OMNIGROUP LESSON NOTES Demonstration of the Spirit Life in the Spirit Part 4 Ministry of the Holy Spirit Bishop Parnell M. Lovelace, Jr., D.Min., Ph.D. Founding and Senior Pastor



WELCOME

PRAYER

SHARE

Read: 1 Corinthians 2:1-14 (ESV)

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴ and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. ⁶ Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷ But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. 8 None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him" - 10 these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹ For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. ¹³ And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴ The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.

Discussion:

1. The Demonstration of the Holy Spirit Surpasses Our Natural Abilities

- Discuss Paul's reliance on the demonstration of the Spirit's power rather than eloquent speech or wisdom (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).
- Reflect on personal experiences where the Holy Spirit's guidance or intervention was evident in ways that surpassed human ability or expectation.
- Consider how this reliance on the Holy Spirit changes our approach to challenges and opportunities in life.

2. Where There is Demonstration, There Will Be Immeasurable Revelation

- Examine how the Spirit reveals what is freely given to us by God, things that "eye has not seen, nor ear heard" (1 Corinthians 2:9-10).
- Share insights or revelations received through the Holy Spirit that have deepened understanding of God's character, promises, or will.
- Discuss the role of the Holy Spirit in understanding and applying Scripture in a way that transforms our thinking and living.

3. The Holy Spirit Demonstrates True Transformation Through Our Empowered Thinking

- Look at how Paul contrasts the natural person with the spiritual person (1 Corinthians 2:13-14), focusing on the transformation in how we understand and assess things spiritually.
- Share stories of transformation in your own life or in the lives of others that showcase the Holy Spirit's work in changing perspectives, attitudes, and behaviors.
- Explore practical ways to cultivate sensitivity to the Holy Spirit's leading and empowerment in daily decision-making and thought processes.

Prayer Requests / Praise Reports

REMEMBER TO TAKE ATTENDANCE

CARE: Follow-up during the week