



# INSTRUCTIONS IN RIGHTEOUSNESS

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## In Heavenly Places

There are many good ways to serve God. Any measures that advance the Christian faith, God's kingdom, or the charitable and compassionate works of heaven, are commendable. All of these are a part of the Gospel, but the more these efforts are Holy Spirit led, the more effective they will be. There are 2 kinds of ministry; one is man initiated and the other is God initiated. The best business plan for ministry is not man-contrived, but one that flows from God's throne room. Then, it is God ordained and anointed and that releases a life-changing force. Every Christian should be a minister of the Gospel and should seek empowerment from God's throne room. This type of ministry is born out of prayer, worship and listening to God with spiritual ears. It is found in heavenly places.

Christians, are invited to come before heaven's throne to worship the Lord, to find agreement with God through prayer, and to receive direction for the service of good works. The Bible says:

***“God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms ... For we are ... created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Eph. 2:6,10***

A seat is waiting in heaven for you. A seat is a place of comfort, but not for sleeping. It is the place where you belong. There are many different chairs you could choose. You could choose the seat of the scornful (Ps. 1). Some pull out a chair and sit in the seat of violence (Amos 6:3). Legalists sit in Moses' seat (Mt. 23:2). Some people sit in the chair of pride and judgment (Lk. 11:43). Others sit in the seat of crooked business (Mk. 11:15). Some even dwell where Satan sits (Rev. 2:13). You are called to sit where the Lord God Almighty sits. You are invited to be seated in heavenly places with Christ Jesus.

If you are going to the throne room, let me tell you who and what is waiting for you there. First, the air is green like an emerald. That is the easiest color for the

human eye to see. Then there is a sapphire blue throne, and seated on it is the Lord God Almighty. You cannot see His face, but from the throne comes flashes of fire and lightning and rumblings of thunder. The Almighty has a scroll in His hand and in it are the detailed plans to destroy Satan and his followers and also the details of how God will release all of His blessings to redeemed Israel and the Church.

Around the Lord's throne are 4 cherubim. Besides the Trinity, they are the most powerful beings in the universe. Each of them has a face of a man, a lion, an ox and an eagle. These faces describe their character and their on-going activities. Together, the cherubim lead the host of heaven in worship of the Almighty and Jesus the Lamb. Night and day, the cherubim cry out, “Holy, holy, holy to the Lord God Almighty.” They also lead the armies of heaven in battle. That is, until the second coming of Christ. At that time, Jesus Himself will lead the armies of heaven.

Also, in front of the throne is an altar of prayer fire. The smoke from the prayers fills the throne room with godly intercession. Beneath the prayer altar are millions of souls of people who have died for their faith. They are in constant conversation with the

Almighty. They continue to partner with Him.

Between the throne and the altar stands Jesus, God's Son. He is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. He prays for us daily as our High Priest. He is the Lion from the Tribe of Judah and the Root of David. Notice, that in heaven, Jesus retains His Hebrew connection and His Jewish identity.

Around Jesus are 7 archangels. We know of Michael and Gabriel. We do not know the names of the other five. Like the cherubim, the 7 archangels are powerful warriors. They lead huge companies of angels who serve God's people. The archangels release protection angels, provision angels, and a vast company of angels whose main task is to bring us messages from the Lord. Some will definitely show up in our dreams.

Around this company are 24 elders. They are human representatives in God's throne room. They worship the Lord, and partner with believers on earth by using their bowls and harps. These are instruments for prophecy and prayer. The elders lead the rest of the saints who are in the throne room and they are involved in the councils of God.

In front of the throne, but much higher up, is what looks like a sea of glass, or a vast expanse of ice. This is actually a sea of people.

Every person who ever loved the Lord, but has died, is now in God's throne room. Paul said,

***"To be away from the body ... [is] to be home with the Lord."*** 2Cor. 5:8

Paul said, that when we die, we leave our bodies and are instantly at home with the Lord. We will be there, in the throne room, until resurrection day. While waiting, we are very active. Like the 24 elders, all human souls will have harps. They play them to inspire the songs of intercessory prayer for God's people who are still on earth (see Rev. 5:8, 14:2-5, 15:2).

Included in this scene are more angels than you can imagine. Circling high above the throne room, one hundred million angels are focused on the Almighty and the Lamb. They are worshipping and prophesying as they wait for their assignments. Then, one by one, these angels speed to the earth to fulfill their task to help humanity.

This is a snapshot picture of God's throne room. Every day, you are called there. I ask you, "Can you be seated in heavenly places with Christ? Are you comfortable in this throne room?"

You are called there to worship, to pray, to talk with the Lord, to receive peace, to be comforted, to prophecy, to listen to the sounds of heaven, to receive revelation, to be Holy Spirit empowered, and to discover your personal marching orders.

You may be at home, in your car, at work, in the great outdoors, or with the church. Wherever you are, you can also be in God's throne room.

As you sit there, you will look on the face of Jesus and lay all that you have at the feet of God Almighty (see 2Cor. 3:15-18). You will find peace, supernatural power, and direction for your life. There you will discover your destiny, your long term business plans and short-term guidance for every day. This is the birth place of Spirit led ministry.

If we meet with others who frequent the heavens, we can experience throne room activity here. The same interaction that happens with the group up there, can happen with the group down here. This is body ministry. Members of Christ's body bring precious gifts from the throne room. Prayers, prophecies, revelations and gifts of the Holy Spirit are released and we have Spirit-led corporate ministry. Paul said;

***"When you come together, everyone has a hymn, or a word of instruction, a revelation, a tongue or an interpretation. All of these must be done for the strengthening of the church."*** 1Cor. 14:25,26

Talk with the Lord and give Him everything. Step forward in faith and listen to the Holy Spirit. You will soon find yourself reaching for your chair in the heavenly places. **AΩ**



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