

THE WORD AND SPIRIT

WATCHING IN THE SPIRIT - EZEKIEL 33:7

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ENTERING INTO A NEW SPIRITUAL ERA

Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:13-14)

In the above verses Paul made a conscience, determined, steadfast, focused decision to apprehend everything the Lord Jesus Christ had for him. This quality in Paul made him the choice of the Lord to bring revelation and anointing to the church. Paul was chosen, by the Lord Jesus, to be a leader into a *New Spiritual Era*.

Paul's ministry was to take the revelation the Lord revealed to him and write it down and preach it. The established church of his day did not agree with this *New Spiritual Era* that he introduced, and tried their best to stop the spreading of the message Paul preached.

Paul's steadfast concentration on the will of God would be called fanatical today, as it was in his day. Paul was not moved by opinions of people and spoke the truth to the point of being stoned and beaten for what he believed and said. We must have those today who will not compromise the revelations that the Bible teaches, and be willing to declare them boldly. (2 Corinthians 11:25)

New Spiritual Era Defined

What qualifies this move of God to be called a *New Spiritual Era*? Rev Charles Parham introduced Rev. William Seymour to the baptism of the Holy Ghost. This ushered in the Azusa Street Revival. Rev. Parham said the Lord Jesus told him that the *Early Rain* of the Holy Ghost was Acts chapter two and that the *Latter Rain* of the Holy Ghost took place at Azusa Street. He said the last move of God would be when the *Early Rain* and the *Latter Rain* came together as one.



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The *New Spiritual Era* is the supernatural manifestations of God's Power in the book of Acts multiplied many, many times, all over the world - salvations, Holy Ghost baptisms, a spiritual hunger for God by the church, casting out demons, ministry gifts and gifts of the Spirit in operation, the dead being raised, angelic visitations, translations by the Spirit of God and visions and revelations of the Lord. There will be a liberty and freedom, in the Spirit, that has never been witnessed by the church age. It will be easy to operate in all these things because it will be a special move of God. It won't take near as much prayer and fasting

as it used to - to see these things in operation. It takes much prayer to get it going. It will be a *New Spiritual Era*!

The Strategy Of Satan Against The Church

It is apparent to anyone with a little spiritual intuition that the church is not walking, *fully*, in everything the Bible states we should. Satan's strategy is to keep the church out of the full operation of the ministry gifts and gifts of the Spirit. The ministry gifts of the Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor and Teacher as well as those in the ministry of helps must take their place.

No, titles do not make the ministry gift but titles do define the office so people can recognize them and receive from them. Ephesians chapter four tells us the church cannot mature without these gifts.

The Lord Jesus said to me, "You will never have the fullness of the gifts of My Spirit until you have the fullness of the five fold ministry gifts. What qualifies each ministry gift to stand in their office is different gifts of the Spirit that function through those offices." You can call yourself a ministry gift but if you do not have the spiritual equipment to back it up, you are deceived and are making false statements.

Satan has muddled the water in this area of the church for years to hinder God's plan. In our circles, we seem scared to call someone what they are, so they fail to fully identify and embrace their calling. Dad Hagin wasn't big on titles but he did acknowledge his office. (Cont. pg. 2)

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In other circles, it seems that they call anything that moves some type of ministry gift or give them some kind of title, whether they are a ministry gift or not. That is just as wrong as in our circles not even acknowledging any ministry gift but the pastor, teacher or evangelist. Most of the time, what we call an evangelist really stands in the office of an exhorter or teacher or nothing because there are no gifts of the Spirit operating through them.

There is an impartation that comes through each ministry office to cause the Christian to mature in Christ. In most of our Camp Meetings and larger meetings, the speakers are usually those who stand in the office of the pastor. Just because someone travels, does not make them another ministry office. Also, if they are called to another office besides the pastor but don't understand it or never yield to it, they minister to the people from the pastoral position and anointing. Yes, we greatly need and appreciate our pastors, but if that is all you ever receive from you will never mature as a Christian. If you can mature with one ministry gift, the Bible is certainly a false document.

New Spiritual Era Requires All Ministry Gifts

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ. (Ephesians 4: 11-15)

The main reason we have so much false doctrine in the church, right now, is because the ministry gifts of the Apostle and Prophet have not come to the forefront in their calling. Yes, I am aware of the nuts that are out there who call themselves a title and try to make everyone bow down to them, like they are a god or something. Forget them and let's move on to sound, scriptural doctrine that the Word of God clearly teaches and pray for all the true ministry gifts to take their place.

The ministry of the Apostle and Prophet is to keep the church on course by protecting, proclaiming and promoting the established doctrines of the church. If any error comes along God uses these gifts to warn the church to stay away from it and correct those who yield to it.

My Experience With False Doctrine

When I ministered in prison, as a convict preacher, I dealt with many goofy, demonic doctrines. *(Continued)*

The biggest spiritual problem in the prison system today is there are too many different doctrines being taught in the prisons. One says speaking in tongues is of the devil, the other says it isn't. One says you are always a sinner even though you are saved and the other says you aren't. One says if you're not baptized in the name of Jesus only, you aren't saved, the other says you are saved, etc, etc.

A side journey will help here. Why do convicts who are born again in prison and get out, backslide and go back to their old ways? *I know from experience.* Because they are coming from a lifestyle of sin, demon-possession and crime when they are saved. In prison, the Christian prays, studies their Bible, confesses the Word constantly, and attends church or Bible study twice or more daily. The Glory of God and anointing of God is on them so strong that their old life can't dominate them any longer.

Then they are released from prison and the church they attend has a service or two a week and tells them not to be so fanatical about Jesus. The convict immediately thinks these people aren't even saved because when they were saved they gave their whole life to Jesus and these people don't. The convict had been in an intense relationship with Jesus Christ and now they are being asked not to be so radical. They calm down, because they are told to. The devil comes back because there is not enough of the power of God to keep him away. The devil convinces the convict that it is not real and they go back to their old way of living. It is FALSE DOCTRINE to lead people away from the Lord like this. Just because you are backslid, don't try to persuade someone else to fall to your spiritual status. You will be held accountable for this.

I made it when I got out of prison because I refused to listen to the false doctrine the Christians were trying to tell me. I kept my intense relationship with Jesus and knew they were backslid. I kept studying and praying all the time while other so-called Christians lived just like the world did. Honestly, it was hard for me to tell who a Christian or a sinner was, based on their lifestyle, and I went to church with them!

People think I go too far today, but at one time I was demon-possessed and lived in the deepest depths of sin that a person could. I have been born again and the blood of Jesus has set me free from the devil's power and I am not going back! I know that you don't want to live a self-deluded Christian lifestyle. I know you will press into God with me. 2011 will bring heartache for those who don't press in today.

Vision From The Lord About False Doctrine

I was praying about eight years ago when suddenly I had a vision. I saw a dark demonic cloud begin to cover the United States from the Atlantic Ocean towards the Pacific Ocean. The Lord Jesus said to me, "What is called the gold dust phenomenon and miracle jewels appearing is of demonic origin to lead people astray. The two people that introduced this to the church in the United States will be removed from the scene. I have given space to repent of their error but they have failed to do so." That was on a Friday and the following Friday the main person that introduced this false doctrine died and within six months the other person died, just like the Lord said they would.

We have come to a time that those who have introduced false doctrine's into the church, especially those in key positions, will be removed. You cannot lead people astray with false doctrine and continue to get away with it. Judge yourself and you will not be judged. (End)

AUGUST WORD AND SPIRIT MEETING

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Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.

-Acts 27:24-25

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Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth,
but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.
-1 Corinthians 2:13