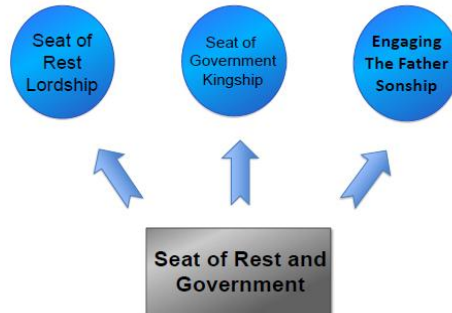


## MODULE 3 – 18 First Love – Seat of Rest – Government 5

### Session 18



Engage the Holy Spirit as living water in the River of life

- Engaged Jesus as we take His yoke upon us
- We engage the Father at the seat of rest and government
- Matt 11:28 “Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest.

→ **We need to be rest-conscious, Not giant-conscious**

- A slave mentality robs inheritance
- If we are so focused on our “Giants”-our problems and symptoms instead of Jesus’ finished work on the cross, then we cannot enter our promised land of rest and inheritance

Num 13:33 There also we saw the giants; and we became like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight.

- They had a wrong image of themselves
- They did not see themselves as God saw them – sons and inheritors of His promises

Rom 8:15 For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, “Abba! Father!” 16 The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ

→ **Our journey is from a slavery mentality to a mentality of royalty with our identity as sons of the King**

- Slaves own nothing
- Slaves live in survival mode
- Slaves have no hope and no expectations
- Slavery breeds a poverty spirit, fear & lack of identity and destiny

Slavery verses sonship mentality a check up from the neck up

- How is our thinking?
- What do we believe about God?
- What do we believe about ourselves?

- What do we believe about the world?
- What do we believe about our destiny?

| Heart of a Slave/Orphan   | Category                            | Heart of a son  |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| See God as Master   | IMAGE OF GOD                        | See God as a loving Father  |
| Independent / Self-reliant  | DEPENDENCY                          | Interdependent / Acknowledges Need  |
| Live by the Love of Law   | THEOLOGY                            | Live by the Law of Love   |
| Insecure / Lack peace   | SECURITY                            | Rest and Peace  |
| Strive for the praise, approval, and acceptance of man  | NEED FOR APPROVAL                   | Totally accepted in God's love and justified by grace   |
| A need for personal achievement as you seek to impress God and others, or no motivation to serve at all | MOTIVE FOR SERVICE                  | Service that is motivated by a deep gratitude for being unconditionally loved and accepted by God |
| Duty and earning God's favour or no motivation at all   | MOTIVE BEHIND CHRISTIAN DISCIPLINES | Pleasure and delight  |
| "Must" be holy to have God's favour, thus increasing a sense of shame and guilt                         | MOTIVE FOR PURITY                   | "Want to" be holy; do not want Anything to hinder intimate relationship with God                  |

| Heart of a Slave/Orphan   | Category                | Heart of a son  |
|---|-------------------------|---|
| Self-rejection from comparing yourself to others  | SELF-IMAGE              | Positive and affirmed because you know you have such value to God   |
| Seek comfort in counterfeit affections: addictions, compulsions, escapism, busyness hyper-religious activity                | SOURCE OF COMFORT       | Seek times of quietness and solitude to rest in the Father's presence and love  |
| Competition, rivalry, and jealousy toward others' success and position  | PEER RELATIONSHIPS      | Humility and unity as you value others and are able to rejoice in their blessings and success                                       |
| Accusation and exposure in order to make yourself look good by making others look bad                                       | HANDLING OTHERS' FAULTS | Love covers as you seek to restore Others in a spirit of love and gentleness  |
| See authority as a source of pain; distrustful toward them and lack a heart attitude of submission                          | VIEW OF AUTHORITY       | Respectful, honouring; you see them as ministers of God for good in your life   |
| Difficulty receiving admonition; you must be right so you easily get your feelings hurt and close your spirit to discipline | VIEW OF ADMONITION      | See the receiving of admonition as a blessing and need in your life so that your faults and weaknesses are exposed and put to death |

| Heart of a Slave/Orphan  | Category                | Heart of a son  |
|--|-------------------------|---|
| Guarded and conditional; based upon others' performance as you seek to get your own needs met  | EXPRESSION OF LOVE      | Open, patient, and affectionate as you lay your life and agendas down in Order to meet the needs of others                                |
| Conditional & Distant  | SENSE OF GOD'S PRESENCE | Close & Intimate  |
| Bondage  | CONDITION               | Liberty   |
| Feel like a Servant/Slave  | POSITION                | Feel like a Son/Daughter  |
| Spiritual ambition; the earnest desire for some spiritual achievement and distinction and the willingness to strive for it; a desire to be seen and counted among the mature | VISION                  | To daily experience the Father's unconditional love and acceptance and then be sent as a representative of His love to family and others. |
| Fight for what you can get!  | FUTURE                  | Sonship releases your inheritance!  |

Rom 8:15 For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!"

•We are not slaves but sons adopted into the royal family of heaven with the universe as our inheritance

**By virtue of our adoption, we have been given:**

- A new name (son no longer slave)
- A new legal standing/status (accepted no longer alienated or condemned)
- A new family-relationship (Father no longer Judge)
- A new image, the image of Christ,

Rom 8:19 For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. 21 that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

We can't be revealed as sons if we don't have a father

- God wants us to know Him as our heavenly Father
- Will we surrender the throne of our lives to Father God?
- Enemy can stop our sonship if He can stop our father relationship

Prodigal Son and loving Father

•Luke 15:20 So he got up and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion for him, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.

God wants us to be reconciled to Him

•Why because we were separated from Him because our relationship was broken

- God desire is that our relationship with Him is restored
- Restored to original condition
- Eternal relationship is the true original condition not just to the pre fall garden

Even the garden relationship, walking with God is way more than we have traditionally been taught

- Adam had access to Eden, God's garden and the spiritual realms
- Adam's spirit was on the outside of Him as he was primarily a spirit being having a human experience

Gen 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule

- Adam was made in the image of God with an eternal destiny
- Adam had purpose, relationship and responsibility
- It is impossible to rule without having our relationship restored



2 Cor 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. 18 Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, 19 namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

Salvation does not make us slaves (i.e., servile followers of a tyrannical God). Rather, our salvation makes us sons (i.e. grateful followers of a loving Father)

- The source of our redemption and adoption originated in the loving, sovereign plan of God the Father.

To be liberated as a slave is great! But to be adopted as a son and made a co-heir of the Father's entire creation is amazing

- By virtue of our adoption our whole relationship to God and creation has radically changed.

Knowing our identity is key to knowing and fulfilling our destiny

- Experientially knowing who we are

•If you don't know who you are how can you know what belongs to you and what you are called to do?

→ **All our needs are designed to be met in our relationship with God**

- Acceptance                      Love
- Affection                        Value, worth
- Security                         Safety
- Approval                        Significance
- Affirmation Identity,        Purpose

God is willing and able and desires to meet all our needs in relationship

- Who I am, Where do I come from,
- Why I am Here, What is my purpose is
- These are the deepest questions of our soul longing for reconnection with our eternal experience

Psa 91:1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High Will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, My God, in whom I trust!"

Psa 91:9 For you have made the Lord, my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place. 10 No evil will befall you, Nor will any plague come near your tent. 11 For He will give His angels charge concerning you, To guard you in all your ways.

Psa 91:14 "Because he has loved Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him securely on high, because he has known My name. 15 "He will call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honour him. 16 "With a long life I will satisfy him And let him see My salvation."

John 14:18 "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 20 In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.

- John 14:23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.

John 1:12 But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God.

- Rom 8:14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children.

We are in Him and He is in us

- We are in His name Yod Hei Shin Vav Hei
- All that is in His name belongs to us and is available as the foundation on which are lives can be built and lived
- We need to know Him by personal experience as our daily lifestyle

**Names of God reveal his character nature YHVH or Jehovah or Yahweh**

- Jehovah-Tsisqenu -                      the Lord my righteousness
- Jehovah M'kedesh -                      Lord my sanctifier
- Jehovah-Jireh -                         Lord my provider

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| Jehovah-Rapha -    | Lord my healer                          |
| •Jehovah-Nissi -   | Lord my banner of victory               |
| •Jehovah-shalom -  | Lord my peace                           |
| •Jehovah-Rohi –    | Lord my shepherd                        |
| •Jehovah-shammah - | the Lord is there                       |
| •Jehovah-sabaoth - | Lord of hosts, Lord of the angel armies |

2 Cor 5:19 that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, ... 21 He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

•Judgement and Justice so we live in holiness because we are righteous

Baptised into the Holy Spirit into righteousness, peace and joy

- Baptised into Jesus into the way, truth and the life
- Baptised into the Father into Judgment, Justice and Holiness

Judgment – verdicts of the judge passed in our favour

- Releases - Provision , Protection, Purpose
- Justice – On the basis of what Jesus did on the cross we are now forgiven, cleansed, set free from slavery, reconciled and made righteous
- Holiness – That we can choose to be like Him and live like Him

Judgment is part of the function of the kingdom of God

- Judgment is not designed to condemn to death
- Judgment is a verdict that gives us the option to choose life
- Justice is our restored relationship

Adoption back into God's family

- Restoration to the Father's heart
- Access to the Father's heart in eternity
- Open access to Eden the heavenly garden of God now
- Open access to the river of life, tree of life and throne of grace

Rom 8:29 For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

•Jesus life is the perfect example of sonship and His relationship with the Father reveals true Fatherhood

1 John 3:1 See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God;

•1 John 4:16 We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

Jesus said I am in My Father

- Jesus said He is in you and you are in Him
- The Father is in you and you are in the Father
- Intimacy, relationship, oneness, wholeness with the Father
- You are My beloved son in you I am well pleased.

John 13:3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come forth from God and was going back to God

- Rom 8:16 The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ,

Col 1:19 For it was the *Father's* good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him, 20 and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, *I say*, whether things on earth or things in heaven.

John 5:19 Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner.

John 5:20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself is doing; and the Father will show Him greater works than these, so that you will marvel.

- John 10:30 I and the Father are one.

- This is for each of us as His sons

John 12:49 For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment as to what to say and what to speak.

John 14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works.

- We just have to be a willing and cooperating channel

John 15:10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

- John 15:26 "When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me,

John 16:15 All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.

- John 16:23 Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you.

John 17:21 that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me.

- Unity of relationship is the Father's desire for His people

John 17:24 Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

Eph 1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,

Psa 139:1 O Lord, You have searched me and known me. 2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar. 3 You scrutinize my path and my lying down, And are intimately acquainted with all my ways.

Psa 139:13 For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. 14 I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well. 15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skilfully wrought in the depths of the earth;

Psa 139:16 Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Your book were all written The days that were ordained for me, When as yet there was not one of them. 17 How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How vast is the sum of them! 18 If I should count them, they would outnumber the sand. When I awake, I am still with You.

John 20:17 .. for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God.'" •John 20:21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

Dan 7:14 "And to Him was given dominion, Glory and a kingdom, 27 Then the sovereignty, the dominion and the greatness of all the kingdoms under the whole heaven will be given to the people of the saints of the Highest One; His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all the dominions will serve and obey Him.'

Psa 8:4 What is man that You take thought of him, And the son of man that You care for him? 5 Yet You have made him a little lower than God, And You crown him with glory and majesty! 6 You make him to rule over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet,

Redeemed by Jesus bought back from slavery given a new home and a family.

- We are adopted as sons into the family of the King
- We are royalty – princess & princesses
- Regardless of our history or background

Born again into a new family with a new identity

- We have a new heavenly home & we are a home for God
- New heavenly citizenship
- New yet eternal identity & purpose
- Sonship with a relationship with the Father

Every blessing of the new covenant comes through our union with God as our inheritance

- Gal 3:26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
- Everything comes through faith by His grace (His divine ability)

Gal 4:6 Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

- 1 Cor 8:6 yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things and we exist for Him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we exist through Him.

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.



- Jesus will always lead us to the Father
- Jesus' desire is that we know the Father intimately in relationship like He does

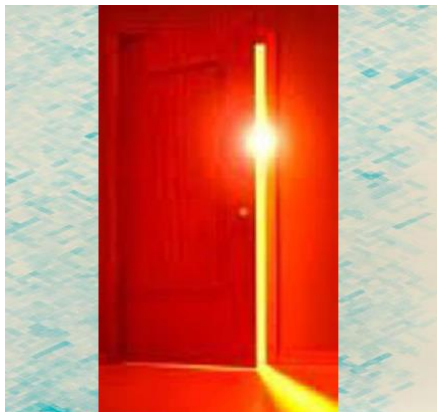
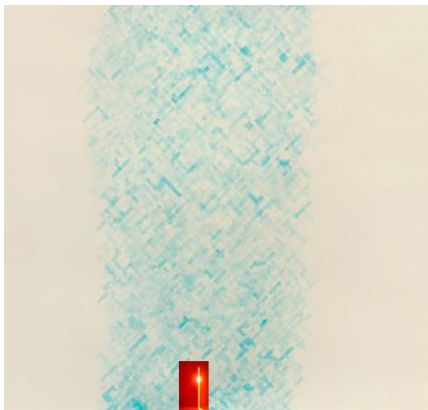
Prov 3:5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart And do not lean on your own understanding

- Are you willing to Trust the Father with the throne of your life?
- Are you willing to embrace Him today?
- Are you willing to be baptised deeper into Him today?

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Rev 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me. **21** He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne



### **Activation:**

Close your eyes and picture that door

- By faith reach out to the handle and open the first love door
- Welcome His presence into your spirit
- Allow your whole being, spirit soul and body engage Him
- Feel His arms around you
- Feel the warmth of His presence

Receive Him as love personified

- Feel the security, power and strength of His love
- Feel His unconditional love for you
- Feel the fire of His love burn in you
- Feel His love embrace you, hold you safe in His arms of love
- Feel your heart melt in His embrace

Yield - surrender - open up your heart embrace Him

- Let Him touch your deepest needs

- Let Him heal your deepest hurts
- Let Him remove your deepest fears
- Let Him fill you with His presence

Let Him accept you

- Let Him affirm you
- Let Him reveal how special you are to Him
- Express your love to Him
- Tell Him how you feel
- Tell Him how much you love Him

Today by faith choose to abdicate the throne of your life

- Ask the Father to take His place on your throne the seat of rest and government in your spirit
- Let Him meet all your needs
- Let Him give you complete forgiveness cleansing and reconciliation

### **Steps like Jacob's ladder leading up to heaven**

#### **There is a door standing open in heaven**

- Hear the invitation to come up here
- Walk up those steps to the door
- Now step through the veil into the kingdom realm

Jesus is standing in the doorway

- Feel the atmosphere of heaven
- Feel the freedom and glory of heaven breathe it in

Feel His welcome and embrace

- Set your focus on the Father
- Embrace your destiny as a son
- Let Jesus take you to the Father

Let Jesus take you by the hand and  
lead you to the source of the river of  
life flowing from the throne of God  
Step into the crystal river  
Go deeper into the river and be  
baptised into the Father  
Experience who He really is and who  
you truly are as His son

