

## “THE MANIFESTATIONS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT”

Christ as the five senses are to the human body.

- a. A child without his senses will not be able to grow and develop as a normal child.
- b. This is the condition of churches which try to grow without the manifested gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- c. This type of church can struggle along with “soulical professional evangelism” and “soulical ministers”, and try to compete with the world in theatrical entertainment, etc., but real growth comes as the Holy Spirit in believers manifest spiritual gifts to people in need.
- d. Bottom line! We need never wonder why churches are “crippled” if these manifested gifts do not function.

***{LESSON 6A} {8/3/2008}***

## “THE WORD OF WISDOM DEFINED”

- XI. First and foremost it is imperative that the believer remember that these manifestations of the Spirit are not gifts to the believer operating them.
  - A. These manifestations do not derive (begin) from the soul of man, but from the Holy Spirit speaking and working through the believer’s spirit, and then (after direction) the believer’s spirit speaking to the soul.
    1. The manifestation of “The Word of Wisdom” is the super-spiritual manifestation of Divine wisdom which has to do with the future.
    2. It is a revelation of God’s plans and purposes for the future.
      - a. It is not “a” word of wisdom but “the” word of wisdom.
      - b. It is not just a word on the subject or the situation at hand, it is “the word” on it.
      - c. It is the revelation of the plans and purposes in the mind of God.
      - d. It is always the answer or the solution to that which is needed and it’s always the “will of God” concerning the situation.
    3. The Word of Wisdom can be conditional, depending upon the person’s obedience.
      - a. In 2 Kings 20:1 Isaiah delivered a message to King Hezekiah “.....Set

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**thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live”.**

- b. Hezekiah repented and reminded God that he had walked before God wholeheartedly in times past.
- c. Before Isaiah got out of the courtyard, the word of the Lord came telling him to return to Hezekiah and speak His words: **“Tell him I am going to give him fifteen more years.”** (2 Kings 20:5-6)
4. Natural human wisdom in dealing with spiritual things is good and should be sought by all.
  - a. In James 1:5 NKJV we read: **“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.”**
  - b. But this is not “The Word of Wisdom”. It comes only by means of the Spirit’s impartation.
  - c. It is much more than just a God-endowed faculty of human wisdom.

## “THE WORD OF WISDOM ILLUSTRATED IN THE LIFE OF JESUS”

B. We need to look at this manifestation of the Spirit as it operated in the life of Jesus.

1. Jesus astonished people in ministry by the use of this manifestation:  
**“When He had come to His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished and said, "Where did this Man get this wisdom and these mighty works?"** (Matthew 13:54)

C. There is no doubt whatsoever that Jesus used the manifestations of the Spirit in His ministry and it astonished all who saw and heard.

1. There are many places in the New Testament where Jesus used the manifestation of the Word of Wisdom.
2. In Luke 4:3-14 we see Jesus withstanding Satan as he seeks to trap Jesus by his use of divine knowledge.
3. But Jesus goes a step beyond natural understanding, and uses divine wisdom to answer Satan’s questions.
4. We read part of His reply in Luke 4:3-4 NKJV: **“And the devil said to**

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**Him, "If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread. But Jesus answered him, saying "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.'”**

5. Satan’s statement was answered by God’s wisdom when Jesus answered through the Word of Wisdom.

D. In John 4: 9-26 we read of another example: **“Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman? For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to her, If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water. The woman said to Him, Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock? Jesus answered and said to her, Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life. The woman said to Him, Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw. Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here. The woman answered and said, I have no husband." Jesus said to her, You have well said, 'I have no husband, for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly. The woman said to Him, Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship Jesus said to her, Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in**

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**spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.**

**The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things. Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."**

1. In His ministry to the Samaritan woman He did not involve Himself with arguing her “pet doctrine”.
  2. He did not side with either the Samaritans or the Judeans, as this would have aroused antagonism and prejudice.
  3. Rather, He led her into a greater truth and then revealed His true identity to her.
  4. The Holy Spirit in Jesus manifested wisdom demonstrating the will of God to this woman.
- E. In Acts 21:10-11 we read of Agabus and Paul: **“And as we stayed many days, a certain prophet named Agabus came down from Judea. When he had come to us, he took Paul's belt, bound his own hands and feet, and said, "Thus says the Holy Spirit, 'So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man who owns this belt, and deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.'”**
1. Agabus was manifesting the Word of Wisdom to Paul by the Holy Spirit.
  2. It was future knowledge in the mind of God revealing to Paul that he would be jailed if he went to Jerusalem.
  3. Paul had already received this Word of Wisdom and also the Word of Knowledge telling him what to do.
- F. In Acts 8:26-29 we are told of Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch: **“Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert. So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, was**

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**returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot."**

***{LESSON 6B} {8/10/2008}***

### **“THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE DEFINED”**

XII. At this point in the lesson I want to cover the two “revelation” manifestations together.

A. But, before I do this I want to define the Word of Knowledge in order that we can understand the difference between it and the Word of Wisdom.

1. The manifestation of the Word of Knowledge is a super-spiritual revelation (manifestation) from God given to man of details of knowledge in the present or past which God knows and wants revealed.
2. The manifestation of “The Word of Wisdom” is the super-spiritual manifestation of Divine wisdom which has to do with the future.
3. These two manifestations of the Spirit inside the believer often work seamlessly together, with a single revelation from God consisting of both the Word of Knowledge and the Word of Wisdom.

B. We call these two manifestations the “revelation” manifestations because the Spirit is revealing the “mind of God” to a person about something.

1. Many Bible translations translate “the Word of Knowledge or Wisdom into the “Message of Knowledge or Wisdom”.
2. This is done because the Greek word “logos” means an intelligible communication.
  - a. There are two definitions of logos in Thayer’s Greek Lexicon.
  - b. The first definition of logos is “a word”, yet not in a grammatical sense (equivalent to vocabulum, the mere name of an object), but language, “vox”, a word which, uttered by the living voice, embodies a conception or idea.”
  - c. So this living voice that embodies a conception or idea is God who reveals a “message” of intelligible communication to a person.
3. The translation “message” communicates accurately exactly what the