

FOLLOW THE LEADER

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The world is in a mess because we have a **leadership crisis**. This is true in all areas of society and throughout the world. A superficial view of the problem only looks at the social, political or physical issues but the root issue is in the spiritual realm. When mankind forgets God and the natural laws he put in place at the time of creation; there is disharmony, discord, division, despair, disease, debt, depression and death. All of those things are 'unnatural' to God's ways. What is the solution? It appeared over 2000 years ago in the person of Jesus Christ. At the age of 30, he began his campaign to introduce a government never seen before on earth. He did not seek for mankind's votes to place him in the highest of offices, for that had already been decided with his leadership team partners of Father and Holy Spirit in the distant eternity. Jesus came to invite mankind to be a part of his eternal kingdom. Nobody could make him Lord, for he was Lord. Mankind's choice was whether to submit to Him or not.

His **Kingdom Manifesto** was first introduced in Luke 4:14-19' It all begins with the **Holy Spirit**, for only through the supernatural can the unnatural ways of mankind become converted back to the natural ways of God. Man's ways lead to death while God's ways lead to life. The political solution to crime is to hire more policemen. Although it can be useful, it does not get to the root of the problem, which is the heart of mankind. When a person is born of the Holy Spirit, their desires and actions will change. Some see the answer to crime is to ban all guns (certainly there should be some background checks) but the issue is not what is between the fingers (the gun) but what is between the ears (the gunholder). Personally, I do not care for guns nor fear them, but I am wary of all the angry ticking time bomb people today who have no conscience or respect for God. Politicians today think the answer to our problems is to spend more money and to create more laws. How foolish!

'When nations are most corrupt, laws are plentiful' - Tacitus, the Roman

'Man complicates, God simplifies' - Joy Dawson / YWAM teacher, intercessor

We do not need more laws or money but **more of God**, for He has all the wisdom and power we need to change the world. His leadership success was based on Isaiah 11:1-5.

- The **Spirit** of the Lord shall **rest upon** Him (at his baptism the Spirit appeared like a dove and rested upon him, which is unusual to happen as doves are very sensitive) R.T. Kendall covers the subject well in his book, The Sensitivity of the Spirit.
- The Spirit of wisdom and understanding Isaiah 11:2
- The Spirit of counsel and might
- The Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord
- His delight is in the fear of the Lord 11:3
- He will not judge by what he sees or hears with his physical ears
Unlike many judges today, Jesus makes perfect assessments as a righteous Judge, based on the wisdom of God.

There are many spirits at work today but there is only one HOLY SPIRIT. Those two words give us better understanding of his character.

HOLY He is pure, righteous and fire, grieved by any sin against God or his purposes.
Full of light, love, joy, peace, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, wisdom.

SPIRIT He is like the wind, always moving in power. To resist his activity is to quench him. Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit. Follow the leader.

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