

3rd Heaven Vision: EW Kenyon

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This teaching, framed within the *E.W. Kenyon* tradition of revelation knowledge, explores the source of the Apostle Paul's unshakable confidence, tracing it back to his encounter with the third heaven (2 *Corinthians* 12:1-4) and his reception of direct revelation from the risen Christ (*Galatians* 1:12).

Detailed Outline

I. The Problem: Sense Knowledge vs. Revelation Knowledge

- **Sense Knowledge:** Knowledge derived from the five physical senses, logic, and external observation (4:50-5:07). It is limited to the physical realm and often results in spiritual defeat (5:53-6:16).
- **Revelation Knowledge:** Knowledge received directly from the Spirit of God into the recreated human spirit. It is the framework Paul operated from, which enabled him to persist through shipwrecks, imprisonments, and suffering (1:18-1:37, 4:37-4:48).

II. Paul's Third Heaven Encounter (2 *Corinthians* 12:1-4)

- Paul was caught up to Paradise 14 years prior to writing the epistle.
- He heard "*inexpressible things*" (*arrheta rhema*), not because they were forbidden, but because human language lacks the capacity to translate them accurately (9:42-10:41).
- **Key takeaway:** Paul did not return with a vocabulary but with a spirit-level transformation that he lived out through power, authority, and content declaration (10:53-11:10).

III. The Legal Framework of the Covenant

- **Reign in Life:** Paul taught that believers are meant to "*reign in life*" (*basileuo*), exercising kingly authority as regents rather than surviving as beggars (*Romans* 5:17) (19:06-19:47).
- **Present Empowerment:** Philippians 4:13 ("*I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me*") is interpreted as a legal declaration of a continuous internal empowerment (*endunamonti*) (20:10-20:51).
- **Seated in Heavenly Places:** Based on *Ephesians* 2:6, the believer is positionally seated with Christ "*far above all rule and authority*" (*Ephesians* 1:20-22) (22:54-23:43).

IV. Practical Discipline: The Kenyon Method

- **Righteousness Consciousness:** Shifting focus from sin and failure to one's standing in Christ (2 *Corinthians* 5:21) (25:27-25:50).
- **Guard the Mouth:** Refusing to allow negative circumstances (symptoms) to define the reality. Observation is permitted, but the "*covenant mouth*" must only confess the Word (27:15-28:58).
- **Meditation:** The deliberate, spoken rehearsal of the Word until it becomes more vivid than the reports of the physical senses (29:01-29:43).

Comparison Chart: Sense Knowledge vs. Revelation Knowledge

Feature	Sense Knowledge	Revelation Knowledge
Source	Five physical senses	Recreated human spirit
Basis	Observable facts/circumstances	The finished work of the Cross
Posture	Begging/Coping	Enforcing/Reigning
Primary Tool	Logic/Emotion	Faith/Confession
Result	Frustration/Defeat	Authority/Contentment

Key Scripture References

- **2 Corinthians 12:1-4:** Paul's third heaven experience.
- **Galatians 1:12:** Gospel received by revelation.
- **Ephesians 1:17-20:** Prayer for the spirit of wisdom and revelation.
- **Romans 5:17:** Reigning in life through grace.
- **Philippians 4:13:** Continuous empowerment from within.
- **Ephesians 2:6:** Being seated in heavenly places.
- **Colossians 2:15:** The disarming of powers at the cross.
- **Hebrews 11:1:** Faith as the substance of things not seen.