**UNDERSTANDING THE THRONE OF GRACE**

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We first need to get a picture of Gods throne. In human language, this Divine Court is referred to as “God's Assembly,” “Judgment Seat,” or simply “Court.”

These various judgments take place in the Court of God Almighty in the third heaven ***(Isaiah 3: 13****: The Lord takes his place in court, He rises to judge the people*

***Daniel 7:9*** *“I kept looking Until thrones were set up, And the Ancient of Days took His seat; His vesture was like white snow, And the hair of His head like pure wool. His throne was ablaze with flames; its wheels were a burning fire. 10 - A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.;*

**1 Kings 22:19** Micaiah said, “Therefore, hear the word of the Lord. I saw the Lord sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing by Him on His right and on His left.

Jesus says that in **Mathew 18:10**“See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven.

**Let us have the confidence / the boldness to approach the throne of Grace /Mercy – Hebrew 4:16.**

Our confidence to approach the Throne of God where we obtain mercy is based on the revelation and understanding of how the Courts of heaven operate*.* ***Mathew 13:11-*** *He replied, “Because the knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them*.

**We need to have the understanding of the setup of the courts of heaven.**

1. There is **God the Father** is the eternal judge –

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1. There is **Jesus the Son of God** - He is a high priest, an attorney and judge - *In the Bible,* The High Priest was in charge of making the special sacrifice on the Day of Atonement.

To a Jew, the High Priest was essentially the ultimate lawyer, a spiritual lawyer, before God the Father. *Christ has been called to stand at our side. It is part of His calling. It is part of His character. There is no other God like this!*

*“Even now, behold, my witness is in heaven, and my advocate is on high” Job 16:19*

*John 14:12 Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.****13****And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.****14****You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.*

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1. **Holy Spirit / Ruach Hakodesh** – John 14:15 “If you love me, keep my commands. **16**And I will ask the Father, and he will give you **another advocate / Helper / Counsellor** to help you and be with you forever 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

Holy Spirit searches the **The counsel of God.** these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.

**1 Corinthians 2:10-13** *The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.****11****For who knows a person’s thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.****12****What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.****13****This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words.*

1. **The angels –*James 1:14****:  Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?*

Angels stand before God in his throne to serve in ferrying the revelation of what is written in the books of heaven and revealed by the Holy spirit when the verdict is pronounced by the Son from the courts of heaven whose judge is God the Father. The throne of God is the place where verdicts are pronounced!

**Revelation 8:3-5** *Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense to offer, with the prayers of all God’s people, on the golden altar in front of the throne.****4****The smoke of the incense, together with the prayers of God’s people, went up before God from the angel’s hand.****5****Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and hurled it on the earth; and there came peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning and an earthquake.*

1. The saints – The saints are the prize of God’s eternal glory which the accuser is satan want so much to destroy as a way of showing his disobedience to God. We have a place at the throne of God.
2. The Adversary / the accuser –

*Zechariah 3: 1 In another vision the Lord showed me the High Priest Joshua standing before the angel of the Lord. And there beside Joshua stood Satan, ready to bring an accusation against him. The angel of the Lord said to Satan, “May the Lord condemn you, Satan! May the Lord, who loves Jerusalem, condemn you.* ***This man is like a stick snatched from the fire.”***

*Joshua was standing there, wearing filthy clothes. The angel said to his heavenly attendants, “Take away the filthy clothes this man is wearing.”*

*Then he said to Joshua, “I have taken away your sin and will give you new clothes to wear.” He commanded the attendants to put a clean turban on Joshua's head. They did so, and then they put the new clothes on him while the angel of the Lord stood there. Then the angel told Joshua that the Lord Almighty had said: “If you obey my laws and perform the duties I have assigned you, then you will continue to be in charge of my Temple and its courts, and I will hear your prayers, just as I hear the prayers of the angels who are in my presence.*

**Revelation 12:10** *And I heard a loud voice saying in Heaven, “Now have come salvation and strength, and the Kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ; for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, who accused them before our God day and night.*

1. **The Voices in Heaven**

There are many different voices in a court. There is the voice of the judge, the voice of the attorneys, the voice of witnesses, the voice of lawyers, the voice of court clerks, the voice of the judge and others as well.

There are also many different voices in the courts of Heaven. Our job is to understand these voices and come into agreement with them. As we join with these voices and release our faith and agreement with them, **God’s Kingdom will on Earth is then free to be accomplished**. Any lack of the Kingdom being manifest is because of a legal issue. The Father’s heart is very clear. God is not withholding from us.

If there is a lack of manifestation of Kingdom purpose, it is because we have yet to grant the Father the legal right to fulfill His passion toward us.

If we are praying according to the will of God and have prayed for an extended time without results, something legal is standing in the way of the answer. Somewhere in the spirit realm the demonic powers have found a legal right to resist the answer from coming to us.

The accuser of the brethren is speaking against us. The answer to this is to learn and agree with the voices in the court of Heaven. When we do, the accuser is silenced and we set in motion Heaven to be manifest in the Earth.

**After This understanding then,**

***Hebrew 4:16*** *Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*

Why should we have the confidence to approach the throne of God, the seat of Judgement, the courtroom where verdicts are pronounced?

***Hebrew 4:14****Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven,[*[*f*](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Hebrews+4&version=NIV#fen-NIV-30029f)*] Jesus the Son of God,****let us hold firmly to the faith*** *we profess.****15****For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.*

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Notice the order of this wording. This is very important. **Jesus judges, then makes war.** When the Bible speaks of ‘judging’, it is speaking of **judicial activity**. **There is a decision and a verdict being rendered concerning a situation, petition and/or request**. That activity is being judged and there is a legal precedent that is being established concerning it**. Out of that judicial activity which is flowing from the courts of Heaven, war is made.** We must learn to only make war based on judgments, decisions and verdicts that are received out of the courts of Heaven.

To try to make war without a verdict and judgment from the court of Heaven is to suffer defeat and even satanic backlash because we have no legal footing to be there or be engaging in such activity

On the other hand, if we can get legal renderings concerning a situation in place, then we can march onto the battlefield and win every time.