

## Regeneration Series Session 5 – “From Logos to Rhema”

### I. Review

#### A. Regeneration defined

1. Restore – Revive – Rebuild
2. To bring forth again

#### B. Previous Sessions

1. God delights in restoring, rebuilding and reviving
2. Our cooperation is required
3. Believe for resurrection power – Call the dead areas back to life
4. Receiving a Rhema Word – Life in the Word

### II. There is life in the Word

A. **John 6:63 (NKJV)** – *It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life*

**John 6:63 (GNT)** – *What gives life is God's Spirit; human power is of no use at all. The words I have spoken to you bring God's life-giving Spirit*

B. **Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)** – *For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart*

**Hebrews 4:12 (AMP)** – *For the word of God is living and active and full of power [making it operative, energizing, and effective]*

EXAMPLE: Caleb outlived all of his generation by receiving the life that was in God’s promise to him. Not only did he outlive them, but he remained STRONG – *He was as strong at 85 as he was at 40.*

### III. Understanding Logos and Rhema

#### A. Two important words from the original language used in the Bible.

*We find the word “WORD” throughout the N.T.*

*Phrases found in the N.T. – “The Word of the Lord”, “At thy Word”*

*The word “WORD isn’t always the same original Greek word.*

*The meaning isn’t always the same.*

#### 1. Logos

- a. Denotes – the expression of thought – embodying a conception or idea.
- b. The revealing of thoughts and ideas or instruction
- c. When it is a word simply put on paper;  
When it is a simply a thought or idea;  
It is Logos

#### 2. Rhema

- a. Rhema is Logos activate
- b. Denotes that which is spoken – the spoken word (however the spoken word may also be written).
- c. Rhema is a word spoken directly to you.
- d. Rhema is a living word that holds significance to a specific circumstance or season in your life.
- e. The LOGOS/Word gives me insight and direction for daily living.
- f. The RHEMA/Word gives life to specific times and seasons regarding my particular needs.

#### 3. Scriptural Examples of the Difference.

- a. **Logos is used 316 times in the N.T.**
- b. **Rhema is used 63 times**
- c. **Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)** – *For the Word (Logos) of God is living and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword.*

- d. **Ephesians 6:17 (NKJV)** – *And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit which is the WORD (RHEMA) of God.*
- e. **W.E. VINES** – The significance distinction in LOGOS and RHEMA are exemplified in Eph 6:17 – in the injunction, “*to take the sword of the Spirit which is the Word (Rhema) of God.*” Here the reference is not referring to the whole Bible but to the INDIVIDUAL SCRIPTURE which the Spirit brings to our mind/remembrance for use in a time of need.

**NOTE: The RHEMA is “A WORD” or “USEFUL WORDS” that have been QUICKENED/made alive – to the individual.**

- f. **You need LOGOS – daily – so the Holy Spirit can cause it to become RHEMA in the hour of need.**

#### 4. The significance of RHEMA

- a. **Matthew 4:4 (NKJV)** – *But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’”*

**Note: But by every Word (Rhema) that proceeds from the mouth of God.**

**Every Word has Life – but that Life isn’t manifested to all. The Word that will manifest LIFE/Regeneration to me will be the RHEMA WORD that comes alive in me.**

- b. **Mark 4:14-15 (NKJV)** – <sup>14</sup>*The Sower sows the Word (LOGOS)*  
<sup>15</sup>*Satan comes immediately to steal the Word (LOGOS) that was sown in their hearts.*

**Note: LOGOS is easily stolen – Rhema is not.**

**Personal** – *I believe that the Word produces in the heart is because it transitions from LOGOS to Rhema*

- c. **Mark 4:20 (NKJV)** – *But these are the ones sown on good ground, those who hear the word, accept it, and bear fruit: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred.*

**NOTE:** *Those who reaped the harvest of the Word were those who received it.*

**Received** – *gr – root – para – from closely beside*

*The Word sown became PERSONAL to them – Once it became personal – it had the ability to produce a harvest.*

- d. While there was life in all of the word seed sown/LOGOS, it was only the Word that became personal and intimate in the heart that produced.
- e. It will be the WORD that becomes ALIVE to you that will produce and fight for you.
- f. Every word is alive and powerful but when it becomes PERSONAL/ALIVE to you – (RHEMA) it becomes powerful to you.
- g. **Romans 10:17 (NKJV)** – *So then Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word (Rhema) of God*

## **B. How do you move from LOGOS to RHEMA**

1. We control what we do with LOGOS.
2. The Holy Spirit is in control of RHEMA.
3. What you do with LOGOS will have great effect on what you get as RHEMA.
4. **Proverbs 4:20-23 (NKJV)** – <sup>20</sup>*My son, give attention to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. <sup>21</sup>Do not let them depart from your eyes; keep them in the midst of your heart; <sup>22</sup>For they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh. <sup>23</sup>Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.*
  - a. Give attention – *Do this intentionally*
  - b. Incline your ear – *Tune in – Lean into*
  - c. Do not let them depart – *Watch out for distractions*

- d. Keep them in the midst of your heart – *The deposits of LOGOS into your heart have potential to become RHEMA*
- e. Make many deposits of the Word into the vault of your heart
- f. Jesus said, the Holy Spirit will bring all things to your remembrance that I have spoken to you.

**John 14:26 (NKJV)** – *But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.*

**John 14:26 (AMP)** – *He will help you remember everything that I have told you.*

**NOTE:** If the Holy Spirit will remind the disciples of the WORDS that Jesus said to them; He will also remind us of the WORD that we receive from the open book/bible.

**When the Holy Spirit quickens a word to you, it is alive with power specifically for you!**

### C. Paul's Rhema

#### 1. Paul had a RHEMA WORD – A Word that was personal and Alive

**Acts 25:21-25 (NKJV)** – <sup>21</sup>*But after long abstinence from food, then Paul stood in the midst of them and said, “Men, you should have listened to me, and not have sailed from Crete and incurred this disaster and loss. <sup>22</sup>And now I urge you to take heart, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. <sup>23</sup>For there stood by me this night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve, <sup>24</sup>saying, ‘Do not be afraid, Paul; you must be brought before Caesar; and indeed God has granted you all those who sail with you.’ <sup>25</sup>Therefore take heart, men, for I believe God that it will be just as it was told me.*

- a. The storm couldn't kill him
- b. The shipwreck couldn't kill him

- c. The snake couldn't kill him
- d. The natives couldn't kill him.
- e. Paul had a LIVING WORD

2. **There is a Word:**

- a. That can protect you
- b. That can heal you
- c. That can save you
- d. That can SUSTAIN you – Keep you Alive
- e. There is a WORD that storms cannot prevail against
- f. There is a WORD that poison from snakes cannot kill
- g. There is a WORD that can keep you afloat when you should drown.
- h. A Regeneration Word – that keeps giving life/ Sustaining you through all things.

3. **The Sustaining Word at Work**

- a. When Paul arrived, he got special treatment.  
*He was not removed with the rest of the passengers.*

**Acts 28:16 (NKJV)** – *Now when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard; but Paul was permitted to dwell by himself with the soldier who guarded him.*

- b. When Paul arrived – His accusers had failed to send their letters or complaint/charges against Paul/or they had not arrived.

**Acts 28:21 (NKJV)** – *Then they said to him, “We neither received letters from Judea concerning you, nor have any of the brethren who came reported or spoken any evil of you.*

NOTE: God can go before you in court – DROP THE CHARGES

- c. **Paul gets to Preach the Gospel**

**Acts 28:22-24 (NLT)** – *<sup>22</sup>But we want to hear what you believe, for the only thing we know about this movement is that it is denounced everywhere.” <sup>23</sup>So a time was set, and on that day a large number of people came to Paul's lodging. He explained and*

*testified about the Kingdom of God and tried to persuade them about Jesus from the Scriptures. Using the law of Moses and the books of the prophets, he spoke to them from morning until evening. <sup>24</sup>Some were persuaded by the things he said, but others did not believe*

**d. The Continued Blessing of the Word**

**Acts 22:28, 30-31 (NLT)** – <sup>28</sup>*So I want you to know that this salvation from God has also been offered to the Gentiles, and they will accept it.”*

<sup>30</sup>*For the next two years, Paul lived in Rome at his own expense. He welcomed all who visited him, <sup>31</sup>boldly proclaiming the Kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ. And no one tried to stop him.*

**e. Concluding Notes:**

*There is more to the Apostle Paul’s life*

*There is more trouble/arrest/etc.*

*However – the Word that was for that season – proved to be LIFE SUSTAINING. Paul regenerated again and again.*

**IV. Closure/Personal Examples**

**A. The Lord spoke to me about Rest**

1. **Matthew 11:28 (NKJV)** – *Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest*
2. **Psalms 4:8 (NIV)** – *In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.*
3. **Isaiah 26:3 (NIV)** – *You will keep in perfect peace those whose mind are steadfast because they trust in you.*
4. His Word – produced a rest in the midst of a battle
5. His Word Sustained me – and brought me through
6. His Word kept me
7. His Word was supplying LIFE

**B. You can rest in His Word!**