

Speaking in Tongues - Lesson #1

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Many, Born Again Children of God are wondering around confused. It is AS IF THEY ARE LOST! ***[I do not want to be misunderstood]. I am NOT saying they are not saved even, or they do not know Jesus. This is not what I am saying. What I am saying is: A person can be very much saved and prepared to meet Jesus, and still be [confused and wondering as if they did not even know the way].

This teaching will give some who read it A GOOD SHAKING IN THE SPIRIT. It will JAR THEM; it will IMPACT THEM! [Many are taught in

RELIGIOUS PLACES that they have received everything they need in life the moment they got Born Again. But Jesus TALKED ABOUT "MORE" to come upon them!]

I believe this will......

SET MANY ON THE ROAD OF SEARCHING TO FIND A..... "MISSING PART"!

Many have set out on a Journey not fully equipped for their trip. They have left behind a very badly needed provision that is needed to KEEP THEM AWAKE AND FOLLOWING THE RIGHT ROAD. The road ahead of them [the moment they become a Child of the Most High God] is winding through a SPIRITUAL LAND and only those who are EQUIPPED FOR THE TRIP will fully travel it and do so successfully. I am NOT SAYING they will be lost, but only that they ARE MISSING SOMETHING IMPORTANT which Jesus did intend them to yet have...

THERE ARE SOME MOST IMPORTANT FIRST STEPS IN THIS JOURNEY!

When leaving on a long trip in your car there are several things you will of necessity do. You need to realize that first and foremost you will need to SERVICE YOUR AUTOMOBILE with proper gasoline and oil. You will need to have plenty of gas to take you the first leg of the trip, and it could be very detrimental to your car and the trip if the oil is low in the engine. If the oil is low than the motor could very easily overheat and be destroyed; than you would be stuck on the side of the road. You will need to check your transmission fluid to make sure it is full or else the bands will slip, and the transmission could burn up. I think when you read this you will know to what I am speaking. It will not be hard for you to grasp my meaning here.

IF YOU BEGIN UNPREPARED FOR THE TRIP, YOU COULD NEVER FINISH IT

SUCCESSFULLY. YOU COULD BE WALKING HOME. Well, that is the way the Christian Life is now that you are saved. You could be walking home... limping.... and hurt, if you do not do FIRST THINGS FIRST.

Well what is the First thing following salvation itself? Now that you are saved and born again: NOW WHAT? What do you need now that you are saved? Many people are telling you that being born again is all you need. Well, I will agree that to be born again is all you need to saved, [be acceptable to the Lord to enter into his Kingdom] when he comes back to earth someday. BEING BORN AGAIN IS THE PLACE ALL MUST BEGIN, but IT IS THE BEGINNING AND MORE IS COMING. Your salvation Journey is like obtaining a car to make the trip. You must have a car to travel, so it is that you must be born again to start; but what I am talking about here is THE NEXT STEP [after one is born again and becomes acceptable].

[EXACTLY] What is the NEXT STEP to take? There used to be a old song that had a line that said... The Next Step you take could be on Streets of Pure Gold. Well the next step I am talking about is NOT stepping over into Glory and walking on Streets of Gold, [yet that is a further step we all are longing for], but what I am talking about will be:

A GOLDEN STEP. It is the most precious of the Treasure Chest of Gods Provisions. IT IS HIS GOLDEN TREASURE RESERVED JUST FOR ALL WHO ARE HIS!

Well what is it Ken? What is the FIRST OF THE FIRST STEPS that you must take to be successful on this journey of life with Jesus? What is the GOLDEN WAY you speak of?

THE ANSWER IS OF COURSE [THE "GOLDEN WAY] IS THE "RECEIVING" THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT!

I am not talking about the INDWELLING OF OR "EARNEST OF THE SPIRIT" given to all who are Born Again of the Spirit, (Ephesians 1:13-14) because ALL who are His have been given His Spirit within. I am talking about THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, which the Scriptures teach COMES AFTER THE INITIAL BORN AGAIN EXPERIENCE. IT IS THE "MORE" or the "POURING OUT UPON". I now speak about A GOLDEN WAY OF POWER which gives the new believer THE EQUIPPING for his Journey of Life [service to the King].

Well let me say this [GOLDEN WAY] was spoken of by Jesus Himself JUST BEFORE HE LEFT TO RETURN TO HEAVEN. He was standing at the moments before he would be taken up and disappear in a cloud into heaven. HE WAITED TO GIVE THIS MOST IMPORTANT INSTRUCTION. He wanted it to be remembered so he said it moments before he left on purpose for all to hear. He said:

Acts 1:4-5 and 8

"4. And being assembled together with them, COMMANDED THEM...
[NOTICE THIS NEXT COMMAND] ... That they SHOULD NOT LEAVE
JERUSALEM, BUT WAIT FOR THE PROMISE OF THE FATHER, which, saith he,
you have heard of me.

5. For John truly baptized with water; but YE SHALL BE BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY GHOST NOT MANY DAYS HENCE.

[continue in verse 8]

8. But ye shall receive POWER, after that THE HOLY GHOST SHALL COME UPON YOU; and you shall be WITNESSES UNTO ME both in Jerusalem, and in the uttermost part of the Earth."

Well folks, many have come to this Journeys beginning and the road is stretching out before them, BUT THEY HAVE DRIVEN OFF WITHOUT THE POWER!

The Power of the Holy Spirit that COMES UPON MEN AND THEY RECEIVED THE MORE. More that will be ABSOLUTELY NEEDED IN THE TRIP AHEAD.

I want to ask you a Question:

***HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT POWER SINCE YOU BELIEVED?

The Scripture says CLEARLY that on the Day of Pentecost that they did receive the Power. This power is described in Acts 2. It says in verse 3 you will understand what happened that day...

Acts 2:3-4

- And there appeared unto them cloven TONGUES OF FIRE, and it SAT UPON FACH OF THEM.
- 4. And they were ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST AND... BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES. AS THE SPIRIT GAVE THEM UTTERANCE.

Now it is plain that in the POURING OUT OF THIS POWER.. IT MANIFESTED, OR "FIRST EVIDENCED" by the SPEAKING IN TONGUES. Well my question to you is....

HAVE YOUR RECEIVED THE POWER OF [SPECIAL HEAVENLY PRAYER AND PRAISE LANGUAGE]?

THE GOLDEN GIFT is the Heavenly Prayer Language received FIRST in the GIVING OF POWER. The Pouring out of His Power upon all who receive the Baptism with the Holy Spirit is EVIDENCED BY THIS "SPEAKING IN

TONGUES". Many have missed this part. They try to say they have RECEIVED POWER but do not need the Tongues! Well, let me warn all: THE SPEAKING IN TONGUES WAS A PART OF RECEIVING THE POWER! Many want to just delete that part of the Verse and say only "THEY WERE FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST". It is not sound bible interpretation to CUT OUT WORDS of Scripture.

THEY WERE GIVEN "HEAVENLY LANGUAGE OR TONGUES!

These Tongues were FOR PRAISE [PRAYER]. When they received this special Gift, THEY ALL PRAISED GOD IN HEAVENLY TONGUES. Later on, as people came to see what had happened, Peter stood and prophesied. It was a REVELATION GIFT that was given to Peter that day, he was an ordinary Fisherman up till that day, but on the day, Peter Received this POWER AND SPOKE IN TONGUES, he began to PROPHECY.

We should never forget that this GIFT OF TONGUES then is a REAL PART of the INITIAL POWER.

When a person evidently prays in Tongues, he RECEIVES REVELATION KNOWLEDGE which is a Special Help to his Spiritual Understanding. The Apostle Paul said HE RECEIVES MYSTERIES OR HIDDEN TRUTHS:

1 CORINTHIANS 14: 2

"For one who speaks in an [unknown] tongue speaks not to men but to God, for no one understands or catches his meaning, because in the [Holy] Spirit he utters SECRET TRUTHS and HIDDEN THINGS [not obvious to the understanding]."

Paul explains Tongues in the same chapter in verse 4:

"He who speaks in a tongue EDIFIES AND IMPROVES himself."

One only need to think about what the above said, He must understand that SOMETHING SUPERNATURAL or something BEYOND HUMAN UNDERSTANDING was added that day when they begin to speak in Tongues. The SOMETHING SUPERNATURAL WAS REVELATION KNOWLEDGE. When one has this gift of Tongues, that one RECEIVES UNDERSTANDING OF SPIRITUAL THINGS. It was a Gift given to all Recipients of this Baptism with the Holy Spirit to AID THEM TO THEIR UNDERSTANDING. This Gift of HELP did and still does EQUIP MEN TO PROPHESYING THE TRUTH OF GOD, EVEN TO THE UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE. It is no doubt then that we can see the problem with those who have not this Gift. They speak with MEN'S UNDERSTANDING and this can and does cause great harm to the Body of Christ.

The Gift of Tongues then is clearly understood, and one knows why it was the FIRST OR INITIAL GIFT given. It was given to HELP MEN UNDERSTAND AND KNOW. It is through the PRAYER OF TONGUES that God has added special GIFTING OF KNOWLEDGE. One only need to pray in Tongues to be enlightened in his understanding of the Things of God and His purpose. The Word of God will be understood clearly and one can teach it or preach it with GREAT POWER because it is the PROPHESYING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, TRUTH!

To say that the Gift of Tongues [revelation knowledge to the understanding to help men preach and teach and live to be witnesses] IS NOT IMPORTANT or to say IT DOES NOT EXIST NOW OR MATTER is to only cause that one speaking such utter foolish understanding to GO OUT ON HIS JOURNEY NOT PREPARED. Many begin out as believers, but are told by some FALSE TEACHER, that the Baptism With the Holy Spirit is not valued today, or that it only happened in the early church. These ones have been literally DWARFED and STRICKEN DOWN in their understanding. The

Religious world today is made up of many who have LEFT OFF THE "GOLDEN STEP" OF THE POWER OF THE HOLY GHOST. They do as well, struggle without the SPECIAL GOLDEN GIFT OF TONGUES. They struggle with the task of winning the lost world, because they have no POWER AND UNDERSTANDING by which to convince and teach the deluded ones who they desire to win. Not only are those to whom they preach UNIMPRESSED, but they themselves move as a sluggard and are empty of faith. They are only as sounding brass and tinkling of symbols. Their words fall to the ground and go unheard. Then they wonder why the world does not believe them? Well, it is clear,

Jesus said it best: DO NOT LEAVE TOWN WITHOUT FIRST RECEIVING THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WHICH GIFTS YOU TO BE WITNESSES!

I must add as well, they who have not the Gift of Tongues, do not fully know the power of RECEIVING FURTHER REVELATION KNOWLEDGE; MANY DO NOT GROW UP INTO ALL THINGS AND REMAIN AS CHILDREN. Many struggle today as believers [yes, saved but having not received the MORE or special help] with many of the problems that they face. They wonder why things do not work and they wonder why their life is so defeated. The obvious answer is that THEY BEGIN WITHOUT ALL THAT THE LORD SAID WAS THEIRS.

The fact is this: EVERYONE IS COMMANDED TO WAIT AND RECEIVE POWER OF THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT. Like salvation had to be RECEIVED BY FAITH by [acting upon revealed truth of the knowledge that Jesus had died for one's sins] and must receive Jesus Christ as his Lord. He must call upon Him to be saved and born again. EVEN SO... A MAN [OR WOMAN] MUST... BY FAITH RECEIVE AND BELIEVE FOR THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT. This is a GIFT, but it MUST be RECEIVED. YOU MUST ASK FOR IT. WAIT FOR IT TO COME.

How many people followed the teachings of Jesus and was standing there that day [just before he left for Heaven] and heard him say TARRY YE IN JERUSALEM UNTIL YOU RECEIVE THE POWER? There had to me MANY more that actually did TARRY AND WAIT. What happened to those many who did not tarry, or maybe they did tarry for a few days but gave up waiting. Maybe they were there but had to go to the restroom or to get a drink. Maybe there was something more important to them at that moment that caused them to NOT BE IN THE ROOM WHEN THE MIGHTY RUSHING WIND CAME UPON ALL WHO WERE WAITING. They somehow missed it. WHERE WERE THEY? HOW COME THERE WERE ONLY 120 IN THE UPPER ROOM ON THAT DAY? Where were the thousands that had thronged him and listened to him? Where were those many who had been his followers up until the day of Pentecost? Well friend, let me say they WERE SOMEWHERE ELSE, they somehow MISSED IT. They were not blessed, but can you say they were lost or not saved because they did not tarry and receive? NO. Neither can you today say it. MEN MAY MISS THE POWER BUT THEY WILL BE SAVED... but you must know, many will not FINISH THE RACE WITH SUCCESS. Even Jesus said it. There will be many who will fall back and not continue. He said that many would love the cares of this world more than they loved him.

If you haven't moved in this Holy Spirit Power and Gift, YOU ARE TRAVELING THE ROAD. AND YOU ARE UNPREPARED FOR THE ROAD AHEAD.

THIS IS A WARNING....