

# PIONEERING FAITH

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## GOD IS IN HEAVEN

**Ecc 5:2** Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter *anything* before God: **for God is in heaven**, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few.

**Mat 6:9** After this manner therefore pray ye: **Our Father which art in heaven**, Hallowed be thy name.

It believe that all our prayers should be spoken to God who is in heaven. It is a pointless exercise to address our prayers to those classified as “saints” or ask forgiveness of priests. We must stay within the boundaries of the Word of God.

No man made God of stone or any such image should be addressed in our prayers.

**Eze 14:6** Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; **Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols**; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

The Bible begins with this statement:

**Gen 1:1** In the beginning God created **the heaven and the earth**.

God intended that the earth be place for His enjoyment. God saw His handiwork as “good”.

**Gen 1:31** And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, *it was very good*. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Gen 1:27 **So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.**

It appears that heaven was originally meant to be related to earth. However, man’s sin separated the relationship of heaven and earth. However, this is not the end of the story.

The New Jerusalem of heaven will come down to earth. God loves the earth and wants a heavenly presence here. Mankind is in such a mess that the visitation of God to earth is his only hope.

**Rev 21:2** And I John saw the holy city, **new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven**, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

The earth belongs to God.

**Psa 24:1** **The earth is the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof**; the world, and they that dwell therein.

Those with pioneering faith realize that **the earth is the Lord's** and that God has a right to do His work whenever and wherever He desires. Angels are used many times, however pilgrims are usually His choice for doing His work.

The Heb. word for “**fulness**” is m’lo, m’lo, m’lo (melo, melo, melo) Multitude, all that is, fullness.

Pioneers of our faith are many times timely pilgrims. There is the sense of just passing through the earthly realm whilst being on a journey to the heavenly realm.

The heroes of faith were not only pioneers, but they were pilgrims.

Gk. Word for stranger is “xenos”. It means alien; guest or host.

Gk. Word for pilgrim is “parepidemos”. It means an alien alongside; a resident foreigner, stranger.

**Heb 11:13** These all died in faith, not having received the promises, **but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them**, and embraced *them*, and confessed that **they were strangers and pilgrims** on the earth.

Heb 11:14 For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.

**Heb 11:10** For **he looked for a city which hath foundations**, whose builder and maker *is* God.

**Heb 13:14** **For here have we no continuing city**, but we seek one to come.

Believers today are travelling more than ever before; mostly for business. Modern day Pilgrims can be classified as itinerate ministers who travel around the world. However, there is a greater walk of commitment for pilgrims; a relationship with the God of heaven. These ones know the glory pathway to heaven. I have seen over 50 years of ministry that some Church movements with their well-oiled

organizations have limited knowledge of the personal cost involved in such ministries.

When God called Abram out, He did not give him a destination.

**Gen 12:1** Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, **unto a land that I will shew thee:**

Abram may have thought he was going to a grand grassed land far away from the sandy deserts. Abram took territory by faith. He was a visionary who could see in the spirit.

**Joh 8:56** Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: **and he saw *it*, and was glad.**

Joh 8:57 Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham?

Joh 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **Before Abraham was, I am.**

**We know that Jesus was the master pioneer who chartered the realms of glory that men could later follow Him in greater “Anointing”.**

**Heb 6:19** Which *hope* we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and **which entereth into that within the veil;**

Heb 6:20 Whither **the forerunner is for us entered**, *even* Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

The forerunners:

Num 14:20 And the LORD said, I have pardoned according to thy word:

Num 14:21 **But *as truly as* I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.**

Num 14:22 **Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness**, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice;

Num 14:23 Surely they shall not see the land which I swear unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it:

Num 14:24 **But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully,** him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.

God sent rulers (leaders) to do His work. However, only Caleb returned with faith. Of the twelve leaders, Caleb was the only man that God let into the Promised land.

Num 13:2 Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, **everyone a ruler among them.**

Num 13:30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, **Let us go up at once, and possess it;** for we are well able to overcome it.

Rom 4:20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; **but was strong in faith,** giving glory to God;

Rom 4:21 **And being fully persuaded** that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

God knows His own prophets and ministers and their levels of faith.

**Isa 44:8** Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared *it?* ye *are* even my witnesses. **Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.**

Php 3:10 **That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection,** and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

**Heb 11:10** For he looked for a city which hath foundations, **whose builder and maker is God.**

Abram was a true pilgrim. He spent a lifetime looking towards heaven; searching out the heavenlies.

**Heb 13:14** For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.