

The Glorious Church

Foundation Scripture:

Eph 5:27 *Christ loves the church and desires that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.*

A. Manifestations under the Old Covenant.

1. Adam was full of the glory of God. He did not even know he was naked.
Rom 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
2. Gen 5:24 Enoch pleased God so much that God took him to be with Him.
3. Ex 34:29 Moses was so full of God's glory that he shone.
4. 2 Ki 1:10 Elijah twice brought fire down to destroy the soldiers.
He went up by a whirlwind into Heaven (2 Kings 2:11).

B. Manifestations under the New Covenant.

1. Acts 12:7 Peter was set free from inner prison by an angel.
2. Acts 16:25-26 Paul and Silas were set free by an earthquake.
3. Acts 8:40 Philip translated to Azotus after baptizing the eunuch.
4. Acts 20:9-10 Paul raised the youth from the dead in church.

C. Manifestations in the Ending Days.

1. Do greater works than Jesus (John 14:12).
Rom 8:29 We are to be conformed to His image.
 - a. Invisible: Pastor Joseph in China;
Pastor Joshua with children in a riot; Brother Ray in the LA riot.
 - b. Walk on water: Mel Torre and church ministers during Indonesia revival.
 - c. Multiply food: Pastora Karen in Guatemala ministry.
 - d. Manifested glory: Smith Wigglesworth while praying.
1Jo 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.
1Jo 3:3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.
2. Live as ambassadors of Heaven.
2Co 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ.
 - a. Partake of His Divine Nature.
2 Pe 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that [pertain] unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:
2 Pe 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

- b. Filled with the Fulness of God.
Eph 3:19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
Raise the dead: Smith Wigglesworth 15, Bishop Susuanna 11, ABC Ministries 8.
 - c. We are to be conformed to His image.
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 - d. Miraculous Protection.
Rev 11:5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.
Rev 11:6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.
3. Be independent of the systems of mammon.
- a. Isa 55:1 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
 - b. Ex 7-11 Moses and the obedient Hebrews lived unscathed through the plagues. So also have many Christians lived through Covid and will do so even if there are worse plagues to come.
 - c. Ex 15:26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I [am] the LORD (Jehovah) that healeth (Rapha) thee.
 - d. Pro 4:22 The Word of God is health and medicine to our flesh.
4. Be a creative son of God.
- Acts 10:34 God is no Respector of persons.
- a. Ex 17:6 Moses brought water out of a rock. Pastor Peter not only found water where the experts said there was no water but created a lake.
 - b. 2 Ki 4:1-7 Elisha multiplied the oil for the prophet's widow.
God multiplied offerings for ABCers: 1) \$5 to \$500 to \$50,000.
2) \$10 to \$1,000 to 4 times the evangelist's overseas ministry budget.
3) \$500 cash to \$50,000 in medical supplies to \$2 million in supplies.
 - c. Many ABCers have multiplied the gas in their cars while driving: 1) for 2 hours on the highways when the tank is empty; 2) driving for over a week with empty tank while doing normal family errands and work.
 - d. Pastor Jan baked a roast in her oven with no fuel source for the heat.