

CHAPTER 6

THE IMPORTANCE OF FORGIVENESS [AND THE DANGER OF UNFORGIVENESS]

....“For if you forgive others for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions”....

Matthew 6: 14-15

THE IMPORTANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The matter of "forgiveness" is of the utmost importance to each and every one of us - from the simplest situation to even the most blatant type of attack against us or against those close to us. First of all, it is very important for us to remember that "all" forgiveness is made possible to us and for us by the love of God. Without divine empowerment, any attempt at "forgiveness" is just a fleshly action which bears no weight of eternal consequence - and in fact serves only to "bury" (hide) the "feelings" and hurt we felt when someone committed an offense against us. Unless, through a conscious exercising of our will - we make a "quality" decision" to forgive (and this includes ourselves if applicable) regardless of how we may be thinking or feeling at the time then the very "root" of unforgiveness shall begin to grow and, like an insidious poison, begin to release from that negative ground of pride, the fear and darkness that serves only to fuel "lawlessness" (rebellion) against the will of God - which is to "love one another", and in a moment of crisis and pressure we shall surely be found throwing that previous offense, which we "felt" we had forgiven, right back in their face in some form or another.

"EVERYTHING THAT IS NOT ROOTED AND GROUNDED IN THE LOVE (WORD) OF GOD IS "SELF-SERVING" - IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER"

Everything that is not rooted and grounded in the love (Word) of God is "self-serving" in one way or another. Many attempt to forgive because it serves "their" purpose at the time but, as I stated earlier, the "ground" of hatred still remains and you can be assured that Satan will use it when it serves his evil

purposes to the greatest degree. This is why we must continually "allow" the Holy Spirit to do the deepest work of the Cross in each of us. We can prolong certain things through stubbornly holding to self-exaltation and self-desire or we can hop right up on the "operating table" of the Spirit by maintaining the perfect fellowship with the Father and His Word that He so desires. I have tried it both ways in the past and I highly recommend the latter - at all cost to oneself!

THE FATHER WILL CONTINUE HIS MOST PERFECT WORK IN EACH OF US RIGHT UP UNTIL THE TIME WE DEPART THIS EARTH

I believe that the Father will continue His most perfect work in each of us right up until the time we depart this earth. So let us be faithful to allow Him to - without complaint - continually bring us to the place wherein this most glorious and merciful work of the Cross is bearing maximum results for the Church and the Kingdom. We can do little to prevent those committing offense against us at times - apart from prayer and, if necessary, temporary separation from the offending "vessel", but the real key to any situation involving our call to forgive is to first acknowledge God by separating ourselves unto Him and "hashing and thrashing" any bad thoughts or feelings we might have before Him in the light of His Word. By doing this we shall "allow" God to expose any ground in us that "desires" to hold or maintain unforgiveness. At times this can be a painful experience (Hebrews 12) but as we are faithful to acknowledge God in our time of turmoil He is faithful to deal perfectly with whatever needs to be dealt with and I can assure you that it shall not be too long before our "love" - both towards the Father and the offending party(ies) - shall begin to reap great dividends for both the Church and the Kingdom.

HOLDING TO "ANY" FORM OF UNFORGIVENESS IS VERY, VERY GRATIFYING TO THE SOUL-LIFE

Holding to "any" form of unforgiveness is very, very, gratifying to the soul-life (it "feels" good to the "flesh") but, in reality, if you strip it down to the bare roots, by "maintaining" unforgiveness of any kind we set ourselves in the place of God as Judge, and in doing so, deny the precious Blood of Jesus and this is a very serious crime against the Throne of God. Stubbornly holding to "unforgiveness" is rebellion and lawlessness at its highest form "in the child of God"; for we are "equipped", by the love abiding within us, to forgive even unto

death - the death of the Cross - and so, for us to "exercise" hatred against "anyone" (flesh and blood) denies the most gracious and merciful act of the loving Father toward us, in that He sent His Son to die for us while we were yet sinners.

WE HAVE NO RIGHT WHATSOEVER TO HOLD UNFORGIVENESS!

We have no right whatsoever to hold unforgiveness regardless of what it may cost us! In truth, most times it is just simply a matter of laying aside our "ugly" feelings and exercising the necessary diligence to obey the command to bring "every" thought captive to the Word of God (love - obedience) 2 Corinthians 10:5). In the face of an attack by a "spirit of unforgiveness" we must at all times "speak" only those words which release the force of love to and "towards" the offending party (Ephesians 4:29) - regardless of how we may "feel" - for it is only in our obedience to this that will continually "allow" the Holy Spirit to shed the love of God abroad in our heart and, as we are faithful in this matter of keeping the Word of God before our eyes and in our ears, we shall "surely" overcome gloriously and the "feelings" which may have plagued us and attempted to provoke us to sin against our fellow man will come in line - sometimes sooner, sometimes later - but they will come in line if we do not allow ourselves to faint!

AT "ALL" COST TO OURSELVES

I once heard a man of God state, "Things don't just happen - ever"! Every time a situation arises in our life which provokes our peace we must immediately realize that whatever has happened or is happening is from Satan and he has a specific plan to disrupt our walk with the Lord. Secondly, (and this is where the church has fallen far short of God's provision for the most part) we need to immediately begin to exercise faith (which works only through love) in the portion of God's Word which is both accurate and absolute and which states, "our struggle (battle) is not (NEVER) against flesh and blood". In other words we must continually allow the Holy Spirit, through the guarding of our own hearts with all diligence, to empower us with a continually deeper revelation of the reality of the call on each and every one of us to love one another at "all" times at "all" cost to ourselves.

ONE FORGIVES BY FAITH - WORKING THROUGH AN ABIDING LOVE

There is a two word answer to the question: "How do I forgive"? It is BY FAITH (Galatians 5:6). Forgiveness is not motivated by "feelings" or we would never forgive anyone who has sinned against us. The "empowerment" for "all" forgiveness is found in the Holy Spirit dwelling within us - the Spirit of Love - He is also the Spirit of forgiveness. We, in ourselves (flesh), are incapable of forgiving even the seemingly smallest of offenses. When Paul stated, "there is no good (righteousness) in me, no not in my flesh" (Romans 7:18) he drew the absolute line in the sand that draws and leads us to the sister statement that Jesus made, "apart from Me you can do NOTHING" (John 15:5) - the Anointed One and His Anointing and as it was written later on in the book of Hebrews, "it is only faith that pleases God" (Hebrews 11:6).

ABSOLUTE KINGDOM TRUTHS

In this last of the last hour we, as the true body of believers, are going to have these ABSOLUTE Kingdom truths revealed to our hearts to the point where we are consumed with the love of God for "all" those who cross our path and from this most holy position, "forgiveness", and every other act of perfect love, shall simply become the spontaneous outpouring of the Father's heart of compassion towards even the most wicked "vessels" that Satan is "enabled" to strike out with. Perhaps the best way to explain this clearly is to relate an experience I had which truly was the turning point in my walk with God and the catalyst in freeing me up to enter into a much fuller and deeper ministry to the saints. The Father has dealt with me over the years with ground after ground of unforgiveness (hurt, self-desire, selfishness) - a great deal of this was forgiving myself for the selfish ways of the past which had hurt certain people who were very close to me. When I first handed my "entire" life (by faith) over to the Lord in 1980 I was given an immediate revelation concerning the importance of, first of all, "receiving" from the Father complete forgiveness for not only past actions, but also for any of the day to day "departures" from love that seem to easily befall the new Christian. It is so easy for Satan to both accuse and keep the new believer in the place of condemnation - a place wherein "their view" of themselves always hinders their relationship with God due to their "feelings" of inadequacy and unworthiness (sin-consciousness).

DAILY OPPORTUNITIES TO TAKE OFFENSE

As I began to walk with the Lord in those early years there "seemed" to be almost daily opportunities to take offense - some real, some imagined - and I learned over the years how to continue to walk in love "regardless" of what happened. Some things I held onto for a time and others I "immediately" let go of. But either way, when I would faithfully give any "ground" in me that "surfaced" over to the Lord, I would ask Him to "burn" it out and consume it with Holy Fire; and in the "void" that was left I asked Him to fill that vacated space with His precious love and understanding. I do not in any way want to oversimplify this process - although it really is a simple thing once we get past the "fleeting feelings" of the flesh - and I do not want to say this was always "pleasant" or "smooth", but I will say this:

Walking in love and continually exercising forgiveness is the most important matter that we have to deal with day to day and it is the one thing - if held to - that will keep us in proper and pure fellowship with the Father and release the flow of the anointing abiding within us to set the captives free.

On the other hand if we hold to "unforgiveness" we cut ourselves off from the precious and "empowering" fellowship with the Father and His Word that is the prerequisite to carrying out the work of the Church and the Kingdom and, because our conscience is not clear and "condemns" us (1 John 3:18-24), we can, if we stubbornly resist the gentle whisperings of the Holy Spirit, "allow" ourselves to be used by the Evil One to carry out his will (schemes against the brethren) (1 Timothy 2:19-26)!

"PALTRY" RESULTS

This is precisely why each and every one of us must keep the Word of God first and foremost in our hearts and in our thinking by guarding our hearts with all diligence all of the time and being faithful to the command to "bring every thought captive" to it. When one begins to abide in this position of faithfulness to - and diligence towards - the Word of God, the matters that seemed so difficult, such as forgiving and loving those that Satan uses to "hurt" us, will actually become the very "catalyst" that allows the anointing of compassion and love abiding within us to flow forth and set the "captives" free - EVERY TIME! There are many children

of God who wonder why they seem to have such "paltry" results as they go forth to do the work of God and yet they hold to unforgiveness in a spirit of self-justification and self-exaltation (unconsciously) and thus they hinder and even block completely the flow of the Father's love through them to all those who cross their path. We must, as the children of God, understand clearly in the depths of our being, that we CANNOT serve God and MAINTAIN unforgiveness toward anyone! This is a most important revelation - one which shall be revealed in its fullness and absoluteness before we leave here and one, when received and acted upon, will "release" vast multitudes into the "fulness" of all that the Father has called them to in the final, glorious move that He has planned for all those who truly love Him.

THE IMPORTANCE OF ABIDING IN "FORGIVENESS"

Our task is to forgive and to bless - "knowing" that no weapon formed against us shall ever prosper and, indeed, that that very attack will be multiplied back against Satan and his forces and destroy any and every stronghold in the life of the vessel he used - leading to their full deliverance as we are faithful to walk in love towards them. Whether we are blessed or cursed in this last hour, either one is a potential "catalyst" for releasing the blessings (empowerments) of God into that one's life.

UNFORGIVENESS - THE DEADLIEST OF THE DEADLY!

It was prophesied that in this last hour the love of many would "grow cold". There are many reasons why one's heart would become hardened even in the light of the greatest outpouring of the Father's love that this earth has ever seen, but by far the most prominent reason is the "maintaining" of a "certain" ground (in some cases much ground consisting of many specific hurtful events over many years) of unforgiveness in one's heart. Throughout our lives - even from our earliest childhood - we all have "experienced" many hurtful and debilitating things which - looking back (in and by the Holy Spirit) - can be attributed directly to the attack of Satan and his forces to keep us from entering into the Father's most glorious plan for our life and ministry. Throughout the course of many years in our walk with Him, the Father - through a constant drawing of ourselves closer and closer to Him by the pure power of His love - deals and deals and deals to an ever greater degree with us with a view to removing every last particle of ground from which a "spirit

of unforgiveness" could operate.

UNFORGIVENESS IS BY FAR THE MOST "DEADLY POISON" KNOWN TO THE CHILD OF GOD

Unforgiveness is by far the most "deadly poison" known to the child of God! It has the capability to blind the eyes and harden the heart to such a great degree - if "maintained" - that the deceived one will eventually be found "killing for God" if they do not draw near to the Father and humble themselves before Him. Unforgiveness "maintained" by an individual will "allow" Satan to "successfully" form "all" manner of schemes against them and through them, and now, in this hour, this "maintained" state of heart will lead to one's certain destruction - if not forsaken and repented of. Every believer "must" come into the place of a deep understanding of the seriousness of this matter. They must realize that to hold fast to "unforgiveness" is to blatantly deny the Cross and the precious Blood of Jesus and, in doing so, they wilfully depart from the divine Covenant and the "perfect protection" (provision) it provides to all those who are obedient to the command to love the Lord their God with "every fibre" of their being (Luke 10:27) and, thus, to love one another with the divine love that is constantly shed abroad in their heart by the Holy Spirit in fellowship with the Father and His Word.

"THE "MAINTAINING" OF UNFORGIVENESS

It is written in 1 John 20-21:

...."If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar, for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also"....

One of the clearest manifestations of the "maintaining" of unforgiveness in one's life is a "strong" determination to order (control) their own path (lean upon their own understanding). Because this hurting child of God has not (through a continually growing mistrust of "anyone" apart from themselves - including God Himself when it comes right down to it) put themselves in a position which would "allow" the Father to heal their wounds, Satan has been allowed to instill mind-set after mind-set, preconceived notion after preconceived notion and mistrust after

mistrust in their thinking and these "strongholds" serve only to keep that precious soul apart from the fullness of all that their loving Father desires to give them. There are many in this hour who have given (by faith) their hearts wholly to God, but who are finding it very difficult to "let go" of past hurts. There is only one way to effectively combat these "mindsets" and that is to bring "EVERY" thought captive to the "revealed" Word of God. In the beginning this may seem like an arduous task but it will not be long before the stubbornness and rebelliousness which had been propagated through many long years of hurtful and destructive demonic attack and influence is brought to nought.

THE FATHER'S HEART IS CRYING OUT WITH GREAT URGENCY TO ALL OF HIS "HURTING ONES"

Every believer who finds themselves in this position must seek the Father in the "inner chamber", at all cost to themselves, in order to "allow" Him to both reveal and create the perfect "environment" - both spiritually and physically. For if one steadfastly refuses God's "perfect" provision for their deliverance in this time they shall remain in a form of bondage until the end of the age, and they shall fall "far, far" short of the Father's most glorious plan for their life and ministry; and they shall leave themselves open to many potentially "tragic" (unnecessary) situations. These are the spiritual realities that have come upon us in this time. There has been enough revelation knowledge released in the earth through the Church these last two thousand years for all of us to both be aware of and destroy "every" scheme of Satan and now, as the Father moves in great power in the midst of His children, we shall link that precious revelation and wisdom with "one accord" (true unity in and by the Holy Spirit) and this shall be the catalyst for the greatest explosion of God's power that this earth has ever seen! The Father's heart is crying out with great urgency to all of His "hurting ones". He is calling them to forsake the "mistrust" that has kept them from the fullness of His presence and the perfect fellowship that He longs to have with them. The hour is late. Let each and every one of us diligently bring every thought captive to the Father's heart and mind for He is faithful and our absolute trust in His Word will not cause us to be "disappointed" in any way! Amen.

Let us hear the words of the Father:

UNFORGIVENESS OF ANY KIND AND FOR ANY REASON - UNACCEPTABLE BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD

...."So then, let it be clearly understood by every one of My children that "wilful unforgiveness" is totally and absolutely unacceptable to Me! For every "wilful" word and action rooted and grounded in unforgiveness is a total and absolute "denial" of the precious Blood of My Dear Son!"....

“SPIRITS OF TRANSFERENCE” AND “SPIRITS OF UNFORGIVENESS”

The "spirits of transference" and the "spirits of unforgiveness" which - UP UNTIL THIS TIME - have been sent by the Evil One to hinder and even stop the children of God from entering into the "fulness" of their precious inheritance in Christ are about to be both totally exposed for what they are and then consumed - in the midst of the congregations of the righteous (all those who are "seeking first" the Kingdom and His righteousness). It is only from the position of full Covenant relationship with the Father and His Word that one is both prepared and made ready to enter into the "fulness" of the ministry they have been called to. And thus EVERY last element of "ground" must be removed if we are to enter into the fulness of the Father's vision for the Glorious Church.

DUE TO THE LATENESS OF THE HOUR EVERYTHING HAS INTENSIFIED

Due to the lateness of the hour everything has intensified and it is of paramount importance for each and every one of us to "confront immediately" - in and by the Holy Spirit - those things (past "experiences") which have been the "catalyst" for Satan to establish "mind-sets" (strongholds) in our lives. These "strongholds" have been established by him with a view to keeping a child of God in a position - to whatever degree possible - of "mistrust" towards the Father. As long as that ground of mistrust is "allowed" to remain through one's failure to immerse themselves in the Word of God and thus "confront" their deepest fears and hurts - trusting fully their tender and loving Father to gently heal them - then Satan and his forces continue to build a continually stronger "root structure" from the initial ground of fear in that one. The final "clamp" in his strategy is to get the child of God to the place wherein they refuse to "forgive" the "authorities" who have abused them in their past. From this position of "unforgiveness" Satan is

THEN able to "control" their lives and "fuel" a stubborn and rebellious attitude towards all positions of authority (church, spouse, government etc.) to some degree.

THERE IS NOTHING THAT CAN STOP THE CHILD OF GOD FROM ENTERING INTO THE FULNESS OF THEIR INHERITANCE IN CHRIST - EXCEPT THEMSELVES

When the child of God truly comes into "proper relationship" with their Heavenly Father they will quickly realize that He - in His tenderness and perfect love towards them - far transcends any of their past bad experiences with those who were "supposed" to be representing Him. From this position of abiding in close and intimate fellowship with Him (this close and intimate fellowship is the deepest desire of the Father's heart towards each and every one of His children) not only does a glorious healing take place, but that one is then prepared to go forth - having discarded the unforgiveness and bitterness which had held them back for so long - and be a minister of deliverance to all those who had previously mistreated them. Unforgiveness is the deadliest force the child of God faces because, first of all, there is NO justification, whatsoever, for us to hold ANY unforgiveness or bitterness towards ANYONE; and secondly, it "allows" the Evil One and his forces to activate all manner of schemes against us - with a view to our "destruction". It must be clearly understood that the "prerequisite" for one fulfilling ALL that the Father has called them to, from before the foundations of the earth, is a heart "wholly given" and only those who make the "quality decision" to be free will be free in this hour. There is nothing that can stop the child of God from entering into the fulness of their precious inheritance in Christ except themselves.

Let us hear the words of the Father:

THE "SPIRITS OF TRANSFERENCE"

...."The "spirits of transference" main task is to "convince" one, through a continual bombardment of thoughts over a long period of time, that My character and My attitude towards that one is the same as the attitude and character shown by "certain ones" in positions of delegated authority (parents, leaders in the church etc.) that have both misused their position and misrepresented My true character to

those "under" them. And thus the "spirit of transference" has "ground" - because of this "misrepresentation" - to work, and thus continually keep that one who has been abused in a constant state of unbelief, darkness and doubt concerning the "absoluteness" of My provision for them!"....

"THE "SPIRIT OF TRANSFERENCE" WORKS CONSTANTLY TO KEEP ONE BOUND TO THE REALM OF "SENSE-KNOWLEDGE"

...."The "spirit of transference" works constantly to keep one bound to the realm of "sense-knowledge"; thus keeping one, who "fails" to bring every thought captive to My Word, in a continual state of darkness (false revelation - mental ascension) concerning My holy character and My "true attitude" and will towards My people. Because of these things many "think" I am this or I am that, but truly I say to you, they must repent! and put themselves in a position to receive a "revelation" of My Word, in order that they might come to know Me in My reality as the Provider!"....

THE "SPIRIT OF TRANSFERENCE" AND THE "SPIRITS OF ENVY AND JEALOUSY"

...."When one of My children "continually" walks by their five physical senses, then they shall surely "mentally ascend" to My Word until such a time as "any" ground of self-desire within them is repented of! There are some in leadership who "maintain" the fear that certain others will get "closer" to Me than they are; and thus they do everything within "their" power to "limit" (hinder) that one, or ones, from attaining to the fulness of the ministry that they are called to, when all the time it would be much simpler and much less "dangerous" for them to just simply consecrate themselves - in order that they might reach the fulness of their ministry and gain the necessary revelation to set them free from the "spirit of jealousy" and the "spirit of envy", and "any" fear of a "critical spirit"! Many times the aforementioned "ground" in the one being held captive by a spirit of jealousy or a spirit of envy is the result of a "spirit of transference" continually linking their "thought-patterns" to certain past experiences in which one who was in "authority" over them - whether a parent or a teacher or even another brother or sister in Christ treated them "unfairly" (unjustly) in the presence of one or more of their "peers" and thus, because of this fear, they are "compelled", through continued "demonic influence", to make sure it does not happen again in any way, shape, or form and

so "unconsciously" they "allow" themselves to be used by Satan as a vessel of "division and strife" in the midst of My people. One direct result of being held captive by these particular spirits is that their "words" - for the most part - shall be condemning or critical toward those who they "feel" threatened by as far as their own "stature" in the church is concerned. Satan has "attempted" to use this scheme to "lock up" certain pastor's hearts and thus they "refuse" to acknowledge the voice of My Spirit who is continually seeking to get across to them My provision for their deliverance whether it be directing them to certain portions of Scripture or whether it be a call to "receive" a certain apostle or prophet who will minister the "necessary" light to them in order that they might be set free and "begin" to fulfil the ministry that "I" have called them to!"....

THE "SPIRIT OF TRANSFERENCE" AND THE "SPIRIT OF MONEY-MINDEDNESS"

...."Those who are caught up in a "spirit of money-mindedness" are maintaining a "ground" of fear forged in them by "spirit of transference". This spirit has been working against them an entire lifetime by constantly referring (transferring) to their "thought-life" past mistreatment at the hands of those who were in "positions of authority" over them. And thus, these spirits of transference "maintain" the work of the evil spirits who had gone before them to work in those who were in the aforementioned "positions of authority". For example: If the one who was in a position of authority was held captive by a "spirit of poverty" then through the work of a spirit of transference that same spirit of poverty is transmitted to the one under that authority; and from this one, can see clearly that those who are caught up in a "spirit of money-mindedness" are in that state because, in their heart - without realizing it - they "believe" that I am a "miserly" and "selfish" Father. Therefore, they are deceived by these evil spirits into continually trusting in their "own" understanding concerning their finances. It is in this way that Satan has been able - up until this time - to block the flow of the giving of tithes and offerings by the vast majority of My children. I call each and every one of My children to be continually transformed by the renewing (renewal) of their mind concerning My true nature for it is only in this way that they shall walk in the fulness of the freedom that I have provided for them in Christ - spirit, soul, body and financially! As My children are diligent to meditate My Word day and night, I shall surely turn their "mistrust" of Me into a perfect trust; and truly I say to you, they shall immediately turn away from and forsake the "stronghold"(s)

that had been built up in their lives over the years by the spirits of transference and they shall go forth and set free all those that I reveal to them who are in bondage to that very same spirit which they were just previously delivered from. The direct result of all this shall be a "flurry" of giving such as the world has never seen before. And because of this "all" of My plans and purposes shall be accomplished rapidly in the earth and soon My spotless and unblemished Church shall stand before Me!"....

Amen

THE "SPIRITS OF TRANSFERENCE" ARE THE FINAL MECHANISM AND DEFENSE OF THE EVIL ONE TO MAINTAIN "CONTROL" OVER ONE'S LIFE

The "spirits of transference" are the final mechanism and defense of the Evil One to maintain "control" over one's life and "spirituality". The ground from which their attack is both based and sustained is an "element" of fear and mistrust of the Father and His Word which was formulated and built over a great number of years. The final avenue to freedom for the one who has been held captive to these "spirits" is for that one to truly forgive every last person who has been used by Satan and his forces throughout their life - even from their youth. When forgiveness is exercised - by faith - then the Blood of Jesus is ALLOWED to enter in and do the necessary cleansing and healing which will then catapult that one into the fulness of true relationship with the Father and His Word. This "true" relationship will then cause that one to enter into that place wherein they truly begin to become "partakers of the divine nature" and thus vessels of the true authority that is ours in Christ.

THE ONLY THING THAT ALLOWS THIS "HIDDEN GROUND" TO REMAIN IN ONE'S HEART IS A NEGLIGENT ATTITUDE - IN SOME FORM - TOWARDS THE WORD OF GOD

There are many people in positions of "delegated authority" who are still controlled to a degree by these "spirits of transference" and unless they "let go" of their ground of unforgiveness and fear (towards God) - the first step being to ask the Father for a revelation of any "hidden" ground in their heart -then they shall surely be found "unfit" to enter into the fulness of their calling and position in the Glorious Church. This is very serious business! The only thing that allows this

"hidden ground" to remain in one's heart is a negligent attitude, in some form, towards the Word of God. It is only the supernatural power and light inherent in the Word that can cleanse and heal us from every ungodly attitude - towards both God and man. In other words if we maintain any position apart from the Word of God - and the revelation thereof - then we shall be found "maintaining" an ungodly attitude towards someone or something - NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH is the will of God for one's life and ministry: ALL of these things rooted and grounded in a deep and hidden mistrust of the Father and His Word.

THERE IS NO "TRUE MINISTRY" APART FROM ABIDING IN LOVE

As mentioned earlier "maintaining" unforgiveness and resentment is a very gratifying thing to the "flesh", but it is the one thing that will take one out of their proper position before God - EVERY TIME. There is no true "ministry" apart from abiding in love and therefore it simply remains for us to continually guard our heart with all diligence ALWAYS bringing EVERY thought captive to the revelation burning in our hearts. It is as we are faithful to do these things that the captives shall be gloriously set free by the continual outpouring of the love shed abroad in our hearts to overflowing. One's target (aim) must always be to cast aside all unrighteous motivations towards those who have mistreated them in the past and begin to fix their eyes on the "things above"; for as they do, not only will they be lifted up but they shall then cause all those with whom they have to do, to be lifted up also. It is in this place of being "lifted up" that we, both individually and as a Body, shall experience divine protection and "insulation" (much in the same way the people of Israel were delivered at Passover) from the deadly schemes of Satan and his forces.

"KINGDOM" POSITION

It is also from this "Kingdom" position - and only from this position - that we shall be enabled and empowered to carry out our part in "bringing in the harvest" of the vast multitudes which shall surely be found crying out to God from the depths of their being as the Glory of God is released to a continually greater degree "right in the face" of the ever deepening darkness, death and destruction (calamity) that is even now "consuming" those whose lot (abundance) is with the "world". This of course includes "certain" children of God, who, for reasons which are "unexplainable" to even the most sanctified mind, shall remain in fellowship

with the "world" and thus, they shall - with hardened hearts and rebellious actions - begin to "curse" the very ones that the Father has sent to bring them into the fulness of their precious inheritance.

SELF-GLORIFICATION AND UNFORGIVENESS - TWO DEADLY ELEMENTS OF SIN

There are many who have a "distinct" call of God on their lives, but for one reason or another - in this most critical of all hours - they have held to a "mind-set" of attempting to bring the vision (plan) to pass that the Father has blessed them with - in the "strength" of their own understanding. The "foundation" of their thinking is grounded in a deep heart-desire to be "recognized" (self-glory) - this desire finding its root motivation in a ground of unforgiveness. Many of these "strongholds" which have been "allowed" to be built are the result of certain past bad experiences with authorities in the church and, in some cases "family". Thus, in their failure to "let go" of that bitter ground their "natural" progression has been to avoid the intimate fellowship with the Father and His Word which would ensure not only that they were healed of any past hurts, but also that the necessary power and light and wisdom to perfectly fulfil their destiny in Christ would be found "abiding" within them and flowing out through them. All involved would do well to hearken to the revelation coming from the Throne Room in this most critical hour. It will MOST CERTAINLY be the difference between total failure or total victory. This soon coming clash between "kingdoms" is a "take no prisoners" warfare and vast multitudes shall soon realize this. One does NOT want to be found fighting on the "wrong side"!

DILIGENTLY GUARD AGAINST "TAKING OFFENSE"

Each and every one of us - who are, even now, on the threshold of entering into the "fulness" of the ministry that God has called us to - are much in need of a "continually" deeper revelation of the importance of being free from "any" ground of unforgiveness that might remain. It is one thing for us to diligently guard against "taking offense" at anything that Satan attempts to derail our "love-walk" with, it is another to "allow" the Holy Spirit to "continually" do the deepest work of the Cross in us in order that we might become the pure and holy vessels of God's presence in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation that He so desires us to be. The only pre-requisite for God's perfect work and preparation to

become an "abiding reality" in our lives and ministries is "a heart wholly given".