

Welcome . . .

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What will this new year bring? Personally, I do not have a clue. **But**, I would like to see . . . more dependence of God's Sons & Daughters upon Him! Did you know that you cannot be a true son or daughter of God unless you are believing, trusting, relying upon, and adhering to Him?

Who is God's Son? The Bible tells us in Hebrews 1:2 that he appointed His Son heir (and lawful owner) of all things. Hebrews 1:3 goes on to say, "**He is the sole expression of the glory of God (the Light-being, the out-raying or radiance of the divine), and He is the perfect imprint and very image of (God's) nature, upholding and maintaining and guiding and propelling the universe by His mighty word of power.**" Amplified Bible. True, this refers to Jesus, but we are also Sons of God as stated in I John 3:2 "**Beloved, we are (even here and) now God's children; it is not yet disclosed (made clear) what we shall be (hereafter), but we know that when He comes and is manifested, we shall (as God's children) resemble and be like Him, for we shall see Him just as He (really) is.**" Amplified Bible.

In Ephesians 2:6 we read, "**And He raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together (giving us joint seating with Him) in the heavenly sphere (by virtue of our being) in Christ Jesus (the Messiah, the Anointed One).**" Amplified Bible. Jesus said in Matthew 5:13-14 "**You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste (its strength, its quality), how can its saltiness be restored? It is not good for anything any longer but to be thrown out and trodden underfoot by men. You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.**" Amplified Bible. God, through Jesus, gave us this position with Him! Angels were created by God, but they do not have the same importance to God as His Sons and Daughters.

YES! You are a Son or Daughter of God. Your new birth through Jesus, the Son of God, has **made** you a Son or Daughter of God. It is now my responsibility (and yours) to "**Strip yourselves of your former nature put off and discard your old unrenewed self) which characterized your previous manner of life and becomes corrupt through lusts and desires that spring from delusion; And be constantly renewed in the spirit of your mind (having a fresh mental and spiritual attitude), And put on the new nature (the regenerate self) created in God's image, (Godlike) in true righteousness and holiness.**" – Ephesians 4:22-23 Amplified Bible.

Since **God** has called us Sons & Daughters, we will show forth God's characteristics. "**But the fruit of the (Holy) Spirit (the work which His presence within accomplishes) is love, joy (gladness), peace, patience (an even temper, forbearance), kindness, goodness (benevolence), faithfulness, gentleness (meekness, humility), self-control (self-restraint, continence)...**" – Galatians 5:22-23 Amplified Bible.

We have only begun to scratch the surface of what God wants us to be! We not only will have His character, but as God's Sons and Daughters we will do God's work on this earth! We **will walk** in Supernatural power!

I Corinthians 12:7-11 reads: "**But to each one is given the manifestation of the (Holy) Spirit (the evidence, the spiritual illumination of the Spirit) for good and profit. To one is given in and through the (Holy) Spirit (the power to speak) a message of wisdom, and to another (the power to express) a word of knowledge and understanding according to the same (Holy) Spirit; To another (wonder-working) faith by the same (Holy) Spirit, to another the extraordinary powers of healing by the one Spirit; To another the working of miracles, to another prophetic insight (the gift of interpreting the divine will and purpose); to another the ability to discern and distinguish between (the utterances of true) spirits (and false ones), to another various kinds of (unknown) tongues, to another the ability to interpret**

(such) tongues. All these (gifts, achievements, abilities) are inspired and brought to pass by one and the same (Holy) Spirit, Who apportions to each person individually (exactly) as He chooses. Amplified Bible.

Get ready, get ready, get ready! As we begin to take our rightful place as **supernatural Sons and Daughters of God**, God's Power, God's Will, and God's Glory will be seen in **and** on the earth. God gave us a command, through Paul's pen, in 2 Corinthians 17-18 ***“So, come out from among (unbelievers), and separate (sever) yourselves from them, says the Lord, and touch not (any) unclean thing; then I will receive you kindly and treat you with favor. And I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.”*** Amplified Bible.

Let us begin this year walking as the supernatural being God designed us to be! Notice, God's characteristics and God's supernatural power will **flow through** us by the Holy Spirit with God receiving all the glory and praise! It is **not** something we **do**, but **it is** what we allow.