

## Analysis of 1 Corinthians 15:1 (Part 3)

### III. - Third articulation of our analysis of 1 Corinthians 15:1

In the Third articulation Paul said: "... καὶ παρελάβετε, ἐν ᾧ καὶ ἐστήκατε, (*kai parelabete en o kai estekate*)”

**καί** (*kai*) is a conjunction of annexation. It is used to connect words that are strictly co-ordinate i.e. of the same grammatical kind. It is translated by *and, also, even*. Remember **καί** (*kai*) connects words; **γάρ** (*gar*) is an inferential conjunction, used to indicate a result from what has proceeded; also it used to connect thoughts not words like it could be with **καί** (*kai*); and **δέ** (*de*) is a conjunction adversative and connective that is used to indicate a contrast.

In our text **καί** (*kai*) indicates a comparative of equality. That is to say that the conditions for any human being to be saved are the same regardless of you social rank, your level of education, how wealthy you may be. The one established by Jesus Christ Himself in **Mark 16:16**: “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.” This is the unique path that every one should follow.

Paul continue and said: Ὁ καὶ παρελάβετε (*Ho Kai Parelabete*) “...**παρελάβετε** (*parelabete*) Verb 2nd Person Plural Aorist Active Indicative παραλαμβάνω = *to receive something transmitted orally; to receive with the mind*; what has been given by oral transmission, by the narration of others, by the instruction of teachers. It was exactly in this sense the verb **παρελάβετε** (*parelabete*) was used. The verb **παρελάβετε** (*parelabete*) shows us that the gospel is something that can be received, that can be accepted. But, it is important to know that the gospel will not be accepted by every body. It is accepted only by people who are docile, obedient and humble.

“... ἐν ᾧ καὶ ἐστήκατε, (*en O kai hestekate*) = in which also you stand...”

**ἐστήκατε** (*hestekate*) Verb 2nd Person Plural Perfect Active Indicative ἵστημι (*histēmi*) = *stand*. But intransitively it means *stand fast, be attached to something*. Therefore, this portion of the text is translated as follow: “... in which also you are attached...”

When we accept the gospel and we attach to it, we all say the same thing like Paul said in **1 Corinthians 1:10**: “Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.”

Also, we will love sincerely by having fellowship to one another as recommended by The Lord in **1 John 1:6-10**: “If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. - But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. - If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. - If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to

forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. - If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.”

## **Conclusion**

In sum, Jesus Christ is calling you today by His gospel. The message remains the same as it was two thousand (2000) years ago. Yahweh has done everything He has to do for your salvation. Today it is your turn to play your role. Today it is your turn to decide whether to live or die for ever. After you hear the gospel of Jesus Christ you accept it by being baptized and remain attached to this gospel you will have everlasting life. Otherwise, you will die for ever. What are you decide? Your answer to this important question will determine your future.

While we are singing our invitation song “Softly and Tenderly Jesus is calling” we invite you to make the greatest decision of your life: be baptized in remission of your sins, and the Lord will add you into His Body which is His Church either at Golden Gate Estates or in any other village or city you may be living like He did on the day of the Pentecost and there after according to Acts 2:47: “And the Lord was adding to the ones being saved day by day in the same place.”

**May Yah, bless you.**