

# The Realm of The Supernatural:

## Patterns and Cycles Part 2

*KJV Ecclesiastes 1:1 The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.*

*2 Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is vanity.*

*3 What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?*

*4 One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.*

*5 The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.*

*6 The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirlleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits.*

*KJV Ecclesiastes 1:9 The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.*

Solomon is referring to the redundancy of **patterns and cycles** in life!

A **Pattern** is something used as a model for making things the same.

A **Cycle** is a series of events that repeat themselves regularly.

❖ Patterns and cycles work together, whoever you pattern your life after will determine the cycles you go through!

Whether it's a doctor, lawyer or drug dealer whomever we pattern our lives after we will experience the same cycles.

After **med school** is **internship**, that's part of the cycle for would be doctors!

After **law school** is the **bar exam**!

*ESV Galatians 5:19 Now the works (acts & cycles) of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality,*

*20 idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions,*

*21 envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.*

He who **patterns** himself after the world will go through these **cycles**!

*KJV Galatians 5:16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.*

Pattern your life after The Spirit and you won't experience the cycles of the flesh!

**You already know what's in your future based on who and what you pattern your life after.**

What's in the future for **criminals** is prison or death! It's part of the cycle!

We should know what's coming next in our lives based on the **pattern** we've chosen to live by!

What pattern is your life following? That will tell you where you'll end up!

What cycles are you enduring, that will tell you what you're becoming!

*1 Corinthians 11:1 Be ye followers (imitators) of me, as I also am of Christ.*

The apostle Paul understood suffering was part of the life cycle of believers!

- When people start believing in a **suffer-less gospel** it sets them up to misinterpret the cycles and seasons in their lives.

If they believe their suffering is **not** apart of the **patterns and cycles** of the Christian life, they blame God, the pastor and the church!

They become easily discouraged loose heart and drop out of the race!

*KJV 2 Timothy 2:12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him!*

There is **no easy way to kingship!** If we want to reign, we must **endure!**

**Suffering** is **endurance**, it's handling your trouble with faith and love!

A major **cycle** we're undergoing right now is transitioning from **winter to spring!**

We know fall is not coming because it's not next in the cycle!

**Cycles** change gradually so we have time to **adjust and prepare!**

The earth needs time, the plants, animals and people need time to adjust!

Something spectacular **has been** happening in your life that you haven't noticed!

You've been waiting on God to do something **BIG!**

You're looking at individual events (**cycles**) instead of looking at the **pattern!**

*Exodus 23:28 And I will send hornets before you, which shall drive out the Hivites, the Canaanites, and the Hittites from before you.*

*29 "I will not drive them out before you in a single year, that the land may not become desolate, and the beasts of the field become too numerous for you.*

*30 "I will drive them out before you little by little, until you become fruitful and take possession of the land.*

The **pattern** for occupying your Promised Land is **little by little**, not all at once!

We love when God moves **suddenly, straightway and immediately!**

But God also moves **gradually, little by little** in our lives! **Gradually** is a pattern!

God told His people Israel, He will send **hornets** before them to drive out the **Hivites, Canaanites and the Hittites** so they won't have to fight them.

**God wouldn't do it all at one time, so the land** (the promise) **wouldn't get ruined!**

If God gave us what He promised **all at once**, it would get ruined!

The **patterns and cycles** help us gradually receive and become what God promised

Joseph's pattern: The **promise**, then the **pit**, then **prison** and finally **the palace!**

David: the **prophecy**, then the **persecution**, then came the **acceptance of the people** and then came **the kingship!**

Jesus' pattern: Virgin birth, anointing of The Spirit, temptation of Satan, public ministry, crucifixion, resurrection, ascension and the glorification!

**God has been blessing us gradually, so it won't show up in a single cycle!**

**You can't calculate how good God is looking at your life **right now**, you have to watch the **pattern** in order to see **what you're becoming!****

*KJV 1 John 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.*

