

“THE MANIFESTATIONS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT”

{LESSON 5A} {7/20/2008}

“THE FUNCTIONING BODY OF CHRIST IN THIS WORLD”

“SATAN CAN’T BE DIVIDED AGAINST HIMSELF”

- IX. Those who fear the manifestations of the Spirit, and believe they might receive something from the devil, should remember another Scripture from our Lord.
- A. In reading Luke 11:18-20 it becomes significant to note the incident that followed a statement of Jesus.
- a. It involved Jesus healing a dumb man.
 - b. After the dumb man was healed, the devil in religious men charged Jesus that the miracle was performed by the power of Beelzebub.
 - c. But Jesus pointed out that if Satan cast out Satan, then his kingdom was divided and would not stand.
 - d. This is recorded in Luke 11:18-20 AMP: **“And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom last? For you say that I expel demons with the help of and by Beelzebub. V19, Now if I expel demons with the help of and by Beelzebub, with whose help and by whom do your sons drive them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. V20, But if I drive out the demons by the finger of God, then the kingdom of God has [already] come upon you.”**
2. What is the conclusion of this matter? Surely, on the basis of Christ’s words, we need not fear to press forward and claim this ministry.
3. Fear kept the children of Israel from going forward and possessing the land that had been given them.
- a. The ten spies cautioned them to play it safe, that the inhabitants of the land were giants, and that the risks and hazards were too great.
 - b. Because of their fear, that generation never entered into the land of promise.
 - c. They were doomed to wander and die in the wilderness.

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4. May our God grant that we shall not repeat their foolish error.
 - a. The manifestations of the Spirit are for today’s giants.

{LESSON 5B} {7/27/2008}

“THE NINE FUNCTIONING MANIFESTATIONS OF THE SPIRIT”

“LOOKING AT THE HUB OF THE CHURCH AND ITS POWER”

X. In today’s lesson we are going to start looking at the different manifestations of the Spirit, and hopefully learn how to identify them and how they work.

A. First and foremost the “gift” of the Holy Spirit is the hub of the Christian Church, and His manifestations are its “power”.

1. Christ teaches us that the manifestations of the Spirit are the Christian’s credentials.
 - a. In Mark 16:17 Jesus said, **“And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My name shall they cast out devil’s; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.”**
2. Paul told the Corinthians in 2:4, **“And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power.”**
3. And in Acts 8:6 we read of Philip, **“And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.”**
4. Then in Hebrew 2:4 we read of God’s support to the Church: **“God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with diverse miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to His own will.”**
5. Christians who do not have the manifestations of the Holy Spirit operative are not the kind of church body spoken of in the New Testament.
 - a. Hear me! There is no information given on how a church is to function unless it has the manifestations of the Spirit, as enumerated in 1