Message Six

Becoming Divine and Mystical Persons
Living in the Divine and Mystical Realm
for the Building of the Divine and Mystical Temple of God

Scripture Reading: John 14:2, 10-11, 16-20, 23; 20:22; 1 Cor. 15:45b

I. The Triune God Himself is a divine and mystical realm—John 14:10-11:

A. The three of the Divine Trinity—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—are self-existing, ever-existing, and coinhering and as such are a divine and mystical realm.

B. The Father is embodied in the Son, and the Son is the Father's embodiment, forming a divine and mystical realm.

II. Christ, the first God-man, is a divine and mystical person; to be divine is on God's side, and to be mystical is on man's side:

A. In His living as the first God-man, all that the Lord Jesus did was divine and mystical; God was manifested in a mystical, human way—1 Tim. 3:16.

B. The Lord's mystical human life was a divine realm, and this realm is the kingdom of God—John 3:13, 3.

C. The Lord Jesus was a God-man, and all that He said and did were divine facts accomplished in His human life mystically—5:19; Matt. 7:28-29.

D. The prayers of the first God-man were in the divine and mystical realm; the Lord Jesus was a man in the flesh, yet He prayed to the mysterious God in a divine and mystical way and realm—John 17; Matt. 14:23.

III. The divine and mystical realm into which we may enter is the divine and mystical realm of the consummated Spirit and the pneumatic Christ—John 14:16-20:

A. Another Comforter, the Spirit of reality, is the reality of the Son realized as the Son's presence in the believers—vv. 16-18.

B. In resurrection the Son became the life-giving Spirit, and He came to the disciples to breathe into them, asking them to receive the Holy Spirit; by this we can know that the Son is in the Father, the believers are in the Son, and the Son is in the believers—1 Cor. 15:45b; John 20:22; 14:19-20.

IV. We need to enter into and become part of the divine and mystical realm:

A. We enter into the divine and mystical realm by seeing this realm; in spiritual things to see is to enter into—3:3, 5.

B. We enter into the divine and mystical realm by becoming part of this realm:
   1. We become part of the divine and mystical realm through the divine birth; through regeneration we were born into the divine and mystical realm—v. 6.
   2. We become part of the divine and mystical realm by participating in God's divinity—v. 15; 2 Pet. 1:4; Eph. 4:23; 2 Cor. 3:18; Rom. 8:23, 29.
   3. We become part of the divine and mystical realm by being built up in the Body of Christ, which consummates the New Jerusalem as the divine and mystical realm for eternity—Eph. 4:16; Rev. 21:2.
V. Every believer should be a divine and mystical person, one who is human yet lives divinely—Gal. 2:20; 2 Cor. 10:1:

A. We have been separated from being common; we have been sanctified and separated unto God, who is holy, and now we are in the divine and mystical realm of the consummated Spirit and the pneumatic Christ—John 17:17, 19; Heb. 2:11; 1 Thes. 5:23.

B. As God-men, we, the believers in Christ, should live as divine and mystical persons—Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14; Eph. 4:1-6:
   1. We should be divine yet human—not merely human but mystically human; everything in our living should be divine and mystical—John 14:16-20.
   2. We should do everything with God, in God, by God, and through God; this is what it means to be divine—1 Cor. 10:31; Col. 3:17.
   3. Like the Lord Jesus, we should be those who are apparently physical yet invisibly divine and mystical, living simultaneously in the physical realm and in the divine and mystical realm—John 3:13; Heb. 4:16; 13:13.

VI. As believers in Christ, we should live in the divine and mystical realm:

A. In the divine and mystical realm, we receive the Spirit as the unique, all-inclusive blessing—Gal. 3:14, 2, 5.

B. In the divine and mystical realm, we receive the transmission of the ascended Christ and the supply of His heavenly ministry—Eph. 1:22; Heb. 8:1-2.

C. In the divine and mystical realm, we experience God's organic salvation—Rom. 5:10b.

D. In the divine and mystical realm, we live in the kingdom of God as the realm of the divine species—John 3:3, 5.

E. In the divine and mystical realm, we live a spontaneous and effortless Christian life according to the automatic function of the law of life—Rom. 8:2.

F. In the divine and mystical realm, we live a life of truthfulness as the expression of the revealed divine reality—2 John 1; 3 John 1; John 4:23-24.

G. In the divine and mystical realm, we are mingled with the Triune God for the keeping of oneness—17:21, 23; Eph. 4:3.

VII. As divine and mystical persons, we live in the divine and mystical realm for the building of the divine and mystical temple of God—John 2:19-22:

A. The Triune God is dispensing Himself into us to make us His dwelling place; this dwelling place also becomes our dwelling place—14:1-31.

B. The Father's house signifies the mingling of the Triune God with His redeemed people to be a dwelling place for both God and His people—vv. 2, 20, 23:
   1. God is dispensing Himself into His people and mingling Himself with them in order to make them such a mutual dwelling place—15:4.
   2. God and we, we and God, are mingled together to become one abode, a mutual abode; this abode is the church as the divine and mystical temple of God—1 Cor. 3:16-17; Eph. 2:21-22.