THE SEED IS SEEN THROUGHOUT THE BIBLE

There Is A Mystery Concerning The SEED

- 1. Strong's Concordance defines the Greek word SEED as "something sown; male sperm; offspring; remnant".
- 2. The scriptures reveal that there is a "SEED time" and a "harvest time" in the Earth.
- **3**. All SEED produces after its own kind. Those who are "in Christ" are reproduced after His likeness. The SEED is a "He" (Head and Body); 1 John 3:2; Rev. 21:9-12.
- **4**. The SEED contains the full potential within it, but it must develop into maturity.
- 5. Men are born again by God's implanted SEED: the living, abiding Word; 1 Pet. 1:23.
- **6.** A "son" begins as a SEED, sown into the Earth. It will "die", break open and sprout, changing its form; John 12:24. There is progressive, unfolding "change" (Greek: "metamorphosis") from "glory to glory", that occurs within the sons of God; 2 Cor. 3:18.
- 7. There is both a CREATION and a FORMATION, as revealed in the life of Jacob, whose name was changed to Israel: "But now thus saith the Lord that CREATED THEE, O Jacob and he that FORMED THEE, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine"; Isaiah 43:1.

The SEED Of Abraham

- **A**. Is seen in Jesus Christ (Head and Body); Galatians 3:16: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's SEED and heirs according to the promise"; Galatians 3:29
- **B**. The SEED of Abraham is in three dimensions:
- 1. DUST God said "I will make thy SEED as the DUST of the earth..."Gen. 13:16.
- a. It points to the Adamic nature; man is formed from the dust of the ground; Gen. 2:7
- b. Dust is "serpent's food"; Gen. 3:14. The enemy "feeds upon" the works of the flesh; Galatians 5:19-21.
- 2. <u>SAND</u> God said "...I will multiply thy SEED...as the SAND which is upon the sea shore..."Genesis 22:17.
- a. Sand is associated with the "Seas of Humanity", that which is moved by "waves"
- b. Sand also points to kingdoms of men: that which is unstable or shifting; Matt. 7:26
- 3. <u>STARS</u> God showed Abraham the heavenly dimension when He said "...I will multiply thy SEED as the STARS of the heaven..."Gen. 15:5; 22:17
- a. In Genesis 15:5, the LORD brought Abraham "OUT OF HIS TENT"; 2 Cor. 5:1, (the confinement of his earthly vision), so that his vision of inheritance could be enlarged and realized: "Look now toward HEAVEN..."
- b. Stars speak of the Heavenly Seed; messengers; the celestial hosts; Daniel 12:3; Psalm 147:4; Revelation 1:20; 2:1, 28
- **C**. Abraham's SEED points to a company of "sons" that no man can number; Matt. 5:13-14. There are degrees of "glory" within these dimensions as revealed in 1 Cor. 15:40-41. The "manifested sons" (Greek: "manifestation" = disclosure; appearing; revelation of") will be revealed in both the Earthly and Heavenly dimensions; Romans 8:19:

1. The Earthly Dimension:

- a. The "terrestrial body" is limited to the earthly sphere; 2 Corinthians 5:1-4.
- b. Jesus had a glorified earth body: "Behold my hands and feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have"; Luke 24:39.

- c. The mortal must put on "immortality". We shall be changed from "corruptible to incorruptible"; 1 Corinthians 15:53-54.
 - d. The Jews have an "earthly" inheritance, an appointed land upon the Earth.

2. The Heavenly Dimension:

- a. This points to a "celestial body": that which has the ability to move in limitless space. "Celestial" means "above the sky, heavenly, high, over, elevation"
- b. This is the "better" (Greek: "stronger, nobler, best") "resurrection" (triumph of faith over suffering, a higher reward) as described in Hebrews 11:35; Matthew 17:2
- c. The nature of "heavenly bodies" (as signs) is to control and affect that which is under its influence; see Genesis 1:14-18. (This has a parallel in biblical truth). Isaiah 8:18: "Behold, I and the children whom the Lord hath given me ARE FOR SIGNS and for wonders in Israel…", for example:
 - 1. sun: life on Earth depends upon the sun, which produces heat and light
 - 2. **moon**: reflects the sun's light; it affects the tides and seasons upon Earth
- 3. **stars**: their brilliance varies and differs in glory; stars give direction to the inhabitants of Earth; the constellations "speak" or portray a message in the heavens
- d. The Bride will put on the "glory" of the celestial as she is changed into the likeness of Jesus' glorious body. She will have influential positions of ruler ship; Phil. 3:21.
- **D**. The scriptures reveal Abraham's SEED as ONE Covenant People of the ages who walk by faith; ONE "new man"; Ephesians 2:15-16: "His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two (Jew and Gentile), thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross..."
- **E.** Jesus Christ will reap a "harvest" from the SEED that was sown (His own life); John 12:24: a people who are called out from the Jews and the Gentiles. This consists of the "heavenly ones above" and the "earthly ones below". JESUS CHRIST is:
- a. The SEED of the WOMAN; Genesis 3:15
- b. The SEED of ABRAHAM; Matthew 1:1; Romans 4:11-25
- c. The SEED of DAVID; Matthew 1:1.

The Panorama Of Scripture Reveals The Principle Of The SEED:

- **1**. The SEED COMES; Genesis 3:15. Throughout the Old Testament, from Genesis to Malachi, the message is clear: The Seed is Coming!
- **2**. The SEED DIES; John 12:24. The Seed came, but He came to die! Matthew, Mark, Luke and John all attest to His death. In the gospels, the Seed dies; John 12:24.
- **3**. The SEED LIVES; Acts 2:24. The book of Acts records the fact that the Seed lives, as seen in the early Church! The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead gave birth to the infant Church, and empowered it with the Holy Spirit; Acts 2:24.
- **4**. The SEED SPEAKS; Hebrews 1:1. From Romans to Jude the Seed speaks, revealing His heart: His character, His grace and His truth. In the Epistles, the Seed speaks of the faith, the hope and the love of God.
- **5**. The SEED REIGNS; Revelation 11:15. The Seed reigns in the book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ, which reveals a progressive unfolding of the Christ nature, the appearing of Jesus within His people, who manifest the glory of God as they overcome every obstacle, who see His Kingdom established in their lives and in the earth.