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Introduction

This mini-book “**Words Are SPIRIT Part 3,**” is a continuation of “**Words Are SPIRIT Part 1 & Part 2.**” It would be very helpful if Christians would read Part 1 & 2 first. There is a lot of information in Part 1 & 2 that is not covered in this Part. At the same time, there is a lot of information in this Part, that was not included or covered in detail in Part 1 & 2. Also, you can keep watching our Web sites for the full book titled “**Words Are SPIRIT.**” If you do not find it on our Web sites at this time, keep watching, it will be on the Web sites as soon as it is completed.

One day, out of my spirit came these words “*Words are Spirit.*” I knew I needed to go back and study what Jesus said in John 6:63. Jesus said, “**It is the spirit that quickeneth (zoopoieo); the flesh (sarx) profiteth nothing: the words (rhema) that I speak unto you, they are spirit (pneuma), and they are life (zoe).**”

No matter how often we read certain Scripture verses, there could still be something that we did not see clearly in a certain verse. This verse is very important to understand. It reveals an important part of the lives of Christians who understand this verse.

Looking at this verse in the Greek we will find that Jesus was saying “*It is the Holy Spirit that brings life.*” Yet it is important to know that Jesus is not talking about natural life in the flesh. Jesus is talking about (zoe) life, which is the very life of God Himself. The English Word “**quickeneth**” means “vitalize, make alive, or give life.” In John 6:63, the word “**word**” in the English is the Greek word (rhema), which means “an utterance.”

When we put this into the right perspective, Jesus was saying the Words He speaks are “life giving” Words of God which the Holy Spirit empowers to produce and sustain eternal life. Jesus’ Words are “life producing Words,” not “death producing words.”

Going back to what Jesus was talking about in John 6:63, when He said, “**...the flesh (sarx) profiteth nothing...**,” the word “flesh” pertains to “the natural man, born of the flesh.” Therefore, Jesus is telling us in John 6:63, if the words we speak are coming from the flesh (the natural man), we will not profit anything. Only the Words that come from the Holy Spirit (which dwells in our spirit), will profit us.

The Words Jesus speaks are for the purpose of giving and maintaining eternal life. Jesus was saying in John 6:63, “*It is the Holy Spirit that takes the Words that He speaks and makes them come alive in our lives.*” The words Jesus speaks to His disciples, and those who believe on Him are not a work of the flesh, but rather a work of the Holy Spirit.

It is important to understand that Jesus said, the Words that He speaks “**are spirit.**” They are not spirits, like angels and demons. They are spiritual in nature, which means, they control spirits and spiritual operations.

Before Jesus spoke in John 6:63, He was talking about “spiritual life,” not natural life in the flesh. Jesus came that we might have eternal life in Him (that is, in Christ).

Starting already in John 6:47,48, Jesus said, “**Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life....I am that bread of life.**” Spiritual life comes by believing the Word of God. The Word of God declares the complete message of the Son of God (Jesus), coming into this world, born of a virgin, living and teaching everyone who will believe the things concerning eternal life in Christ Jesus. Then taking all that man became that was not pleasing to God upon Himself and redeeming mankind from the works of the Devil. Through all of this, the Scripture

reveals that God is Love and will save anyone from the works of the Devil if they will believe upon Jesus as **“the Way, the Truth and the Life”** (John 14:6).

Jesus said in John 6:51 **“I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”** In this, Jesus was not talking of physical food, or eating of His physical body. When Christians come together and partake of the bread and wine in remembrance of Jesus’ death and resurrection (which some call the LORD’s Supper), they are not operating in the natural, physical realm. What is happening is they are operating in the spiritual realm, eating and drinking the spiritual body and blood of Jesus Christ. It is a spiritual operation, not a natural operation (even though there are physical elements used to remind us of what Jesus did for us). Those who try to bring the spiritual realm into the natural realm do not understand spiritual things (1 Cor. 2:14).

All the time Jesus was speaking in John 6:47-58 He was speaking of spiritual things, not natural things. Therefore, unless God gives us understanding of spiritual things we will be no different than those who walked away from Jesus, saying, **“...This is an hard saying; who can hear it?”** (John 6:60). Only those who have ears to hear (spiritual things), can understand what Jesus was saying in John 6:47-58.

Today, those who are not born again cannot understand spiritual things. Neither can those “who do not walk in the Spirit” understand spiritual things (1 Cor. 2:14). Spirit-filled Christians can be deceived in their minds. What many Christians do not understand is that even Spirit-filled Christians can walk in the natural or they can walk in the spiritual, it is up to each one individually, to choose which system they will follow (the natural or the spiritual)?

If we walk in the natural, we will be like the world today, living by our own ability. But if Christians will walk in the spirit, they can walk as Jesus walked, by the power of God working in them and through them. Then it will be God doing all things according to His ability, not man doing things according to man’s ability.

UNDERSTANDING WORDS

Words are spirit, therefore we must be very careful of the words we speak. In Matthew 12:36.37 Jesus said, **“But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment....For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.”**

Why is this so important to understand? Simply, because that “words are spirit,” and they control what happens in the spiritual realm. We must be very careful of the words that we speak, they can condemn us or they can set us free of all condemnation.

There was a time when I was visiting some Christian friends in their home. When I got there the wife was in pain. I noticed as I talked to her, she was saying, “Jesus is going to heal me.”

I explained to her that Jesus was not “going to heal her,” but “He already did” His part by taking her sins, iniquities, infirmities, sicknesses, diseases and pains upon Himself when He went to the Cross for her. Then I told her, “Instead of saying, Jesus is going to heal me,” say “by Jesus’ stripes I am healed.” “Get it in your mind and heart that you are already healed by the stripes that Jesus bore for you.”

That day, she changed her confession and went about the room saying, “Devil you cannot put this upon me, by Jesus’ stripes I am already healed. Therefore, I rebuke all pain in my body and command it to leave in the Name of Jesus.”

As she did this, within less than an hour all pain was gone. She was free of pain by speaking the Word of God over the condition. The Words that she spoke were quickened by the Holy Spirit and the pain was gone. It is the Spirit that quickens the Word of God, and when He does the symptoms must leave.

It is the words that we speak that cause the spirits of this world to obey. In the name of Jesus, they must leave. They do not have a choice whether to remain or leave. They must leave when we speak the Word of God from our heart.

Sometimes it takes time for the believing to get into our heart. We may believe in our mind, but it is the believing in our heart that causes salvation to come. In Romans 10:9,10 it says, **“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved....For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”**

Notice, it says **“...and shalt believe in thine heart...”** Then it says, **“For with the heart man believeth...”** Then it also says, **“...and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”** The believing must be in our heart and the confession is done with our mouth. Notice also, the believing in our heart and the confession of our mouth is what brings **“salvation.”**

Salvation means, “deliverance and protection.” We receive deliverance from all the works of the Devil by believing in our heart and confessing with our mouth. We also receive “protection” from all the works of the Devil by believing in our heart and confessing with our mouth.

We should not wait until the symptoms of sickness, disease, pain, etc. come before we believe in our heart and confess with our mouth. We stop the works of the Devil from manifesting in our lives by believing in our heart and confessing the Word of God daily (before the enemy attacks us). Daily believing the Word of God and confessing with our mouth, will help us to walk in

freedom from all that works of the Devil.

In 2 Corinthians 10:4 it says, **“(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds).”** What does it mean by “a strong hold”? A strong hold is a position in which someone has built up to prevent others from entering.

When sickness or disease manifests in our flesh it becomes a strong hold of the spirits that caused the manifestation. If Christians speak against sickness or disease before it manifests it will leave within a short time, usually within the hour. But, if Christians let the manifestation of sickness or disease continue in their bodies for a length of time, it could become a strong hold of the enemy.

To defeat the enemy who has already built up a strong hold of sickness or disease in our bodies we must do what it tells us in 2 Corinthians 10:5, which says, **“Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.”**

We must continually come against every thought that comes to our mind that does not agree with the written Word of God. We must bring our thoughts into subjection to the obedience of Christ.

Christ dwells in us. In our spirit we receive revelation of what to do and how to do it. The Holy Spirit works with us in everything concerning our lives here on earth. We must learn to listen to our spirit, not our mind when we come against the works of the Devil in our lives.

Faith works from our heart and our spirit, not from our mind. Doubt and unbelief operate from our mind. There is always a battle between our mind and our spirit over the Word of God. We must overcome that battle by following the leading of the Holy Spirit from our spirit, and rejecting all thoughts in our minds that do not agree with the written Word of God.

THREE WITNESSES

Christians have a New Covenant, which is established upon better promises than that of the Old Covenant (Heb. 8:6). In the Old Covenant the Children of Israel were instructed that there must be two or three witnesses before anyone could be put to death (Deu. 17:6; 19:15). This also carried over into establishing what is truth.

Now Christians have a better Covenant, established upon better promises. In 1 John 5:8,9 it says, **“And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one....If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son.”** Some have not understood the full truth concerning these two verses.

In 1 John 5:8 it used the word “water” to signify the Word of God. The use of the word “water” is using that word symbolically. The Apostle John did this many times in his writings, both in the Gospel of John and the Epistles of John. There is great revelation in using the word “water” symbolically. As an example, in John 7:38, Jesus said, **“He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.”** Jesus was not talking about liquid water. He was talking about the Holy Spirit bringing the Word of God out of our spirit which is in our belly.

In 1 John 5:5,6, the Apostle John wrote, **“Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?...This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.”**

Christians overcome the world by believing that Jesus is the Son of God. And that Jesus came into the world by the “Word” and “the Blood.” In 1 John 5:6 the Apostle John used the word “water” symbolically three times.

Many do not understand this symbolic teaching, using the word “water” to signify “the Word of God.” In the Gospel of John, 1:1,2 it says, **“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God....The same was in the beginning with God.”** Jesus was called the Word of God from the beginning. Everything that the Word of God said about Jesus coming into this world as the Son of Man was fulfilled when Jesus came into this world. In John 1:14 it says, **“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”** What was written concerning Jesus coming in the flesh came to pass according to everything that was written in the Word.

As it was written, the “Word of God” came in the flesh, when Jesus was born of a woman and the Holy Spirit. Mary became the earthly mother of Jesus when she gave birth to the Son of God while she was still a virgin. It was a virgin birth, exactly as the Word of God had said, in Isaiah 7:14, **“Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.”**

Those who do not believe in the virgin birth do not believe the Word of God. Jesus is the Word of God manifest in the flesh.

In John 15:3, Jesus said, **“Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.”** Here the Word of God is used symbolic of water. Water is used in making things clean, like the washing of clothing. Yet, it is not the water only that makes the clothes clean, it is the soap or

detergent in the water that makes the clothes clean.

Therefore, in cleansing us from sin, it takes the Word of God and the Blood of Jesus to cleanse us from all sin. We cannot be cleansed with the Word only, but the Word and the Blood, by a working of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit that empowers the Word of God and the Blood of Jesus.

Therefore, we have three witnesses in the New Covenant, the Holy Spirit, the Word, and the Blood of Jesus. When the Word of God and the Blood of Jesus are applied by the Holy Spirit we are cleansed of all sin.

It is more than just the cleansing of sin, it also includes when the Holy Spirit “quicken” or makes alive the Word of God we overcome the enemy in our lives.

Look what it says in Revelation 12:11, **“And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.”** They overcome by the word they spoke and the blood of the Lamb. The result of their speaking the Word of God and the Blood of the Lamb gave the Holy Spirit what He needed to cause them to overcome.

Now, back to 1 John 5:8,9 which says, **“And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one....If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son.”** In verse nine, it says, **“If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater...”** What this is speaking of is that in the Old Covenant there was the witness of men. But in the New Covenant it is no longer the witness of men, but the Holy Spirit, the Word of God, and the Blood of Jesus.

This is a major difference between the Old Covenant and the New Covenant. Jesus even made that comparison in John 8:15-18, saying, **“Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man....And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me....It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true....I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me.”** The only witness Jesus went by was that which He received from His Father. Jesus said He was one of the witnesses and His Father was the other one. There were only two required in the Old Covenant, but could include three.

Now we have three witnesses, the Spirit, the Word, and the Blood. These are the only three we have, and we do not need any other witnesses in the New Covenant. The witness of men was only for the Old Covenant, and is no longer a witness in the New Covenant.

We must be careful not to use other witnesses to establish what is of God and what is not of God. Going all the way back into 1 John 2:18 the Apostle John was speaking of the error that came into the body of Christ already at that time. In 1 John 2:18 he spoke of the antichrist spirit. Then he continued to speak of the errors in teachings and doctrines all the way through chapter five. The subject did not change from exposing the error that had already come into the body of Christ.

In 1 John 5:7-9 the Apostle John was exposing another error, concerning what is of God and what is not of God. Some were teaching another doctrine which did not believe that God was three persons in one. Therefore he wrote in 1 John 5:7, **“For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.”** Here again, the Apostle John is using the word **“Word”** symbolically. Jesus is the Word of God according to the Apostle John, in John 1:1,14, which says, **“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God....And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”** Christians

must understand symbolic language if they are to know the truth that the Scriptures are teaching.

Therefore, we have “**...three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, (Jesus, the Son) and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.**” Being that we have three in heaven, we also have three that bear witness on earth, “the Holy Spirit, the Word, and the Blood of Jesus.”

The words that we speak must agree with the three witnesses we have been given here on earth. When the words we speak agree with all three, Satan has no power over us. We will defeat the Devil in every area of our lives when we stay with the three witnesses we have been given here on earth.

We must be careful of what we believe in our heart and confess with our mouth. Our lives are dependant upon what we believe in our heart and confess with our mouth.

By our words we can be justified and by our words we can be condemned (Matt. 12:37). Words are spirit, and they control what spirits can or cannot do.

What we believe in our heart has a lot to do with what happens when we speak with our mouth. Some Christians have not understood what Jesus was talking about in John 6:63, simply because they do not understand symbolic language.

First when Jesus spoke of eating His flesh and drinking His blood, many of His disciples could not understand what He was saying. In John 6:60 it says, “**Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard this, said, This is an hard saying; who can hear it?**” That is when Jesus explained to them, He was not speaking to them of eating His physical flesh or drinking His liquid blood.

Jesus was using symbolic language when He spoke of eating His flesh and drinking His blood. What we do in the flesh, physically, is symbolic of what we should be doing in the spiritual realm.

When we consume the written Word of God by reading and believing in our heart, we receive the Word of God that sets us free of all Satanic operations. We must continue to eat the Word of God, and drink Jesus’ Blood to have eternal life, and to maintain our spiritual life.

Remember what Jesus said to the Devil in Matthew 4:4, “**It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.**” Our physical life needs physical food. But, more important is that our spiritual life needs the Word of God.

In the flesh, we live by the physical food that we eat. In the spirit we live by the written Word of God. We must continue in the Word of God to sustain our spiritual life.

Man is both physical and spiritual. We have a physical body and we also have a spiritual body. In 1 Corinthians 15:44 it says, “**It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.**” Our spiritual body is in Christ Jesus. We are one spirit with the LORD (1 Cor. 6:17). Being in Christ, we are a new creature (2 Cor. 5:17). We must maintain our spiritual life in Christ Jesus. We must not go back to the way we lived before we were born again into the body of Christ.

We maintain our spiritual life in Christ Jesus by the three witnesses we have been given, the Holy Spirit, the Word of God, and the Blood of Jesus (1 John 5:8).

As we speak the Word of God from our heart, we control the spirits of this world who try to get us to go back to the way of the flesh. Being we are born again of the Spirit, we must also walk in the Spirit (Rom. 8:1).

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