

GUIDANCE IS A GIFT!



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Spiritual guidance is so needed today, and it is more important than it has ever been. We need a fail-safe *guidance system*—and God has promised that by His Holy Spirit within. Many today use a GPS—Global Positioning System—of some type, but what we really need is a guidance system that keeps us in a *position of faith* and *trust* on God.

The apostle told Israel to Acts 2:38 “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” The Gift of divine guidance is the gift of the Spirit—who is a personal being—just as God and Jesus.

All knowledge of God and His Word; all righteousness, peace, health, and protection we need and receive—including a preparation for Eternal Life, comes through the *teaching, training, and guidance* of the Holy Spirit—that is how *valuable; necessary; and important* it is to have the Spirit of God abiding within to guide us and to control every aspect of our life.

The Godhead consists of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—it is *one* God in *three* persons. Jesus said John 14:9, “He who has seen Me has seen the Father,” and before going back to Heaven, He informed Matthew 28:18-20 “All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach

all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”

Jesus would *not* be here in *person*, because He is beside God in *Heaven*, but we can have the Holy Spirit within—which is the same as having God or Jesus within. We are *privileged* to have God with us and being able to ask Him about anything we need to know. David asked Psalm 139:7 “Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? 8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.”

Jesus said it is better for us to have the Holy Spirit with us on earth, than to have Him here in person. We need to understand the true meaning of that. John 16:7 “I tell you the truth; It is expedient [to your advantage; best; better] for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter [Helper; Counselor] will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.” That is how valuable Jesus considered the presence of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit did the work of creating. Genesis 1:1-2 “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.” The work of the Holy Spirit was to *create* the earth and everything in it—including a human being.

When Jesus was on earth, it was the Holy Spirit who *cast out* demons and *healed* those oppressed of the devil. Luke 4:18-19 “The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To

set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD.”

Jesus told of the seriousness of speaking against the Holy Spirit. To unbelievers He said Matthew 12:28 “If I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.” Then He added 32 “And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come.” It is dangerous to speak *against* or to *oppose* God’s Truth—a Truth that was inspired by the Holy Spirit.

The purpose of the Holy Spirit’s coming to this earth, was to *teach* us, *lead* us, and *guide* us to know the *full Truth* of the Bible. John 16:13 “Howbeit (Jesus said) when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.”

The Holy Spirit *guides* us in spiritual concerns and *enables* us to understand the Truth—it is He who empowers us to live according to Bible teaching. God’s Word contains a plan for every phase of life—and each one is opposite to the devil’s plan of life. Many people—when they first hear about God’s *Truth*—have followed the plans of the *world* for so long, that it can take much *training* and *guiding* to get them away from that worldly mindset.

The Holy Spirit first leads us *away from* human plans and brings us *to* God’s plans for this life—that is the *work* of the Holy Spirit. Anyone who is being taught by the Holy Spirit will *progress* in faith and will *learn* to trust God for everything. They will always be *learning* and *finding* something new to trust *God* for.

The Holy Spirit teaches us about God’s *financial* and *healing* plans. If we have not allowed the Spirit to *show* us the Truth, He is not

allowed to *guide* us into *all* Truth. If we are willing to be *taught*, we will eventually see the *importance* of trusting God for everything. We must allow Him to answer every *question* we have concerning His *Truth* on *trust*.

The Holy Spirit is *in* us to inspire *faith* in our heart. He wants to *do* things for us that are to our spiritual *benefit*—He will take advantage of any opportunity we give Him, to *guide* us in how to trust God in faith. He knows the *magnificence* of eternal life in Heaven; and He also knows the *reality* and *repulsion* of the lake of fire in Hell—*that* is why He wants to enlighten us to *know* the will of God.

Most people do *not* want to accept God's financial plan of daily trust; and they do *not* want to trust God for divine healing. Most professed believers think there is some good in all churches—even if these churches are *not* giving the full Truth of the Word.

False *doctrines* have *serious* and *eternal* consequences. Jesus *denounced* false teaching that was in direct *opposition* to the life-giving Truth He was giving. Jesus had to *warn* people because false teaching is deadly and will take a person to Hell. If He did not *say* anything, they would just keep *giving* their wrong teaching and just keep *destroying* human souls. The *worst* thing we could do would be to *not* say *anything*.

There is Ephesians 4:5-6 “*One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all.*” The apostle was 15 “*Speaking the truth in love*”—just as Jesus did. Matthew 23:27 “*Alas for you, Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, for you are just like white-washed sepulchres, the outside of which pleases the eye, though inside they are full of dead men's bones and of all that is unclean.*”

No matter what Jesus taught—they *still* refused to believe. Jesus wanted to *protect* them from wrong teaching and to *guide* them through

His Spirit, but they Matthew 23:37 “*Were not willing!*” Matthew 23:37 “*Ye would not!*”

The Holy Spirit will *enlighten* anyone who wants to *be enlightened*. The doctrines of most denominational churches are spiritually deadly. There are millions of religious organizations that do not teach God's full Truth of the Bible. Anyone can be *guided* to know God's healing, financial, and all other faith plans—they just need to allow the Holy Spirit to *teach* them and *guide* them.

When we *are guided* by the Holy Spirit, we learn to *forgive* people; and as we change to the image of Christ—allowing His love and humility to flow through us, we will stand for and live the same Truth of the Gospel Jesus did. We will *reject* any teaching that does not measure up to the standard of faith and trust God has set for us in the New Testament.

The only type of person the Holy Spirit can *guide* and *teach* is those willing to learn spiritual truth. Matthew 3:3-23; Mark 4:3-20; Luke 8:4-15. It would be those with Luke 8:15 “*An honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.*” It is having an open and unprejudiced mind to the *guidance* of the Holy Spirit.

It means gaining a better *understanding* of God's Word and Truth, and having a greater *faith* and *confidence* in Him—being kept in perfect alignment with His will; a perfect position of trust; and in harmony with His Word. It means *not* refusing to do *anything* clearly taught in the Bible.

We must follow the clear *directions* of God's Word—financial trust; forgiving people; trusting God for health; and being baptized when reaching the age of accountability. Jesus was baptized—saying Matthew 3:15 “*Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.*”

The apostle referred to Noah obeying God and building an ark. 1 Peter 3:21 “*This water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.*”

Many oppose God's financial plan of trust, but His plan is the *best* plan in the world—it *compels* us to trust God in faith. It is not that we have to get rid of every *cent* we have and *never* get it back—God promises to *give* it all back and *more*! If we are taught and guided by the Holy Spirit, we will accept whatever God says and every Truth He explains in the Bible.

God promises that if we give up real estate investments, laid up money, and all financial plans of the world, and we give the money to the poor anonymously, we will just transfer the money to our account in Heaven Mark 10:17-22; Luke 12:33. The interest on the money we invest in Heaven's bank is not 4% or 10% but 10,000%!

Mark 10:29 “*Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, 30 But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.*”

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