

Better - kreitton

- **kratos** – the ultimate power from the Throne of God. Comes from *kerannymi* – the mixing with water in a bowl, called a “krater.” It means to blend, preparing a particular drink by proper dilution. This was the accepted practice.
- **God does not come to us in full measure, full disclosure**; only in part.
- The *kratos* is the measure to which God extends Himself to us. It is a divine blending of partnership that is distinct to each of us. Through the years of partnership, we can remember how the Spirit imparted to us. it was a mix of who God is.
- *Kratos* is the inclusion, our cup of assignment, which is a perfect mixture of what our assignment is and what we have been ordained to function in within every season.

Communion

1 Corinthians 11:17-18 Now in this that I declare unto you I praise you not, that ye come together not for the **better**, but for the worse. ¹⁸ For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you; and I partly believe it.

Grace Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:31 But covet earnestly the **best** gifts [*charisma* > *charis*: grace]: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way [*agape*].

- **gifts** (*charisma*) All of the gifts operate through our partnership of grace, or grace assignment, which differs from person to person. They function according to our individual identity and calling. The *charisma* is set for the purpose of moving us forward in grace.
- We are to covet the **best gifts** (*kreitton charisma*), through the more excellent way, which is the *agape*.

Sonship

Hebrews 1:4-5 Being made so much **better** than the angels, as he [Jesus] hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. ⁵ For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?

Agapetos

Hebrews 6:9-12 But, beloved, we are persuaded **better** things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak. ¹⁰ For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. ¹¹ And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end: ¹² That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

- **accompany** (*echo*) to take what has been deposited within us and echoing or repeating it back.
- **diligence** (*spoude*) to desire earnestly; to use speed, make an effort and to exert oneself.
- **assurance** (*plerophoria*) *pleroo* – to complete a task, carry out fully; *phoreo* – a burden; to bear constantly, to wear, as armor.
- **slothful** (*nothros*) dull, lazy, stupid.
- **followers** (*mimetes*) imitators, mimic.
- **patience** (*makrothymia*) *Makros* – a long distance or long lasting; *thymos* – an ardent passion. Root: *thyo* – to breathe hard, to blow or to sacrifice by fire.
 - Derivative: *thymiama* translated as “incense” ... the prayers of the saints burning as incense that are offered as a sweet aroma before God.
 - The “patient spirit” that we demonstrate is a flaming offering that continues to burn. With each season of service in devotion to the heart and plan of God, our capacity to burn will continue to build and grow, becoming stronger, enabling us to outlast every impending challenge or obstacle as it comes our way.

Melchisedec/Christ

Hebrews 7:7 And without all contradiction the less [*elason*] [Abraham] is blessed of the **better** [Melchisedec].

- Melchisedec represented the priesthood that operated from the power of the Throne.
- Abraham was willing (*elason > elastos*). He willingly became what God required. As a result, he was blessed by the power of the Throne through the priesthood of Melchisedec, the perfect mixture, to fulfill what God had shown to Him at the right hand.
- When Jesus shed His blood on the cross, fulfilling His mission, He became a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec, an unchangeable priesthood, which then made a way for how the Father would impart the perfect mixture of Himself to sons under the new covenant.

Hope...knowing the Father

Hebrews 7:19-22 For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a **better** hope did; by the which we draw nigh unto God. ²⁰ And inasmuch as not without an oath he was made priest: ²¹ (For those priests were made without an oath; but this with an oath by him that said unto him, The Lord sware and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec:) ²² By so much was Jesus made a surety of a **better** testament.

- this brought *kreitton* hope....the deposit of faith imparted by *El*...where we can draw nigh unto God.

Hebrews 8:5-6 Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount. ⁶ But now hath he

obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a **better** covenant, which was established upon **better** promises.

- **covenant/testament** (*diatheke*) from the *tithemi*. His death and shedding of His blood, Jesus legally willed the reception and application of the *tithemi* to all of us as our inheritance.

Sacrifices

Hebrews 9:21-23 Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. ²² And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. ²³ It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with **better** sacrifices than these.

Heavenly Substance

Hebrews 10:32-36 But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions; ³³ Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions [*koinonos*] of them that were so used. ³⁴ For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a **better** and an enduring substance. ³⁵ Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. ³⁶ For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

Better Things

Hebrews 12:24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh **better** things than that of Abel.

Well Doing

1 Peter 3:17 For it is **better**, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

- **well doing** (*agathopoieo*) something that is beneficial or of integral importance on behalf of God's purpose
- **evil doing** (*kakopoieo*) something that is harmful to others in conjunction with the *kakos* ... to corrupt, twist, injure or stop the free flow of the intent of God

The Way of Righteousness

2 Peter 2:21 For it had been **better** for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy [*hagios*] commandment delivered unto them.