

DIVINE ORDER TEACHINGS

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AFTER THE DUE ORDER

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The Highest Purpose for Man

To be content with food and raiment,
the necessities of life

To be in a place free from the influence of
Babylon and free to exercise and grow in God

To find your place in the Kingdom of God
which is coming on the Earth

1 Chron. 13:1 And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, and with every leader. [2] And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If it seem good unto you, and that it be of the LORD our God, let us send abroad unto our brethren every where, that are left in all the land of Israel, and with them also to the priests and Levites which are in their cities and suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us: [3] And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul. [4] And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people. [5] So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim. [6] And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, that is, to Kirjath-jearim, which belonged to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God the LORD, that dwelleth between the cherubims, whose name is called on it. [7] And they carried the ark of God in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart. [8] And David and all Israel played before God with all their might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets. [9] And when they came unto the threshing floor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled. [10] And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God. [11] And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called Perez-uzza to this day. [12] And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God home to me?

1 Chron. 15:1-4 And David made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent. [2] Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him for ever.

[3] And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it. [4] And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:

11-13 And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab, [12] And said unto them, Ye are the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, both ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto the place that I have prepared for it. [13] For because ye did it not at the first, the LORD our God made a breach upon us, for that we **sought him not after the due order.**

This statement is the key to the whole message of Scripture that we have written out for you. It is the key to the reason David could not bring the Ark into Jerusalem the first time. It is the key to the question theologians have puzzled over for centuries: namely why God struck Uzza dead, when it seemed his only mistake was to put his hands on the Ark of God to keep it from falling over. It is the key to why we have so often failed to go to the place we wanted to go in God, and accomplish the thing we wanted to accomplish in God. It is because we sought Him not after the **Due Order.**

The truth is God had given a specific Order in which the Ark was to be carried. That Order was revealed over five hundred years before, in Exodus 25:12-15.

Here, when God told Moses how the Ark should be carried, He said, "And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it and put them in the four corners thereof; and two rings shall be in the one side of it, and two rings in the other side of it. And thou shalt make staves of shittim wood, and overlay them with gold. And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark that the ark may be borne with them. The staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be taken from it."

Here it is revealed that God's Order for carrying the Ark was to put four rings of gold on each corner of the Ark; then overlay two staves of shittim wood with gold. Then the staves were to be run through the rings, and with these the Ark was to be carried, so that the fleshy hands of the priest might touch the ends of the staves; but only the gold which overlaid the staves at the point where they touched the Ark must touch that Ark. For the hands of flesh must not touch the Ark of God.

It was because of David's failure to go back and study the Scriptures, and get God's Order for carrying the Ark, that Uzza died. It had been five hundred years and more since God had given the Order in which the Ark was to be carried. And David, like many ministries today, because he was winning great victories for God in other areas, did not think it was important how the Ark was carried into Jerusalem as long as it was carried in. And so instead of searching the Scriptures to find God's Order, and calling the Levites to carry the Ark with the golden staves, he placed the Ark on a bouncing wooden cart to carry it into Jerusalem.

As the cart hit a bump the Ark began to topple over. Uzza, earnestly desiring to protect the Ark of his God, did the one thing God had said must not be done. He laid his hands of flesh on the Ark of God. When he did, he dropped dead. Later on when David prepared to carry the Ark into Jerusalem the second time, he told the priests and Levites he realized this had all happened because they had failed to seek God after the Due Order.

This statement is the key to all God's dealings with us. Over the ages he has been seeking to teach us, through His great teacher the Holy Spirit; that He has an Order in which we must approach Him. And for a very definite reason. The Bible says His Name is holiness.

When the Bible uses the term. "His Name," in reference to God or Jesus, it is speaking of His Nature. Therefore His Nature is Holiness. But our nature is carnal, sold unto sin, as Paul says. Therefore, we cannot go running into His presence

any old way, and arrive in His presence in our carnal state. Nay, for our carnal nature would be offensive to the tender beauty of His Holy Nature, and the awesome Holiness of His Nature would so reveal the blackness of our own nature that it would shatter us, and we could not bear to remain in His presence.

Therefore in His redemptive plan in Christ, He has decreed a certain Order by which we are to approach Him, step by step; and at each step of the way our carnal nature is changed more and more; until, by the time we have gone through every step of that Order, our own nature will be changed into His Likeness. Thus, we can eternally be in His presence, and His Nature will not be offended by ours, and ours will revel in His, for the two will agree; and the prayer of Jesus in John 17, wherein He said, "I pray that they all may be one, as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee," shall be fulfilled. Let us illustrate this with a carnal illustration in the human realm.

Suppose there was a great king over a vast domain. He sits on his pure, clean, ivory throne clothed in the most delicate of robes; surrounded by beautiful fruits and flowers, whose delicate aromas continually arise as a sweet savor in his nostrils, and his eyes continually behold their beauty. His surroundings are very pleasing to him, because his very nature is one of purity and beauty and therefore the ivory purity of his throne and the aroma and beauty of the flowers and surroundings are a blessing to him, because they agree with the tender beauty of his own nature.

Now, suppose this great king has a subject in the farthest part of his domain who has fallen in his own nature; so that his nature has become gross and hard and black and dirty, and therefore his surroundings and his dress and manner have become the same. His body he lives in is dirty and disorderly. His manner is rude and harsh, his face and clothing covered with mud and dirt.

Now, this subject would like to go and live in the house of his king forever, and the king loves him and longs for him to

come live with him forever. But the two could never dwell together as things are. For their two different natures would be offensive to one another. The pure, tender nature of the king would so grate upon the fallen nature of the subject; yea, the very beauty of the surroundings themselves would so reveal to him his own filthiness, that he would be consumed in his misery. Whereas the dirt and filth that covered him inside and out would forever hurt the tender nature of the king.

There is only one solution to the problem. The love of the king for his own will not allow this fallen subject to be forever separated from him. Therefore, he devises an order by which his subject shall, step by step, approach unto his house. And at each stage of the journey as he approaches unto the dwelling place of the great king, his own nature has been changed into one of tenderness, purity and beauty. Thus, he cannot stand to wear any clothing but fine white linen. The beauty that surrounds the great king is a soothing balm to his own tender nature, and the holiness that is breathed out of his own being is a sweet savor to the pure, holy nature of the king, and thus the two can dwell in one another forever, with no offense one to another.

It is for this cause that the great King of the universe, our Heavenly Father, sent Jesus to shed His blood and make us clean vessels through His blood; so that the Holy Spirit, the great teacher of the Godhead, might indwell us and reveal to us God's Order by which we must, step by step, approach the dwelling place of our Father, and at each step of the way have our nature cleaned up and changed from Glory unto Glory, (11 Cor. 3:18). Until, when we have gone through every step in that Order, we will arrive with our natures changed into the likeness of His; so that we can dwell in His Presence forever, without our natures being an offense to one another.

It is a tragic circumstance that this plan of God has been hindered, because the so-called orthodox teachers of Christianity have misunderstood the part the shed blood of

Jesus plays in this plan. They have assumed that it does all that is needful for us to dwell in His Presence forever. This is far from the Truth. It is true that the blood of Jesus satisfies the demand of the just Nature of God for an atonement and enables Him to overlook and forgive all of our acts of sin that we have committed or may commit, while we are going through the Order by which our nature shall be changed into His likeness. But the blood of Calvary by itself, though it atones for our acts of sin, still leaves us with our fallen nature. In God's plan, it is not the work of the blood to deal with that. It is the total work of the blood to cleanse us and make us clean vessels, so the Holy Spirit, the great Teacher, can indwell us.

There, the work of the blood ceases, and it is the Holy Spirit's work to lead us into all Truth and teach us all things, as Jesus said, thus revealing God's Order and plan by which we can step by step, approach our Father's house, having our nature change a little more each step; until by the time we arrive, we have been changed into His likeness, as 2 Corinthians 3:18 says, "While beholding Him we are changed into His image from glory unto glory as by the Spirit of the Lord. "

Thus the blood of Jesus and the imputed righteousness of Christ was given to us, not to suffice us forever, but to make us acceptable to the Father until His redemptive Order and plan could be carried out, and our own nature could be changed into His likeness. Then instead of running into the Presence of the Father for a little while, with the blood of Jesus, to present to Him as a substitute for us; we will have grown up into His likeness, so that we can ourselves dwell in righteousness in His Presence forever; without any need for a substitute.

It is true, as Hebrews 4:16 says, since the blood has been shed we can enter boldly into the Throne of Grace, to obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. But it is one thing to run into the Presence of the Father for a few moments in prayer with the blood of Jesus to present to Him

in order to get a need met (find grace in time of need): and it is another thing to let His Spirit lead us into His Order for growing up into His likeness, so that our own nature will be changed into the likeness of His, and we can dwell in His presence forever, and have no needs.

Thus it is true that God, because of the supreme Holiness of His Nature, has a Divine Order by which we must approach Him and our own nature be made such as can dwell in His Presence. And, as David failed in his effort to carry the Ark into Jerusalem, because he sought not God after the Due Order; so we will continually fail to accomplish God's purpose in us until we surrender completely to the great Teacher, who has been sent to lead us into all Truth; and let Him reveal to us from the Scriptures God's plan and God's Order, so that we may seek Him after the Due Order.

That Order is revealed to us in its every aspect in the Tabernacle Moses pitched in the wilderness. In our previous studies in the series, "From Egypt to Jerusalem." we learned certain key Truths, which must be mentioned again as briefly as possible, as a foundation for the Truth of this message.

1. The Old Testament Age was the Age of the flesh. The New Testament age is the age of the Spirit.
2. The Old Testament Age was the Age of prophecy, in which God used Old Testament fleshly Israel to send forth Divine types and prophecies. The New Testament age is the age of fulfillment, in which God is going to fulfill in us, who are New Testament Spiritual Israel, every type and prophecy.
3. This being so, the Old Testament physical Tabernacle and Temple which Israel according to the flesh built, was but a type and prophecy of God's Holy Spiritual Temple which He is building today, which Temple we are. For 1Corinthians 3:16 says today, in the New Testament age, we are the Temple of God. And also Ephesians 2:19-22 tells us that we are being built upon the foundation of Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Cornerstone, into a Holy Temple of the Lord, a habitation of God through the Spirit.

God's true purpose from the beginning was to have a Temple or Tabernacle, a dwelling-place for His Spirit here on the earth, so that His Spirit and Nature may dwell in us and we might dwell in Him. And we are that Temple. As a substitute and visible revelation and picture of that Temple He intended to build out of us, He had old Israel build a physical Tabernacle and Temple. The Tabernacle Moses pitched in the wilderness and the Temple Solomon later built in Jerusalem were both types of the Temple God is building out of us. It was only while Israel was traveling through the wilderness that they built the Tabernacle out of tent curtains so that it could be easily dismantled and carried. But when they at last arrived in Jerusalem and their traveling was over, the Tabernacle made of tent curtains was replaced with the Temple made of stones.

The three divisions of the Tabernacle and its seven pieces of furniture are a type of the three great stages and the seven steps in God's Order by which we must approach Him, having our nature changed a little more at each stage of the journey until, by the time we arrive at His Holy of Holies, we will be changed into His likeness so that we can dwell in Him forever. The three divisions of the Tabernacle were:

1. The Outer Court. Seventy-Five feet wide and One Hundred and Fifty feet long; made out of tent curtains seven feet high: with no top on it. The entrance was called

THE GATE.

2. The Holy Place. First room inside of the Outer Court. Twenty feet long and ten feet wide. The entrance was called

THE DOOR.

called the gate, is a type of Water Baptism, by which we join the visible church organization and enter into Outer-Court Christianity. The Altar of Burnt Offering, at the entrance to the Outer Court where the lamb that was slain was burned up speaks of the Atonement Truths: Christ suffering the fires of hell to atone for our sins. The Brazen Laver, in the Outer Court, at which the High Priest must wash his feet before going into the Holy Place, reveals that in the Outer Court we,

who are the Body of Christ, of which the body of that High Priest was a type, must start cleaning up our walk, or washing our feet, in the Outer Court, before we can go on into the Holy Place. It is true that in Outer Court Christianity, after we are saved through our Study of the letter of the Word, we begin seeing the sins of the flesh which are in our lives that have to go, and as we begin to deal with them, we are cleaning up our walk, or washing our feet.

The Holy Place in the Tabernacle is a type of that supernatural Life and walk in the Spirit which we enter into through the doorway of the Baptism of the Spirit, of which the entrance to the Holy Place, called the door, was a type. Here, we leave behind the program and ritual of Outer Court Christianity, and having, passed through the doorway of the supernatural Baptism of the Spirit, we enter into a life and walk of supernatural experience with God that is not just a program and form, but supernatural Reality. The first piece of furniture in the Holy Place is the Table of Shewbread. This is a type of the Hidden Manna that Jesus speaks of in Rev. 2:17 where He says, "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna." When we, through the Baptism of the Spirit, enter into the Holy Place, the Spirit begins to take us behind the letter of the Word and reveal the Spirit of the Word: the Hidden Manna. This is the reason all the denominational ministers today who receive the Baptism of the Spirit been to cry, "My Bible is become a new book to me!" Of course it has, they have left behind the Outer Court with its letter of the Word, and have entered into the Holy Place and begun to feast on the Hidden Manna from God's Table of Shewbread.

3. The Holy of Holies. Third room behind the Holy Place. Ten feet long and ten feet wide, the entrance was called **THE VEIL**.

The seven pieces of furniture in the Tabernacle were:

1. **Altar of Burnt Offering**. Just inside the gate of the Outer Court on the right, here the lamb slain on the Day of Atonement was placed, and his flesh burned up.

2. **Brazen Laver**. A big, brass washing basin in the Outer Court on the left, just before the door to the Holy Place. Here the High Priest must stop on the Day of Atonement and wash his feet and hands before going into the Holy Place

3. **Table of Shewbread**. Just inside of the Holy Place on the right. The showbread here could not be seen from the outside.

4. **The Seven-Branched Candlestick**. On the left, just inside the door of the Holy Place, made of pure gold.

5. **The Golden Altar of Incense**. Just before the entrance to the Holy of Holies. Here, the High Priest daily placed incense, a material substance, and burned it till it was no longer a material substance, but Spiritual odors wafting into the presence of God in the Holy of Holies.

6. **The Ark of the Covenant**. Inside the Holy of Holies. A trunk-like chest, overlaid inside and out with gold; containing the tables of law God gave Moses. Aaron's rod that budded, and the pot of manna saved from the wilderness journey.

7. **The Mercy Seat of God**. The seat, or center, of God's mercy on top of the Ark of the Covenant. Two cherubim's stood facing one another, with their wing covering it.

Israel's one Day of Atonement each year, in which all the people of Israel symbolically got it their High Priest, and in him – as he progressed through the ritual of Atonement – went from outside the tabernacle, through all three divisions and past all seven pieces of furniture into the Holy of Holies, was a type of our true Day of Atonement. Ours is not one day, but a period of time which lasts 2,000 years; in which we are being brought back into at-one-ment, or atonement, with God through His redemptive plan in Christ.

During the true Day of Atonement – just as Israel, in their High Priest, went from outside the Tabernacle into the Holy

of Holies so we, after we have been born again and are in Christ our High Priest, must go through all three great stages and seven steps, of which the three parts of the Tabernacle and seven pieces of furniture were a type. These three stages and seven steps will take us from our lost condition outside God's Tabernacle, out in the world, into His Holy of Holies, there to dwell in union with Him forever!

The Outer Court of the Tabernacle was a type of the formalistic, ritualistic, Outer-Court Christianity we enter into when we are first saved, with all its program and form and ritual. The entrance to the Outer Court, called the gate, is a type of Water Baptism, by which we join the visible church organization and enter into Outer-Court Christianity. The Altar of Burnt Offering, at the entrance to the Outer Court where the lamb that was slain was burned up speaks of the Atonement Truths: Christ suffering the fires of hell to atone for our sins. The Brazen Laver, in the Outer Court, at which the High Priest must wash his feet before going into the Holy Place, reveals that in the Outer Court we, who are the Body of Christ, of which the body of that High Priest was a type, must start cleaning up our walk, or washing our feet, in the Outer Court, before we can go on into the Holy Place. It is true that in Outer Court Christianity, after we are saved through our Study of the letter of the Word, we begin seeing the sins of the flesh which are in our lives that have to go, and as we begin to deal with them, we are cleaning up our walk, or washing our feet.

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The Seven-Branched Candlestick at the left is a type of the Seven-Fold Supernatural Gifts and Operations of the Spirit of God, which are available to us only after we have left the Outer Court and entered into the Holy Place. This is why the denominational people and ministers cannot speak in tongues or experience the other Gifts of the Spirit. They are still in the Outer Court. The Seven-Branched Candlestick cannot be seen, even, until one is in the Holy Place. Even so, they will not be able to see the Supernatural Gifts of the Spirit until they have left the Outer Court and entered into the Holy Place through the Baptism of the Spirit. But we do not enter into this Holy Place just to enjoy eating Hidden Manna, feel the Spirit and experience Spiritual Gifts. We are given Hidden Manna that we may eat and grow strong, and we are given Seven-Fold Supernatural Gifts of the Spirit that we may have the strength and power to come to the next step in God's Order: The Golden Altar of Incense. This represents a place that we come to in God where we must lay ourselves down on the Altar of Full Surrender to God. And just as the High Priest placed the material substance, which was incense, on the Altar and burned it till it was no longer a material substance, but Spiritual odors wafting into the Holy of Holies; so we must be taken through the hottest purifying fires of testing until all the flesh, all the dross, all the material substance has been burned out of us

and we are no longer a fleshy being, but a Spiritual being ready to enter into the Holy of Holies of God.

Now we come to the third stage of our journey, the Holy of Holies. There are two things we need to know in order to enter into this place. Namely, what the Ark of the Covenant is and where the Holy of Holies is.

The Ark of the Covenant was a great, box-like chest, or trunk overlaid inside and out with gold. It was the symbol of the Old Testament Covenant, or contract, God made with Israel. When God gave them the Covenant, or contract, He gave them the Ark as a symbol of that Covenant and told them as long as they had the Ark with them, He would keep His part of the Covenant. When once they lost the Ark for a while, the hand of God was not on them. This Ark of the old Covenant was but a type of the Ark of the New Covenant. For when Jesus came, He gave us a New Ark to go with the Covenant, only this time it was not a chest, but it was the Name of Jesus. Israel went forth carrying the big chest, but Jesus told us to go forth "in My Name," and when He said, "in My Name," He meant in His Nature. For when the term, "name," is used in the Scripture for God, or Jesus, it speaks of their Nature, for the name is symbolic of the Nature. The name J-E-S-U-S means, "Jehovah Saviour," and it reveals the Saviour Nature of Jesus. Thus, when Jesus said, "In my name they shall cast out devils, in my name they shall heal the sick," He meant when we are standing in His Nature the nature of Faith, Truth and Love - God will keep His Covenant and the power of God will be with us.

When we accept God's Covenant in Christ and are born again, God plants in us the Nature of Jesus, or the Name of Jesus. That is our Ark of the Covenant of which the Old Testament Ark is a type. Only we do not carry our Ark with us, for this is not the age of the flesh, but the age of the Spirit. Israel went forth with their Ark, but Jesus told us to go forth "in My Name" (Nature).

Now, in order to see what the Ark of the Covenant in the Holy of Holies means, let us learn where the Holy of Holies

is. In the first place, it is where God dwells. Now too many of God's people think God dwells in some physical city out beyond space, called heaven. That is because they are still such babes in Christ that they think God exists in a physical form, therefore, they think He dwells in a physical city.

But God does not exist in a physical form. The Bible says He is Omnipresent Spirit, which is everywhere. The Bible says He is above all and in all and through all. He fills the whole universe. Therefore you cannot make Him small enough to put in a physical form. If it was ten miles high and ten miles wide, it would still be too small for Him. Nay, He is everywhere, therefore He dwells everywhere. So we cannot say He dwells in a physical form or physical city. Nay, He dwells in the supreme Holiness of His own Nature, and that is the Holy of Holies of God. And when we have passed through all three stages and seven steps of His Order, by which the Name (Nature) of Jesus that He planted in us when we were born again, shall be brought to the highest state of perfection in us; then we will be dwelling in His Holy Nature and His Holy Nature will be dwelling in us, and we will have come to the Holy of Holies of God. Then will be fulfilled the Old Testament type of the Ark of the Covenant in the Holy of Holies.

Certainly we can see from all this that God does have a Due Order by which we must approach Him. And with these Truths as a foundation, we can go on to see why God struck Uzza dead, when David failed to carry the Ark of the Covenant into Jerusalem in God's Due Order. In the Order that God established in the Tabernacle of old, there were hundreds of Outer-Court Priests that could minister in the Outer Court. But only Aaron, the High priest, and his two sons who came out of his loins, and who symbolically were in him, could minister in the Inner, Sanctuary, the Holy Place.

In Numbers 4:1-20, God told Moses and Aaron that the Outer-Court Priests must not come near the most Holy Things in the Holy Place: the Table of Shewbread or the

Seven-Branched Candlestick; for if they did they would drop dead. Even when the camp of God was to move forward, the Outer-Court Priests were not to come near them to carry them, until they had been covered with their Divine Coverings by Aaron and his sons; for if they looked upon these Holy Things or touched them they would drop dead. These instruments of ministry of the Inner Sanctuary were the Most Holy Things.

All this proclaims a most awesomely sobering Truth to us today. The Outer-Court Priests of the Old Testament were a type of all Christians and Ministers today who, by virtue of their being born again, are Priests of God, of which the Old Testament Priest was a type. For Revelation 1:6 says we have been made Kings and Priests unto Our God. Also, by virtue of their new birth, all Christians and Ministers are positionally "in Christ" Our High Priest. But none of us are experientially IN the High Priest until we have been Baptized IN the Spirit, and can then get in the Spirit, which means fully under the Anointing.

Therefore, Ministers and Christians who are still in the Outer Court and have not yet been Baptized in the Holy Spirit and entered into the Holy Place, can minister in the Outer Court. They can slay lambs and help people wash at the Brazen Laver; that is, preach the Atonement Truth of the slaying of Christ the lamb, and help people begin to wash away their sins of the flesh. But they cannot minister in the Inner Sanctuary. They have no business to come near the Table of Shewbread, the Hidden Manna, nor the Seven-Branched Candlestick. They should not try to preach about the Gifts of the Spirit: Tongues, Prophecy, Gifts of healing, or any others for if they do, just as the Old Testament Outer-Court Priest dropped dead when he came near these most Holy Things, so they will minister death, and not Life, to themselves and all to whom they minister.

Many a preacher today, who is still in the Outer Court, and does not even know how to get in the Spirit - in the High Priest, fully under the Anointing - dares to lay his hands

of flesh on God's Holy Table of Shewbread and preach and write about the Hidden Manna and Gifts of the Spirit. They write great long thesis' on why the Gifts of Healing and Tongues are not for today and when they do, they are ministering death and not life to God's people. That is why their people sit in the pews and there is none of the Supernatural life of Christ in them. The physical death the Old Testament Outer-Court Priest experienced when he came near the most Holy Things of the Inner Sanctuary was but temporal death, but we live in the age of the Spirit and we deal with the Eternal Realities, Spiritual Life and death. No one should attempt to speak or write about the hidden things of God's Word, the Table of Shewbread; or the Gifts of the Spirit, the Candlestick; unless they know they are in the High Priest, in the Spirit, fully under the Anointing. Many Pentecostal Ministers are not aware of the awesome Holiness of the Holy Place they have entered into. They often come to the pulpit in the flesh: not in the Spirit, under the Anointing, in the High Priest and they also minister death, and not Life, to God's people.

Aaron alone was the Minister of the Inner Sanctuary. His two sons had access to minister there only by virtue of the fact that they were in Him; but he, the High Priest, was the only minister of the Inner Sanctuary, the Holy Place. Even so Christ, our High Priest, is the only Minister of the Inner Sanctuary, the true Holy Place. We who have been Baptized in the Spirit have access to minister there only by virtue of our being in Him. And we have, therefore, no business to lay our hands on the Table of Shewbread, or the Candlestick, and try to minister Hidden Manna or in the Gifts of the Spirit unless we know we are in the High Priest -in the Spirit, fully under the Anointing: so that it is verily Christ Himself, the only Minister of the Inner Sanctuary, ministering through us. Otherwise we will lay hands of flesh on the most Holy Things and minister death, and not Life. With these Truths before us it is easy to see why Uzza dropped dead when he laid his hands on the Ark of God to steady it. Long ago God

had given a specific Order for carrying the ark, to prevent this from happening. He had commanded to overlay two staves of shittim wood with gold and to run them through the two gold rings on each side of the Ark. This was so the priests who carried the Ark could touch the ends of the staves with their hands, but only gold at the point where the staves went through the rings- touched the Ark. For hands of flesh must not touch the Ark of God.

Over five hundred years later, David prepared to carry the Ark of God into Jerusalem. He was very happy because at last the Ark of God was getting to its final resting place. Israel had been in the Promised Land for five hundred years, but they had never yet conquered Jerusalem, the very City of God, the headquarters of the Promised Land. The devil's people, the Philistines, were still in possession of it. The Ark of God was still wandering around from place to place in the land outside Jerusalem. Therefore it had not come to the end of its journey. God's purpose for Israel was not just to carry the Ark into the Promised Land, but to carry it all the way into Jerusalem, and to build the Temple of the Lord and place the Ark of Covenant in its true place in the Holy of Holies. Then would be completed the type and prophecy of what God intends to make out of us, the True Temple of the New Testament Age.

But because God had found no ministry that would fully yield to Him, Israel had been in the land five hundred years and had not possessed Jerusalem from the Philistines. Finally, God found David, a man after His own heart. And when David came to the throne he wholly followed the Lord, and God so anointed him that he led Israel to victory over all the nations round about and finally conquered the Philistines and possessed Jerusalem, the City of God. Then, of course, the next step was to carry the Ark of God into Jerusalem. And so David, filled with joy over his victory, called all Israel together to carry the Ark of God into Jerusalem. He placed the Ark on a wooden cart and with all Israel dancing and singing with great joy, the procession started. But

suddenly, as the oxen stumbled, the Ark began to topple down and Uzza - sincere and earnest man that he was sought to steady it with his hand, but in an instant, as his hand touched the Ark, he dropped dead. A great hush fell over the procession. All wondered why God had struck Uzza dead.

What had they done wrong? Was not God pleased with them? Had He not blessed David as a mighty warrior to win many victories over their enemies? It was not until three months later that David realized where he had failed God. Because he sought Him not after the Due Order. It would have been far better if David, instead of singing and dancing before the lord, had been on his knees searching the Scriptures for God's Order for carrying the Ark. Five hundred years had passed since God's Order had been given. And David, like many preachers today, thought as long as he was winning victories it did not matter whether things were done in God's Order or not. He was a great warrior and could win mighty battles with the sword, but he forgot there is more to fulfilling God's plan than just winning battles.

The situation is the same today in New Testament Israel. The New Testament Ark, the Name of Jesus, is not only still outside Jerusalem, it is still in the wilderness. It has not even crossed over Jordan yet. And when most of God's children hear of a message called Divine Order, they do not know what it is all about, because they have never even been taught God has an Order. Every preacher figures as long as he is getting a few victories for God it does not matter how God's work is done, as long as he has everybody working.

Today, they are once again carrying the Ark of God on a wooden cart -- for wood is symbolic of man with his fleshy programs and promotions - and every time the Ark begins to topple, and the work of carrying the Name of Jesus to its place of Glory begins to fall apart, they call their fleshy board together and lay hands of flesh on the Ark of God again, saying, "We need a new program." They have had a hundred programs, and none of them have worked, and none ever will.

For Uzza died to proclaim to all generations that when hands of flesh are laid on the True Ark of God, which is the Name of Jesus, we are going to reap death and not Life - and not temporal, physical death, for we deal in the eternal realities - but Spiritual death. We, who are Ministers of the Inner Sanctuary, have access to this Holy Place only by virtue of our being in Christ, our High Priest.

For just as Aaron the High Priest was the only Minister of the Holy Place, which was a figure of the True, so Christ is the only Minister of the True Holy Place. Therefore we dare not try to serve Hidden Manna or use Gifts of the Spirit - except we know that we are in the High Priest, in the Spirit, fully under the Anointing - so that it is verily He, Himself, that is ministering through us. Thus only Gold will touch the Ark of the Covenant.

David had to stand and watch one of his finest men die because of his failure. He was the Shepherd. It was his responsibility to go back in the Scriptures and get God's Order for carrying the Ark. But he was too proud of his victories he had won for the Lord, and too busy dancing in the Spirit. There is many a preacher today who is seeing his finest men die spiritually in his church, as Uzza died, because he does not go back in the Scriptures and get God's Order for carrying the Ark. He thinks as long as he has them working all is well, and they are laying hands of flesh on the Ark of God and dying spiritually right and left.

Many a healing preacher is so proud of his victories for the Lord as he casts out a few devils and gets a few healings that he cares nothing for searching the Scriptures and getting God's Order and God's eternal plan, that he may lead God's people into it. As long as he keeps the crowds coming, and dancing with joy in the Spirit, and money flowing into the coffers - he cares not how many Uzzas die, and that the Ark of God remains outside Jerusalem.

We are not the first people of God to wake up and discover that the Priesthood of Israel has tossed aside God's Order and substituted their own Baalistic, fleshy orders.

In the days of King Josiah, as he began to repair the breaches in the house of the Lord, he found the book of the law of God where it had been tossed aside. As he read the book and saw the Order that had been given by God to his fathers hundreds of years before, he rent his clothes as he saw how far the Priesthood of his day had departed from that Order. He gathered all the elders of Israel together and read them the book of the law revealing God's Order. Then he literally had to command the High Priest, and the Priest of the second order to bring out of the very Temple of the Lord all the vessels that were made for Baal and for the host of heaven. He broke down the false altars and restored the true Temple worship and the true Order of God.

Now once again in Israel our eyes are opened, and we suddenly see that the Priesthood in Israel have tossed aside the revelation of God's Order, and have substituted their own fleshly, Baalistic orders.

As we begin to repair the breaches in the House of the Lord, and discover the revelation of God's Order and of His true Five-Fold Spirit Ministry, and His plan for perfecting the Saints we rend our clothes in anguish, as we see how far the Priesthood in Israel has departed from that Order.

The Temple of the Lord is filled with vessels devoted to Baal-worship: choir robes and doctors' degrees have replaced supernatural Gifts of the Spirit. Music ministers, educational directors, denominational presidents and chairman of boards of directors have replaced Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers.

Truly, it is time for the Elders of Israel to come together and on their knees search out the Book of the revelation of God's Order. Thank God, there are Elders in Israel who are doing just that. The Spirit of God is going to show them God's True Order. They are going to carry out of the Temple of God the vessels made for Baal, they are going to break (town the false altars in the high places. They are going to restore God's True Order of five supernatural Spirit Ministries and nine supernatural Spirit Gifts, to produce nine

supernatural Spirit Fruits, and therefore the perfected Body of Christ. They are going to restore the foundation of Apostles and Prophets, and build upon that foundation the True Temple of the Lord, with every Lively Stone in His place, and every Ministry and Gift operating in God's Order.

And the Glory of the latter House is going to be greater than the Glory of the former house. HALLELUJAH!
Amen.