philistines.” .. **24** The woman gave birth to a boy and named him Samson. He grew and the LORD blessed him, **25 and the Spirit of the LORD began to stir him**

B. DAVID IS ANOINTED KING: 1 SAMUEL 16:

1The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king.” ...

13 So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and **from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David.**

C. JESUS Matthew 3:

16As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. Suddenly the heavens were opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and resting on Him. **17And a voice from heaven said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”**

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1. Moses: Exodus 19:9-11

The LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will come to you in a dense cloud, so that the people will hear when I speak with you, and they will always put their trust in you." And Moses relayed the words of the people to the LORD. ¹⁰ And the LORD said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow. Have them wash their clothes ¹¹ and be ready by the third day, because on that day the LORD will come down on Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people.

Exodus 24:16-18: ¹⁶**The Glory of the LORD came down on Mount Sinai.** The cloud covered the mountain for six days. On the seventh day, the LORD spoke to Moses from the cloud. ¹⁷ The Israelites could see the Glory of the LORD. It was like a fire burning on top of the mountain. ¹⁸ Then Moses went higher up the mountain into the cloud. He was on the mountain for 40 days and 40 nights.

2. AARON AND HIS SONS: LEVITICU 9: 1-6

On the eighth day Moses summoned Aaron and his sons and the elders of Israel. ² He said to Aaron, “Take a bull calf for your sin offering and a ram for your burnt offering, both without defect, and present them before the LORD. ³ Then say to the Israelites: ‘Take a male goat for a sin offering, a calf and a lamb—both a year old and without defect—for a burnt offering, ⁴ and an ox and a ram for a fellowship offering to sacrifice before the LORD, together with a grain offering mixed with olive oil. For today the LORD will appear to you.’” ⁵ They took the things Moses commanded to the front of the tent of meeting, and the entire assembly came near and stood before the LORD. **(Genuine restitution: Sin, sacrifice, offering, fellowship, thanksgiving).**

⁶ Then Moses said, “This is what the LORD has commanded you to do, so that the glory of the LORD may appear to you.”

²² Then Aaron lifted his hands toward the people and blessed them. And having sacrificed the sin offering, the burnt offering and the fellowship offering, he stepped down.

²³ Moses and Aaron then went into the tent of meeting. When they came out, they blessed the people; and the glory of the LORD appeared to all the people. ²⁴ Fire came out from the presence of the LORD and consumed the burnt offering and the fat portions on the altar. And when all the people saw it, they shouted for joy and fell facedown.

The Price that Jesus Paid

“Blood” is importance and significance to God and to us. The sacrifices of Abel, Noah and Isaac, and the Passover lamb, and the giving of the Law all came to pass, but “not without blood” (Hebrews 9:7, *NKJV*). **The blood symbolizes cleansing and purification—the settling of a matter.**

The prize that Jesus paid

a. Redemption:

“We have redemption through His blood.” –**Ephesians 1:7 (NKJV)**

“Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, *like* silver or gold, from your aimless conduct *received* by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.” **(1 Peter 1:18-19)**

b. Fellowship With God Through the Blood of Jesus

“Having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus.” –
Hebrews 10:19 (NKJV)

c. Healing Through the Blood of Jesus

“*By His stripes we are healed.*” –*Isaiah 53:5 (NKJV)*

d. Protection Through the Blood of Jesus

“*When I see the blood, I will pass over you.*” –*Exodus 12:13 (KJV)*

e. Authority Over the Devil Through the Blood of Jesus

“And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony.” –Revelation 12:11 (KJV)

g. Cleansing from Sin: “But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.” (I John 1:7)

Every prize that needs to be paid for us to have God’s glory come in our lives have been paid by Jesus. The only thing remaining now for us to bring ourselves – make our selves available in:

- believing the prize that was paid
- character
- diligence (Diligent hands will rule Heb 12:24)
- Faith - backed with works
- Hunger, leading to looking, praying and asking for God’s glory

Conclusion

“But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.” –**2 Corinthians 3:18, NKJV**

God's glory helps us walk in od's direction

When Israel was in the wilderness they didn't know where to go. But, it was God's glory that covered the tabernacle in the wilderness that led the people by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night (Exodus 40:34).

Lets do what is required to make His glory come down.

God Bless You.

2019 PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray over today's message – grace to do what is required to make the glory of God come down for us.
2. For KCM ask for grace to diligently fulfil its mandate as “the house of prayer for all nations” (Isaiah 56:7), extending God's love to all the nations.
3. Prayer for the Leaders of Nations – grace to do what is required to make the glory of God come down for them.
4. Thank God for stopping wars in nations. Ask Him for peace to continue to reign
5. Ask God to have mercy on our land, forgive our sins & heal us (2 Chro, 7:13-18).
6. Pray for Ministers and Missionaries- grace to do what is required to make the glory of God come down for them
7. Pray for Marriages, Children and families. Restoration of troubled marriages & children – family grace to do what is required to make the glory of God come down for them.
8. Pray for Members of the fellowship - grace to do what is required to make the glory of God come down for us.
9. Pray for the needs of the members & the fellowship, and any special request.
10. Also pray for next Sunday.