

### III. The Divine Power System Part 3

God's plan is that the believer would glorify Him by resolving the Angelic Conflict.

Technically, the Angelic Conflict was resolved when Adam accepted Jesus as the Christ in the Garden of Eden. But it was not God's intent to limit the heavenly community to just a couple of people.

It was God's desire in the beginning that all members of the human race would be saved.

**2 Peter 3:9** - The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

However, the issue to be resolved in the Angelic Conflict is as follows:

*"If a species inferior to the angels is created but imputed a volition equal to that of the angels, will this new species freely seek out, accept, and worship the true and sovereign God, or will it seek out, accept, and worship false gods invented by Satan?"*

Any decision to accept Christ as Savior thus condemns the fallen angels as guilty of rebellion against a fair and just God.

Although God desires that all should come to repentance, His omniscience was capable of perceiving that most would not.

He decreed to elect the few to serve Him in time thus bring glory to Himself and Christ.

This is accomplished by the believer when he executes a special predetermined plan which functions under the mandates of divine revelation.

If the believer will submit to these imperative moods then God will, through His Word, guide that person to the acquisition of overwhelming blessings and rewards in both time and eternity.

It glorifies God and Christ when those who believe in Christ exhibit a desire and thirst for the Word with a view toward serving God.

But although all believers have had the power of their sinful natures broken by the work of Christ on the cross, not all will utilize this freedom to advance in God's plan.

**Romans 6:11** - On the one hand, all of you consider yourselves to be perpetually dead with reference to the sinful nature but, on the other hand, currently living with reference to God in Christ Jesus.

**Romans 6:12** - Therefore, stop permitting the sinful nature from ruling in your mortal body for the purpose that you should continue to place yourself under its authority with its lust pattern.

**Romans 6:13** - And stop placing your members as weapons of wickedness continuously under orders to the sinful nature, but place yourselves under orders to God as those who are eternally alive from deaths and place your members under orders as weapons of righteousness to God.

Nevertheless, all believers come into the Christian life with the delegated power and authority to execute the Christian way of life.

The power is delegated to a divine power system in which the believer is expected to function, while the authority is found in the Word of God from which the believer receives his orders, guidance, and direction.

The divine power system is made up of eight interlocking gates of opportunity which are empowered by the filling of the Holy Spirit.