## Chapter 7 - Eating to increase in knowledge

The whole purpose of eating will change during the Millennial Reign. It will no longer be only for the purpose of growing physically, but more significantly we will grow in the knowledge of God. This is the whole aim of being filled: the vineyards that we plant, the fruit we gather; will all be with the purpose that whatever we eat, we will cause us to increase in the knowledge of the Lord. The trees found in the Garden of Eden, apart from the fruit that we know today, were all designed to increase man's knowledge of the Lord; and this will continue in New Jerusalem in Eternity.

Revelation 22:2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

This is what will be taught to the people who are eating normal food. They will be taught of the knowledge of God, the heart and mind of God, about salvation, the death and resurrection of Jesus, the doctrines. That is why it is important for us to know and understand now about all these important spiritual lessons; one day we will have to teach the Jews and Gentiles that remain on this Earth. For the New Testament Saints caught up at the rapture, this is their whole duty even now — to teach the remainder of living mankind, about Jesus.

Isaiah 11:6-9 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

The diet of mankind and carnivorous animals as we know it will be completely changed during the Millennial Reign. There will be no killing of animals for food by people or other animals for consumption. As in the days of creation, so it will be in that time. Lions and all carnivorous animals as we know them today, will eat straw or grass. All humans and animals will be able to dwell together in peace; there will be no fear of attack or harm by any of the creations.

**Isaiah 65:25** The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.

From the above verse, we see how the diet of the animals has also changed during this time. However, we see that the serpent shall continue to eat dust. This was the same from the time God cursed the serpent. That curse has not ended yet on that creature because Jesus died to end the curse on mankind, not on the beasts. It is because of sin in the creation that animals started killing each other. With the devil locked up, sin in the animals is also dormant during this period.