

## **THE SON OF THE HIGHEST, LUKE 1:32 (CHRISTMAS LESSON)**

Let us go to the Word of God today for another precious and wonderful thought from God's Word at Christmas time that our hearts might be in tune in a special way in a new way with Jesus Christ at this Christmas season.

In Luke, the first chapter, and verse thirty-two, we find these words:

He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: (Luke 1:32).

Let us just think today upon the Son of God as the Son of the Highest. Now, exactly what does that mean? What does that involve? What was the Spirit of God saying to us in the Word of God. He had to be saying something because He declares that "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (II Timothy 3:16,17). So God is saying something to us that will give us moral divine Principles here.

Now, the Son of the Highest, the word "highest" relates back to the Hebrew. It is a superlative word denoting the Supreme God, the Most High God, or we have in Hebrew *Elyon* which means elevation, lofty, uppermost, to ascend up, to excel, or to exalt. Now, let us go to Psalm 18:13. And we find why Jesus Christ is called the Son of the Highest. This lets us know the class of Word in the highest. In Psalm, the eighteenth chapter, and verse thirteen, we find these beautiful words.

The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail stones and coals of fire (Psalm 18:13).

The Highest, the Supreme One, that is, the Supreme God. When God sent His beloved Son, God reached into the Highest of His Word. It said that out of His mouth came His Word that was

like hail stones or coals of fire. Hail stones signify the cold breath of God, the humility aspect of His Word. The coals of fire signify the exaltation of God's Word. So, beloved, when God went to beget His Son, He reached into the Highest coals of fire from His Word and He reached into the depths of the cold of His hail stones or His Word and He put, you might say, ice and fire together.

He put opposites together, not only in His Word. But we see Jesus Christ, beloved, put together in, you might say, a paradoxical form or put together under the law of opposites. First of all, we see His humanity and His divinity. What a law of opposites. then even in the Word itself, there is the humility Word. Hail stones, the ice of humility. There are the coals of fire, the exaltation. And Jesus Christ had this Glory of the Word within Him. He unveiled it upon the Mount of Transfiguration. And the Bible said His face shone with a glory like unto the sun. God pulled back the robe, the veil of humanity and let Peter, James, and John have a glimpse of the only Begotten Son of the Highest.

Jesus was the only Begotten Son of God, the Son of the Highest or the Son that God reached into the Highest to obtain exalted Coals of fire of His Word and ice Hail Stones, humility Word, and put together. What a precious lesson. And also on that occasion, God unveiled the humility. The Bible says that His garments, His raiment was white and glistening like snow and so He unveiled that day in the secret place on the Mount of Transfiguration to these three special Disciples His humility and His exaltation. Yes, He was indeed the Son of the Highest.

Mary said to the angel, "How can this be seeing I know not a man?" when God had announced to her that she would become the mother of the Son of the Highest. And the angel said in so many words, "No problem. The Power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. I will send the Word of the Highest (that is, the exalted Word, the humility Word) to come and enter into thee." The same Power of that Word, the same Power of the Highest, "I will send the Highest of

My Spirit, the exaltation, the humility, of it, to overshadow that Word that it might sanctify your human seed, that it might become mete and fit to be joined to the holy divine exalted-humility Seed of Truth in the Word of God.”

So God is the Highest, He is the Supreme One. He is the Most High God. And the Bible says in Genesis there, Abraham knew Him as the Most High God, beloved, possessor of heaven and earth. So, there again because He is Most High with exalted Word, coals of fire, He is Possessor of Heaven. As hailstones, humility Word, He is possessor of Earth. So as the Most High God, He is worthy of possessing our highest part of our beings and the lowest part of our beings and He gave unto His Son the same nature, beloved, because He was begotten out of the Highest.

And the Bible says in Psalm 87:5:

And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her (Psalm 87:5).

This is prophetic Scripture referring that when Jesus Christ comes again, beloved, that He will be the Highest. He will be KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS and He will establish Israel and Jerusalem and Zion once again in the earth. And He can do that because He was and is the Son of the Highest. When the children of Israel came and sang when Jesus made His triumphal entry into Jerusalem, they sang, “Hosanna in the Highest. Hosanna in the Highest.”

But they did not know the song that they sang because had they known it, they would not have forsaken Him at Calvary’s Cross. They only thought they knew the exalted side. They thought when He came riding triumphantly into Jerusalem that He would take over the Kingdom of Israel and they would be exalted. Beloved, we cannot know the coals of fire of His Word if we are not willing to take the ice of humility, the hail stones of humility.

Let us accept the exalted side; but first of all, let us accept the humility side, then, we can be true, and we will not forsake Jesus, then, when we are called upon to take a stand for humility-

Truth with Jesus Christ at Calvary's Cross.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank You today for Your precious Word that indeed is a Lamp unto our feet and a Light unto our pathway. LORD, bless this Word today. Bless it to every heart. May it be quickened, may it be enriched, LORD, within their souls by way of understanding on their part. Bless, we pray, in Jesus' Precious Name. Amen. ☩