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The Inscrutable Question: The Nike Awards 6-7 & Escrow Blessings 10-13, Revelation 3:12, 21; Six Categories of Investiture

6. The 6th Nike Award:

- (1) Achievements in the Angelic Conflict permanently catalogued onto a stela in the temple of God in heaven.
- (2) The grant of a coat of arms blazoned to the uniform of glory.
- (3) Entrée into the new Jerusalem.

Revelation 3:12 - "The winner, I will make him a stela [eternal documentation of the winner's invisible achievements in time] in the temple of My God [historical records department]. Furthermore, he will not ever vanish from history [because of these achievements]. Also I will blazon on his uniform of glory [a grant of a coat of arms] the following charges [heraldic devices placed on the field of arms]: the title of My God [a gold sovereign's crown charged to a field of blue]; the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down from the immediate source of heaven from the ultimate source of My God [a green tree of life charged to a field of gold];

Also My new name [a golden lion rampant, double-tailed with a sovereign's crown on his head, and an iron scepter in his right forepaw charged to a field of red]."

7. The 7th Nike Award:

(4) Appointment to the General Assembly of the true United Nations in the theocracies of both the Millennium and the new earth.

Revelation 3:21 - "The winner, I [Jesus Christ as Secretary General of the UN] will give him the privilege of sitting with Me on My throne [appointment to the general assembly of the theocracies of the Millennium and the new earth] as I have been victorious [operation reconciliation] and have sat down with My Father on His throne [session]."

- 21) All of these Nike Awards are used by our Lord to create a new order of chivalry: the attitude and character of the Christian warrior of the Angelic Conflict who rises to the level of πλήρωμα / pleroma / status.
- 22) This chivalry is marked by loyalty, consecration, and dedication to the Word of God associated with his enduring devotion to God. Further, this chivalry is marked by the deference, admiration, honor, esteem, consideration, and partiality that characterizes his reciprocal love for God.
- 23) By advancing to the high ground in time the winner demonstrates maximum submission to the system, spirit, and customs established for the royal family of God as they are revealed in the Word of God.
- 24) His exploits involved the engagements of the Angelic Conflict which may be characterized by the knight-errant who exhibits military skill, prowess, and generosity in dealing with the various challenges that it offers.
- 25) Consequently, these awards describe the investiture that comes to those who achieve in service to their sovereign, their client nation, or the royal family of God.

Oxford English Dictionary, s.v. "investiture":

The action of *clothing* or robbing; the ceremony of clothing in the *insignia of an office*; the formal investing of a person with an *office* or *rank*; establishment in any state of *privilege* or *honor*.

26) Thus the winner's investiture includes clothing, insignia of office, office, rank, privilege, and honor.

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The 13 escrow blessings can be grouped into these six categories of investiture:

Clothing: The crown of life and the uniform of glory.

Insignia of office: The most noble Order of the Morning Star and the grant of a coat of arms.

Office: Rulership of a Gentile nation.

Rank: A new name of aristocracy.

Privilege: Entrée into the new Jerusalem; membership in the Paradise Club; access to the tree of life, and sitting with Christ on His throne.

Honor: Presentation at Court; permanent inscription of his new title into the *Book of Life*; and achievements sculpted on a stela in the temple.

- 28) These Nike Awards are contained in the eternal escrow for every person who believes in Jesus Christ. They are conveyed as dividends at the Judgment Seat of Christ to those who redeem time, make the advance to spiritual maturity, and receive the conveyance of escrow blessings in time.
- 29) And the thing that enables the believer to advance in the plan of God to the point of having escrow blessings conveyed is the redemption of time.
- 30) The word for time in our passage is **καρπός / karpos /** and refers to the amount of time God allots to each one of us after salvation to fulfill his plan.
- 31) This allotted time is capital that must be redeemed and then invested in order to gain the dividends we have now noted in Revelation 2 and 3.
- 32) Redemption begins with rebound and is invested by means of the three spiritual skills. Dividends include the conveyance of escrow blessings in time which results in escrow blessings in eternity.
- 33) Time is therefore not only a part of our logistical grace support it is also designed as an opportunity. We have the option to release time from bondage through faith in Christ and subsequently through rebound.
- 34) Once emancipated we have the option to invest that time in our spiritual advance.
- 35) Emancipation of time is a part of the Christian way of life expressed through a mandate for positive action that is to be facilitated as a wheel-track of righteousness.

Ephesians 5:16 - Keep on purchasing time ...