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If you are born again, the Spirit of God dwells in your human spirit. He is with you to lead and guide you in all the affairs of your life. He knows everything. You could live out your life and never be led by His Spirit. Some are led by His Spirit when they intensely seek Him desperately in prayer. They pray long enough that they finally get their soul, mind, and emotions quite, and they are shocked as they hear Him. My dear, loving mother lived like this over the years. Just like 98 percent of other Christians do.

My little brother, who was 15 years old, went missing one day along with our first cousin. They both told their parents they were going to spend the night with each other. So each mother thought their child was staying at their cousin's house. This was common on the weekends for us to do, so it was no big deal. It was my mother's sister's son that my brother was with.

Our cousin was 16 and had his driver's license. My cousin picked up my brother, and they rode around the area in a car. They met other boys and girls and rode around together. They were driving my aunt's car.



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My aunt got a call early the next morning from the police authorities. They told her they had found her car abandoned on a dirt road a long ways out of town by the river.

She told them her son was supposed to be at our house in that car. The police told her no one was around, and they found river cabins broken into and found blood in the cabins. She told them she was going to call her sister, my mother, and find out what was going on. She called my mother and found both boys were missing. They panicked, and great fear came on them. They thought their sons were dead because of the blood.

My aunt came and picked up my mother in another car, and they drove to the river where the police were on the dirt road. The police had been searching the area looking for my cousin and brother in the woods. Mother and my aunt were world champion worriers anyway, and their imaginations ran wild with thoughts their sons were dead. They were fretting and crying at the horrible thoughts they were having. Some of the authorities tried to comfort them to no avail. Their emotions had taken over, and all they could do was cry.

After a while, my mother told her sister that God knew where they were at and she was going to pray. My aunt thought my mother was crazy because she didn't go to church like my mother did. My mother got in the backseat of my aunt's 1963 Mercury Comet car, and knelt on the floorboard. She began to cry out to God in prayer! She begged, squalled, cried, and pled with God to tell her where her son was. This went on for a good while. She was Spirit-filled and finally started praying in tongues. Her mind finally got quiet, and she heard the Lord say to her, "Get up and go home." She thought it was crazy because her son may be dead in the woods nearby. She knew it was God, though. She got out of the car and made her sister take her home, neither one understanding why. My aunt dropped my mother off at her home, and then she went to her house.

Ten minutes later, my little brother and our cousin came walking in the back door of my mother's house. The car on the river was over 35 miles away, but here they were. Where did they come from? Mother had called everybody looking for them and sent me out looking too. I was a little older and had my own car. I knew where they hung out most of the time. I found them both walking down a trail in the woods that was close to the road, not far from my house. They tried to run, but I caught them both and made them get in my car. We then drove a little ways down the road to my mother's house.

I walked in the backdoor with them both, and my mother cried out with joy and happiness! She hugged them, then threatened them, and hugged them some more! She called my aunt, and she came hurriedly over to my mother's and cried with joy too! The car had run out of gas, and they broke into the river cabins trying to find some gas. They got cut on some glass, which is why there was blood, but they were ok. They got a ride from there. God knew everything about them both. My mother heard His voice because she got out of the natural and into the Spirit. She heard His voice, but my aunt did not because she did not seek God.

Why don't you hear from God? Because you do not walk in the Spirit. It is easy to hear from Him for me. He speaks to me many times about many different things. I don't tell everything He tells me. Some things He won't let me tell anyone, not even my wife. Most Christians go to church because it is the social thing to do. They interact with many people, but not Him. Very few know Him at church, much less outside of church.

My loving mother was that way. Eventually my aunt began to go to church as well and became that way also. They rarely heard from the Lord or were led by His Spirit. My mother would hear from Him only when she got very desperate and sought Him intently. It does not have to be that way. He will lead you every day.

Spirit, Soul And Body

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
(1 Thessalonians 5:23)

Every human being is made of three separate parts. You are a spirit being; you possess a soul, and you live in a physical body. Many Christians never realize this. You live your life from your spirit, your soul, or your physical body. One of those has a dominant place in everything you think and do. In many cases the soul or body exercises control in a person's life. They rarely, if ever, are aware of their human spirit. If a person is born again, the Spirit of God dwells inside them and is with them always to help them.

If your physical body ceased to function, you would be pronounced dead by a doctor. That is not true. You can't function in physical life anymore, such as talking to people, being seen, or doing anything in the physical world. You are not dead, nor did you cease to exist, because your physical body doesn't function anymore. Your spirit and soul will never die according to the Bible. Your physical body will decay and return to the dust of the earth eventually. People don't want to think of things like this because they don't want to physically die. We will all die if Jesus tarries.

About one hundred and five people die physically per minute. I want you to focus on living, not dying, and being led by the Spirit of God. I want you to train yourself to become more aware of the spiritual realm and not just the physical realm. Many anointed ministers are insufficient in this area, and you see it in their actions. The church, as a whole, is inadequate in this area. We can all train our spirit to be more sensitive to the Spirit of God.

This does not mean that I know it all or that I have arrived at the pinnacle of success either. I have just had a lot of experience with the spiritual realm over these 45 years of being born again.

I don't have space to explain it here, but I knew Dad Hagin, by the spirit, before I ever knew him any other way. We eventually came to know one another, naturally, later on. His spirit would say things to me that I needed to hear. (*Matthew 17:3*) It was a great blessing to my life and ministry. When he moved to Heaven, I quit having those experiences. I hesitate to mention these things because people have so little knowledge in this area that they think you are crazy. It goes along with being aware that you are a spirit being; that is the only reason I share it. There is a spiritual realm that we need to learn about, and we will, as the end gets nearer. We will have to. Jesus knew the spiritual realm very well.

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For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God ... The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God.

(Romans 8:14,16)

Jesus Christ appeared to Dad Hagin in 1959 and taught him how to be led by His Spirit. Jesus told him, *"I lead my children primarily by the inward witness. If you will learn to follow the inward witness, I'll guide you in all the affairs of life. If you will learn to follow my Spirit, I will make you rich. I'm not opposed to my children being rich, I'm opposed to their being covetous."* He will lead you by the inward witness in your spirit.

That inward witness is not a voice; it is an inward knowing or sense. That is why you have to train yourself to know that witness. The Spirit of God can speak to you, and He can also give you visions and revelations. The primary way He leads you is by that inward witness.

In 1984, I kept having this inward sense that I should attend Bible school. It was so indistinct that I ignored it for several days to a week. The sense would be more dominant when I would get quiet or pray in other tongues. I had no plans to go to a Bible school of any sort. That is why I wondered why I had those thoughts. I kept disregarding that witness over and over each day.

One day, I was sitting on an old wooded bench, and that witness came to me again in a very distinct way. I picked it up in my mind and started thinking about it. I wondered, is this me, or is it the Lord trying to lead me? It couldn't be my thinking because I never thought of going to Bible school. Finally, I said out loud, "Lord, this must be you. I will go if you want me to." Suddenly, I heard an inward voice, "If you're going to do what I want you to do, you have to go by way of Rhema first." That is why I went to Bible school. It was the Lord that led me. The Lord never told Dad Hagin to attend Bible school, nor many others.

I would like to kindly interject some thoughts here. Many go to Bible school because their parents did or their friends did. They naturally began to assume they are supposed to be ministers. No one is called to be a minister because their kinfolk were. That thinking has started churches and ministries on human reasoning with secular methods. It is basically a social club, with a banner hung over the door that says "church." It is a noble cause to desire to increase the Kingdom of God, but don't take the title of Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor, or Teacher unless the Lord Jesus Christ gives it to you. I have seen many who wound up on the spiritual junk heap because they did so. Look around today, and see and hear the many who have failed and some even died prematurely because of this. Be led by His Spirit only.

The inward witness has led me all these years. I became more proficient at listening to that witness over the years. There were times, especially early on, when I would miss the inward witness. Things would not turn out right when I didn't obey the inward witness. In fact, I got into big problems that I never should have. I know some who failed to obey that inward witness, and Satan took their lives, which was regrettable.

There are things you can do to become skilled at knowing the inward witness. Dad Hagin taught to *mediate* on the Word of God. Secondly, *practice* the Word of God. Third is to give the Word of God *first place* in your life. The fourth thing is to *instantly obey* the voice of your spirit.

I would like to give you some valuable, spiritual wisdom to add to this, from personal experience, over 45-plus years. Most Christians have not spent enough time in prayer/meditation to be acquainted with the Holy Spirit. Following Dad Hagin's instructions will never produce results for them. He knew the Holy Spirit very well, so he and anyone who knows the Holy Spirit would benefit from his advice.

The most beneficial thing to do, as a Christian, is be quiet in your mind. Sit quietly and look inside you until you discover your human spirit. It may take several sessions. Then you will find the Holy Spirit is in your spirit. Practice listening to Him.

In 1986, while attending Bible school, we had a great financial problem. We tithed, sowed, and confessed the Word of God like we knew we should. We had not experienced this before. We did not have any excessive bills or car payments, but money was very short. In fact, we did not have all the money to pay our bills. We had the money to pay everything, but our phone bill. These were the days where everyone had a phone in their house. Cell phones were not around then.

My wife and I talked about it, and I decided that I would call the phone company and ask if we could pay half of the bill now and the other half later. When I mentioned this, I had a check in my spirit not to call the phone company, but I didn't know what else to do. I thought about trying to sell something, but we had very little.

It weighed heavy upon us, and we wondered what to do. I had an unction, hunch, or sense that we should pray earnestly about it. My wife and I knelt down and prayed sincerely. After about forty-five minutes I had a vision. I saw a little demon standing in front of a beautiful house. I asked the Lord, "What does this mean?" He said, "You are praying to Me about your finances. It is not me withholding money from you. It is that demon you see. It is keeping money from coming to you."

I stopped praying, told my wife what I saw, and what the Lord said. We bound that demon in the name of Jesus! Our financial problems stopped. The Spirit of God told us what to do. He has led us like many times over the years, and He will do the same for you. Always listen to His Spirit, and victory is sure!



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