

Consciousness-Life Beyond The Veil Part 1

GWN Ephesians 4:17 So I tell you and encourage you in the Lord's name not to live any longer like other people in the world. Their minds are set on worthless things. **18** They can't understand because they are in the dark. They are excluded from the life that God approves of because of their ignorance and stubbornness.

❖ A **vain mind** is a veiled mind: a mind that is only conscious of worldly things; it's void of the truth and excluded from the life God intended!

Consciousness is the state of being aware: it's the constant awakening allowing information to pass through the mind, that determines how we perceive existence.

KJV 1 Corinthians 15:34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.

Awake to righteous—be conscious of what is right in God's eyes! This only happens through the knowledge of God!

➤ The more we know about God, the more **woke/conscious** we are and can live beyond the veil!

In **2 Cor 3:13** Paul uses the act of Moses placing a veil over his face to illustrate the blindness, ignorance and lack of spiritual awareness Israel had!

People can possess the same knowledge and yet not be aware of the same things!

ESV 2 Corinthians 3:15 Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts.

16 But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.

Consciousness is also perceiving what is hidden so we become aware and gain more knowledge and revelation about existence!

ESV Proverbs 25:2 It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out.

God purposely hides knowledge (Himself); which means there are some things we are not conscious of until we work to **uncover** them!

The gospel is good news to all humanity, but today more than ever the gospel is veiled (hidden) by worldliness, entertainment and sin.

ESV 2 Corinthians 4:3 And even if our gospel is (hid) veiled, it is (hid) veiled to those who are (lost) perishing.

Those who are lost, and perishing are those who the god of this world is keeping in a state of slumber.

While a person is asleep they are alive but unaware of what's happening around them and are vulnerable to everything!

Their minds might be engaged in dreaming, yet they are disconnected from reality.

The real world is passing them by, they're not a part of it yet they're being affected by it!

The gospel (good news) must become **unveiled, revealed and manifest** for more people to become conscious of it.

Today because so much information is pushed out every minute we are only conscious of what the people who control information want us to know!

Question: What do you consider important right now and why?

Why are some things more important than others in your life right now—is it because of what you know or because of what you don't know?

GWN 1 Corinthians 2:12 Now, we didn't receive the spirit that belongs to the world. Instead, we received the Spirit who comes from God so that we could know the things which God has freely given us.

The spirit of this world will only tell you what the world has to offer!

If you listen to the worlds commercials you will be sleep to God's promises!

The Spirit of God will tell us everything the world and God has to offer so we can make a **conscious decision!**

When we are **conscious/woke** to what God says we can have faith to receive it!

People aren't seeing (perceiving) the gospel in the same way's our fathers and forefathers have!

GWN 2 Corinthians 4:4 The god of this world has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. As a result, they don't see the light of the Good News about Christ's glory. It is Christ who is God's image.

Satan (the little "g" god of this world) is blinding the minds of people, he's keeping them in the dark, unaware and not conscious of what is possible.

Dark ignorant minds produce hard hearts and hard hearts produce evil works!

Minds **enlightened** by the Truth have good hearts that do good works!

Satan attempts to blind our minds so we can't accurately see we are made in the image and likeness of God and assume our rightful place in this world as it's governors!

❖ There are also levels of spiritual consciousness or awareness within The Kingdom of God and The Body of Christ!

ESV Matthew 13:10 Then the disciples came and said to him, "Why do you speak to them in parables?"

11 Jesus answered, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given."

God has given a higher level of spiritual consciousness to some and not to others.

When Jesus was deeply troubled about His coming crucifixion in The Garden of Gethsemane He prayed, and The Father answered from heaven.

ESV John 12:28 Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again."

29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him."

Some were not conscious of the spirit realm and thought what they heard was only natural thunder, others more conscious of the spirit realm thought it was an angel!

Jesus who was intimately aware of The Father was conscious of His voice more than the others!

Jesus said He has given **some** the ability to **know** (be conscious) of the mysteries of The Kingdom, while others are not conscious of them.

GWN 1 Corinthians 4:1 People should think of us as servants of Christ and managers who are entrusted with God's mysteries.

2 Managers are required to be trustworthy.

Jesus said in Matt 13:11 He has given His servants the ability to **know** (*ginosko*) have a personal ongoing relationship with The Truth who is a person!

The reason the disciples were **woke or conscious** of who Jesus was during their time wasn't **just** because of their relationship and proximity with Jesus!

They were open to Jesus teaching, they kept their hearts and minds open!

ESV John 14:9 Jesus said to him, "**Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip?** Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"