

THE HUMAN SPIRIT

1. The human spirit is distinguished in Scripture from the soul.
 - A. Hebrews 4:12, "For the Word of God is alive, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."
2. In the original creation of man, the human spirit was received along with the soul.
 - A. Genesis 2:7, "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of lives; and man became a living soul."
 1. "Breath of lives," plural: soul and spirit.
3. The unbeliever is born without a human spirit. He cannot understand spiritual phenomena. He is dichotomous.
 - A. 1 Corinthians 2:14, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."
 - B. Jude 19, "These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit."
 - C. This means he does not have the apparatus for perception, and he is guided only by his own human IQ.
 - D. God, the Holy Spirit acts as a human spirit in the presentation of the Gospel to the unbeliever so that he can be saved.
 1. Genesis 6:3, "And the Lord said, My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years."
 2. John 16:8-11, "And when He is come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on Me; Of righteousness, because I go to My Father, and ye see Me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged."
 3. 1 Corinthians 2:14-16, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that He may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ."
 - E. At the point of salvation, both the Holy Spirit and the human spirit are received.
4. The believer in the Lord Jesus Christ is trichotomous: body, soul and spirit.
 - A. 1 Thessalonians 5:23, "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."
 - B. Which makes human IQ no longer a handicap.
 1. Romans 8:16, "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God."
 - C. Spiritual perception functions under the principle of GRACE, Holy Spirit, human spirit, and the Word of God.
 - D. The Spiritual IQ of the believer is in the human spirit, and is determined by the amount of the word of God in the human spirit.
 1. Job 32:8, "But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding."

2. Ephesians 3:16-19, "That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth all knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God."
5. The human Spirit is both the target and storage place for the Word of God under the concept of full knowledge.
 - A. The filling of the Holy Spirit is necessary to get the Word of God from the Bible to the mind to the human spirit.
 1. John 14:26, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My Name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."
 2. 1 Corinthians 2:9-16, "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him. But God hath revealed them unto us by His Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that He may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ."
 3. 1 John 2:27, "But the anointing which ye have received of Him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is Truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in Him."
 - B. Knowledge of the Word of God in the mind is called GNOSIS, which is comprehension.
 - C. The Word of God is transferred by faith to the human spirit and is called EPIGNOSIS, full knowledge or rooted doctrine.
 1. Ephesians 3:17, "That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love."
 2. Colossians 2:7, 3:10, "Rooted and built up in Him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving." "And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him."
 - D. The difference between GNOSIS and EPIGNOSIS is the expression, "By means of faith," (PISTIS).
 1. Ephesians 3:17.
 - E. The target therefore is the Word of God inside the human spirit which becomes the basis of application or wisdom.

6. Only from the human spirit is the Word of God usable.
 - A. Intake of the Word of God into the mind as frame of reference and Divine viewpoint.
 - B. Exhale of the Word toward God and man.
 - C. Results in having eyes in your soul.
 - D. Results in maturity of the soul.
 1. Ephesians 4:12-16, 20-24, "For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the Truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the Head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love." "But ye have not so learned Christ; If so be that ye have heard Him, and have been taught by Him, as the Truth is in Jesus: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."
7. Since the Word of God in the human spirit is the basis for spiritual IQ, Ephesians 3:16-19, the human spirit is the area of refreshment.
 - A. 2 Corinthians 7:13, "Therefore we were comforted in your comfort: yea, and exceedingly the more joyed we for the joy to Titus, because his spirit was refreshed by you all."
8. The Word of God stored in the human spirit constitutes the basis for GRACE orientation.
 - A. Philemon 25, "The GRACE of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen."

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