

THE HELMET OF SALVATION

Ephesians 6: ¹⁷And take (definiteness and completion of action, the Spirit moving us and our yielding to him, To take to oneself what is presented by another, to receive) **the helmet** (about-head) **of salvation** (the helmet of salvation is presented as the means of protection)

The Greek word for helmet means literally, “something that is wrapped around the head.” it is something we must put on and wear. It is a protection for our mind.

We need the thoughts of God, concerning our salvation flowing into our mind. By once sacrifice He has perfected forever those who are in the process of sanctification. In the eternal realm our spirit is already perfected.

When the Holy Spirit reveals who we are in Christ, the revelation comes out of the throne room of God where Jesus is interceding for us, and flows through the revelation gate in our spirit into our mind. The revelation is prophetic, the Lord show us who we are in the future.

All of the divine attributes, the fullness of the Spirit dwelling in Jesus is transferred to us as we behold Him. We cannot see Jesus as an individual apart from us. We are in Him, therefore everything in Him, flows into us, causing us to be transformed into His image.

The Holy Spirits ministry is to take what Jesus provided for us through the cross, and impart that to us, so that we can receive it and partake of it.

Once the Holy Spirit reveals to us the divine nature in Christ and we can see that glory, where we experience it, then we can tune into it and meditate upon it where our mind becomes captivated by it.

We need to be able with our spirit to tune into the attributes of the divine nature, so that they flow into our mind.

We tune into His love, so that love can flow through us, changing the way that we think about people. We tune into His peace, so that peace can flow into our mind, so that it is not troubled. We tune into His joy, so that it can flow into our mind so we can celebrate that we are a new creation in Christ, the old things have passed away.

The problem is when we are focused on what we are not, or contrary circumstances that we are passing through.

Everything we are on a human level is passing away; in the eternal realm that God inhabits it does not exist. God does not see anything wrong with us, only the next level of Glory that we are to partake of as the Holy Spirit reveals it to us.

When our spirit is communing with God, the substance of His thoughts enters our mind. When our spirit becomes aware of an area of our life that has fallen short of His glory it causes us to tremble when the fear of God gate in our spirit is open and flowing. This is conviction of sin, seeing it through God's eyes. There is no shame or negative thought because it is something that repulses us. We thank God that he has blotted it out and apply His blood for the cleansing of our mind.

1 Thessalonians 5: ⁸But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on (clothe yourself, get into the Spirit) the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet (from peri, "around," and kephale, "a head," the protection of the soul which consists in (the hope of) salvation), the hope (confident expectation") of salvation.

We are in a process of sanctification, so if there is an area of our life that has not yet been totally set apart to God; we have to see ourselves in Christ-the next version of the person we are becoming.

There is a hope gate in our spirit, and the dreams of God for our life flow through it into our mind so that we are able to see the kind of person we want to be. We reckon ourselves dead to sin and alive to

God so that all thoughts contrary to the image of Christ cannot remain in our head.

The whole experience of our salvation is sustained by maintaining a hope of salvation. God is in the process of glorifying us in the time realm. Those whom he has foreknown he also has glorified-past tense, but we only experience it as we behold that glory.

Various ones in the Body of Christ are confronted with the problem of utter despair, of facing so many circumstances and problems without this living hope that God gives to the mind. It is like a helmet that protects it. If they do not have it, they become vulnerable to very great depths of despair, depths which can shatter them.

In our walk with God, we go through a certain transition while the Lord is shifting us from the human element to the divine element. Anyone who has had any confidence in the flesh will become broken before God because the Christian life is impossible to live on a human level.

Where they had been self-reliant and confident, we now feel completely inadequate to cope with anything. We come to utter despair. This is why thoughts of suicide often hit people who come into the dealings of God at the initial stage, because God has to bring them to the end of all human confidence. This is part of the circumcision of the heart that we experience as we are learning how to walk with God.

Philippians 3:3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. There is no confidence in the flesh whatsoever; we have learned bitterly, deeply, in a circumcision of heart, that there can be no basis of confidence whatsoever in what we are or what we can do on a human level.

The hope of salvation is not a confidence in human ability. It is a living thing that our mind receives through the grace of God, when this hope is flowing in us. It helps us reach in and believe God's promises, believe what He said, and have a hope when everything else of human hope is gone.

Anyone whose heart is set to walk with God is singled out for a great deal of attention by the enemy. The devil is not someone going around, merely trying to create a nuisance. He is the bitter enemy of God, trying to stop what God is bringing forth in the earth. When he foresees and anticipates anyone, anywhere, who has faith in Christ, whose heart is so hungry and open that they would reach into God, he will do everything he can to create circumstances, problems, obsessions, and oppressions to block them completely, to hem them in.

Sometimes one's mind can be filled with this oppressive thing that torments them; they can't get away from it. They do not know what to do.

But he who has begun a good work in us will finish it. What we need is the hope of salvation. Whatever is born of God will overcome the world. If we have been a Christian for a while we can look back and see that we are not the person that we use to be. Our growth in God will be accelerated as we come under the ministry of a living word from God. It will help us to be able to locate our spirit so that we can tune into the mind of Christ where God's thoughts flow into our mind giving us the hope of salvation.