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## 2 - 1 JESUS - Our Anchor & Sure Foundation

**When attempting to build a solid foundation for any ministry, a true cornerstone needs to be laid first.** 1st Corinthians 3:11 says, “For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.” 1st Peter 2:6 also talks about Jesus being that chosen stone. In Psalm 18:2 David says: “The Lord is my Rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation”.

**Jesus is not just the foundation and He is not only the whole building, He is also the commonwealth.** Acts 4:10-12 says: “Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, — this is the stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the Chief Cornerstone. Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we are saved.”

**Many have found that without the proper foundation when expanding the book of Acts, their attempts to bring continuance has been a bit of a stage act as the whole church and ministry started leaning towards the back parking lot.** Now that we are entering into the latter days, we really need to make sure that the basics are covered. Friends of God and lovers of Jesus who have no personal agenda are the very ones that will most likely end up getting that call when bringing continuance to the Ministry of Jesus.

**In 1 Corinthians, Paul affirms the one sure foundation and that God provides for one body, and that the entire plan is being promoted by one Spirit!** Jesus is the surest, strongest and most steadfast foundation ever laid. We are to grow up in all aspects unto Him. All of the ministries are merely

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vessels through which He ministers to His gathering. We can have great experiences, but we will not have that Ekklesia way of life that the Lord intended until the apostolic Ekklesia prophetic ministries are restored as they were released upon the original 12 apostles.

**These ministries are foundational for a true Ekklesia life experience because they were the foundation of Jesus' ministry.** Prophetic ministry and prophecy are key to where He is taking us in these last days.

## 2 - 2 Jesus - There is No Mistaking His Identity

**The claims of Jesus are clear and explicit; all has been confirmed, — “I am the bread of life,” “I am the light of the world,” “I am the door,” “I am the good shepherd,” “I am the resurrection,” “I am the Son of God,” “I am the truth, life, and way,”** Jesus is claiming titles that are rightfully His, — Son, Savior, Shepherd, Sustainer, over 200 to be exact! He clearly demonstrated that He is able to conquer death, forgive sin, save the soul, and satisfy the heart forever more! For this Jesus, and who He claims to be, has become our way of life, our peace, our righteousness, our holiness, and our road of prophetic ministry and revelation, for the Word of God expresses the Son and the Son expresses the Word. The Truth reveals the Son, and the Son reveals the Truth. The Scriptures interpret the Son, and the Son interprets the Scriptures. Wisdom unveils the Son, and the Son unveils Wisdom. The Father declares the Son and the Son declares the Father. There is no mistaking His Identity. When it comes to salvation you cannot ignore Him. If you're searching for reconciliation, sanctification or redemption, to omit Him would be ridiculous, for He is the only completed way to the Father. He is the total package!

**Jesus says in John 14:6, “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes to the Father, but by Me.”**, and in Acts 4:12 Peter says, “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is no other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” So if there is only one way, then the basis of all ministry really needs to be steering us not only individually but also corporately into that one way. He is not only the way, but He is also the chief cornerstone, the foundation, the builder, — and as a matter of fact He is the One who has already empowered it. So if He is **The Model**, then we need to be going in that very direction that has been laid out for us, for a powerful sacrifice was made to clear the way. When analyzing it all,

it's easy to see that Jesus is the central figure in everything that we are about to enter into! If that be true, then everything He did was an example for us.

**Look at how Jesus is portrayed in the Gospels! In Matthew, Jesus is the King revealed! In Mark, He is portrayed as the redeeming one! In Luke, He is pictured as the reconciler, and in John, He is proclaimed as a regenerator, — one who makes all things new!** When you think of all those titles, — revealer, redeemer, reconciler and regenerator, it really sounds like the qualities that all ministry needs to flow out of. For any ministry to have the needed power and longevity for the season that we are about to enter, we need to start aligning ourselves. Everything we are, everything we say, and any ministry Jesus invites us into, needs to line up with these same qualities!

**John 12:32 says. “And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me.”** Now if He is drawing people unto Himself then we just need to make ourselves available to His plans. Pulling out the ministry props is what will get us into trouble. We just need to be available and move in that one direction. Also, if He is the living Word that became flesh, and dwelt amongst us, who is now seated in heaven, then we, as family members, must become living conduits of that Word. This means that if we engage in any position, particularly within the five-fold ministry, we need to accept the tremendous responsibility when handling and landing what it is that He has called us to do. When delivered, our service to others needs to bear fruit. It needs to be presented and served like apples of gold in settings of silver. Most importantly, if it is on behalf of the King, it needs to have that redeeming quality that He Himself walks in, never forgetting that any redemptive package needs to be fully armed with love, — an unconditional love that is!

## 2 - 3 Jesus – The Rock

**The word “ Rock ” was used several times by David. No doubt he was referring to an actual being when he said: “ The Rock of Israel spoke to me ”.** Moses declared, “He is the Rock, His way is perfect . . . a God of truth . . . just and right is He”, and later on he writes about the great power that resides upon that Rock, with its gracious ways, and its governing attributes. Isaiah also proclaims for us to “Trust in Jehovah for ever; for in Jehovah, even Jehovah, is an everlasting Rock.”

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**The appearance of that Rock after the Red Sea deliverance was a spiritual pre-pattern of Jesus.** That large Rock at Meribah was struck for the sake of Israel, and so also was Jesus struck for our sakes. Life-giving waters flowed out of the Meribah Rock, and life-giving waters have been flowing out of Jesus ever since!

**How befitting when the Psalmist said. “Jehovah is my defense; and my God, the Rock of my refuge ”.** Paul connects The Rock of Ages with Christ being that solid Rock to the Corinthians, “For I do not want you to be unaware, that our fathers were all under the cloud, all went through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from a spiritual rock, and that rock was Christ.”

**Those rock-like characteristics of God are the same yesterday, today and forever. Jesus was, and is, and always will be that Rock.** When Jesus asked His disciples, “ Who do men say that I am? ” Jesus’ response to Peter’s answer was that he was blessed, for that revelation was only made possible through His Heavenly Father, and it is upon that very Rock that He plans to build and release His Ekklesia, and the gates of hades will not prevail against it.

**What a revelation it is to know that the One that we have come to trust and rely upon, truly is the Rock of Ages . . . strong everlasting, eternally steadfast, enduringly supreme and excellent in power.** So it is not presumptuous on our part to claim Him as our Rock and our Fortress, for Jesus, and He alone, has become our strong habitation, our sure foundation, and our solid Rock.

## 2 - 4 Titles of Jesus

### Jesus is Central in Kingdom Ministry

**Jesus has truly manifested and continues to manifest Himself to us in so many different ways.** He is a Lion, and He is also a Lamb. He came as the Prince of Peace. He is the Rock, the Alpha and Omega, the Good Shepherd, the Bright and Morning Star, and Door of the Sheep. He is a Greater than Solomon, the unspotted Lamb, the True Light, the Word of God, the Vanquisher, the Wisdom of God, and Wonderful Counselor. He’s the King of the Jews, the King of Israel, the King of Righteousness, the King of the Ages, the King of Heaven, the King of Glory, the

King of Kings, and He is the Lord of Lords, and the list goes on and on, — over 200 to be exact. He supplies strength for the weak. He guards and guides. He heals the sick, cleanses the lepers, forgives sinners, discharges debtors, delivers the captives, defends the feeble, blesses the young, serves the unfortunate, regards the aged, rewards the diligent, and beautifies the meek. He is the key of knowledge, the wellspring of wisdom, the doorway of deliverance, the pathway of peace, the roadway of righteousness, the highway of holiness, and the gateway of glory, and yet He said that He came to bring a sword.

### **The Following 5 Titles . . .**

. . . will help us to understand who is the real driving force behind all Kingdom ministry, and why the presence of each one is crucial to authentic Ekklesia Kingdom Ministry whether it be that of Apostle, Prophet, Pastor, Evangelist, Teacher or any other ministry Jesus calls us to walk in.

#### **1) Jesus - The Ark of the Lord**

##### **Prophetic Ministry should have His presence in it**

This is one of the most complete and comprehensive type of Christ in the bible. The ark consisted of a gold-plated chest with two cherubim mounted on top, facing one another, overshadowing the mercy seat, which represented the atoning blood of Jesus. The choices of materials used were very emblematic of Jesus Christ. The Ark was a picture of who He really represents while the presence of incense and the atoning blood demonstrated His character as mediator for reconciliation, and when the blood of the sacrifice was sprinkled on the actual mercy seat the glory of God appeared. This was a picture of the heavenly glory of God. There, angels stand before His throne and praise Him day and night. It was also a picture of the restored presence of God through the resurrection of Christ. Inside the ark was a golden urn holding the manna (Jesus being the bread from heaven), Aaron's staff that budded (Jesus being the chosen and anointed one to represent the Father), and the tablets of the covenant were placed within the Ark (Jesus being that covenant of grace to cover the law). Like the ark, being a place of God's presence, this very same presence of God has been restored to the believer in the resurrection of Jesus.

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### **2) Jesus - The Power of God**

#### **Prophetic Ministry should have His restoration power in it**

Jesus Himself is the supernatural substance of divine power. This title of being the power of God tells us that He is the very essence of Godly power. He, Himself, declared in Matt. 28:18 that “All authority is given unto Me in heaven and earth.” He is the instrument of power. The very nature of its magnitude can neither be expanded nor can it be minimized. 1 Cor. 1:24 says that Jesus is not only the power of God, but also the wisdom of God. This power as redeemer ordained Him to manifest it through the impartation of grace, gifts, and goodness, — all through His omnipotent hand. The transformation of lives, the demonstrations of love, and the continual revelations of the invisible realities, as His Father’s Kingdom lands all around Him, are all administered through His hand. His power pervades every realm, and that power during the resurrection, where He, Himself, had the power to lay His own life down, and the power to take it again was a clear demonstration. Jesus is the power of God!

### **3) Jesus - The Builder of the Temple**

#### **Prophetic Ministry should recognize who it is that’s doing the building**

“Behold the man whose name is the Branch . . . and He shall build the temple of the Lord” – Zech. 6:12 also Matt. 16:18 and Eph. 2:20, 22. The temple that was rebuilt by the remnant, those that returned to Jerusalem from Babylon, was a temporary structure. Some significant features that have been identified with Solomon’s temple were withheld. That would include the tablets, the ark, the holy fire and the Shekinah glory. However He promised a greater builder and a greater glory, — one who would surpass in workmanship any of the structures erected by man, — living stones cut from the quarries of human nature molded by the Spirit of God into a holy temple in the Lord. This temple is constructed from lives that will bear evidence of His character and nature, and the dedication of this temple, when completed, will be an amazing day as it ushers in a Kingdom reign, a confirmed victory, and a regenerated world.

### **4) Jesus - The Glory of God**

#### **Prophetic Ministry should have His glory in all of it**

“The Word was made flesh, and dwelt amongst us and we beheld His glory.” (John 1:14). Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory



of God?” (John 11:40). Glory is as difficult to define as light because of its excellence in divine character having the full expression of a deity that is blended in perfect unity. John speaks about the glory of God that is exhibited in the face of Jesus Christ. He is the pinnacle of the entire presentation of truth revealed in the Old Testament, manifested in the flesh in the New Testament, with the principal purpose set out in the final unveiling. His glory is everlasting, — a glory that was with the Father before the world ever was. He is the brightness of God’s glory and the fullness of the Godhead. He is not only the Lord of glory but the glory of the Lord. Although He is the brightness of God’s glory, He embraces a child and encompasses a star. He expresses a whisper and employs the thunder. He heals the leper, tends to the broken hearted, and raises the dead. Every part of His work, every part of His will, every word spoken, and every part of His wisdom utters His glory. Any prophetic ministry we walk in should reveal that glory.

### **5) Jesus - The Wisdom of God**

#### **Prophetic Ministry should be armed with His wisdom**

The supreme expression of wisdom is personified in Jesus, whom God has set forth as being the power of God and the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24). He is the source, the spring and the stream, and without it, wisdom is unarmed, for power itself is useless without wisdom (Jesus) to direct it. One of wisdom’s defining characteristics is that it is free from defects and defilements, and that greater premium of wisdom is accessible through Jesus, full of mercy and good fruits, for in God’s great gift to us resides perfect wisdom, for the eyes of our understanding are enlightened that we may behold Him who personifies heavenly wisdom (Eph. 3:16), bountiful in goodness, kindness, righteousness and holiness. As this manifold expression of wisdom was demonstrated through the plan of redemption, we meet the supreme exhibition of the wisdom of God through Jesus who has established a greater covenant. He has become the chief cornerstone, the mediator, the foundation, the builder and defender of ekklesia, for in Him are all the spiritual blessings (Eph. 1:3) and all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (Col. 2:3).