THE PROMISED GIFT OF GOD TO MANKIND

INTRODUCTION

God created Man in His own image and likeness with a divine mandate to dominate over other creations and subdue the rebellious beings that were in darkness on the earth as at then. Adam was put to the test in the Garden of Eden in order to determine his own obedience before he could be confirmed to partake in taking revenge against the disobedient, but Adam himself fell into disobedience as well. **Gen 1:26-30; 2 Cor 10:3-6; I Cor 15:20-28**

God thereafter made provision for the restoration of Man even before He cast Adam and Eve out into the world. When? The LORD God spoke about the seed of the woman that was to come to bruise the head of the serpent. How? The Lamb of God was slain from the foundation of the world for that purpose was to be made manifest in the fullness of time. **Gen 3:15,21-24; I Pet 1:18-20; Rev 13:8**

In line with God's restoration agenda through the seed of the woman, He called out Abram from his father's household and country unto a land that He would show him and promised to bless him and make him the source by which the seed through whom all the families of the earth would be blessed. God later on confirmed this promise to Abraham after his obedience in offering his only son Isaac as God had commanded him. **Gen 12:1-5; Gen 22:16-18**

God is a Spirit and whatsoever He says and does is first and foremost spiritual before being made manifest subsequently in the physical for the appreciation of Man that is flesh and blood. Unfortunately, the natural man usually hears carnally and not spiritually when God speaks (I Cor 2:12-15). In God's dealings with Man, He enters into covenant with him predicated on promises that God makes and is obligated to fulfill based on Man's obedience to his own terms of the covenant. Abraham unlike Adam fulfilled his own part when tried by God before the ratification or confirmation of the promise that God made to him and the onus fell on God to fulfill His as it were. The divine plan that God had purposed from the fall of Adam was to be fulfilled through the seed of His friend, Abraham, by which the families of the whole earth where to be blessed whether they be Jews, Greeks or Gentiles, all mankind through the faith of Abraham as it were.

In this brief literature we shall be looking at WHO exactly is "the Promise of the Father" to all mankind and the means or "seed" by which "this Promise" was to come upon all the families of

the earth that were to be blessed thereby. Why is there need to explicitly examine and elucidate this? Because the Ministers of the People (MOPs) of the Churches as an organization (CAO) in whom majority trust have obscured the understanding of this foundational truth and thereby have kept men in darkness and ignorance as to who they are to mandatorily receive in order to have this promise of God fulfilled in their lives. It is by receipt of this promise that the children of the world, being sinners, are meant to be made children of God as saints, without which you remain a sinner, yet in deception and captivity still without knowing it- it is a great subtlety at work meant to keep men ignorant of who the Promise truly is.

You cannot receive what you do not know of and ask from God specifically because ignorance shall not be accepted as an excuse by the Lord at the end. We shall hear the Master, Jesus Christ in his doctrine as usual in order to bring forth the truth and dispel the half truths cum lies of the CAO and their cohorts.

CHRIST IS THE SEED AND NOT THE PROMISE

Is Jesus Christ the Promised Gift of God to all mankind? No! Rather the Father sent Christ to give us that gift through baptism. It is the Holy Ghost that is the Promised Gift of God to all mankind. Unfortunately, the CAO hath made many not to know this foundational truth, teaching that the Promised Gift of God is Jesus Christ, but this is not true according to the doctrine of Christ. Jesus Christ is the seed of promise through which the Promised gift was to come. It is Christ that baptizeth with the Holy Ghost and with power all those that truly believe on his name, that is the divine flow.

THE SEED OF THE WOMAN

By the Woman, Adam, the first man fell into sin and all mankind with him, but also by the Woman God decreed the seed that was to come forth, the last Adam, by which mankind shall be reconciled unto Him in righteousness during the last days.

Our LORD God is one that maketh known the end even from the beginning and calleth those things that be not as though they were. Before Adam and Eve were cast out of the garden of Eden God declared the provision for Man's restoration in the prophetic declaration of

Gen 3: 14-16 (Vr.15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. **Vr.16** Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children;

Rev 12:1-17 (Vr.1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: Vr.2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. Vr.3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. Vr.4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. Vr.5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne. Vr.6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

The question was how was this seed going to be made manifest in the world? At the fullness of time through a virgin called Mary. **Lk 1:26-38**

Isa 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

THE PROMISED SEED TO BE FROM ABRAHAM

It is God that called and chose Abram from his father's house in his generation to be the lineage through which the families of the whole earth were to be blessed and that being through the promised seed of God from him.

Gen 12:2-3 (Vr.2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: **Vr.3** And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Abram being called Abraham believed God and it was counted unto him as righteousness. Abraham proved himself faithful in obeying God even unto the sacrifice of the figure of the true seed, Isaac his only begotten son through Sarah his wife.

Gen 22:1-18 (Vr.1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. Vr.2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. Vr.3 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. Vr.16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: Vr.17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; Vr.18

And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Hebr 11:8-19 (Vr. 8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. Vr.9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise [the promise of the Spirit]: Vr.11 Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised. Vr.12 Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable. Vr.13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. Vr.16 But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city. Vr.17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, Vr.18 Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: Vr.19 Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

Gal 3:16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promise made. He saith not and to seeds, as of many but as of one, and to thy seed, which is Christ. **Vr.18** For if the inheritance be of the law it is no more of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise. **Vr.19** Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions till the seed [which is Christ] should come to whom the promise was made. **Vr.14** That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. **Vr.29** And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Acts 3:25 Ye are the children of the prophets and of the covenant which God made with our fathers saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all kindred of the earth be blessed. Vr.26 unto you first God having raised up His Son Jesus.

Abraham received a physical seed- Isaac through whom the nation of Israel was to be born and established (**Heb 11:11-12**), while the heavenly seed- Christ was hundreds of years to even come but that was inclusive in the divine promise that God made to Abraham which physically here on earth he was not to see or partake of but spiritually he was and did partake of it. How? **Jn 8:56-58; Lk 20:37-38**

The promises of God are established in the spiritual first before being made physical and extend even beyond this present world to the world to come- that is the span or scope that His

promises cover. The fulfillment of God's promises to us are not tied or limited to our own short/brief span of life here on earth rather it even extends to our time in the world to come and in heaven. On earth it covers thousands of generations to come.

God's promises are for those that walk with him by faith with patience and are possessed by such at His determined time. The promises of God are eternally geared or intended, rather than just temporal or earthly focused as the CAO preach always in their another gospel. God speaks and promises of eternal things that are spiritual in the testimonies of Jesus. 2 Cor 4:16-18; Eph 1:3-5; Rom 4:17; Colo 3:1-4; Mk 10:28-31

THE SEED OF DAVID

In the days of king David the son of Jesse, he found favour before God even as a man after God's heart. And God reaffirmed His covenant promise with his fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and declared that the promised seed shall be the son of David even though the natural seed of David which built the LORD an house, the temple made with hands was Solomon. Christ, the promised seed builds for God in us a temple of the Holy Ghost being adopted as sons of God in him. I Chron 17:10-14; Jn 2:18-22; I Cor 6:19-20; Mtt 16:18

Jn 7:42 Hath not the scripture said, That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was?

Rom 1:1-6 (Vr.1 Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God, **Vr.2** (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,) **Vr.3** Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;

Therefore, Jesus Christ is called the son of David being made a seed of David.

Mtt 1:1-17 (Vr.1 The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Vr.17 So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon are fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations. Vr.20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

Lk 1: 30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. **Vr.31** And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. **Vr.32** He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall

give unto him the throne of his father David: **Vr.33** And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Acts 13:22 And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will. Vr.23 Of this man's seed hath God according to his promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:

Acts 2:29 Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. Vr.30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

CHRIST WAS A SEED SOWN IN THE GROUND OF THE EARTH

God the Father in fulfillment of His promise to Abraham had made Christ the seed through which all the families of the earth shall be blessed. How? for with the fall of Adam all the families of the earth operating on the cursed ground of the world were sold under sin having been made carnal (**Gen 3:14-19; Rom 7:14**). Every man born of a woman, born of flesh was destined to die, for all hath sinned and come short of the glory of God (**Rom 3:23; Rom 5:12-14**). And for mankind to be blessed we needed to be redeemed from the curse, turned away from iniquities unto righteousness, and made spiritual again as Adam was at the beginning of creation. **Gal 3:7-14; Acts 3:25-26**

This could only be accomplished by first, the sacrifice of the unblemished Lamb of God, a worthy and acceptable offering to God for the sin of the world. Then the release of the promised Holy Spirit at the glorification of the resurrected Christ, for all that believes in him to be born of the Spirit of truth through baptism thereafter as an image on earth of the true that is to come, for that is our hope of inheritance. This is how the children of God were to be born spiritually on earth being made the sons of God. Christ, the only begotten Son of God was sent by the Father to die so that we the adopted sons of God can be brought forth by the Spirit through baptism. God is a Spirit and they that are to worship Him are to do so in spirit and in truth, therefore the need for the new birth experience for all those that are to be saved by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ. Rom 3:21-26; Jn 1:11-14; Rom 8:9-25; Jn 4:20-24; Jn 3:3-8,14-15; Acts 2:37-38; Mk 16:15-18; Hebr 2:9-17; Hebr 10:5-10

Jn 1:29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

Jn 12:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die [even as Christ died on the cross], it bringeth forth much fruit [even

as the fruit of the Spirit is produced by those that receive of the Holy Ghost in baptism]. **Vr.25** He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.

I Cor 15:35 But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Vr.36 Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: Vr.37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: Vr.38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

Christ was the sealed seed of God sown in the grounds of the world in order to die therein and bring forth fruit (adopted sons of God) by the release of the Holy Ghost upon all flesh that believe in him, in order that they can become fruit bearing children of God in this present evil and adulterous world. Without receiving of the Holy Ghost in baptism you cannot be said to be a child of God (born of the Spirit by the will of God) even as the saints of old did not have this Spirit and were never called children or sons of God being not born of the Spirit. None of the saints of old were born again before their death having not received of the promise. **Hebr 11:13,39-40; Mtt 13:16-17; Rom 8:18-23; Gal 4:1-7; I Pet 1:3**

Jn 6:27 Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.

CHRIST IS THE GIVER OF THE PROMISE

Christ was sent into this world to die for sinners in order that God might make available the Holy Ghost through baptism unto repentant sinners for them to become saints of God by faith in Christ Jesus. Sinners are converted to saints by being purged, cleansed, justified, sanctified and sealed thereafter with the Spirit as it were. I Cor 6:11; Rom 8:28-30

Eph 1:11-14 (Vr.13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

Rom 5: 8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. **Vr.9** Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. **Vr.10** For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life [through the Spirit of life that he gives in baptism]. **Vr.11** And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

God sent Christ to bless us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places by giving us of the gift of the Holy Ghost in baptism having atoned for our sins by his blood which was shed at his death on the cross. Unfortunately, the CAO concentrates men on acquiring physical, earthly and temporal blessings that shall pass away by their "prosperity" gospel of today devoid of the Spirit impartation through baptism. Men are made to continually seek bread and fish, meat and drink, but not the Holy Ghost by the CAO MOPs. Their "Abraham's blessings are mine" are majorly carnal things of the world and not spiritual blessings of the gifts and fruit of the Spirit and the spiritual things of the kingdom. Lk 11:9-13; Lk 12:15-21; Rom 14:17; Mtt 16:17-19; Mtt 13:9-17,51-53

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; Vr.20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Vr.25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. Vr.26 Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

Eph 1:3-9 (Vr.3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

Without receiving of the gift of God, the promise of the Father that Christ came to give in baptism then your belief in him is vain and shall profit you nothing at the end.

Jn 4:5-15 (Vr.10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water [the Holy Spirit]. Vr.14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life [Have you received of this living water ever since you believed?].

Acts 19:1-7 (Vr.2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? Vr.6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

Jn 7:37-39 (Vr.37 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst [by the CAO teaching, men are not made to thirst for the gift of God, the Holy Ghost in baptism rather at best it is the Holy Spirit for anointing as a substitute cum replacement, which is not the promised gift of God. It is what you are seeking, asking, knocking, looking and thirsting for that you will get not what you do not even know about or are made ignorant of], let him come unto me, and drink. Vr.38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. Vr.39 But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that

<u>believe on him should receive</u> [compulsorily]: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.

Lk 24:44-49 (Vr.49 And, behold, <u>I send the promise of my Father upon you</u> [Holy Ghost baptism]: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high [baptism with fire].

Jn 20:21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. **Vr.22** And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, <u>Receive ye the Holy Ghost</u>: **Vr.23** Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

Acts 8:12-23 (Vr.17 Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost. Vr.18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, Vr.19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. Vr.20 But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.

2 Tim 1: 6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

Jn 1:29-34 (Vr.33 And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.

Mtt 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

Acts 1:1-9 (Vr.5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence [without which you cannot be born again, born of the Spirit].

Acts 2: 32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Vr.33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

THE CHILDREN OF PROMISE

There are children of promise that are after the flesh, the natural Jews derived from the natural seed of Abraham that is by Isaac, while there are the children of promise that are after the Spirit derived from the heavenly seed of promise that is Christ Jesus, the Lord from heaven. The former are in bondage, while the latter have been made free by the faith of Jesus Christ. Salvation that came by the Jews has been made available to all mankind through Christ Jesus. Rom 9:22-33; Jn 4:20-24

Rom 9:6 Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel: **Vr.7** Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called. **Vr.8** That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.

Gal 3:16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, and to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ. Vr.22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe [whether they be Jews or Gentiles without exception]. Vr.26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. Vr.27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Vr.28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. Vr.29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Gal 4:22-31 (**Vr.28** Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. **Vr.29** But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now.

Qn: For us that are to be found in Christ what is the promise by faith of Jesus Christ we are meant to receive if we truly believe? It is the Holy Ghost.

Acts 2: 32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Vr.33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. Vr.38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Vr.39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Gal 3:14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ [*How?*]; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. **Vr.22** But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe [thereby making them children of the promise].

Eph 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also <u>after that ye believed</u>, <u>ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise</u>,

Unfortunately, many are said to believe today without ever having to receive of the Holy Spirit of promise and therefore are not counted as children of God being not made the children of promise. The CAO declares men to be saved and born again without the Holy Ghost baptism through their "altar call" mere mouth confession ordinance of men. The Master never taught us that as the way to become born again of water and of the Spirit rather it is men that contrived that in their own wisdom based on their own erroneous interpretation of Paul's epistle to the Roman Christians. Rom 10:1,8-10; Jn 3:3-8

The children of promise are the children of the Spirit, being born of the Spirit according to the will of God. They are those that receive of the Spirit of promise after having believed in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ upon the cross for the remission of sins through baptism in the name of Jesus. There is a distinction between coming to believe in Christ's atoning sacrifice on the cross and receiving of the Spirit in baptism- the former event precedes the latter. **Acts 2:38**

THE PROMISE OF THE NEW COVENANT

The new covenant of God with Israel that was to eventually include the Gentiles, who were excluded from the old covenant based on the Law, was to be predicated on THE PROMISE by faith of Jesus Christ, which is the Holy Spirit of promise. Moses was the mediator of the Old Testament by his giving of the children of Israel the Law, while Christ is the mediator of the New Testament by his giving of the children of promise the Holy Ghost. The latter is a better covenant established upon better promises by which all families of the earth are to be blessed in fulfillment of God's promise to His friend, Abraham. **Hebr 8:6**; **Jer 31:31-34**

Gal 3: 13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: **Vr.14** That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

The contents of this new covenant can be identified in the following passages:

Heb 8:6-13 (Vr.7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second. **Vr.8** For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah: **Vr.9** Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my

covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord. **Vr.10** For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people [How? by the Spirit]: **Vr.11** And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest [How? I Jn 2:27; Jn 14:25-26]. **Vr.12** For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

Hebr 10:16 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; **Vr.17** And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. **Vr.18** Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin.

Ezek 11:14-20 (Vr.19 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh: **Vr.20** That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

2 Cor 6:14-18 (Vr.16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. **Vr.17** Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, **Vr.18** And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

To partake of the New Covenant in order to fulfill it as children of the promise you need to undergo the following heavenly ordained processes:

Acts 2: 32-41 (Vr.38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Vr.39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. Vr.41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: Vr.32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Vr.33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

Lk 24:44-49 (Vr. 44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, **Vr.47** And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, **Vr.49** And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Acts 1: 4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, "which," saith he, "ye have heard of me. Vr.5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

It is based on the Promised Holy Ghost that the New Testament (N.T.) is established. By the death of Jesus Christ on the cross, the curse of the Law contained in the Old Testament (O.T.) was broken, while by his resurrection and the release of the Holy Ghost, the New Testament was enacted. So those of the CAO that claim to be born again under the N.T. by mere mouth confession at an "altar call" ritual without receiving of the Spirit in baptism deceive themselves being yet born of the flesh and not of water and of the Spirit. They are yet in the flesh and cannot be said to be in the Spirit having not received the witness of the Spirit. You cannot be a son without receiving the Spirit of the Son of God into your heart through baptism. **Gal 4:3-7**

Rom 8:8-17 (Vr.8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. Vr.9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. Vr.10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. Vr.11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. Vr.15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. Vr.16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

Heb 9:15 And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance [by receiving of the Holy Ghost]. **Vr.16** For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. **Vr.17** For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.

Every covenant that God enters with man there is a token by which the covenant is established and recognized by all bound to it in their generation. For God's covenant pact with Noah, called the Noahic covenant it was the rainbow in the cloud – **Gen 9:8-17**. The token of the Abrahamic covenant was circumcision of the foreskin with hands – **Gen 17:1-14**. That of the Mosaic covenant under the Law (the old covenant) is the keeping of the Sabbath day of rest holy – **Exo 20:8-11**; **Ezek 20:11-12**. While the tokens of the New covenant under Christ is baptism with water symbolizing circumcision of the heart without hands, and even more importantly the baptism with the Holy Ghost and with fire, without which you are not made partaker of the New covenant as it were. **Mtt 3:11**; **Mk 16:15-18**; **Jn 7:19-23**; **Colo 2:11-12**; **Jn 3:5**

WHAT COMES WITH RECEIVING THE PROMISE?

It is through the receipt of the Holy Ghost in baptism by a Believer in Christ that the following are made possible:

- * You are able to see the kingdom of God and receive it within you by faith. Gal 1-5; Lk 17:20-21; Mtt 12:28; Mk 9:1; Jn 3:3; Mtt 6:33; Rom 14:17
- * You shall enter the kingdom of God at the second coming of Jesus Christ if you endure till the end. Jn 3:5-8; Jn 14:1-3; Jn 17:24; Lk 22:28-30
- * You are assured and guaranteed of everlasting life in the kingdom at the end. Without receiving the Spirit of life you cannot receive the gift of eternal life. Jn 4:10,14; Jn 6:27; Jn 7:38; Rom 6:22-23
- * Your sanctification and obedience of the truth is possible and sustained till the end by the Spirit. 2 Thess 2:13; I Pet 1:2
- * You can receive true salvation at the end. Jn 16: 7-8; Rom 5:9-10; I Pet 1:2-10
- * You become a son of God that is sealed and led by the Spirit of Christ. Rom 8:9,14-16; Gal 4:4-7; Jn 6:27; Gal 3:22,25-26
- * You become an elect of God, chosen, ordained, sealed with the Spirit, and sent forth by Christ into the world to bear witness in the gospel. Jn 15:16; Jn 20:21-23; Eph 4:30; I Pet 1:2; Colo 3:12
- * You are able to hear Christ and obey him, receiving understanding of his words in wisdom under the tutelage of the Spirit of truth in you. Jn 14:15-17,23-26; Jn 16:12-15; Jn 10:25-28; I Jn 2:27
- * You are made a witness of the truth in the resurrection of Jesus Christ with the Spirit of witness mightily at work in you. Lk 24:48-49; Acts 1:4-5,8; Jn 15:26-27; Acts 5:30-32; I Pet 1:12
- * You shall be made a partaker of the resurrection from the dead unto life at the last day. Jn 5:24-25,28-29; Jn 6:39-40; Lk 20:35-36
- * You are made an heir of God in Christ according to the promise, by which ye shall obtain the eternal inheritance of the prepared kingdom that Christ shall give unto all those that overcome. You cannot overcome in this world without receiving the Comforter. **Eph 4:30**; **Rom 8:14-17**; **Gal 3:14,29**; **Rev 3:21**; **Lk 22:28-30**; **Mtt 25:31-34**; **I Jn 4:4**; **I Jn 5:4-6**

- * You are begotten unto a lively hope by which ye shall be saved. The hope of glory is orchestrated by the Spirit of Christ in you. Without receiving the Promise you cannot have the hope or understanding of that hope as it were. It is by the Promise that the hope comes and the patience to wait for its manifestation on the last day in order to receive the reward. Gal 5:4-5; Rom 8:23-27; I Pet 1:2-7; Rom 5:1-5; Colo 1:27; Eph 1:17-19; Acts 26:6-9, 19-23
- * You are able to bear fruit that shall abide by your obedience to the continual ministration of the Spirit in your heart. Jn 15:8,16; Rom 6:22; Rom 7:4,6; Gal 5:22-23
- * You are able to manifest the gifts of the Spirit as he enables you and demonstrate the power of his resurrection not just by words but by deeds. I Thess 1:5; I Cor 2:1-7; Mk 16:15-20; I Cor 12:1-13; Eph 4:4-13
- * You receive the love of God in your heart and grace to overcome temptations, power over sin and the enablement to do the will of God acceptably, obeying the commandments of God and that of His Christ. You become a servant of righteousness rather than a servant of sin. **Rom 5:1-5; Rom 6:12-22; Eph 4:7**
- * You are able to walk and live in the Spirit after the new man and no longer according to the flesh after the old man, being made spiritually minded. **Eph 4:22-24; Rom 8:1-6**

The benefits that accompany receipt of the promised Holy Ghost are so numerous, for one to truly be said to be a Christian, unlike what obtains generally today amongst the CAO that produce by their doctrine, so called "Christians" that have not the Holy Ghost received through baptism but by feigned mouth confessions. Mtt 3:11; Rom 8:9; 2 Tim 2:19-22; Mtt 23:13,15-16

CONCLUSION

The promised seed was made flesh in order to die so that all that believe in him might receive the gift of God, the Holy Ghost through whom the promised kingdom, inheritance in heaven and everlasting life shall become no longer a hope in this world, but a spiritual reality in the world to come for all that endure therein till the end. **Mk 10:28-31**

Unfortunately, the CAO by the preaching of the another gospel and the teaching of their doctrines keep men from having this foundational knowledge in their salvation pursuit and unto remaining ignorant of the need to hunger, thirst and seek earnestly for the promise of the Father in order to become true sons of God. It is what you know that you shall ask for and it is what you ask for in faith that ye shall receive. You cannot be born of the Spirit without being baptized with the Holy Ghost; so all those that claim to be born again under the CAO system

without the baptism deceive themselves as it were. Jn 14:15-19; Jn 4:7-10; Lk 11:9-13,52-53; Rom 10:13-18; Gal 3:1-2

The CAO MOPs ask men to receive Christ into their life but not receive the promise. But we ask men to believe in Christ in order that they might receive the promise, the Spirit (may the good Lord grant you wisdom to know the difference- Jn 14:1; Jn 20:21-22; Acts 19:1-2,3-6; Acts 16:29-33). Christ came into the world to die in order to receive the promise from the Father at his resurrection to give unto all those that truly believe in his name thereafter. And if you do not receive that which he had died to give, then your faith is in vain and you deceive yourself answering "born again" but yet still being of the world. Jn 6:47-51; Acts 2:32-33; Acts 1:3-5; Jn 4:10,14; Jn 7:37-39; Acts 5:29-32

Jn 14:1 Ye believe in God, believe also in me. Vr.16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Vr.17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. Vr.18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Vr.19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

Jn 12:23 And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. **Vr.24** Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.

Jn 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: <u>for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you</u> [and there would be no salvation possible]; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. **Vr.8** And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

Mk 1:8 I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.

Jn 20:19-23 (Vr.21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. Vr.22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

Acts 2:37-41 (Vr.38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and <u>ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost</u>.

Jn 7:37-39 (Vr.39 But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.

I beseech you Brethren, do not die in whatsoever faith that you profess without receiving the Spirit for it is the promise of the Father to all that truly believe in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Christ is the living bread, while the Spirit is the living water that you need to receive flowing out of your belly unto everlasting life. **Hebr 11:32-40**; **Isa 32:15**; **Isa 44:3**; **Joel 2:28-29**

God is a Spirit and He promised to give us of His Spirit in Christ Jesus in order that we might become Christ's brethren, joint heirs with him. This He accomplishes in all those that truly believe in Christ being baptized with his Spirit. Are you one of those?

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