Receiving a Sent One

In the NIV Study Bible, there is a comment by Augustine regarding Jn 7:17: "...if any man be willing to do His will? It is the same thing as to believe." Augustine did not know what our Master meant in Jn 7:17. To do His will is to do Jn 6:53, for man does not have this life in himself. Only he who has the Son has the life (1 Jn 5:12). This is why John said in verse 13 that he was writing in order that a person could *kn* ow that he had eternal life, and that *knowing* could not be separated from *doing* what He commands (1 Jn 2:4). To know Him is to obey His commandments, which is what one must *do* in order to enter in through the gates into the City (Rev 22:14).

1 Jn 5:12; 2 Pet 1:4 — The life of the Son idivine nature, which we partake of, and only by totally taking in the Son of Man in His humanity — flesh and blood as He was born (Lk 1:35), the "second Adam" — can we "partake" also of divine nature and eternal life. Whoever has the Son has the Life. To have the Son one must eat — consume wholly and totally — the Word in the flesh of man (Jn 13:20; Lk 10:16). There is no one saved apart from total vulnerability to all He is and says, without fear or doubt. It requires no less surrender than Lk 14:31-32, proven by verse 33. This is surrender into the arms of His Body, becoming totally vulnerable, which is the sustenance of eternal life. This is what it means to be "in Him."

Jn 6:55-57 — We live because of Him, not just because *He is*, but because what we do with Him in ourselves. Jn 6:53-54 — How many will not be raised on the last day? (Jn 6:39,40,44,54). How many will be raised?

Rom 10:13-17 — This defines the "whoever" of Jn 3:16. Faith comes by receiving a sent one. The meaning of the word *receive* requires that if one does *not* receive then he is not "saved" (secured in Him, in His Body) by faith and cannot believe as Rom 10:9-10. He will be disappointed, to say the least (Rom 5:5; Jn 6:54).

There is no vulnerability to the Christian gospel, as it does not include, expect, or require Mt 13:44-46 or Acts 2:40-45 and 4:32-35, which is the meaning of Jn 13:35.

If a person receives "the word" through a sent one, he must receive the sent one first, and then the Word and the Father in baptism. To receive Messiah through a sent one is to partake of divine nature (2 Pet 1:1-8). That is what it means to escape the "perverse generation" spoken of by the sent one in Acts 2:40-41 (2 Pet 1:4; Acts 2:38 . Just think of the corruption that is in this wicked and perverse age. The "divine nature" brings us up above such corruption, as is expressed chiefly in "the world of Christianity" — the divisive spirits of this world are all in her (Rev 18:2).

2 Pet 1:4 — Having escaped the "corruption" that is in the world through lust, desires that are centered on selfishness, greed, wars, divisiveness. Man is steeped in this corruption in the public educational systems, from childhood to adulthood. But we were born again (1 Pet 1:23) into a *new* environment, into brotherly kindness and love. This brotherly kindness dissolves the problems that have corrupted the whole world — alienation, strife, division, ignoring one another — and brought us into a life where we re-focus on our true enemy, Satan, overcoming all his old devices that are the cause of all the problems in the world today (Rev 20:1-2; Heb 10:13; Eph 2:1-3).

Christianity has within her all of God's enemies, which she cannot put under His feet since she is under Satan's feet herself, and he is enthroned on her praises. The false prophets came in Yahshua's name and deceived mankind (Mt 24:5) who are now in her prison. 'For many will come in My name, saying I [Yahshua] am the Christ, and will deceive many..." There are no quotation marks in the Greek. They didn't come saying that they themselves were the Messiah, but that Yahshua is the Messiah, but they came in another spirit and another gospel, presenting another Yahshua (2 Cor 11:4) from a "historical perspective," deceiving many (Mt 24:5). The many will receive "spirits" (Rev 18:2) through the false prophets, who are servants of Satan (2 Cor 11:15). These spirits make one "claim to see" (Jn 9:41), although their sins are not forgiven (Rev 18:5). Therefore they can't forgive others, so there are naturally, of course, divisions and strive within her walls, manifested by "denominations" on every

corner (1 Cor 1:12-13), in every "place" or township.

1 Tim 2:8 — This means all "the men" and elders in a town are in perfect unity, just as Messiah prayed for (Jn 17:20-23), through loving as He commanded (Jn 13:34-35). "All men" as in 1 Tim 2:8 will be the witness to convince "all men" in every place in the world as to who are and who are not His disciples. Mal 3:18 is carried out by the witness of Mal 1:11, but can only be "witnessed" or demonstrated by men who have been refined in the Refiner's fire (Mal 3:3).