

Clothed with Light

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In some of the death-and-back (aka NDE) accounts I've read, while ^{they're} on the other side, in the heavenly realm, the person will see someone they knew on earth, such as a close family member, and that person will be so glorious that the inclination was to bow down and worship them.

I had an experience akin to that, but here among us mortals, around a decade ago. I was attending a seminar by Kirk Vof ^{KeyElements.com} Dunkin' in Salt Lake City. He had given us an assignment the night prior, to jot down our personal life mission statement. Then, that morning, he had three people come to the stage to read their statement to the audience of ^{about} 300 people.

The last guy to get up was nervous, bashful, not at all confident. Kirk encouraged him, held the mic for him, didn't let up on seeing something there. He had him read ~~his~~ ^{it} statement again - still lackluster. Then, he told him to imagine he was a king, standing on a wall, rallying his people to a crucial

battle. That time, when he read his statement, it was like a light bulb switched on. He came alive, spiritually glowing, and the Spirit of God swept across all of us. We rose to our feet, cheering him on, tears flowing from our eyes, with a feeling of rejoicing.

Then, Kirk did something that puzzled me. He took the mic and essentially quashed what was happening. The next day, I asked him why he did that. He replied, "We're not ready yet; it's not time yet."

In hindsight, a decade later, Isa. 49:3 comes to mind: "And [the Lord] said unto me: Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified." James Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible defines "Israel" as meaning, "H3478 he ^{will} shall rule as God" — the joint heir concept I discussed in my editorial: "We are All Called to Be Immanuel."

Glorious days are ahead.

Another hindsight realization a ^{decade} later is that this glorious incident illustrates my statement: "The MOST IMPORTANT thing we can do in life is to find out why we, specifically, are here on earth, and embrace our unique mission all-in, for good." (See Eph. 4:1.) "Imagine everyone doing that."

"When you do what you love, you bring heaven to earth." — Cannon O'Brien (4:?)

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