

L19: Essential Doctrines: Spiritual Gifts Pt. 7

Read 1 Corinthians 14:1-40

Prayer

Summary Points:

- **The Spiritual Gifts**
 - **Diversities of Gifts**
 - **Differences of Administrations**
 - **Diversities of Operations**

- **The Ranking of the Spiritual Gifts**
 - **1 - Apostles**
 - **2 - Prophets**
 - **3 - Teachers**
 - **4 - Miracles**
 - **5 - Gifts of Healings**
 - **6 - Helps**
 - **7 - Governments**
 - **8 - Diversities of Tongues**

- **The More Excellent Way**
 - **The Spirit's teaching ministry of godly love and charity contained in the knowledge and doctrine of God in the word of God.**
 - **The completion of God's Word, then the spiritual gifts would cease, fail, and vanish away.**

Lesson Points:

- **1 Corinthians 14**
 - **The proper use of the spiritual gifts, especially "tongues", unto edification until its' vanishing.**

- **Modern History of the Counterfeit Tongues**

1 Corinthians 14

- Constant theme is tongues in the church produces confusion unless you can interpret and doesn't produce edification of the church.

- In fact, when tongues is done in the church you can be seen as "mad", "children", "unlearned".

- Highlights:
 - :1 - all can prophesy
 - :2 - unknown tongue = "language they don't understand"
 - :4 - edifying of the church
 - Ephesians 4
 - :5 - what makes one great is doing edification
 - :7-8 - distinction in the sounds - piped or harped or trumpet

- :9 - utter words easy to be understood
 - :10 - voices in the world
 - :11 - barbarians
 - :12 - zealous to edify the church
 - :15 - singing without understanding
 - :19 - "yet in the church" - speak word with understanding
 - :21 - "in the law" - sign to unbelieving Israel to speak unto this people
 - Declaration of Isaiah 28(:11-12)-29
 - Acts 28:23ff
 - This event is when "tongues" cease
 - The sign didn't work with the unbelieving Israel and Israel has diminished and "tongues" ends.
 - Why tongues was prevalent in Corinthians because second in Jewish population, in fact each declaration in which Paul says he is going to the Gentiles are highly Jewish populated areas.
 - :33 - "not author of confusion" - but Satan is, part of his device
 - :38 - "if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant"
- **2 Corinthians 10-11**
 - "glory in appearance"
 - Supernatural getting less and less, but these deceitful workers keep persisting
 - 2 Corinthians 11:1-6
 - :11-20 - what these ministers are doing
 - :23ff - sufferings
 - **1 Timothy 4:7** - "old wives' fables" - stories of the supernatural that old wives would gossip about
 - Robert Louis Stevenson (Merry Men) - supernatural place like Bermuda Triangle and many stories are told about the supernatural and he calls them "old wives' fables"

Modern History of the Counterfeit Tongues

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Modern History

New Years Day 1961 (KANSAS)

- early morning hours (prayer service)
- long past 12am (students)

Wesleyan
Holiness
Bgnd.

• Weeks prior intently studying Acts

- Baptism of the Holy Spirit is subsequent to salvation
 - Tongues was true sign of Spirit baptism
 - Maybe still true now

• Pleaded w/ God to be baptized w/ HS

• Minister → Methodist

- ↳ Charles Fox Parham encouraged them

• early morning hours

↳ Agnes Ozman asked her teacher to lay hands on her

• Charles Parham recounted, "I laid my hands upon her and prayed. I had scarcely completed 3 dozen sentences when a glory fell upon her, a halo seemed to surround her head & face & she began speaking the Chinese language & was unable to speak English for 3 days. When she tried to write in English to tell us of her experience she wrote the Chinese."

• Shared by fellow students & teacher

• Series of revival meetings followed and a reported

↳ 1000 - 1500 converts: Russian, Japanese, Bulgarian, French, Bohemian,

Parham claimed to speak in Swedish & other languages

Beginning of the modern Pentecostal Movement

Pent. Historian Vinson Synon explains, "Ozman's experience thus became the prototype experience for all the millions of Pentecostals who were to follow."

W/in 60 yrs. 50,000 would have same phenomenon

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another Parham's students

William J. Seymour

• believed the same

100 yrs later more than 1/2 billion adhere to this Pentecost

Parham named it the "Apostolic Faith Movement"
↳ new Pentecost

Investigation calls all into ? :

1) Conflicting versions of ~~the~~ the story (main players)

(Parham 3 days didn't speak English when reported she did just 1 ^{day} later)

2) New Year's Eve or New Year's Day

3) Didn't participate in tongue study assignment prior as claimed

• She claimed to speak in tongues 3 wks prior to NYE as others said as well

• She claimed she only knew of the significance of the lang. later, not as Parham claimed right away

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• Not all involved believed it — "I believe the whole of them are crazy!"

• Never actually experienced miraculous ability to speak in authentic foreign languages. — what they desperately desired
↳ nonsensical gibberish

• Parkham's reality became painfully obvious when Parkham insisted that Pent. missionaries could go to foreign lands w/o first going to language school.

Read pg. 22-23

His guarantees backfired

↳ missionaries went out and heard did not understand them. (READ pg. 23 (bottom))

Remember the writings → well they ended up being chicken scratch & resembled no known language

[Personal Character of Parkham]

• Forced to close Bible school in Topeka

• Traveled & held revival meetings (claimed 5,000 devotees)

• Fall of 1906 held a series of meetings in Zion, Ill.

• 5 of followers beat a ^(Catholic) disabled woman to death in attempt to drive the demon of rheumatism from her

• Young girl in Kansas died because her parents refused medical treatment & instead sought healing through Parkham's ministry

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- Here he met William Seymour
 - 35 yr. old African American
 - embraced Parham's teachings
 - sparked Azusa Street Revival in LA in 1906

• relationship soon soured when Parham visited and didn't approve of wild behavior of the meetings

- traditional African American worship styles
 - shouting
 - trances, and
 - the holy dance

• no order of service, because HG in control

- Parham's story worsens
 - 1907 arrested at a hotel in San. Ant. TX on charges of sodomy
 - ~~he~~ claimed it was false, but wrote a full conf. for his release

• Tactics changed

- raise money for expedition to Holy Land
- find Noah's Ark & Ark of Cov.
- raised funds went back to Kansas and told followers he was mugged after arriving in NY

• Attracted to erroneous doctrines

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Tongues
&
Healing

- Conditional Immorality
 - Wicked Annihilated
- Times he sounded like Universalist
- Unorthodox View of Human Fallenness
- Sinners could redeem themselves w/ combo of own effort & God's help
- Sanc. ~~including~~ guarantees physical healings & medical treatment for ailment was act of unbelief (Christian Science)
 - Princeton College

Essek William
Kenyon
↳ What I
confess, I
possess

Parham Anglo-Israelism

- Western Europe races (Anglo-Saxon)
- descended from the 10 tribes of Israel after dispersed

In Assy. Cap.

- White Europeans are the true "chosen people"
- sure enough became outspoken as an advocate for racial segregation

• Argument w/ William Seymour

- included racial slurs
- openly endorsed Ku Klux Klan in 1927

- But he is their theological architect

Treant's Blessing

• mid-1990's pg. 75