

WALKING IN THE SPIRIT Part 2



THE FIRE OF THE SPIRIT

HEBREWS 12 v.28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. **29** For our God is a consuming fire.....WOW!!!

PART 1: REVEIW

- JESUS PROMISED THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT WOULD NOW LEAD US AND SHOW US ALL TRUTH.
- THE NEW COVENANT IS DIFFERENT FROM THE OLD, WHERE WE ARE NOW UNDER A NEW LAW- THE LAW OF LIBERTY IN CHRIST JESUS, WHERE WE ARE NOW LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND NOT THE LETTER OF THE LAW.
- TO BE MINDFUL OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WALKING IN THE FLESH AND WALKING IN THE SPIRIT.
- UNDERSTANDING HOW WE ARE MADE UP OF FLESH, SOUL & SPIRIT BEFORE WE WERE SAVED AND AFTER WE WERE SAVED.
- UNDERSTANDING OUR NEW POSITION IN CHRIST AND WHAT THE CROSS HAD ACCOMPLISHED.
- WITHOUT FAITH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO WALK IN THE SPIRIT.
- KNOWING THE FULNESS OF THE GODHEAD IS NOW IN US SO WE ARE NOW ONE WITH CHRIST.
- WE ARE NOW THE TEMPLE OF GOD, THE OLD MAN DIED.
- ENTERING HIS REST IS THE KEY TO ABIDING IN THE SPIRIT. ITS NO LONGER A DAY BUT EVERY DAY.

WALKING IN THE SPIRIT: CUTTING OFF THE FLESH



Sonship Through the Spirit :

ROMANS 8 v.12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. **13** For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. **14** For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

COLOSSIANS 3

5 Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

HEBREWS 4 v.12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. **13** And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.



As Joshua used the sword to defeat his enemies in the promised land, this is a type and a shadow of how we also must use the sword of the spirit to destroy our spiritual enemies this also includes the Flesh. The Sword cuts off the enemy and the Flesh. (Hebrews 4 v.12)

YOKED TO JESUS: ABIDING IN HIS STRENGTH



2 Corinthians v.12 9 And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. **10** Therefore I take pleasure in weakness, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ’s sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

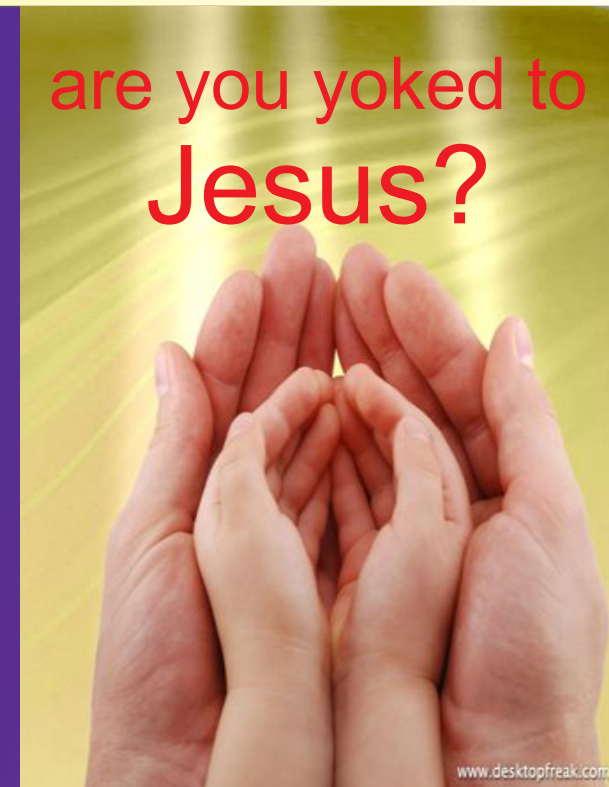
Are You Striving or Abiding?

STOP – “Cease striving and know that I am GOD.” Psalm 46:10

KNEEL – “Humble yourself before the Lord and He will lift you up.” James 4:10

PRAY – “Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me.” Psalm 50:15

LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING, AND CAST ALL YOUR CARES UPON HIM BECAUSE HE LOVES YOU, STOP BEING ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING. HE HAS PREPARED THE WAY!



MATHEW 11v.28 Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. **29** Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. **30** For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

ENTERING HIS REST IN THE SPIRIT



ARE YOU YOKED TO YOUR WORKS OR HIS WORKS?

HEBREWS 4 v.9 There remains therefore a rest for the people of God.

10 For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.

The Word Discovers Our Condition

11 Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. **12** For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. **13** And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

SO WE ARE TO ENTER THE REST OF GOD NOW THROUGH OBEDIENCE BY TRUSTING IN HIS WORD AND BEING LED BY THE SPIRIT. THIS IS NOT ABOUT ONE DAY BUT EVERY DAY NOW IN THE NEW COVENANT.

FASTING DENIES SELF, FLESH, YOUR OUR WORKS



ISAIAH 58 v.6 “Is this not the fast that I have chosen:

To loose the bonds of wickedness,

To undo the heavy burdens,

To let the oppressed go free,

And that you break every yoke?

7 Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,

And that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out;

When you see the naked, that you cover him,

And not hide yourself from your own flesh?

8 Then your light shall break forth like the morning,

Your healing shall spring forth speedily,

And your righteousness shall go before you;

The glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

9 Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;

You shall cry, and He will say, ‘Here I am.’

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**FASTING OPENS
YOU UP TO THE
SPIRIT**



A fast is not a hunger strike designed to convince God to release what He has, up to now, held back. Fasting is not a last-ditch effort to get through to God. Instead, it is a means of sharpening our spiritual senses so that God can get through to us.

RESTING IN HIS SPIRIT- NOT OUR FLESH



ISAIAH 30 v.15 For thus says the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel:

**"In returning and rest you shall be saved;
In quietness and confidence shall be your strength."**

But you would not,

16 And you said, "No, for we will flee on horses"—

Therefore you shall flee!

And, "We will ride on swift horses"—

Therefore those who pursue you shall be swift!

**WE SEE HERE THAT THE LORD IS TRYING TO TURN US
AWAY FROM OUR OWN DEAD WORKS, BUT THE PEOPLE
WERE BLIND AND REBELLIOUS SEEKING TO ESCAPE BY RIDING ON THEIR OWN SWIFT
HORSES, BUT THOSE WHO PURSUED THEM WOULD BE SWIFT ALSO!!!
THIS IS A RECIPE FOR DISASTER, WHICH ULTIMATELY LEADS TO DEATH.**

PSALM 116 v.7 Return to your rest, O my soul,
For the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.



PRAYING IN THE SPIRIT = TONGUES



ISAIAH 28 v.11 For with stammering lips and another tongue
He will speak to this people,
12 To whom He said, "This is the rest with which
You may cause the weary to rest,"
And, "This is the refreshing";
Yet they would not hear.

1 CORINTHIANS 14 v.1 Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy. **2** For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands him; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries. **3** But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men. **4** He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. **5** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies is greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification.

The Value of Speaking in Tongues

- Tongues can be used for devotional purposes (1Cor. 14:2)
- Tongues can be used so that Holy Spirit can reveal divine secrets to the believer (1Cor. 14:2)
- Tongues can be used to build up the believer.
 - 1Cor. 14: 4, Paul stated that "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself..."
 - Edify means *build up* or *charge*
 - Praying in tongues is for spiritual edification not physical or mental edification
- Tongues and interpretation of tongues aren't just for the benefit of the believer. Tongues also minister to unbelievers (1Cor. 14:22).
- Tongues is a supernatural way to magnify God (Acts 10:46)

THE ANNOINTED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT



1 JOHN 2 v.20 But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things. **21** I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and that no lie is of the truth.



WHEN DID THE ANOINTING COME UPON JESUS?

Matthew 3:16-17: "When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

Result:

He began to preach: Matthew 4:17: "From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

He was able to say (Luke 4:18-19): "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."

He had authority: Luke 4:32: "And they were astonished at His teaching, for His word was with authority."

Demons began to cry out: Luke 4:34: "saying, "Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are - the Holy One of God!"

Many were healed: Luke 4:40: "When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them."

FAITH IS THE KEY TO WALKING IN THE SPIRIT



2 PETER 1 v.2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

5 And beside this, **giving all diligence**, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE KEYS TO WALKING IN THE SPIRIT



KEY: FAITH IN THE PROMISES OF GOD



JAMES 1

2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

1 TIMOTHY v.10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced **11** But you, O man of God, flee these things and **pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. 12** Fight the good fight of **faith**, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence **FILLING** of many witnesses.

WE ARE THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
WE ARE WHAT THE BIBLE DESCRIBES AS
LIVING STONES, GODS WORKMANSHIP.
WE BY FAITH ALLOW GODS SPIRIT TO WORK
THROUGH US.

WALKING IN THE SPIRIT IS LAYING HOLD
OF THE ETERNAL PROMISES OF GOD GIVEN
TO ALL OF US BY FAITH.

IT IS ABIDING IN HIM, THE WORD OF GOD
HE HAS MADE THIS POSSIBLE BY FILLING
US WITH HIS HOLY SPIRIT WHO HE SAID
WOULD GUIDE AND LED US INTO ALL
TRUTH. (ZECHARIAH 4 v.6)

**KNOWING WE HAVE RECEIVED THESE PRECIOUS PROMISES ALREADY AT CALVARY
(2 PETER 1 v. 3) WE CAN NOW FULLY REST IN HIM AND ENTER THROUGH HIS GATES
WITH PRAISE AND THANKS GIVING IN THE POWER OF HIS SPIRIT, AMEN!!!**