Jesus Our Elder Brother

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Jesus is our older brother: who the Church is espoused to: to one day MARRY Him.

In TYPES: Abraham and Sarah and Hagar: Abraham is a type of God the Father and Sarah is a type of New Jerusalem which is FREE, and Hagar is a type of Mount Sinai (the LAW).

Abraham and Isaac and Rebekah: Abraham is a type of God the Father, Isaac is a type of Jesus Christ and Rebekah is a type of the Church.

God and Adam and Eve: God is God the Father, Adam is a type of Jesus Christ (the second Adam) and Eve is a type of the Church.

God is OUR FATHER and the FATHER of the LORD Jesus Christ.

We are JOINTHEIRS WITH Jesus Christ: therefore HE must be our ELDER brother!

Expressly Given in the Scriptures: Ephesians 5:22-32, "Wives, **submit** yourselves unto **your own husbands**, as **unto the Lord**. For <u>the husband is the head of the wife</u>, <u>even as Christ is</u> <u>the head of the church</u>: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore <u>as the church is subject</u> <u>unto Christ</u>, <u>so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing</u>. Husbands, <u>love your</u> <u>wives</u>, <u>even as Christ also loved the church</u>, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. <u>So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies</u>. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, <u>even as the Lord the church</u>: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church."

Genesis 2:23-24, "And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh."

John 20:17, "Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for <u>I am not yet ascended to my Father</u>: but <u>go to my brethren</u>, and say unto them, <u>I ascend unto my Father</u>, <u>and your Father</u>; and <u>to my</u> <u>God</u>, <u>and your God</u>." With: Romans 8:29, "For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate <u>to be conformed to the image of his Son</u>, <u>that he might be the firstborn among</u> <u>many brethren</u>." Malachi 1:2, "I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: vet I loved Jacob, And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness." With: Galatians 4:21-31, Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now. Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free." Children of SARAH? Or New Jerusalem? Or Children of the FREE? Or Children of the promise?

Hebrews 2:10-18, "For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make **the captain of their salvation** perfect through sufferings. For **both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one**: for which cause **he is not ashamed to call them brethren**, Saying, **I will declare thy name unto my brethren**. in **the midst of the church** will I sing praise unto thee. And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me. Forasmuch then as **the children are partakers of flesh and blood**, **he also himself likewise took part of the same**; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. **For verily he took not on him the nature of angels**; but **he took on him the seed of Abraham**. **Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren**, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. **For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted**, **he is able to succour them that are tempted**."

Romans 1:7, "To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from **God our Father**, and the Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 1:3, "Grace be unto you, and peace, from **God our Father**, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

2 Corinthians 1:2, "Grace be to you and peace from **God our Father**, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

Ephesians 1:2, "Grace be to you, and peace, from **God our Father**, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

Philippians 1:2, "Grace be unto you, and peace, from **God our Father**, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

Colossians 1:2, "To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, **from God our Father** and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:1, "Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in **God the Father** and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from **God our Father**, and the Lord Jesus Christ."

2 Thessalonians 1:1, "Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in **God our Father** and the Lord Jesus Christ:"

2 Thessalonians 1:2, "Grace unto you, and peace, from **God our Father** and the Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Timothy 1:2, "Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from **God our Father** and Jesus Christ our Lord."

Philemon 1:3, "Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

Romans 1:3, "Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was <u>made of the seed of David</u> <u>according to the flesh</u>;"

Romans 7:25, "I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. <u>So then with the mind I myself</u> serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin."

1 Corinthians 1:9, "God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto <u>the fellowship of his Son</u> Jesus Christ our Lord."

Titus 3:5-7, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly **through Jesus Christ our Saviour**; That being justified by his grace, we should be **made heirs** according to the hope of eternal life."

Romans 8:14-19, "For as many as are <u>led by the Spirit of God</u>, <u>they are the sons of God</u>. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but <u>ye have received the Spirit of</u> <u>adoption</u>, whereby we cry, <u>Abba, Father</u>. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, <u>that</u> <u>we are the children of God</u>: And <u>if children</u>, then <u>heirs; heirs of God</u>, and <u>joint-heirs with</u> <u>Christ</u>; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with <u>the glory which shall be</u> <u>revealed in us</u>. For the earnest expectation of the creature <u>waiteth for the manifestation of the</u> <u>sons of God</u>."