

## **SPIRITUALITY IN THE CHRISTIAN WAY OF LIFE**

Once again Paul opened-up the discussion of Spiritual Gifts by first studying the importance of Spirituality in the Christian Way of Life (CWL) (Rom.12:1-8; 1 Cpr.12:12-14; and Eph.4:1-16).

As a pastor-teacher, Paul cares about the application of Categorical Grace Doctrines. It is important these Church Age Believers (CABs) understand and apply the mechanics of Spirituality.

**(1 Cor.12:1)** “I do not want (ouk thelo/ p.a.ind.1ps) you to unaware.”

**(1 Cor.12:2)** “You know (oida/ perf.a.ind.2pl).”

**(1 Cor.12:3)** “Therefore (dio/ inferential particle) [on which account] I make known (gnorizo/ p.a.ind.1ps) to you (su/ dplm) [to your advantage].”

Paul contrasted the Corinthian Believers, before and after salvation, by the Greek negative particle (oudeis) (1 Cor.2:3).

- “No one (oudeis) speaking (laleo/ p.a.ptc.nsm) by the Spirit of God says (lego/p.a.ind.1ps) ‘Jesus accursed (anathema).’”
- “No one can (dunami/ p.m.ind.3ps) say (lego/ a.a. infin), ‘Jesus is Lord,’ except by the Holy Spirit.”

**This lesson will study four aspects of Spirituality in the CWL.**

**How do you know if you are a spiritual person?**

- 1. The unbeliever is referred to as a natural man (psuchikos) and after salvation as a spiritual person (pneumatikos) (1 Cor.3:1) (Jude 19) [devoid of Spirit] (Rom.8:9-11) [read].**

The moment a person believes the gospel of Jesus Christ; he receives [the eight works of the Holy Spirit](#) (1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16; Eph.2:8-9; Gal.3:1-3).

When you believe The Scriptures regarding it, you have the assurance by the faith in them (Rom.10:17; Heb.4:2; John 7:37-39).

- 2. You are spiritual because the Holy Spirit indwells you (1 Co.3:16; 6:19-20).**

**This indwelling is forever.**

(John 14:16) “And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever.

**You are spiritual positionally IN Christ.**

(2 Cor.5:17) “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

(Gal.3:27) “for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

(1 Cor.12:13) “For we were all baptized by<sup>[a]</sup> one Spirit so as to form one body - whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free - and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

**When you believe these Scriptures regarding it, you have the assurance of Positional Sanctification.**  
(2 Thess.2:13-15; Rom.15:16-17).

**3. There is a difference between “the indwelling of the Holy Spirit” and “walking by means of the indwelling of the Spirit”.**

There is ONE Indwelling, but walking is based on a consistent volitional choice (Gal.5:13-26).

**Internal conflicts:**

(Gal.5:16) “But I say, **walk** (peripateo/ p.a. impv.2pl) [a standing command] by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desires of the flesh.”

- **Awareness of carnality** (sarkikos) (1 Thess.5:19; Eph.4:30).
  - (1 Cor.3:1-3) **Personal sin:**
    - Mental Attitude Sins (MAS)
    - Sins of the tongue (ST)
    - Overt Sins (OS)
- **Awareness of spirituality** (1 John 1:9, 7, 5)
  - Brings confession of personal sin in order to restore your WALKING “by means of” the Spirit and fellowship with the Lord

**4. These three circles may help you to remember the dynamics of the mechanics of Spirituality in the CWL.**

**The Unbeliever**



**Walking by the flesh - The Carnal Believer**



**Walking by the Power of the Holy Spirit - The Spiritual Believer**

