The Triumphal Entry

Matt. 21:1-9

v.1 'When they had approached Jerusalem and had come to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples

v.2 saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied there and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to Me.

v. 3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, "The Lord has need of them,' and immediately he will send them.

v. 4 'This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

v. 5 'Say to the Daughter of Zion, Behold your King is coming to you, Gentle and mounted on a donkey, even on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'

v.6 The disciples went and did just as Jesus had instructed them,

v.7 and brought the donkey and the colt, and laid their coats on them; and He sat on the coats.

v.8 Most of the crowd spread their coats in the road, and others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them in the road.

v.9 The crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!" v.10 When He had entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" v. 11 And the crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee."

Pastoral prayer.

Responsive Reading.

Q11: What does God require in the sixth, seventh and eighth commandments?

A11: Sixth, thou shall not murder. That we do not hurt, or hate, or be hostile to our neighbor, but be patient and peaceful, pursuing even our enemies with love.

Seventh, thou shall not commit adultery. That we abstain from sexual immorality and live purely and faithfully, whether in marriage or in a single life, avoiding all impure actions, looks, words, thoughts, or desires, and whatever might lead to them.

Eighth, thou shall not steal. That we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else, not without hold any good from someone we might benefit.

Q12: What does God require in the ninth and tenth commandments?

A12: Ninth, thou shall not bear false witness. That we do not lie or deceive, but speak the truth in love. Tenth, thou shall not covet. That we are content, not envying anyone or resenting what God has given them or us.

Pastoral Prayer.

Sermon Text.

John 16:1-15 | The Work of the Holy Spirit Pt. VI

"These things I have spoken to you so that you may be kept from stumbling. They will make you outcasts from the synagogue, but an hour is coming for everyone who kills you to think that he is offering service to God. These things they will do because they have not known the Father or Me. But these things I have spoken to you, so that when their hour comes, you may remember that I told you of them. These things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.

But now I am going to Him who sent Me; and none of you asks Me, "Where are You going? But because I have said these things to you, **sorrow has filled your heart**. But I tell you the truth, it is **to your advantage** that I go away; for if I do not go away, **the Helper** will not come to you; but if I go, I will **send Him to you**. And He, when <u>He</u> comes, <u>will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; concerning sin</u>, because they do not believe in Me, and <u>concerning righteousness</u>, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; and <u>concerning judgment</u>, because the ruler of this world has been judged.

I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.'

Introduction.

I. What does the Holy Spirit do? What is the Work of the Holy Spirit.

In this passage we see 14 specific things that the Holy Spirit does. These things really revolve around 1 concept or 1 action; Conviction.

The Holy Spirit works in the positive effect of conviction to humble a Christian believe in the presence of God. AND, the Holy Spirit works in the negative effect of conviction to highlight the self-pride of the unbelieving person, ultimately separating that person on the basis of their unbelief, unrighteousness, and making a definitive separation between the God of the world and the god of this age.

Spirit. Πνευμα. Holy. Αγιος. The Holy Spirit. Operates in a specific way in the Bible and in our lives now.

The Holy Spirit impregnated Mary.

Matt 1:18 'she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit' (All creation comes from the spirit of God)

The Holy Spirit baptizes a person.

Matt. 3:11 'He/Jesus will baptize you with the Holy Spirit' (Immersed is what baptism means)

It's possible to share what is holy with undeserving people.

Matt. 7:6 'Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs'
It is possible to speak against the Holy Spirit, showing us the unique personhood of the Holy
Spirit.

Matt. 12:32 'whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven' It is possible for the Holy Spirit to speak through a person.

Mark 12:36 'David himself, in the Holy Spirit, declared, "The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand until I put your enemies under your feet."

In trying circumstances the Holy Spirit intervenes for Christians and speaks on their behalf.

Mark 13:11 'when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand about what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.'

The Holy Spirit works broadly, but still in a specific way in the world.

There are requirements placed on a person's life, restrictions, if they are going to live a life in the full measure of the Holy Spirit.

Luke 1:15 John the Baptist 'must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb.'

The Holy Spirit causes a person to prophesy.

Luke 1:67 John the Baptist's father, "Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied' The Holy Spirit brings unique insight specific to a person's life.

Luke 2:26 Simeon, a righteous man, mentioned nowhere else in the NT, 'it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord Jesus Christ.'

The Holy Spirit authenticates a Christian ministry.

Luke 3:22 'the Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

The Holy Spirit is recognized by demonic forces.

Luke 4:34 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are – the Holy One of God."

The Holy Spirit works to illuminate the Truths of God to God's people.

Luke 10:21 Jesus rejoiced 'in the Holy Spirit and said,' I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children.'

The Holy Spirit teaches the people of God

Luke 12:12 'the Holy Spirit will teach you"

The Holy Spirit causes you to remember things that cause you to obey God.

John 14:26 'the Holy Spirit will bring to your remembrance all that I have said' The Holy Spirit can be received.

John 20:22 'he/Jesus breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

If the Holy Spirit can teach, can cause to remember, can baptism and immerse.

If the Holy Spirit can be impuned, spoken against and grieved.

If the Holy Spirit can authenticate.

If the Holy Spirit can be received, then He can also be rejected.

Q: What does this show us about the Holy Spirit? That the Holy Spirit is a person just like Christ is a person.

The commands of God proceed through the Holy Spirit.

Acts. 1:5 'he had given commands through the Holy Spirit'

The Holy Spirit gives power to do Christian ministry.

Acts 1:8 'you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you'

The Holy Spirit is the actual author of all Scripture. The Bible's author is the Holy Spirit.

Acts 1:16 'The Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand'

The Holy Spirit authenticated the message of Christ in miraculous signs.

Acts. 2:4 'they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.'

Restrainer.

The Holy Spirit works as a restrainer.

The work of the Holy Spirit really comes down to convictions.

- 1. Keeps you from stumbling.
- 2. Makes you an outcast among false religion.
- 3. Enables you to know God and Christ rightly.
- 4. Enables you to remember your commitments as a Disciple.
- 5. The Holy Spirit helps us live the Christian life and it gives us an advantage.
- 6. The Holy Spirit convicts us of sin.
- 7. The Holy Spirit convicts us of righteousness.
- 8. The Holy Spirit convicts us of judgment.
- 9. The Holy Spirit guides you into all truth.
- 10. The Holy Spirit does not speak on His own initiative.
- 11. The Holy Spirit only speaks the things of God and Christ.
- 12. The Holy Spirit discloses to you the things of God and Christ and things that are 'to come.'
- 13. The Holy Spirit glorifies Christ.
- 14. The Holy Spirit takes the things that are Christ's and discloses (x3) those things to Christ's disciples.
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v. 5 'But now I am going to Him who sent Me; and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?'

The disciples had wondering what Jesus was referring to with His persecution and death. But they, like many of us, became absorbed in their own pressing reality.

It is a challenge in our flesh to see beyond our present circumstances. To be elevated beyond our fallen reality. The Holy Spirit does this work. The Holy Spirit elevates our awareness beyond this fallen world and our sad circumstances.

It is good to be humbled. Nothing humbles us like worldly persecution and the convictions of our own sin.

The disciple's minds were consumed with the current reality of losing the Messiah. The stark reality of their expulsion from the synagogue. The human mind can only take so much weight. It needs relief. It needs help.

The relief is the Helper. That help is the Advocate. The Holy Spirit.

Jesus is giving them a 'gentle reproach' – just as He says to them later, Matt. 26:40-42 'Jesus came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "So, you men could not keep watch with Me for one hour?" Keep watching and praying that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

The flesh loses its focus on Christ. The flesh forgets the power of God. The flesh forgets the promise of Heaven. The flesh forgets the promise of prayer.

But the Spirit will enable you to focus on Christ. The Spirit will remind you of the power of God. The Spirit will enable you mind to focus on Heaven. The Spirit will prompt you to prayer.

This is the work of the Holy Spirit.

Q: Where does the disciples distress come from? Where does their trouble and grief come from? Only from one place, a <u>lack of sustained focus on God.</u>

When we as Christian disciples fail to trust God we fail to thrive as Christian disciples. When we are Christian disciples fail to focus on the benefits God has built into the Gospel we fail to find the joy of the Christian life.

IF we focus our attention as Christian disciples on the concerns of sin, we have two options, fall into the despair of the world, or progress to the rightteosusn of the kgindom.

You have to let go of something to move in either direction.

The Upper Room Discourse, **ch. 13-14** is in essence a farewell discourse to the disciples, giving them all of the tools available to live the Christian life. The disclosure of the Holy Spirit is really the pinnalce of that discourse.

He has given all range of promises to the Christian Disciple, ultimately being fulfilled through the procession of the Holy Spirit.

5. The Holy Spirit helps us live the Christian life and it gives us an advantage.

Q: What is the advantage? Salvation of sin and sanctification from sin. That's quite advantageous given the 'wages of sin is death' – The advantage is that you are saved from death and sanctified away from death.

6. The Holy Spirit convicts us of sin.

Sin always interrups our communion with God. It is the only thing that interrupts our communion with God.

A surefire way to have peace is to focus your mind on the Sovereign Decrees of God. A surefire way to fall out of peace is to forget that God is in control of all things.

Because.

The Helper convicts the world of sin, BECAUSE they do not believe in Me. No faith in Christ. The Holy Spirit brings conviction of sin on those who do not have faith in Christ.

<u>Two types of Anointing of the Holy Spirit in the Bible.</u> Regeneration anointing and Office anointing.

<u>There is the anointing</u> of being regenerated, born again, saved. That is a common anointing among all people who profess Christ. It is special in the nature of it saving grace, but it is a common anointing that all believers share.

<u>Then there</u> is the anointing that comes on a person by the Holy Spirit to do specific work for God. Ex. Joesph, Moses, Gideon, Saul, David, Solomon, Isaiah, Ezekial, Daniel, John the Baptist, Paul etc.

The office of anointing is more often what everyone is interested in. They thing that this is there opportunity for advancement. To be unique. To differentiate themselves. To matter. But that's teh trouble, the anointing is not for that point.

Samson is an example. Supernatural ability, given only by God, and living an unholy life.

Q: What's better, to live a supernaturally appointed life without holiness OR to live an ordinary life that is marked by holiness?

'without holiness no one will see God' Heb. 12:14

The Holy Spirit works through the conviction of Spirit.

Little anointed, little conviction. Great anointing, great conviction. Constant anointing, constant conviction.

'He gave me a messenger from Satan to keep me from sinning/stumbling/falling away' 2 Cor. 12:7

Paul's conviction of sin was constant. Even when he wasn't sinning he was being convicted of other people's sin. That's a major theme of his 2nd letter to the Corinthians. They just keep accusing him of things he never did.

Turn to Heb. 12.

Heb. 12:14 'Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification/αγιασμον (holiness, sanctification, consecration) by which, no one will see the Lord.'

To the extent that you are disciplined by God either discipline by way of your own sin OR disciplined by the hostility of the sin of others, to the extent this happens is to the extent God's Spirit is resting upon you.

Sin which entangles – hostility by sinners – striving against sin – the discipline of the LORD – the love of God by the discipline of God – Discipline is the reason you endure – discipline is proof that you are a child of God – discipline is what causes us to share in the same Holiness of God and it leads to joy through it is initially sorrowful – Trained by it, leads to righteousness. (the next conviction of the Holy Spirit)

Pride.

1 Tim. 4:7 'God is opposed to the proud but gives grace to the humble'

Pride is the basis of all sin. It is pride in the heart that causes each and every sin.

Friends mom wouldn't take to church.

I remember when I was about 12 a good friend of mine asked me to stay the night at his house on a Saturday night. We were in school together and played sports together and we hung out quite a bit, but my parents said I could only stay at his house on one condition; that we attend church the next day.

It didn't bother me any, we went to church every Sunday, but apparently, it bothered my friends mother. **Q: Why?** Why did it bother my friends mother? Well, I didn't know what was going on at the time, nobody other than her and God knew at that time. But she was under the conviction of the Holy Spirit.

I overheard the mother saying, I'm not going to 'such and such church because I'm not about to sit there and listen to the preacher talk about how I'm going to hell in a handbasket. Who is he to think that he can say those things' and on and on it when with her complaining about going to that particular church.

So we went to a lot seeker sensitive church, and I was only 12 but I can tell you it was a waste of time.

But why wouldn't his mother go to the church that everyone knew was a true church, a good church, a church that was making disciples for Christ? Well, most people don't keep a long enough calendar to connect the dots, but his mother was having a sexual affair with her boss, and it finally came to light after about 10 years.

So why didn't she want to go to that church? Because that church was preaching the truth that highlighted her lie.

She was having an affair and it didn't come to the attention of her husband, her kids, and her town until about 10 years later.

She hated the pastor of that church, she avoided the attendance at that church, NOT because there was anything wrong with the pastor, but because there was a lot wrong with her. She was under the conviction of sin from the Holy Spirit. And it was the faithfulness of that pastor that was known throughout the town that reflected straight into her sinful life.

Self-pride and personal significance.

Self-pride is the root and substances of all sin.

Q: Have you ever considered that it might be God's will for you that you do feel insignificant? Has it ever occurred to you that you aren't as awesome as everyone keeps tell you OR that you don't actually matter as much as the idea continues to get pushed.

Q: Has it ever occurred to you that you aren't special and God made you just an ordinary person, whom He works His ordinary means of Grace through? Is that enough OR are you not content with God's ordinary means of Grace?

Let me read an except to you from a biography on ML-J. p. 280-281

Many people even in his own time considered him to be a pious, holy man. Quite, quant, serious. Not trifling with world affairs. The impression that ML-J was a man filled with the Holy Spirit and solely given to the things of God.

Look at what He said about mid-way through his pastoral ministry, 20 years after his start.

Jones became overwhelmed with a deep and uncurable bout of depression. He and his wife had been advised to take a break because of the rate at which they had been working, it was recommended that they retreat to a farm for rest and relaxation.

"Dr. L-J was going through a personal struggle of which he very rarely spoke. He was suffering from depression which he attributed to his low physical condition. With the depression, however, there came a temptation in the form of a fiery dart of doubt. The doubt did not concern his faith or his ministry but it had to do with a person whose regard for him had long been of great support to his whole life. The tempatation was to question the reality of this friend's regard. This suspicion was entirely without foundation and he did not give way to it, yet the power of the temptation put him in to an agony of spirit. There are times, he would later say, 'when the enemy concentrates on individual Christians, and on Christian churches... when the devil makes a broadside attack upon you and would sweep you off your feet.

This awareness that the onslaught was from the devil did not, however bring comfort, for the temptation had brought with it a discovery about himself.

The attack had come at a point where it could have success: it was an appeal to his pride, 'not my pride in the ministry but my carnal pride'.

More than 30 years later he could only speak of it with pain: "It was a terrible thing, it was the thing that revealed to me ultimately the pride of the human heart. I knew I was a sinner without any hope at all, but I never realized thte depth of the pride of the human heart. Eventually I saw it was nothing but pride. Carnal, devilish pride. And I was humbled to the ground.'

What was happening was that ML-J life was being all the more filled with the Holy Spirit. God was revealing to him more and more the sinful ways of his own corrupt heart.

Now who had depressed him? Was it the devil or was it the Holy Spirit?

It was his own sin. It was not mental illness. It was the depth of self-pride in his own heart.

While at the farm, Jones was struck with a deep and immovable bout of depression. He described it this way 'In my opinion God wanted to do something new to me so He gave the devil liberty to attack like he did with Job. That was a real Satanic attack and the devil would get me right down but then God would lift me up.

But it didn't stop there. The Holy Spirit did not just leave him with a deep conviction of his own sin. Look what he says next.

For the first few days the inner tempest continued. Besides the usual reading of Scripture he had with him some of the writings of AW Pink which he had often found helpful, but now nothing seemed to give him any spiritual comfort.

Then one morning he awoke soon after 6 am in 'complete agony of soul' and even feeling a sense of evil in the room.

As he started dressing, his eye caught the word 'glory' in a sermon of Pink's which lay open beside his bed. Instantly, 'like a blaze of light', he knew the very glory of God surrounding him. Every doubt and fear was silenced.

The love of God was 'shed abroad' in his heart. The nearness of heaven and his own title to it became overwhelming certainties and, at once, he was brought into a state of ecstasy and joy which remained with him for several days.

ML-J later said that he 'believed that the experience was the work of the Holy Spirit. He said after this deep searching of the Spirit in his soul the times of joy were also followed by times of conflict.

It is like AW Tozer once wrote in the Root of Righteousness'

It is doubtful whether God can bless a man greatly until he has hurt him deeply." God actually rises up storms of conflict in relationships at times in order to accomplish that deeper work in our character. We cannot love our enemies in our own strength. This is graduate-level grace. Are you willing to enter this school? Are you willing to take the test? If you pass, you can expect to be

elevated to a new level in the Kingdom. For He brings us through these tests as preparation for greater use in the Kingdom. You must pass the test first."

There is a conviction that comes from the Holy Spirit. And it comes like it cannot come from any other source.

Conviction means personal conviction of sin, but it also means conviction of convincing of God's work upon your life.

Not only are you convicted of your unworthiness, but you are also conviced of God's complete worthiness in choosing you for salvation and using you in spite of you. This is called Grace.

God is a God of Grace. Jesus Christ died for Grace. The Holy Spirit guides us in the way of Grace.

Anointing.

The Anointing the comes from the Holy Spirit almost exclusively comes for the purpose of giving God glory. As you come under this you might as well yield all of your life. Because you will not come to God with your riches or abilities. Just cast them aside.

Q: Why does the Holy Spirit bring the conviction of sin? **1**st to bring the salvation of the soul, **2**nd to build the Kingdom of God through specifically anointed workers.

All people in the kingdom are anointed in a saving sense, and then there are specific individuals that God calls, equips, anoints, and uses for specific purpsoes for his Kingdom.

These people are given a keen ability that only they can do.

The intersection of the most difficult thing you do, that only you can accomplish is the crosshair of your calling.

These people are always marked with two things; Great triumphs and great trials. Great victories and great defeats.

The exhiliation of being filled with the spirit and the deep depression of feeling depression, abandoned, isolated, and attacked by Satan.

Great anointing, great conviction. No conviction, no anointing.

Q: What would you be anointed to do?

Is. 61/Luke 4, Rom. 12, 1 Cor. 12, Eph. 4, 1 Pet. 4

God gives gifts that are anointed through the Holy Spirit. Q: What are those gifts?

You can squchel the use of your gifts by the presence of sin. Sin quiets the anointing of your giftedness.

This is why fruit in a persons life is far more important than the gifts of a persons life. The gift is the type of tree you are, the fruit is the obedience that you have.

The entire Christian life can be summed up by this one word; Obedience. Obeying God.

Q: How can you obey God? Only by the Helper. It is the Helper that helps you obey God.

v. 13 'When He, the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you' – 'into all truth'

The truth is that we have been created by God to obey God. Obeying God is what brings God glory.

We often go astray, that is why we need guidance. We cannot chart our own path that is why we need truth.

'there is a way which seems right to man but its end is death' Prov. 14:12 'the heart of the man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps' Prov. 16:9

The Holy Spirit marks a distinction in the Believers life by an active pattern of obedience. The distinct marker of the Christian and everyone else in the world is that the Christian obeys God and the reason the Christian obeys God is because they are indwelled by God's Spirit.

The Believers life.

The Believers life should be one that has been convicted of sin by the power of the Holy Spirit, then as the Believer grows in holiness leads to convicting the lives of others in sin. Not in ostentation but in modesty and meekness.

There are so many people who make the claim to Christian disciple but their life is not an offense to others and the reason is they do not live a holy life. Their life looks just like the rest of the world.

You have to yield your life to the Holy Spirit. The Believers life is going to be one that oscillates through the positions because God is saving your soul through the means of sanctification. 'holiness without which no one will see God.' Heb. 12:14

7. The Holy Spirit convicts us of righteousness.

Gen. 6:9 'Noah was a righteous man' (God flooded the entire world at the separating of the righteous and wicked)

Gen. 18:23 'will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked' (Abraham recognized that God shows a distinction to those who are righteous and those who are wicked.) **Ps. 1:5** 'the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.'

There is no presumption and no pretense with the Christian believer.

They are lowly, humble, unassuming. The Christian believer travels in the realm of humility.

The life of the unregenate is marked with hypocrisy. One of the key traits of non-Christian people is that they always blame Christians for the actual sin that they commit. It is the **doctrine of the Scapegoat.** It is a spiritual principle in the OT and endures today, because the spirits of the OT are the same today.

Old puritan quote, believe it was John Wesley, midway through the day 'Lord, I have gone almost the whole day without being accused or blamed for something I didn't do, what is wrong, should I not be disciplined today?'

The Christian expects the correction of the Holy Spirit.

But the Christian believer has a steady authenticity that is a clear marker on their personhood. They are True because they are guided by the Spirit of Truth.

A true Christian is 'a jew in whom there is no deceit' – Nathaniel. Jn. 1:47

8. The Holy Spirit convicts us of judgment.

The context of judgment here is about **the judgment of Satan**. Satan travels in the realm of self-pride.

Guard yourself from your own pride. Your pride is Satan's access point to your heart.

If Satan cannot access your heart through your own self-pride, then Satan will work through the self-pride of others to accuse you of things you've never done.

Satan is the 'accuser of the brethren' Rev. 12:10

And as we see here and in eschatology that v.11 'the ruler of this world has been judged'

This has been done in an ultimate sense. This is very important to grasp. In every available means, the Holy Spiirt is going to guide you to Christ and away from Satan.

The Holy Spirit will enable you to 'abhor what is evil and cling to what is good.'Rom. 12 The Holy Spirit will enable you to 'abstain from the appearance of all evil.' 1 Thes. 5:22

What a person, what a church and what a family – to have such a spirit in you that you do not just abstain from evil, you abstain from the very appearance of all evil.'

'The ruler of this world has been judged' – **Q:** Who rules this world? Does the US rule the world? Has the power struggle with China and its underhanded power plays begun to rule this world?

What about the Great Reset? The plans to turn all corporations over to an Environmental, Social Goverance score? OR what about the violation of human rights through coercing people into affirming transgender surgeries?

The Davos Group has developed the plan that by 2030, 'you will own nothing and be happy about it.' – That's not news to me, I can into this world with nothing and I will leave this world with nothing.

1 Tim. 6:7 'for we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.'

But I can tell you there is one thing htat I possess that can never be taken away, it is the on-going reality, that the Lord Jesus Christ has saved my soul for eternity.

I didn't earn it. I didn't buy it. And that's why I can't lose it. Christ earned it. He purchased it. He bought it with price.

The person who is saved is owned by Christ and for Christ's purposes.

Christ will never stop providing for you. Caring for you. And protecting your life. Christ will 'love His own until the end' John 13:1

Are we so frivolous to think, we just need a new election cycle? Are all these things happening because we have a bad president and if we could just get our guy in office everything would be solved? NO.

Satan is the ruler of this world. We live in This Present Darkness. You are stuck.

Q: Do you love it OR do you hate? 'if you love the world the love of the Father is not in you' 1 Jn. 2:15

The Holy Spirit judges and the Holy Spirit discloses.

Hostility between Satan, the world, and the Christian is part of the genetic structure of the Gospel.

You are an alien. A chosen race. A royal priesthood. A body of believers set apart for the holy purposes of God.

God has designed the world system that Satan gets free reign to deceive all of the non-elect, and in some cases 'even the elect will be deceived' Matt. 24

The Holy Spirit judges and discloses all things.

Jesus' work on the cross judged Satan in all facets of life.

Theorhetically, Satan is judged. Doctrinally, Satan is judged. Divinely, Satan is judged. Practically, Satan is judged.

Satan's judged can be seen through the express evidence of the sinful lives of those who follow him. They are bound to him. Yoked to the very abominations that Satan has called them to obey.

Satan orchestrates all of the evil in this world. He uses people to accomplish this evil.

9. The Holy Spirit guides you into all truth.

10. The Holy Spirit does not speak on His own initiative.

When the Word of God speaks, God speaks. When the Word of God speaks, Christ speaks. When the Word of God speaks, the Holy Spirit speaks.

"The same power that rose Jesus Christ from the grave lives in you' Rom. 8:11

This is not magic. This is not a trick. This is by design of God.

That the power of the Holy Spirit is found by the power of speaking God's word.

That is the only authority on every topic. God is authoritative on all matters of life and godliness and His word tells us the answer on all matters of life and godliness.

The power that rose Jesus Christ from the gracve is the same power that wrote the Bible . The Holy Spirit.

When you are holding the Bible you are holding a Miracle.

When you are holding the Bible you are hold the mind, the heart, and the actions of God, Himself.

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John 16:1-15 | The Work of The Holy Spirit Pt VI

"In this sermon we look deep into the work of the Holy Spirit in a person's life. We can see clearly that the Holy Spirit works in a number of specific ways that are unique to the ministry of the Holy Spirit in every believers life."

Small Groups/Kids Questions.

- 1. What are some of the clear marks of the work of the Holy Spirit in our life?
- 2. What does it mean to be anointed and what are two types of anointing that we see in the Scriptures that the Holy Spirit enables a Christian to do?
- 3. Of these two types of anointing, which is more important? Are they equally important or does one take precedence?
- 4. What is 'the holiness without which no one will see the Lord' (Heb. 10:14)
- 5. How does the Holy Spirit guide us, disclose truth to us? What is the means that God uses to do this?