



Spiritual Gifts -2

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The Seeds of the Ground

- God placed all the necessary seeds in the soil to aid humanity's existence and serve Him.
- God could have created more people at the same time, just like He planted seeds simultaneously.
- However, He chose not to, just as seeds germinate at different times.
- Similarly, people emerge in their own appointed times.
- God established the seven-day creation period, and many things work in sevens: days, weeks, church ages.
- There are many sevens displayed in the Bible because God has a purpose for them.
- I believe we are tools necessary to continue His plan, which He has already set in motion.
- His plan unfolds as He decides.

God's Guidance and Warning

- *"If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them; Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit..."* (Leviticus 26:3-20, KJV)
- God has given us a guide on how to be blessed and peaceful.
- If we disobey, the Lord will watch over us in a different way, bringing hindrances to wake us up and make us see that walking in disobedience will not help us.
- Disobedience ultimately leads to destruction.
- The Lord presents us with a choice, saying we must choose life.

The Creation Story, Blessings and Curses

- It began with Adam, and God placed blessings and warnings in Genesis.
- When we examine the outcome, we see that it was a failure on Adam's part.
- *"And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: ..."* (Deuteronomy 28:2-4, 15-19, KJV)
- Deuteronomy 28 and Leviticus 26 are two portions of scripture that highlight blessings for those who obey God and curses for those who don't.
- These chapters serve as a warning and guidance to direct God's children toward obedience.

The Nature of God

- Examining the seeds in the ground helps us understand that God has placed everything necessary there because He is perfect, faultless, and makes no wrong judgments.

- Besides being perfect, God is merciful, and the unpleasant things that happen to us when we disobey are not intended to destroy us but to prompt repentance and a return to God.
- We realize that one can walk in sin for a long time because God wants that person to recognize their wrong actions and repent.
- As long as we are alive, God gives us the choice to repent and walk with Him again.

The Purpose of Creation

- The seeds in the ground are a tool to help us see that when God works, He completes it and does all of it.
- God, being a spirit, cannot be seen in His supernatural power.
- He has no physical features, and no visible being in the universe can see God. However, we can feel His presence.
- We can say that one will see God, but not in His invisible power; instead, we see Him expressed through His creation.
- When He creates, there is a purpose behind it, as He wants us to recognize Him through His creation.
- Romans 1 states that God has made everything to help us understand that there is a creator.
- Humanity is selfish and doesn't desire to see God in His creation; instead, people want to see themselves and make themselves god.
- Why does humanity do this? It's because humans aren't entirely made up of the five physical senses; God has placed His spirit within us, and all creation, regardless of whether it's an insect or a large animal like an elephant.

God's Plan and Human Choice

- God created us with a predetermined number of days, knowing exactly how long we will live.
- Every day is accounted for, and we will one day stand in judgment to give an account of how we used our time.
- The judgment will determine whether we receive rewards or not.
- People who use God's gifts for selfish reasons will be rejected by the Lord.
- Such gifts, despite being operational, will not be recognized by God as good deeds.

The Purpose of Spiritual Gifts

- All spiritual gifts are present in every human being and are meant to benefit others, not to show off one's spirituality.
- They are intended to profit everyone.

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