

Alpha and Omega

Jesus-the Beginning and the End

Christ is the central theme.

Revelation 1 v 8

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

Revelation 21 v 5-8

*And he who sits on the throne said "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." then He said to me, "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to **the one who thirsts** from the spring of the water of life without cost. "He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son."*

We were baptised into Christ Jesus.

Romans 6 v 4

*Therefore we have been **buried with Him** through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.*

His death, we were buried, His life, we were raised. We are to walk in newness of life, we are to walk in the spirit; our new life is a spiritual life.

The New Covenant

This is the "do it yourself" aspect of our walk with Christ, the temporary Nature of our **now**.

Jeremiah 31 v 21

Set up for yourselves roadmarks, place for yourself guide posts;

Direct your mind to the highway, the way by which you went.

Return, O virgin of Israel

Return to these your cities.

How long will you go here and there, O faithless daughter?

*For the Lord **has created a new thing in the earth** - A woman will encompass a man.*

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We are to do it **now**

1. *Set up for yourself roadmarks.* These are landmarks or reminders. Abram built an altar.

Genesis 12 v 7 - 8

The Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the Lord who had appeared to him. Then he proceeded from there to the mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord.

These were both promises and dreams from God.

2. Memorial stones, not a tombstone, a womb stone.

Joshua 4 v 7

Then you shall say to them, 'Because the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord; when it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off.' So these stones shall become a memorial to the sons of Israel forever.

3. Place for yourselves guideposts

We should be led by the Spirit and the Word, led by God's leaders, the shepherds.

Place for yourself - recognise them, overcome the resistance in you.

4. Direct your mind to the highway

This is an act of the will, determine to get on the highway and whilst on the highway, pay attention!

Hebrews 12 v 1

*Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, **let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.***

He is waiting for us to volunteer.

Psalms 110 v 3

Your people will volunteer freely in the day of Your power; in holy array, from the womb of the dawn, Your youth are to You as the dew.

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