

I. Knowing God's Move in His Economy – Ezek. 1:15-21:

In the book of Ezekiel God's economy and God's move in His economy are signified by a high and awesome wheel

[Ezek 1:15] And as I watched the living creatures, I saw a wheel upon the earth beside the living creatures,

A. The Sign of God's Move in His economy:

The "wheel" signifies the move.

The "center" signifies Christ as the center of God's economy.

The "rim" signifies the church, which consummates in the New Jerusalem.

The "spokes" signify the many believers as the members of Christ.

B. God's Move in His economy follows the appearing of the wheels.

The appearing of the wheels on the earth beside the living creatures indicates that God's move on earth follows the coordination of the four living creatures.

C. This will bring forth the one new man for God's expression and administration. – Ezek. 1: 5, 26

God's move is the move of His economy in man / to deify man to bring forth the one new man so that / God in Christ may have His corporate expression and administration

D. Every local church and every individual believer should take part in God's move in His economy. – Acts 13:1-2

Every local church and every individual believer should have a high and awesome wheel with them.

E. God's move in His economy depends upon our moving (we as the new man/ four living creatures). – Ezek. 1:19; 2 Cor. 4:13

The wheels following the living creatures indicates that the move of God's work depends upon our moving; it also indicates that if we move in faith, the Lord will follow our move.

E. And our move depends upon following the Spirit. – Ezek. 1:19-21

The wheels follow the living creatures and the creatures follow the Spirit, but the Spirit is in the wheels.

1. The principle of incarnation: The God's move in our move is following the principle of incarnation.

2. The Lord's recovery in this age: This is the Lord's recovery. – 1 Cor. 7: 10, 12

Burden: As the 21st century is progressing, we don't know exactly when the Lord will come back but we strongly believe that it is near. In this last lap of the race, may the Lord grant us faithfulness toward His deposit with us which is the ministry that has passed down to us, so that we may know Him, experience Him, and enjoy Him. Just as Brother Nee had said, our responsibility is to elevate and propagate Christ who is God's centrality and universality. Such truth will be pervasive among the lands of peoples. Specifically, in Europe and Germany, the people need to hear and see this central revelation of God.

II. Most Believers today know nothing about God's economy, nor about the Spirit; as a result, they find no way to cooperate with the Lord to carry out His move in His economy.

If we are going to cooperate with the Lord to carry out His move in His economy, we must know this age; to know this age is to know the age of today's Christianity in a particular way, especially in relation to the revelation of the Scriptures, the divine truths, and the genuine and proper theology:

A. Most believers today do not know the five critical points concerning the Spirit of God in God's move in His economy.

Not one of today's theologies, including the Nicene Creed, stresses adequately the following five critical points concerning the Spirit of God in the move of God's eternal economy:

1. The Processed Triune God: The Spirit that gives life "was not yet" before the glorification (resurrection) of Christ. – John 7:39

2. Who has been ultimately consummated: The last Adam became a life-giving Spirit. – 1 Cor. 15:45b

3. Who is typified by the anointing ointment: The compound Spirit is typified by the anointing ointment. – Exodus 30:23-25.

4. Who has become the all-inclusive Spirit: The Spirit of life, the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Christ, Christ Himself, and the indwelling Spirit all refer to the compound Spirit that gives life. – Romans 8:2, 9-11

5. And the sevenfold intensified Spirit: Seven Spirit – Rev. 1:4; 5:6

✓ The illustrations concerning the Spirit: (1) All-inclusive, (2) compound, (3) processed, (4) ultimately consummated, (5) sevenfold intensified – are profound in revelation.

B. Therefore, they are held back from God's central revelation, and come short the whole picture of God's economy.

Most Christian groups in this age are held from the central revelation of God and come short of the completion of God's eternal economy because of their missing, negligence of, and opposition to the above five critical points concerning the Spirit of God.

C. Our mission is to answer His call for becoming overcomers to accomplish His eternal economy.

God must have a people who are the God-men to be His overcomers for Him to accomplish His eternal economy concerning the church issuing in the Body of Christ and consummating the New Jerusalem.

III. Truth has been recovered (discovered / explicated) again and again through ministries of the ages. Therefore, we need to follow the age in knowing the Spirit and the "present truth."

Second Peter 1:12 mentions the words "*the present truth.*"

[2 Pet 1:12] Therefore I will be ready always to remind you concerning these things, even though you know them and have been established in the present truth.

A. The present truth is the revealing of the truth.

All the truths are in the Bible, but through man's foolishness, unfaithfulness, negligence, and disobedience, many truths were hidden from man; freshly revealed truths are not God's new inventions; rather, they are man's new discoveries.

B. God desires His workers inquire before Him.

Every worker of the Lord should inquire before God, "God, what is the present truth?"

C. Not to negate former truths.

We know that God's truths are cumulative; later truths do not negate former ones.

D. But to cumulate revelations of God.

All the past truths of God form the foundation of the truths today; what we see today are the cumulative revelations of God.

E. To go forward continuously by living in the tide of God's will

When God opens our eyes to see this fact, we begin to realize that we are living in the tide of God's will; this tide is a continuation of all the past works of God in the previous ages.

F. And to follow this age, not being cast away by "the present truth."

May God be gracious to us so that we do not become the castaways of "the present truth"; may we be watchful, and may we not allow the flesh to come in or the self to gain any ground; may God's will be accomplished in us.

Prerequisite to the cooperation with God to carry out God's move in His economy:

1. Knowing the Spirit (the 5 critical points concerning God's Spirit)
2. Know the present truth

The content of the present truth:

1. The present recovery of the Lord – God became flesh, the flesh became a life-giving Spirit, the life-giving Spirit became sevenfold intensified Spirit for the building up of the church which is the body of Christ that consummates in New Jerusalem
2. The central revelation of God – Christ's full ministry in three stages (incarnation, inclusion, and intensification)

IV. We need to know the present truth before we can take part in the present recovery and cooperate with God in carrying out God's move in His economy.

The present truth is both the central revelation of God and the Lord's present recovery:

A. The Lord's present recovery (in brief)

The Lord's recovery is God becoming the flesh, the flesh becoming the life-giving Spirit, and the life-giving Spirit becoming the sevenfold intensified Spirit to build up the church that becomes the Body of Christ and that consummates the New Jerusalem.


B. We need to know that Christ's full ministry in three stages is the central revelation of God and the present truth.

This is the full ministry of Christ in three stages (incarnation, inclusion, and intensification), and this is the central revelation of God and the present truth:


1. The first state – In **the stage of His incarnation**, beginning from His human birth to His death, He (a) brought the infinite God into the finite man, (b) united and mingled the Triune God with the tripartite man, (c) expressed in His humanity the bountiful God in His rich attributes through His human virtues, and (d) accomplished His all-inclusive judicial redemption. – [John 1:14; 5:19; 4:34; 17:4, 14:10, 24; 5:30, 7:17; 1:29.](#)
2. The second stage – In **the stage of His inclusion**, from His resurrection to the degradation of the church, He (a) was begotten by God to be God's firstborn Son, (b) became the life-giving Spirit, and (c) regenerated the believers for His Body. – [Acts 13:33; 1 Cor. 15:45b; 1 Pet. 1:3.](#)
3. The third stage – In **the stage of His intensification**, from the degradation of the church to the consummation of the New Jerusalem, He (a) intensifies His organic salvation, (b) produces the overcomers, and (c) consummates the New Jerusalem. – [Rev. 1:4; 5:6; 2:7; 21:2.](#)
4. We need to do a work of three sections:
 - A work in the stage of incarnation to produce redeemed people;
 - A work in the stage of inclusion to produce the churches;
 - A work in the stage of intensification to produce the overcomers to build up the Body, which consummates in the New Jerusalem as the unique goal of God's economy.

KNOWING THE SPIRIT AND PARTAKING OF GOD'S MOVE IN HIS ECONOMY

I. **Knowing God's Move in His Economy**

- A. In the book of Ezekiel, it is signified by a high and awesome wheel [Ezek 1:15] And as I watched the living creatures, I saw a wheel upon the earth beside the living creatures
 - The "center" signifies Christ as the center of God's economy.
 - The "rim" signifies the church, which consummates in the New Jerusalem.
 - The "spokes" signify the many believers.
- B. Followed by the collaboration of the four living creatures
- C. To bring forth of the one new man for God's expression and administration [Ezek. 1: 5] the four creatures...having the likeness of a man [Ezek. 1: 26] the throne was One in appearance like a man
- D. Every church and individual believer should have God's move with them, and
- E. God's move depends upon our moving [Ezek. 1:19] And whenever the living creatures went, the wheels went beside them; and whenever the living creatures were lifted up above the earth, the wheels were lifted up also.
- F.  Our move depends upon following the Spirit. [Ezek 1:20] Wherever the Spirit was to go, they went - wherever the Spirit was to go... [Ezek 1:21]...for the Spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.
 - The wheels follow the living creatures and the creatures follow the Spirit, but the Spirit is in the wheels.
 - This indicates that God's move is following the principle of incarnation. This is the Lord's recovery.

II. **Most Believers today know nothing about God's economy, nor about the Spirit; therefore, they find no way to carry out God's move in His economy**

- A. Due to the negligence of theology: None, including the Nicene Creed, stresses adequately the God's eternal economy, especially the five critical points concerning the Spirit of God.
 - The triune God has been processed, and consummated as a compound, all-inclusive and sevenfold intensified Spirit. [1 Cor. 15:45b] ...The last Adam became a life-giving Spirit. [Rev. 5:6] ...the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.
- B.  Most believers are missing out: They come short of God's eternal economy.
 - God's economy is to carry out by the Spirit; It comes from God's eternal plan and carried out through God's dispensation to produce the body of Christ, and ultimately consummating in New Jerusalem.
- C. Our mission today: To answer His call for becoming overcomers to accomplish His eternal economy.

KNOWING THE PRESENT TRUTH AND CARRYING OUT GOD'S MOVE IN HIS ECONOMY

III. **Through ministries of the ages, we come to know the "present truth."**

- [2 Pet 1:12] Therefore I will be ready always to remind you concerning these things, even though you know them and have been established in the present truth.
- A. The present truth is the revealing of the truth.
 - All the truths are in the Bible, but through man's foolishness, unfaithfulness, negligence, and disobedience, many truths were hidden from man; freshly revealed truths are not God's new inventions; rather, they are man's new discoveries.
 - B. God's workers need to inquire before Him.
 - C. Not to negate former truths.
 - D. But to cumulate revelations of God.
 - E. Due to His Grace, we can go forward in the tide of God's will.
 - F. Let us be watchful, not to be cast away by "the present truth."

IV. **"The present truth" is the full ministry of Christ in three stages. Only by knowing this, can we cooperate with God in carrying out God's move in His economy.**

- A. The Lord's present recovery (in brief)

The Lord's recovery is God becoming the flesh, the flesh becoming the life-giving Spirit, and the life-giving Spirit becoming the sevenfold intensified Spirit to build up the church that becomes the Body of Christ and that consummates the New Jerusalem.
- B. The present truth is the full ministry of Christ in three stages.
 1. **The stage of incarnation** – God was brought into man, expressing His divine attributes in His human virtues, and accomplishing His judicial redemption.
 2. **The stage of inclusion** – He was begotten by God as God's firstborn Son, became the life-giving Spirit, and regenerated the believers for His Body
 3. **The stage of intensification** – He intensifies His organic salvation, produces the overcomers, and consummates the New Jerusalem.
 4. We need to do a work of three sections in God's move in His economy:
 - > Incarnation - To produce **redeemed people** – [Rom. 15:16] be a laboring priest of the gospel of God...
 - > Inclusion - To produce **the churches** – [Eph. 2:22] in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.
 - > Intensification - To produce **the overcomers** for the building up the Body, which consummates in the New Jerusalem – [Rev. 21:2] And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.