

It's Black and White
Part 2: The Holy Spirit!
Slide Notations

Last week! Realized it's a "wise" thing to know the word and do it! Foolish to know it and not do it! Worse to not know it at all! The Word pushes out the junk we all have in our lives! It is the discerner/divider. Produces for God/us!

The Word is how we see God! In the OT we see God's character; holiness, compassion, judgment, justice... His intent; to have a place of free-will fellowship, to get back what man gave away, to defeat His enemy...

In the NT we see God's lifestyle! Jesus came to show us the Father! **J14.8,9** Jesus traveled for the unloved, touched the sick, spoke to the blind, endured suffering... He spoke; and we heard the loving, correcting, encouraging voice of God the Father!

We know God personally by the presence of the Spirit of God in us... we know Him visually from the pages of the Bible...

Left off... Saying we need an intentional plan to get it in us! This is where things get tough! Distractions from every corner of the planet... This is where we need help! Bible addendum; supplemental study aids, people, pastors... ***This is where we need the Helper!***

Practical Help... You determine to penetrate the words of life and you will find a lot of resistance! Physical: Too tired, hungry, full... Mental: Too angry, ADHD, busy... Spiritual: natural and mental circumstances become overwhelming!

How many times have you begun to read the word of God? Hit a list... begets, numbers... Come up against sheer size... Come up against something fantastic... Come up against an incident too hard to understand...

When the going gets rough... Approach Him with humility! "God requires that you walk humbly with Him..." **Micah 6.8** "Submit to God; draw near to Him & He will draw near to you!" **J4.7,8** "Who darkens the counsel of God without knowledge?" **Job 38.2** "I spoke out of turn against things too wonderful for me to comprehend!" **Job 42.3** He that comes to God, must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of all who diligently seek Him! **Heb 11.6**

If you don't understand something assume the problem is yours, not God's! Set it up on the shelf for further reading to interpret! If it's something you just can't seem to grasp, get help from spiritual sources!

No one is a better "Helper" than the Holy Spirit!

The Last Supper... The Model has been set... The Betrayer has gone out... The Divine commandment has been spoken... The mansions have been mentioned... The greater works commanded... Prayer has been assured... The Promise has been made...

"I will pray the Father and He will give you another Comforter that He may live in you forever!" J14.16

He will... Live in you... **v17** Confirm that I am in the Father and that you are in Me and I am alive in you! **v20** Teach you all things and bring all things I have said to your remembrance! **v26** Convince the world of sin, righteousness and judgment! **16.8** Guide us into truth **v13** Convey to you what He is

hearing from “us.” **v13** Show you things that are coming **v13** Glorify Me in you **v14** Show you the kingdom of God **v14,15**

He is the... Life-spark... **J3.6** Power-train... **Acts 1** Children’s-guide... **R8.14** Heart-bonder...
R8.15,16 Groaning-intercessor... **v26,27** Gift-giver... **1Cor 12** Secure-pipeline... **1Cor 14** Sin-killer...
Gal 5.16 Fruit-expert... **Gal 5.22-23**

So many Christians have pigeon-holed Him as the “delivery boy” of gifts that they fail to let Him be God unwrapped in them!

So many Christians have narrowed Him down to the tongue-twister, they fail to see He is their vital connection to God!

So many Christians have perceived Him as a third wheel they fail to see He is the guarantee of all that’s been said and all that’s out ahead!

Gifts of the Spirit... Absolutely necessary for life today! Gifts of revelation: Word of wisdom, word of knowledge, discerning of spirits. Gifts of power: faith, healing, working of miracles. Gifts of utterance: prophecy, divers kinds of tongues, interpretation of tongues.

Praying in the Spirit... Absolutely necessary for life today! Strategy that no one, including the devil, can understand! “He that speaks in an unknown tongue speaks not to men but unto God... speaking mysteries in the Spirit!” **1Cor14.2** “Build up your most holy faith by praying in the Holy Spirit!” **Jd 20**

But it’s the Spirit, Himself... In our present and future... That demands our love, respect and engaging! Empowering the saints for the work of their new ministry! Securing the saints in the midst of insanity! Holding back the evil until the final moment!

Romans 8.11-13 if the Spirit of God that raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He will also give life and the spiritual power to arouse, invigorate and increase your physical life! Therefore, don’t live indebted to your failing, dying flesh, get free of the lusty cravings of your flesh so you...

Romans 8.13-15 can live in the Spirit. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God are the sons of God. This isn’t fearful slavery to a new owner, this is the Spirit of adoption by a loving Father! And the Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God!

Romans 8.23-26 With creation we groan for the fullness of our redemption, and while we wait we live with hope, and as it is with hope we must endure, so the Spirit helps us in our frailty – for many times we don’t know how to pray but He Himself makes intercession for us with groanings unspeakable!

1Cor 2.10-12 God has revealed the things of eternity to us by His Spirit, who searches all the deep things of God. Like no one knows what’s in a man like the spirit of that man, so no one knows the things of God like the Spirit of God. Now we have received the Spirit of God so that we can know the things that are freely given to us of God.

2Cor 5.1-6 The hope of our future life is the support of all our earthly labors. And the one who gave us the promise of our mortality being swallowed up by true life is God, who has also given us the earnest; pledge, security, down payment of the Spirit. Therefore

2Cor 5.6-9 we have great confidence while we are present in our bodies and absent from the Lord. We are confident and willing to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord... But whether present or absent we labor to be well pleasing to Him.

The Holy Spirit brings His gifts, He connects us to our Father... but His very presence is the guarantee it's all true, all coming...

It's His power that invigorates us day by day, His voice we hear in leading, His counsel that assures us and keeps us whole!

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