Guidelines for the Exercise of the Lord's Day Prophesying Message Eight: The Man on the Throne

I. Overview:

In Ezek.1:26 reveals that the One on the throne has the appearance of a man. The One sitting on the throne is not only God but also man; He is the God-man. This is because of Satan's rebellion against God's throne. God desires to bring us to the throne to defeat, even to subdue Satan for bringing in the kingdom of God. Through His death and resurrection for this, the Lord Jesus was made the Lord in His ascension. He was the Forerunner, the first one to the throne and wanted us to follow Him. We should be brought to the throne, submit to God's authority, desire to exercise authority for God, eat Christ as the meal offering, live the life of a God-man, experience the humanity of Jesus with its virtues, and reign in life.

II. Truth and Enlightenment:

Day 1 --

A. What is the mysterious thought in the Bible concerning the relationship between God and man? God's desire is to become the same as man is and to make man the same as He is. This means that God's intention is to mingle Himself with man and thereby make Himself like man and make man like Him. The Lord Jesus is the God-man; He is the complete God and the perfect man. It is a delight to God that all His chosen and redeemed people would be God-men.

Explain what the Godman kind is.

In Christ God and man have become one entity, the God-man. In God's creation there was no mankind; there was only man as God's kind. It was through man's fall that mankind came into existence. Eventually God became a man to have a mass reproduction of Himself and thereby to produce a new kind. This new kind is God-man kind.

Day 2 --

A. Please describe the One sitting on the throne?

In verse 26b we are told that the One on the throne looks like a man. Mainly, our concept is that the One on the throne is the mighty God. Oh,the One who sits on the throne is a man! However, verse 28 speaks of "the appearance of the likeness of the glory of Jehovah." The One on the throne looks like a man, yet with Him there is the appearance of the glory of the Lord.

B. Explain the appearance of the man on the throne what aspects of two has.

From His loins upward He looks like electrum, and from His loins downward He looks like fire. When the Lord comes to us, He first comes as fire. Furthermore, whenever the Lord moves through us, He moves like fire to burn, enlighten, and search.

Day 3 --

A. Explain Acts 2:36: "...God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus..."

God has always been the Lord, but now a man is on the throne as the Lord. After He was crucified and buried, God resurrected Him and set Him at His right hand, making Him the Lord of all the universe. He was Christ from the time He was born, but as such a One, He was also officially made the very Christ of God in His ascension. The Lord was made Lord, as the Lord of all, to possess all; and He was made Christ, as God's Anointed, to carry out God's commission.

B. Expound that in ascension Christ is also the Ruler of the kings of the earth.

As the Ruler of the kings He is far above all earthly rulers. Apparently the earth is ruled by kings and presidents; actually the Lord Jesus rules the whole earth through the earthly authorities. Even all the kings and presidents are under His rule. Today He is the King of kings and the Lord of lords. He is the Ruler of all the ones who are in power. He is the chief Ruler in the divine government for the fulfillment of God's eternal plan.

Day 4 ---

A. Why does God want to bring us to the throne?

It is because of the rebellion of Satan against God's throne, which has been opposed and attacked by rebel forces. This is the greatest difficulty God faces in the universe. God's intention is to cast Satan down and to redeem many of those taken captive by Satan and bring them to His throne. God cannot receive the full glory until we are brought to the throne.

B. How will we be qualified to sit on the throne?

We have been called to be sons of God, and we are destined to be kings, but we need God to work in us and on us to qualify us for kingship. We have not only been delivered from sin, overcome the world, have our flesh dealt with and our natural constitution broke, but also been filled with the Holy Spirit, even more reigning with Christ in all things.

Day 5 --

A. Why must we have the proper human virtues to participate in God's kingdom?

It is impossible to have these virtues by ourselves. But thank God that we have One who is the proper, unique man dwelling in our spirit. Such a One with all His proper human virtues is in us to be our humanity. We need all the human virtues in order to put Satan to shame.

B. Why do we say that if we eat Christ as the meal offering, we will become Christ?

We are the priests, so we must eat Christ as the meal offering for our priestly diet. The Lord Jesus said that he who eats Him shall live because of Him. We are what we eat. What we eat eventually becomes our being. If day by day we eat Christ as our meal offering, eventually we will become Christ.

Day 6 --

A. Expound that the goal of being justified by God is to have life and reign in life.

The grace of God and the gift in grace of Christ abounded to the many unto justification of life to all men that many would reign in life through Christ. We are saved in life to the extent that the life we have received enthrones us as kings to reign over all things and reign in life.

B. How to experience to reign in life?

To reign in life is to be under the ruling of the divine life. To reign is to conquer, subdue, and rule over Satan, the world, sin, the flesh, ourselves, and all our environmental circumstances. Instead of waiting for the millennium in order to reign with Christ, we should desire to reign in life as kings today.

III. Conclusion:

The One sitting on the throne has the appearance of a man. God's intention is to work on man in order that man can be on the throne. Only when are we on the throne, God receive the full glory and God's kingdom come in full, God's enemy being subdued. In order to be brought to the throne, we need to live under the Lord's ruling, experiencing Christ's humanity, and we will never be out of balance. By the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness, for us to reign in life is to conquer, subdue, and rule over Satan, the world, sin, the flesh, ourselves, all kinds of insubordination, and all the environmental circumstances.