

Spiritual Wisdom from God Part-3

Tonight let's unpack the Holy Spirit's revelation of what Father God has provided for those who love & obey Him through faith in Christ.

Last week we left with **1 Cor. 2:9 AMPC**, so let's remind **ourselves what it says**: *"But, on the contrary, as the Scripture says, 'What eye has not seen and ear has not heard and has not entered into the heart of man, [all that] God has prepared (made and keeps ready) for those who love Him [who hold Him in affectionate reverence, promptly obeying Him and gratefully recognizing the benefits He has bestowed.]'"*

The Many Blessings of Love for God & Obedience to His Will

1 Cor. 2:10 AMPC *"Yet to us **God***

***has** unveiled and **revealed** them (TPT "these profound realities") by and through His Spirit, for the [Holy] Spirit searches diligently, exploring and examining everything, even sounding the profound and bottomless things of God [the divine counsels and things hidden & beyond man's scrutiny]."* **SFLB note**: *"**God has revealed**: Two elements are necessary to know the things of God: 1) a revelation from God by the Spirit, and 2) an appropriate spiritual response by man (2:14-3:4)."*

Holy Spirit Reveals God's Mind to Us Through Jesus Christ

V. 11. *"For what person perceives (knows and understands) what passes through a man's thoughts except the man's own spirit within him? Just so no one discerns (comes to know and comprehend) the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God."*

SFLB note: *"As one's own inner thoughts are known only to himself, so the mind of God is known only by God's Spirit.*

God has chosen to make Himself known in Jesus Christ, and the

Holy Spirit has brought this revelation to the church through the apostles.” **You CAN know God’s mind through Jesus Christ!**

Jesus Forgiveness of Our Sin is a Huge Revelation

1 Cor. 2:12 AMPC *“Now we have not received the spirit [that belongs to] the world, but the [Holy] Spirit Who is from God, [given to us] that we might realize and comprehend and appreciate the gifts [of divine favor & blessing so freely & lavishly] bestowed* on us by God.”*

***NKJV “freely given”. Col. 3:13 NKJV** *“bearing with one another, and forgiving one another....” WW: Forgiving, charizomai:* “To do a favor, show kindness unconditionally, give freely, grant forgiveness, forgive freely. The word is from the same root as *charis*, “grace.” When we forgive another for the offense that they have caused us, then we are acting like God does towards us. Thus, Jesus says in **Mark 11:25-26 NKJV** *“And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. 26. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.”*

In Christ Jesus, our sins are forgiven graciously by Father God.

1 John 1:9 NKJV: *“If we confess our sins, He is faithful & just to forgive us our sins & to cleanse* us from all unrighteousness.”*

***SFLB WW: “Cleanse,”** *katharizo:* To cleanse, make clean, purify. To confess sin is to “*think the same*” about those sins as God, who is completely righteous (**1:9**). When believers confess their sins, God forgives those sins because “*the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin*” (**1:7**). Such sins are the direct opposite of God’s character: *unrighteousness*. Yet that does not in any way hinder the Lord from bringing about the amazing transformation from unrighteousness to complete cleansing from all the guilt of our sins through His incredible forgiveness.”

Speaking about “the [Holy] Spirit Who is from God, [given to us] that we might realize and comprehend and appreciate the gifts [of divine favor & blessing so **freely & lavishly**] bestowed* on us by God,” let’s take a dive into **Rom. 8:14-17 TPT:**

14. “*The mature children of God are those (TPT note: “Gk. is quite emphatic: “those and only those.”) who are moved by the impulses of the Holy Spirit.*”

The Spirit of Full Acceptance

15. *And you did not receive the “spirit of religious duty (or “spirit of slavery”),” leading you back into the fear of never being good enough. But **you have received the “Spirit of full acceptance (NKJV “adoption”),”** [Who has removed the fear of judgment from us through Christ] enfolding you into the family of God. And you will never feel orphaned, for as He rises up within us, **our spirits join Him** in saying the words of tender affection, “Beloved Father!”* **16.** *“For the Holy Spirit makes God’s fatherhood real to us as He whispers into our innermost being (NKJV “bears witness with our spirit”), “You are God’s beloved child!”* **17.** *And since we are His true children, we qualify to share all His treasures, for indeed, we are heirs of God Himself. And since we are joined to Christ, we also inherit all that He is and all that He has (TPT note: “Or ‘we are joint heirs with Christ.” Nothing in the Bible could be more amazing than this. Grace has made former rebels into princes & princesses, royal ones that share in the inheritance of Christ.” We will experience being co-glorified with Him provided that we accept His sufferings as our own (TPT: “Or “accept His feelings” (of pain), or “things”(He experiences).”* **Jesus to Saul,** “Saul, Saul. Why are you persecuting Me?” Jesus experienced Christians’ pain. So He expects us to reciprocate.

Isa. 56:5 NKJV *“Even to them I will give in My house and within My walls a place and a name better than that of sons and daughters; I will give them (or “Him”) an everlasting name that shall not be cut off.”* For an example of this, see **Matt. 8:5-13**. **Jesus Christ** received an Everlasting Name: **Philippians 2:9-11**.

1 John 3:1 TPT *“Look with wonder at the depth of the Father’s marvelous love that He has lavished on us! He has **called*** us and made us His very own beloved children. The reason the world doesn’t recognize who we are is that they didn’t recognize Him (TPT note: “Jesus, God incarnated in human form”).”* **Look like Jesus!**

***SFLB WW: Gal. 1:6 Called, kaleo** “The word is used to invite or to summon, and is especially used of **God’s call to participate in the blessings of the kingdom.**” ‘Many are called, but few are chosen.’

Gal. 3:26-27 *“You have all become true children of God **by faith** in Jesus Christ! 27. **Faith** immersed you into Christ, and now you are covered and clothed with His life.”* **It’s faith, not ancestry!**

Gal. 4:6-7 TPT *“And so that we would know that we are His true children (TPT note: “or, And “because you are sons”), God released the Spirit of Sonship into our hearts – moving us to cry out intimately, “My Father! My true Father!”* **7.** *Now we’re no longer living like slaves under the law, but we **enjoy*** being God’s very own sons and daughters! And because we’re His, we can access everything our Father has – for we are heirs because of what God has done!”* Keep your focus on the King of Glory, til one day we stand in His exalted presence for all eternity!

Joy springs from love (Gal. 5:22 ‘fruit of the Spirit’),** which is followed by ***peace, then ***longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23. gentleness, & self-control.*** *Against such there is no law. 24. And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. 26. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.”*

This series will continue next week with **1 Cor. 2:13-16.**