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**Wisdom
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Part 5**

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Introduction

This is a continuation of other parts of this series. Some of the information in this part will be a repeat of what was already in other parts. Yet, there is some information added to what was in the other parts. Therefore it would be helpful to read all that is in the other parts first for a better understanding of this subject of “Wisdom, Knowledge, and Understanding.”

In Proverbs 2:6 it says, **“For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.”** The LORD is God with the Father and the Holy Spirit. God has “all” wisdom, knowledge, and understanding.

To obtain unto eternal life in heaven, Christians must have wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. To get this wisdom, knowledge, and understanding it must come from the LORD.

The Devil does not have true wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. Wisdom was given to Lucifer, but he corrupted it and sealed it up and sinned against God. Satan’s heart was lifted up because of his position that God had given him.

The world today, is operating by **“the knowledge of good and evil”** (Gen. 2:9,17; 3:6,17). This knowledge of good and evil is corrupted by the Devil. Therefore, the knowledge of good and evil that the world lives by, only leads us into two deaths (physical death of the physical body, and eternal death in hell with Satan and his followers).

We must do what the New Covenant tells us to do. We must be **“born again”** of the Word of God and the Holy Spirit (1 Peter 1:23; John 3:6,7). Then we must **“walk after the Spirit and not after the flesh”** (Rom. 8:1-7) We must **“sow to the spirit and not to the flesh”** (Gal. 6:7,8).

The flesh of mankind is still mortal, and the souls of mankind are still corrupted. Therefore, we must **“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding...In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths”** (Prov. 3:5,6).

By the knowledge of good and evil, mankind’s physical body became mortal and his soul became corrupted (Gen. 3:6). This morality and corruption will remain with us until we leave this world for the last time (1 Cor. 15:51-55).

For those who obey the LORD, and live according to the Word of God, when they leave this earth their mortal bodies will become immortal, the corruption in their souls will put on incorruption. Then they will be forever with the LORD.

Until that day, Christians must obey the LORD, and do the will of God here on earth. This can only be done by a full commitment to **“love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength”** (Mark 12:30). Then, **“love thy neighbour as thyself”** (Mark 12:31). These are our commandments given to us by the LORD Himself. If we keep these commandments, we will inherit eternal life with the LORD forever.

Get Wisdom, Knowledge, & Understanding Part Four

Christians need to understand that God gives to those who obey Him every good thing they have. Whether it is wisdom, knowledge, or understanding, God gives every one of us life and breath (Gen. 2:7, Job 12:10, 33:4). In James 1:17, it says, **“Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.”** God has many good and perfect gifts for Christians. God is love, and God loves His children.

In the beginning, all good things came from God. In Genesis 1:31 it says, **“And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good...”** God did not create corruption. Lucifer, now called Satan the Devil, corrupted that which God gave him. Satan tries to corrupt and destroy all that we have.

Get Wisdom Part 4

In Proverbs 4:7 it says, **“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.”**

True wisdom comes when Christians obey the LORD, and do the will of God here on earth. This can only be done by a full commitment to **“love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength”** (Mark 12:30). Then, **“love thy neighbour as thyself”** (Mark 12:31). These are our commandments given to us by the LORD Himself. Therefore, wisdom is submission to the LORD and the leading of the Holy Spirit in every area of our lives.

There are ways in which God teaches us, and gives us wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. In **Part 4**, of **“Wisdom, Knowledge, Understanding,”** there are examples of when the LORD God brought the Children of Israel out of bondage to Pharaoh and the Egyptian slave masters.

When the Children of Israel crossed the Red Sea, they were baptized unto Moses. It says in 1 Corinthians 10:1-5, **“Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea...And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea...And did all eat the same spiritual meat...And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.”**

This baptism unto Moses was a type and shadow of Christians, when they are baptized into the Body of Christ. In 1 Corinthians 12:13 it says, **“For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.”**

What is important to understand is that when Christians are baptized into the Body of Christ, they are born again of the Word of God and the Holy Spirit (1 Peter 1:23; John 3:6,7).

Therefore, when the Children of Israel were baptized unto Moses, they were saved, not born again. Saved means “delivered and/or protected.” The Children of Israel were “delivered from Pharaoh and his army as well as the Egyptian task masters that keep them in slavery for many years. Once they were across the Red Sea, and Pharaoh and his army was drowned in the Red Sea, they were free of their past slavery. God “protected” them all the way from Goshen in Egypt until they were across the Red Sea.

That means that the LORD God saved them from their past slavery to Pharaoh and the Egyptian slave masters.

Now the Children of Israel were free to serve the LORD God, and worship Him freely. This was the beginning of a new life for the Children of Israel. This was the beginning of the fulfillment of the promise the LORD God made to Abraham in Genesis, Chapter Fifteen.

The LORD promised Abraham in Genesis 15:13,14, **“Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years...And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.”** This part of the promise to Abraham was fulfilled when they crossed the Red Sea.

Then in Genesis 15:18-21 it says, **“In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates...The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites...And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims...And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.”**

Notice what it says, **“Unto thy seed have I given this land...”** The LORD God told Abraham that He already gave the Children of Israel the land. But, remember the covenant was made with Abraham because Abraham obeyed the LORD in his life (Gen. 22:17,18). The LORD never promised the Children of Israel that they could have the land free, without obedience.

What the LORD promised to Abraham was a covenant between the LORD and Abraham and His seed after him. A covenant has two or more parties to it. Each of the parties to the Covenant have obligations which they must fulfill. The LORD has His part, and the Children of Israel had their part.

All of the Children of Israel that obeyed Moses and Aaron in Egypt were delivered from the Egyptians, when they crossed the Red Sea. The LORD did His part, but it also took the willingness of the Children of Israel to follow the instructions given to them during the days of the ten plagues the LORD brought upon the Egyptians. Also to obey the instructions given to them on the tenth plague, which was the Passover.

Then following the Passover, they had to obey the instructions given to them by Moses and Aaron and travel for days to the Red Sea. Then they had to obey the instructions given to them on the last day, while the LORD dried up the Red Sea for them to walk over on dry land.

All of this time, from the first time Moses and Aaron came to Egypt to tell them the plan of the LORD for their deliverance from Egypt, they had to obey their instructions. This was not without opposition from the Egyptians. They were oppressed and suffered many trials and tribulations at the hands of the Egyptian slave masters.

All who obeyed their instructions from the beginning until the crossing of the Red Sea, were free of Pharaoh and the Egyptian task masters. They were saved from their past life in Egypt. But they were not in the land that was promised to Abraham. The promise was not completely fulfilled at that time. There was still a lot more to go.

This is a type and shadow of Christians, when they are born again into the body of Christ. They are baptized into Christ. They are new creatures, born of the Word of God and the Holy Spirit. This is a new beginning, a new life in the Spirit.

There is still a long way to go. It is only a new beginning, being delivered from our past life in the flesh. Now we must learn how to live in the Spirit.

The Children of Israel traveled from the Red Sea to the Mount in Sinai (Ex. 19:1,2). There the LORD began to teach the Children of Israel the Law, which was called the Law of Moses. Three months

they traveled, with many obstacles and battles to fight.

In Exodus 19:3-6 it says, **“And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel...Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself...Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:...And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.”**

Look what the LORD said, **“...if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant...”** There were conditions attached to entering into the promised land. Obedience was required. In Exodus 23:20-25, The LORD told the Children of Israel, **“Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared...Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for my name is in him...But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries...For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut them off...Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite break down their images...And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.”**

The LORD had them send out twelve spies to spy out the land of promise. Forty days, the twelve were gone while the LORD was giving them more instructions. When the twelve returned with their report, ten of them gave an evil report. Only Joshua and Caleb tried to encourage them. See Numbers, Chapter Fourteen.

Because to the evil report, they refused to go in and take the land of promise. The Word of the LORD was given them, but they would not mix faith with the Word.

What happened to the Children of Israel at that time is an example for Christians today. In Hebrews 3:12-19 it says, **“Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God...But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin...For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end...While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation...For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses...But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness?...And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not?...So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.”**

Then in Hebrews 4:1,2, it says, **“Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it...For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.”**

The LORD gives us “wisdom, knowledge, and understanding” in the New Testament, that we do not become deceived by the teachings of men. We must continue to search the Scriptures to know the Truth. We must study the Scriptures and not be deceived by many who are not teaching what Jesus and the Apostles taught.

Some are teaching another gospel, which is not the same gospel that Jesus and the Apostles

taught.

Some are teaching that there is another way to do what the LORD has told us to do. Do not be deceived by the teachings of men.

Jesus said in John 6:45, **“It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God...”** We must be taught by God, according to the New Covenant. In Hebrews 10:38 it says, **“Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.”**

In Hebrews 11:6 it says, **“But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.”** This is talking about faith in God, not faith in what man can do.

There seems to be some teaching another kind of faith. Faith in what man can do (building their own ministries, their own teachings, by other means). God is not pleased in those who find another way to do the work of the ministry. God has given us His plans on how to do the work of the ministry. We must find out how God wants us to do what He calls us to do. It is important that we do things according to the Holy Spirit as He guides, comforts, helps, leads, and teaches us.

It is the anointing that God uses to do the work of the ministry. The anointing will not work without faith. Our faith must be in God, not in man. It must be the faith that Jesus taught, and the Apostles taught, not what some are teaching today.

Walk in the Spirit

Christians are new creatures in Christ Jesus. Christians are born again of the Word of God and the Holy Spirit (1 Peter 1:23; John 3:6). Being that we are no longer in the flesh but in the Spirit, we must learn how to live in the Spirit and walk in the Spirit.

In Romans 8:1 it says, **“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.”** We need to understand that there is condemnation to them that continue to walk in the flesh.

Therefore, in Galatians 5:25 it says, **“If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.”** There are many types and shadows of the difference between those who are not born again and those who are born again. Why cannot Christians understand that being a new creature in Christ Jesus means we should no longer try to live like we lived before we were born again.

A type and shadow of the difference between our new life in the Spirit and our old life in the flesh is that of a caterpillar and a butterfly. The butterfly starts out in life as a caterpillar. After that it goes through a process of change from a caterpillar to a butterfly. Once they become a butterfly, they have a whole new way of living. Their whole life changes. They no longer crawl around like a worm. They fly instead. Almost everything they do is different from when they were a caterpillar. What would happen to a butterfly if it tried to live like a caterpillar? What if it never tried to fly, but continued to use only its legs to get around and find food to eat to stay alive? Most likely it would die.

This is the same in the new birth. In the new birth we become a new creature, born of the Word and the Holy Spirit. We are not of this world. We are born again from heaven above (John 17:16). Now we must learn how to live in the Spirit and walk in the Spirit. We must not continue to live like the world lives.

In Romans 8:5-8 it says, **“For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit...For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace...Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be...So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.”** To walk after the flesh is not good to say the least. Therefore, we must learn to walk after the Spirit.

Do not continue to follow the religious Christians who are following a corrupted version of wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. Learn to be taught by God and live according to the Holy Spirit and the Word of God.

Following is just a quick look at how to walk in the Spirit. First, pray in the Spirit eight to sixteen hours a day. While you are praying, read the Scriptures with your mind.

You can pray in the Spirit anytime you want to. Praying in the Spirit has nothing to do with what you do with your mind (1 Cor. 14:14,15). When you pray in the Spirit, do not disturb others around you or where you go. You do not need to make a lot of noise praying in the Spirit. You can pray very softly, or even pray silently.

When you “read and study the Scriptures,” read mostly the New Testament, for the New Testament is written to Christians. The Old Testament is good, and you need to read the Old Testament also. But do not spend a lot of time reading things that are for people who lived in the flesh and walked after the flesh.

Wherever you go and whatever you do, keep praying in the Spirit. If you do these things faithfully for a year or two you will find yourself speaking words that come from your spirit, not your mind. Words will come out of your mouth by the unction of the Holy Spirit, before you realize what you are saying.

In your mind “positive” thoughts will come without you thinking about them. They usually will not have anything to do with what you are doing or thinking of at the time. These thoughts will be so “positive” that you know they are “wisdom” from God. When you check them out they are accurate and precise.

Keep your body in health, not by following health diets, but live a fasted life. Eat only two small meals a day. Eat only basic foods, stay away from special foods. The Children of Israel lived forty-years on manna and quail. Do not let the world tell you that you need a special diet. God can take care of your body if you will do what He tells you in His Word.

Be careful of those who teach on the end times, the rapture, and the antichrist. Jesus said, **“Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.”**

Do not get too involved with those who want you to support their ministry of reaching the world with their gospel. Jesus said, **“...Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature”** (Mark 16:15). This is not translated correctly in the English. It should read **“...as you go into all the world preach the gospel to every creature.”** Acts 1:8 could read, **“...starting in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth”** (Acts 1:9).

Start going into all the world in your hometown and continue from there, town to town until you have reached everyone between you and the end of the world.

The Old Testament is the foundation of the New Covenant. We must look in the Old Testament for the foundation of life in the New Covenant. But, do not try to live in the Old Testament, it will not work.

In the Old Testament it says, **“Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts...For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little...For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people”** (Isa 28:9-11). Satan hates this information. Once Christians get wisdom, knowledge, and understanding of this, they will be able to defeat the Devil in every area of their lives.

To be taught by the Holy Spirit we must do certain things. One thing is, we must spend a lot of time studying the Scriptures, especially the New Testament. In Romans 12:2 it says, **“And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”**

To renew our mind, it must be done by searching the Scriptures and studying the Scriptures. The Scriptures are the inspired written Word of God. They reveal to us the wisdom, knowledge, and understanding of God.

As we search and study the Scriptures the Holy Spirit will bring to our attention things we need to know. We will see things that we did not realize were there all the time. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will receive wisdom, knowledge, and understanding from the inspired written Word of God.

Without the Word of God the Holy Spirit is hindered very much in the lives of Christians. In 1 John 5:8 it says, **“And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water (Word), and the blood: and these three agree in one.”** The Holy Spirit needs the written Word of God to bear witness to the Truth (which is revealed in the written Word).

Another thing is that we must spend a lot of time praying in the Spirit. These two things are very important. These are the things the Holy Spirit will use to teach us all things.

The Apostle Paul, who received some of the greatest revelation of the gifts of the Spirit and the use of the gifts of the Spirit wrote in 1 Corinthians 14:18, **“I thank my God, I speak with tongues more**

than ye all (any of you)." This same apostle wrote in Ephesians 6:18, **"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints."**

We are encouraged to pray in tongues always, and speak in tongues without ceasing. In 1 Corinthians 14:2 it says, **"For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries."** God wants to reveal His mysteries to us while praying in the Spirit. God knows a lot of things we do not know. God wants to reveal them to us.

One way God uses, is speaking in tongues and praying in the Spirit. Remember what it said in Isaiah 28:11, **"For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people."**

In Jude 1:20 it says, **"But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost."** Without faith it is impossible to please God (Heb. 11:6). We need our faith built up, and one way to build it up is by praying in the Spirit.

Being that we are still in this world, and still have our physical bodies and there is still corruption in our souls, God has provided a way to walk in the Spirit while still living in this world. The old man of the flesh is still with us. We have two lives, the old man of the flesh and the new man of the Spirit (2 Cor. 4:6, 10:3; Eph. 4:24; Col 3:10). It is our choice which one we will follow.

In 1 Corinthians 14:14,15 it says, **"For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful...What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also."** We can operate from our new creature in Christ, which is in our spirit, and speak in tongues, while still using our mind to do the things in the world that needs to be done. While we are praying in the Spirit, it is our spirit that does the praying and it does not have anything to do with our mind. What is in our mind is completely separate from what is in our spirit. These are two different operations, one is the mind and the other one is the spirit.

The way to get all things working together for our good is to put the Holy Spirit in control of our praying. In Romans 8:26,27 it says, **"Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered...And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God."** We need to stop trying to tell God how we want Him to answer our prayers, and let the Holy Spirit pray for us according to the will of God for our lives. For, **"we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose"** (Rom. 8:28).

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