



## 3.12 - Living in the Life Cycle or the Death Cycle - Your Choice!

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(Scriptures from KJV unless noted otherwise)

### Foundation Scriptures:

#### Rom. 8:1-2

<sup>1</sup> *There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.* <sup>2</sup> **For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.** (KJV)

#### John 6:63

<sup>63</sup> *It is the spirit that gives life; **the flesh profits nothing**: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they **are life**.* (KJV)

#### John 8:25-32

<sup>25</sup> *Then said they unto him, who are you? And Jesus said unto them, Even the same that I said unto you from the beginning.* <sup>26</sup> **I have many things to say and to judge of you: but he that sent me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I have heard of him.** <sup>27</sup> *They understood not that he spoke to them of the Father.* <sup>28</sup> *Then said Jesus unto them, when you have lifted up the Son of man, then shall you know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father has taught me, I speak these things.* <sup>29</sup> *And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.* <sup>30</sup> **As he spoke these words, many believed on him.** <sup>31</sup> *Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, **If you continue in my word, then are you my disciples indeed;*** <sup>32</sup> *and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.* (KJV)

### 1.0 - Jesus always spoke Words of Truth!

- In v30 - We see that they believed on Jesus as he spoke those words but before they did not believe, **they had just become new believers!**
- In v26 - The words that Jesus spoke while he was on earth were true not because he was Jesus but because **he only spoke the words his Father** said - who is truth!
- In v29 - If you have heard and seen Jesus then you have heard and seen the Father – **Jesus copied the Father! – this is an important fact!**
- In v31 – Said to them if you continue in my word..... “*you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free*” – **in other words if you copy me as I copy the Father** you will know the truth and you will be free!
- In v31 – “**Then you are my disciples indeed**” – a disciple is one who is taught by teaching and actions, what the teacher says and does!
- We are to **discipline our words, thoughts and actions** to Jesus and what he did and then we will be free as he was!

### 2.0 - Was Jesus like Everybody Else?

- No, Jesus was not like everybody else even though **he lived in the same environment** and came up against the same daily problems and temptations as everybody else did, Jesus was living in the “Life Cycle” while everybody else was living in the “Death Cycle”.
- Jesus was living on the “**Law of God**” and everybody else is living on the “**Law of Death**”, we find this in Deut.30:19



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### Deut.30:19

<sup>19</sup> *I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that **I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may live: (KJV)*

- Both Laws are **working at the same time** in the same physical and spiritual environments and we have the choice under which Law we live under!
- Two people can seat side by side in the same family, work place or church, and yet one lives or operates in the Life Cycle and the other operates in the Death Cycle.
- **Jesus disciplined himself in his words, thinking and actions to that of his Father** (Word of God) and therefore lived in the “Law of Life” and when the “Law of Death” came up against the “Law of Life”, Death had to bow its knee – why? Because **the “Law of Life” always supersedes the “Law of death”** in any area of life particularly in the life of a born again believer!
- Living in the “Life Cycle” is to be a conscious & continuous life style to experience the results the Jesus experienced!

### Luke 8:22-25

<sup>22</sup> *Now it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake. And they launched forth. <sup>23</sup> But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled with water, and were in jeopardy. <sup>24</sup> And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm. <sup>25</sup> And he said unto them, where is your faith? And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, **what manner of man is this! for he commands even the winds and water, and they obey him.** (KJV)*

- In this situation we can see clearly that Jesus was operating in the “Law of Life” and not in the “Law of Death” while his disciples were operating in words, thought and actions of death. Notice the death had to give way to life – but both cycles were operating at the same time!
- They said - **What manner of man is this! for he commands even the winds and water, and they obey him.**
- Every time that Jesus faced a “law of death” situation he did and said what pleased the Father, the Word of God – **It is written**, and Jesus was and is our example to follow and be transformed into his image.
- **Jesus operated in FAITH and its laws while living under in the “Life Cycle”** – without FAITH it is impossible to please the FATHER and Jesus pleased the FATHER always.

## 3.0 - The Same Storms of Life.

### Matt.7:24-27

<sup>24</sup> *Therefore **whosoever hears these sayings of mine, and does them**, I will liken him **unto a wise man**, which built his house upon a rock: <sup>25</sup> And **the rain** descended, and the floods came, and **the winds blew**, and beat upon that house; and **it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.** <sup>26</sup> And every one that hears these sayings of mine, and **does them not**, shall be likened unto a **foolish man**, which built his house upon the sand: <sup>27</sup> And **the rain** descended, and **the floods** came, and **the winds blew**, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it. (KJV)*

- It was **the same rain, the same floods and the same wind** that came on both houses – **the same pressures of life!**



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- The recession did not cause your financial ruin, it is part of the “Death Cycle” it is part of the “Law of Sin & Death”.
- One person is copying or following God and the other person not following God but the world and its way of doing things which is normally opposite to the ways of God!
- One person is a believer trusting God by FAITH living in the Word of God – the “Life Cycle” and the other person is not trusting God and living in the “Death Cycle” and both have different results.
- Building your house on the rock or life, is done by trusting God and using the Word of God through the name of Jesus in FAITH.
- This does not happen overnight or in a short time but is built over time by becoming a life style.

### 4.0 - Consider Jesus our High Priest and his Anointing.

#### Heb. 12:1-3

<sup>1</sup> Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> Looking unto Jesus the **author and finisher of our faith**; who **for the joy that was set before him** endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup> **For consider him** that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest you be wearied and faint in your minds. (KJV)

- What was the joy set before him in v 2?
- To carry out the covenant as **Lord and High Priest** over our confessions of FAITH.
- **Jesus is Lord over sickness & disease and High Priest over healing & deliverance.**
- **Who was Jesus high priest over his confession while Jesus was on the earth – The Father!**

#### Heb. 3:1

<sup>1</sup> Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, **consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus**; (KJV)

- Profession or confession of FAITH.
- Jesus, (**Apostle**) the sent one from God and (**High Priest**) of our confession of Faith is in a situation, as we speak the Word of God (the truth), to make in come into reality by his anointing (**Christ**).

#### 2 Kings. 6:24-30

<sup>24</sup> And it came to pass after this, that Benhadad king of Syria gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria. <sup>25</sup> And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they besieged it, until an ass's head was sold for fourscore pieces of silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for five pieces of silver.

- Starvation had brought the people of Samaria to the point of eating anything to stay alive!
- There was no food inside the walls of the city and the King of Syria was stopping any food going into the city.

<sup>26</sup> And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him, saying, Help, my lord, O king. <sup>27</sup> And he said, If the Lord does not help you, when shall I help you? out of the barn floor, or out of the winepress? <sup>28</sup> And the king said unto her, What ails you? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give your son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son tomorrow. <sup>29</sup> So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give your son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son.



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<sup>30</sup> *And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman, **that he rent his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the people looked, and, behold, he had sackcloth within upon his flesh.** (KJV)*

- The king (the government at that time) was hurting because he did not know what to do in that situation.

### 5.0 – God`s Man Declaring the Word of God in the Situation.

#### 2 Kings. 7:1-4

<sup>1</sup> *Then Elisha said, Hear you the word of the Lord; Thus says the Lord, **Tomorrow about this time** shall a measure of fine flour be sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria. <sup>2</sup> Then a lord on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God, and said, Behold, if the Lord would make windows in heaven, might this thing be? And he said, Behold, you shall see it with your eyes, but shall not eat thereof.*

- Elisha prophesying the events of the following day.

<sup>3</sup> *And there were four leprous men at the entering in of the gate: and they said one to another, **Why sit we here until we die?** <sup>4</sup> If we say, We will enter into the city, then the famine is in the city, and we shall die there: and if we sit still here, we die also. **Now therefore come, and let us fall unto the host of the Syrians: if they save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die.***

- The four lepers made a decision to face the enemy instead of fighting one another or fighting the man of God.
- They had a change in their thinking, they had a new mind-set, they started thinking Life and not Death, they were being led by the Holy Spirit as a result of what the Prophet of God said in 2 Kings 7:1-2.

#### 2 Kings. 7:5-7

<sup>5</sup> *And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the Syrians: and when they were come to the uttermost part of the camp of Syria, behold, there was no man there. <sup>6</sup> **For the Lord had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise of horses, even the noise of a great host:** and they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come upon us. <sup>7</sup> Wherefore they arose and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, and their horses, and their asses, even the camp as it was, and fled for their life (KJV)*

- V6 - **You do not know what the Devil hears when you rise up** against him in Faith confessing the Word of God, you only hear what comes out of your mouth, God can make your words roar down upon the enemy so that **the enemy runs in terror.**
- **This is a spiritual truth, run towards** the enemy situation or mountain in your life that Goliath, confessing the Word in Faith in the name of Jesus and do not retreat as David did in 1 Sam. 17:1-58.

#### 1 Sam. 17:48-50

<sup>46</sup> ***This day will the Lord deliver you into mine hand; and I will smite you, and take your head from you; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.** <sup>47</sup> And all this assembly shall know that the Lord saves not with sword and spear: **for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hands.** <sup>48</sup> And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew near to meet **David, that David hurried, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.** <sup>49</sup> And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and*



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*smote the Philistine in his fore head, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.<sup>50</sup> So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword in the hand of David. (KJV)*

- **David knew his covenant with God** – he was thinking according to Law of life – the word and promises of God and not according to the Law of Death.

#### **Deut. 28:7**

*<sup>7</sup> The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against you to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before you seven ways. (KJV)*

### 6.0 – Our Thinking must change.

#### **Isa. 55:6-9**

*<sup>6</sup> Seek you the Lord while he may be found, call you upon him while he is near: **Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts:** and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.*

#### **God now speaking**

*<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the Lord. <sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. <sup>10</sup> For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and returns not thither, but waters the earth, and makes it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: <sup>11</sup> So shall my word be that go forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which please, and it shall prosper in the thing where to I sent it. (KJV)*

- **Those that go forward in times of trouble are the ones that become are masters spiritually and in the natural realm!**
- Big long **lasting changes come during bad and hard** times and not during good times!
- The lepers **could have controlled the whole nation**, they has Syria on the run and they had all of their wealth and food.
- They could have received healing from God through the prophet of God and then be on their way in life with prosperity.
- Our thinking is changed or renewed by and through the Word of God with the Holy Spirit, to be able to understand His thoughts and ways.

### 7.0 – The Life Cycle and the Death Cycle.

The “Death Cycle” also known as the “Curse” came into the earth in the spiritual realm of man.

- It became the governing factor in the planet environment and came under the rule and Lordship of an outlaw spirit called Satan who through deception gained access to mans’ authority and effected mankind in the areas of Spirit, Soul and Body and at the same time separated this planet and mankind from God.
- Satan became the god of this world and its system of commerce based on the curse.



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- After the fall of mankind in the Garden of Eden, the Death Cycle began – and it goes in cycles – a time to live and a time to die.
- The “law of the jungle” is actually the “Law of Sin and Death” that came into operation.

Israel and the Jews became world bankers, God told them not to abuse interest or turn it into usury because it was a dangerous weapon, God was telling them to loan to the nations so that it would tie the gentile world to God and through Israel the nations could live out from under the curse or at that time what was the Law.

- The normal banking system today is not based on a connection with God but on the system of the world system or the “Death Cycle”.

**Luke 11:48-49** (Jesus speaking)

<sup>48</sup> Truly you bear witness that you allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and you build their sepulchres. <sup>49</sup> Therefore also said the **wisdom of God**, I will send them prophets and apostles, and some of them they shall slay and persecute: (KJV)

**Prov.4:7**

<sup>7</sup> Wisdom **is the principal thing**; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding. (KJV)

- The wisdom of God in the principle thing.
- Our decisions in life must be based on the “Wisdom of God” which is the principle thing, and must be based on the Word of God which is Spirit and Life!
- A believer has the right and authority to live in the “life Cycle and the law of Life” and out from under the “Death Cycle” or the “Law of Sin & Death or the Curse” as Jesus did in his life and ministry while on the earth!
- The final decision to whether a person lives and operates in the “Life Cycle” and not in the “Death Cycle” is based on Deut. 30:19 and **the scripture says “therefore choose life”**.

**Deut.30:19**

<sup>19</sup> I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that **I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may live: (KJV)

- Do you chose the “Law of Life” or do you chose the “Law of Death”, do you chose to live according to the Word of God or do you chose to live according to the word of the world?

## Jesus is Lord!