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Theme	Knowing and Experiencing God
Topic	Knowing and Experiencing The Holy Spirit
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Message Summary

Spiritual Objective: To Live in Total Dependency on the Holy Spirit

The HS is always in perfect unity with the Father and the Son. This unity includes oneness, accord and agreement. While they are perfectly equal in status, and we are able to address each of them in Prayer, a mature Christian ought to be able to distinguish the differences in function between the persons of the trinity. Today, we are always in communion with the the Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 13:14) by whom we commune with Jesus and the Father. Details of other persons of the trinity may be found in the earlier parts of this three-part series.

Knowing and Experiencing the Anointing Within

The first key fact is that the Holy Spirit dwells within our physical bodies (1 Cor 6:19-20). The second fact is that this happens only to believers since the Pentecost. Ezekiel 36:25-27 is an example of a prophecy of the Holy Spirit in which would be placed within us, and Jesus Instructed his disciples to wait for it (Acts 1:4-5). While some may believe that the baptism of the Holy Spirit is a separate event that happens to us from our conversion, in SP's opinion, this all takes place in a singular event (Ephesians 4, 1 Corinthians 5:13). Thirdly, this anointing of the Holy Spirit is permanent. We were sealed with the HS (Ephesians 1:13-14) and it was given to us when Jesus left (John 14:16-17).

What then is its purpose? The Holy Spirit's purpose is to persuade us and motivate us to follow and obey God and to factor him in all our considerations (Ezekiel 36:27). His presence is always with the believer even when we sin and quench His promptings (Hebrews 13:5). He is likewise present in our troubles (Isaiah 43:2) and in the valley of the shadow of death (Psalms 23:4). Therefore, we must be intentional about not grieving the Holy Spirit as we sin. In essence, we have to set ourselves apart as holy in increasing measure, value adding and loving one another.

As the Holy Spirit is with us, we are also connected to the Father and our Lord Jesus. This connection gives us wisdom to stand in defence of our beliefs in this dark and perilous times where shades of grey threaten to obscure and confuse (Ephesians 1:17-19). As Jesus has said, God is Spirit. Thus, we need to worship in Spirit and in Truth. The Holy Spirit within us empowers us to pray in the Spirit (Ephesians 6:18, Jude 20), and it important that we walk in the Spirit, allowing ourselves to be led by the Spirit and to keep in step with the Spirit (Galatians 5:16). This too was also modelled for us by our Lord (Luke 4:1,14).

The Holy Spirit is our guide for all things in our lives (1 John 2:27). The general principles to live our lives are found in the bible, and the Holy Spirit provides the details. The HS directs us in our thoughts and emotions on the decisions to be made (Hebrews 8:10). When our minds are surrendered to God through the renewal of it by God, we get a download or insight. Our heart which is the seat of our emotion, receives it immediately. We will go through a process of knowledge, understanding and wisdom and we must process this through analysis, weighing and evaluating the facts. The end goal is



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clarity and God will work in us to be inclined to the decision. We must know that there are 3 sources of thoughts; the Holy Spirit, the evil one and ourselves. We eliminate the evil one with the blood of Jesus (Hebrews 10:19). Secondly we need to resist the devil (James 4:6-7) and he will flee. God always desires to lead and guide us. As we draw near to God, He will draw near to God. The overlap is what we call the Hallelujah sector. It is dynamic depending on the issue and our spirituality and our walk. Sometimes it is more important depending on how much we lean and desire to obey Him. It comes in many forms and is different to different people. We need to learn and recognize it. Some people get ideas, others see pictures. We do not compare, for all truth belongs to God. We usually end up with guidance and feeling, but there are two caveats. The first is that we trust in Him and acknowledge Him (Proverbs 3:5-6), then we make that inclined decisions by faith. If we do not do it from faith, it is from sin (Romans 14:23).

Knowing and Experiencing the Anointing Upon

This phenomenon can be found throughout the bible. It is a temporary imbuement of the Spirit and is referred to in the New testament as being clothed with power on from on high (Luke 24:49), being filled with the Spirit (Acts 2:4) and being continually filled with the Spirit (Ephesians 5:18).

Its purpose is to enable us to minister to others. There are many forms of different anointing, but they all have a singular purpose, and that is to enable and empower us for the discipleship journey. Only by the power of the Spirit are we able to overcome sin, for it is written that the Law of Spirit and life has set us free from the law of sin and death (Romans 8:2).

Conclusion

We need to live our lives in total dependence on the Holy Sprit, for He is essential to us fulfilling our destiny in God.



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Questions

1) Share of one incident you have felt empowerment from the Holy Spirit, or what you think it will be like.

(Fill In Answer Here)

2) How has the Holy Spirit affected your day to day decisions in the past month? How has He intervened in any major decisions in your life?

(Fill In Answer Here)

3) What is one issue in your life that needs to be dependant on the Holy Sprit today?

(Fill In Answer Here)
