

singing : "Thy mercy my GOD" #11

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The most significant, biological revelation which men have been directed to, in the last century, is the discovery of DNA. This DNA is the building block that defines a man's genealogy and identifies his particular ancestry. If a person shares kinship with another human; that can be discovered by a match in the DNA markers which are shared by all in their common heritage.

This DNA testing ultimately proves that all of mankind have sprung from common parents. This fact is already known by those who are given faith to believe the Scriptural record in the Bible. All natural men share in a common heritage, having sprung from the loins of Adam, who had all of the natural DNA of the human race in him, when he was created from the dust of the Earth. Eve partook of that same DNA as she was formed from a rib taken from Adam's side.

Thus we can say, in this measure at least, that all natural men share in this "fellowship" one with another, but it is a "fellowship" which trends toward death and ends in destruction. *"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned" "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."*

Men are born sinners, under the curse of death, and manifest that corruptible nature by committing sin according to that heritage which they share in Adam. None can escape it by their will or desire. The natural man denies this fact, which can be seen in his natural religion which teaches him that he is born in a pure state, and only becomes a sinner by the act of sin. Thus in his will worship he believes that he can stop sinning whenever he has a mind to. Now it is true, that a man can curb some of his more egregious moral failures, such as is demonstrated when drunkards follow a twelve step program and overcome their addiction to alcohol or drug addicts successfully complete a rehabilitation and turn away from their habit.

Yet their "DNA" does not change. They remain sinners, unable in their flesh to remove their corruption or avoid the curse of death in the natural realm and unable to see and love the glory of GOD. Because men can adopt the ways of outward morality they often mistake this for "righteousness" and by their religious transformations and regimens think that they can cause themselves to become acceptable or pleasing in the sight of GOD.

Isaiah clearly reveals how the LORD would regard the "righteousness" of man's flesh, as he says, *"But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away. And there is none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee: for thou hast hid thy face from us, and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities."* He does not compare our iniquities to "filthy rags", but rather "our righteousnesses". He is plainly saying that man in his best state is altogether vanity. This notion is not palatable to the natural man who remains convinced that he can yet reason with GOD or present something of his own with which the LORD will be pleased. Modern "Christianity" tells a man that he can bring "his faith" to the table as a bargaining chip and when the LORD sees it he will be satisfied. To believe such is to perish.

Just as the LORD conferred natural life upon Adam who in turn passed that natural life unto all of HIS posterity, so too has the LORD JESUS CHRIST manifested *"that ETERNAL LIFE"* which was given to HIM by HIS FATHER. HE is the *"FULNESS of the GODHEAD bodily"*, the *"express IMAGE of GOD"*. HE is eternal, dwelling in the light to which no man can approach. In HIM, and nowhere else, is this "LIFE". Even as HE told HIS disciples in John 14:6 *"I am---THE LIFE"*.

Just as those who are born of Adam by natural birth, all *"have fellowship"* one with the other in that shared "natural life", so too, do those who are born again have fellowship in that LIFE which they are given by CHRIST HIMSELF.

The natural man cannot receive this LIFE, nor in anywise participate in it, for it must be conferred by the grace of GOD. *"Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."* Are you born of HIS SPIRIT?

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