

The spirit of God

In the beginning God made man in His image and breathed his spirit into man. Adam and Eve had the spirit of God in them, even after they sinned. They had and all mankind has the knowledge of good and evil. That knowledge came about because of the Tree of Good and Evil and the spirit of God that is in man. With the developing brain in man, man's intellectual capabilities come about by the spirit of God in him. We call it the spirit of man. Man has the capacity to know what is right and what is wrong.

We did too - even before we were called. Now we still have the spirit of man, the spirit God originally breathed into man, plus a little extra of God's spirit that he has placed in us for a purpose. We now have a comforter, a helper that others don't have. It is there to give us comfort, peace, joy and understanding in a direct communication through Jesus to our Father. We have unity with Jesus and all those who have this Holy Spirit; this Holy Spirit leads us to understanding his purpose, plan and works, through the word of God.

So all mankind was made in God's image and has the spirit of God that makes them human, not animal or such. And that spirit will go back to the Father when this human body dies. the Holy Spirit in man.

The word "holy" means: awful; full of awe – commanding and inspiring awe.

The Holy Spirit is given to the saints at baptism as a pledge. And if we understand this in the marriage context, this means that the Holy Spirit is the sign of our betrothal to Jesus.

2 Corinthians 11:2 says; I betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you to the Anointed one.

The Anointed one is of course Jesus.

2 Corinthians 1: 21 Now he that confirmed us with you in Christ and who hath anointed us, is God:

He has anointed us and given us the pledge, a possession of the Holy Spirit in us. Also in us is the law of God written on our hearts. To give a pledge was a custom of betrothal in the old days. Something given as a sign - Something like the

betrothal ring that is common in this country. (The bride is given one ring when she is espoused, (to be wed) and then a second ring given at the wedding.)

1 John 2:27 And as for you, the anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you; but as His anointing teaches you (the pledge of the Holy Spirit in us teaches) us about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you abide in Him.

That is indeed talking about the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth, given to the saints, as an anointing.

What if we neglect the anointing?

Jesus says, in Revelations, some have left their first love. They have turned their backs to Jesus and have gone to other men! Others have let their love grow lukewarm, indifferent. Jesus says that he will "spit them out of his mouth". (in disgust.)

In Revelation 1, Jesus says:

Revelation 1:8 'I am the Alpha and the Omega, beginning and end, saith the Lord, who is, and who was, and who is coming—the Almighty.'

What does that tell us?

Jesus is (the former husband) the one "who was the first"),

and (he is the bridegroom) the one "who is"

and (He is the husband of the new marriage covenant) the one "who is to come", "the last").

Paul says in 1 Timothy 4:14 Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership.

2 Timothy 1:6 Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. Here Paul talks about "stirring up" the Holy Spirit that God has given us. The Greek for stirring up refers to blowing in the fire (pur) to make it burn hotter (the word translated spirit is breath or wind – a power, a blowing, that flames the fire). The flame must not go out!

The good thing is this: the more you use that spirit, the more knowledge and understanding you are given! So, let that fire burn, and blow that fire so it gets hotter!

Let your light shine, says Jesus. The believers, the saints, are to be a light in the midst of the darkness of this world. How are you doing?

Other than the bride who are we in the plan of God,— we are to be sons of God in His Kingdom? The parable of the virgins is about being the bride but what about the parable of the talents? All saints are given the Holy Spirit. It is given to be used, to produce something, to bear fruit. The Greek word for "talent" does not mean "ability" but it is a money unit of huge value.

In other words, it is an "investment" which God makes, something he gives us to use, to work with, and he expects results, he expects fruit. But it may well be, that the talent, the thing of great value mentioned by Jesus referred to the word of God.

It seems that Jesus meant the understanding of the word of God is that talent (a heavy piece of silver or gold; a huge value), and the servants of the Lord, the children of God, are those who were sent to use that value, that word, to produce more to the Lord who gave that large value for that purpose. That is, to spread the good tidings. The message seems to be that those who did not, but kept that huge value just to themselves, will not be received into the kingdom of God.

If we do not use the Word of God by the Holy Spirit, we lose it. We lose the understanding of the word. We separate ourselves from the Father.

So there it is. If we don't use God's Holy Spirit we lose it and life.