SINGLE ALLIANCE

The Greater One

"One Greater Than He That Is In The World"

I. Introduction

- A. Last week we talked about the Lord being greater than our heart
- B. This week we are finishing this series and looking at the last place in the NT where the Lord is mentioned as being greater than someone or something else.
- C. 1 John 4:4- Greater is He in us than He that is in the world

II. Greater is He that is in us

- A. Many have a footprints understanding of their relationship with God-He is external to us and comes and helps us when we need it. This view is not biblical and robs from us what authentic Christianity is all about.
- B. Authentic Christianity is not us trying to live for God with God coming along side us to help us when we need it.
- C. The New Covenant provides something much greater than what was under the Old Covenant or religions do.
- D. The New Covenant is based upon Christ removing the old man and causing us to be born again as new creatures that has Himself has its life source! God is in us under the New Covenant. If we would renew our mind to this than our Christian lives would be transformed.
- E. Who is in us?
 - 1. The Holy Spirit- 1 Cor. 6:19
 - 2. Jesus Christ- Col 1:27
 - 3. The Father- John 14:23
- F. Some might be aware that God lives in them, but they seem Him as merely a tenant in their building. This view is that God is in us but still separated from us. The NT says that the triune God is joined to us.
 - 1. 1 Cor. 6:17- We are one spirit with Him
 - 2. 2 Peter 1:4- We are partakers of the Divine nature
 - 3. Knowing, understanding, and acting upon this is the key to Greater One living!
- G. A Christian is never alone. We can thrive in any place, situation, or circumstance because we are in it with another- Our Triune God! **1 Cor. 7:24** Abide with God
- H. Unbelievers are always alone even if people are around them. That is why they fear death. They are alone.

I. We need to cultivate the practice of the presence of God. We need to verbally acknowledge the One who abides in us. Talk to Him. Listen to His voice. God's words and voice are connected. If you want to hear His voice than you must listen to His words. Giving daily heed to His Word will open you up to daily hearing His voice. His voice as many waters.

II. Greater Than He that is in the World

- A. The Lord in you is greater than He that is in the world- Satan
- B. He is greater in authority- You are in Him- he is under your feet
 - 1. Col 1:13- You are no longer under His dominion
 - 2. Eph 1:21- We are far above Satan
 - 3. **Luke 10:19** We have the authority to trample upon the power of the enemy
- C. Jesus has disarmed and defeated the Devil! He has no arms or feet left!
- D. The Devil was armed against humanity before Jesus came. This arms he had actually were from God Himself.
 - 1. **Col 2:13-15** What was Satan armed with- The commandments of the Law that we broke. He used them to condemn us and hold us under guilt and judgment.
 - 2. Jesus fulfilled the Law and commandments once and for all. He took our debt and rubbed off the writing on it and then nailed it to the cross and wrote on it paid in full!
 - 3. When Jesus took this out of the way, he disarmed the Devil
- E. If we would just become righteousness conscious we would live a Greater One life.
- F. Many Christians do not put their foot down against Satan and trample upon Him and His works because their faith is crippled with guilt and a sense that they are unrighteous. If you are not fully convinced of your position and righteousness in Christ the enemy will laugh at you and stick around. Satan knows when you are not fully convinced of your authority or righteousness in Christ. Ex. A kid will not obey as long as he thinks the parent is not really going to do anything to them. If they utilize their authority and power then the kid will instantly obey next time! They will remember their red butt!
- G. Accept forgiveness and acknowledge that righteousness is a part of you now- God is a part of you know. Think about this. Speak this. Act upon this. You will see your life transformed and that you walk over all the power of the enemy.