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What Are Theophanies?

We will be looking at “theophanies,” the visions of God!

What are theophanies? They are an appearance of God showing Himself!

Theo = “God”

Phaino = “to appear or show”

Theophanies are “God appearances.”

“God sightings” are another name.

The next postings will take us to those places in scripture where God appeared to man, even walked with man, conversed with man, and ate with man. We will journey here and begin to grow a supernatural desire to see God! See Jesus in the form of a human being before He was born in human body!

Let us learn a few places in the Bible where He appeared. My goal is to aim to pray those places where God appeared to man. Pray it through that He may appear to us too! We have great men in the Bible who saw God! So, if they did, we too can!

Moses in Exodus 24, 34

Isaiah in Isaiah 6

Ezekiel in Ezekiel 1,10

Daniel in Daniel 7,10

Peter in Matthew 17

John in Revelation 1, 19, 21.

They all saw God or the glorified Christ with their eyes and wrote what they saw! Let us journey then in those places and see God through the eyes of men given that privilege! Adam and Eve walked with God:

“And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, “Where are you?” So he said, “I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.” And He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?” Then the man said, “The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.””

Genesis 3:8-12 NKJV

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I can see how God's heart must break because man's change of mind preferred to be without God as they chose to sin. They prefer to be on their own rather than be with God!

Can you think of the desolation that that separation brought to man? I wonder if Adam realized the injury he brought to themselves and ALL of God's creation!

In Luke 19:

"Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace!

But now they are hidden from your eyes.

For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

Luke 19:41-44 NKJV

There is a visitation prepared for us! Let us press on with this privilege to be in the presence of God! To see God! You are welcome to pray to see the glory of God in the midst of trouble as our glorious protection! Abba we ask to walk with you in the "cool of the day!"