

The Holy Spirit & Spirituality

Lesson #1 The Spirit and The Word

2 Pet. 1:19-21, 1 Cor. 2:9-13, Ps. 119:160, John 17:17

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The Holy Spirit and Revelation

Daniel 2:19–23 Then the secret was revealed to Daniel in a night vision. So Daniel blessed the God of heaven. ²⁰ Daniel answered and said: “Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, for wisdom and might are His. ²¹ And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise And knowledge to those who have understanding. ²² He reveals deep and secret things; He knows what is in the darkness, And light dwells with Him. ²³ “I thank You and praise You, O God of my fathers; You have given me wisdom and might, and have now made known to me what we asked of You, For You have made known to us the king’s demand.”

2 Peter 1:19–21 (NKJV) And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts; ²⁰ knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, ²¹ for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

2 Samuel 23:1–2 (NKJV) Now these are the last words of David. Thus says David the son of Jesse; Thus says the man raised up on high, The anointed of the God of Jacob, And the sweet psalmist of Israel: “The Spirit of the Lord spoke by me, And His word was on my tongue.

Mark 12:35–36 (NKJV) Then Jesus answered and said, while He taught in the temple,

“How is it that the scribes say that the Christ is the Son of David?
³⁶ For David himself said by the Holy Spirit: ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.”’

***1 Samuel 10:6** (NKJV) Then the Spirit of the Lord will come upon you, and you will prophesy with them and be turned into another man.

The Holy Spirit and Inspiration

John 14:16–17 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

John 15:26 (NKJV) “But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

***John 16:13** (NKJV) However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

Deuteronomy 18:18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him.

Micah 3:8 But as for me, I am filled with power, with the Spirit of the Lord, and with justice and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression, to Israel his sin.

John 6:63 (NKJV) It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.

1 Corinthians 2:9–13 (NKJV) ⁹ But as it is written: “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.” ¹⁰ But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. ¹¹ For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. ¹³ These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

Reference other Books

Joshua 10:13 (NKJV) *So the sun stood still, And the moon stopped, Till the people had revenge Upon their enemies. Is this not written in the Book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and did not hasten to go down for about a whole day.*

2 Samuel 1:17–18 (NKJV) *Then David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son,¹⁸ and he told them to teach the children of Judah the Song of the Bow; indeed it is written in the Book of Jasher:*

1 Chronicles 29:29–30 (NKJV) *Now the acts of King David, first and last, indeed they are written in the book of Samuel the seer, in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer,³⁰ with all his reign and his might, and the events that happened to him, to Israel, and to all the kingdoms of the lands.*

***Acts 17:28** *for in Him we live and move and have our being, as also some of your own poets have said, 'For we are also His offspring.'*

The Holy Spirit and the Truthfulness of Scripture

Psalms 31:5 (NKJV) *Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.*

Psalms 119:160 (NKJV) *The entirety of Your word is truth, And every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever.*

John 17:17 (NKJV) *Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.*

Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV) *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.*

Isaiah 65:16 (NKJV) *So that he who blesses himself in the earth Shall bless himself in the God of truth; And he who swears in the earth Shall swear by the God of truth; Because the former troubles are forgotten, And because they are hidden from My eyes.*

***Hebrews 6:18** (NKJV) *that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us.*

The Holy Spirit as Teacher

Ephesians 4:8 (NKJV) ⁸ *Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men."*

John 14:26 (NKJV) *But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.*

1 Corinthians 2:13–14 (NKJV) *These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.¹⁴ But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.*

Luke 12:11–12 (NKJV) *"Now when they bring you to the synagogues and magistrates and authorities, do not worry about how or what you should answer, or what you should say.¹² For the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say."*

1 John 2:26–27 (NKJV) *These things I have written to you concerning those who try to deceive you. But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.*

“Many contradictory opinions in regard to what the Bible teaches do not arise from any obscurity in the book itself, but from blindness and prejudice on the part of interpreters. Men ignore the plain statements of the Bible to follow their own perverted reason.”—Ellen G. White, *The Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*, January 27, 1885.

The Holy Spirit and the Word

Read John 5:39, 46, 47 and John 7:38. What authority does Jesus refer to in these texts? How does the Bible confirm that Jesus is the Messiah?

John 5:39 (NKJV) *You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.*

John 5:46–47 (NKJV) *For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me.⁴⁷ But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?"*

John 7:38–39 (NKJV) *He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."³⁹ But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.*