

You Are Made Alive in Him

Ephesians 2:1 AMPC

[1] And you [He made alive], when you were dead (slain) by [your] trespasses and sins

I feel a need to speak on this subject today because I see way too much Christianity both at POW and where I travel mistaken God's voice for the voice of their soul. despite the fact God's people are doing great things amongst us. I also feel to speak on this also because this message is the only answer for the unregenerate heart or the people who are not filled with God's spirit.

Paul even tells us in **Romans 7:24 AMPC**

[24] O unhappy and pitiable and wretched man that I am! Who will release and deliver me from [the shackles of] this body of death?

Paul goes on in our opening text to explain what being alive in Christ really suppose to mean to us.

Ephesians 2:2-3 AMPC

[2] In which at one time you walked [habitually]. You were following the course and fashion of this world [were under the sway of the tendency of this present age], following the prince of the power of the air. [You were obedient to and under the control of] the [demon] spirit that still constantly works in the sons of disobedience [the careless, the rebellious, and the unbelieving, who go against the purposes of God]. [3] Among these we as well as you once lived and conducted ourselves in the passions of our flesh [our behavior governed by our corrupt and sensual nature], obeying the impulses of the flesh and the thoughts of the mind [our cravings dictated by our senses and our dark imaginings]. We were then by nature children of [God's] wrath and heirs of [His] indignation, like the rest of mankind.

So when Adam and Eve sinned, their human spirit was darkened or became dormant. They began to perceive the world of reality through their soul man. Your spirit man is a candle that lights up all your mental, psychological and emotional faculties.

The Apostle writes more on this in **John 1:4 AMPC**

[4] In Him was Life, and the Life was the Light of men.

John 1:4,9 AMPC

[4] In Him was Life, and the Life was the Light of men. [9] There it was-the true Light [was then] coming into the world [the genuine, perfect, steadfast Light] that illumines every person.

So when you are filled with the spirit AND RENEWED AND LED BY THAT SAME SPIRIT your whole body and soul is in harmony with God's spirit.

What this means is our anthropological make up is a trichotomy. Your body-five senses-flesh and blood side of us Your soul mind, will an emotional side of you and your spirit man-the candle of the Lord. This is the God conscious side of you He speaks to.

When the Holy Ghost impacts our spirit man,it drives both the our soul and our body. So why is this all important? Because we need to re-examine what we call the voice of God when we pray and when we love each other in conflict This is important when conquering the appetites, lust, and temptations of the flesh. It's important we understand how the Holy Ghost breathes and lives through us in order to manifest mature fruit of love one to another.

Romans 8:14-16 AMPC

[14] For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. Not by my strong opinions. And not by stubborn will nor up and down emotions. There is a difference from having the spirit and being filled with the spirit. Or being renewed with the spirit.

My spirit which is the candle of the Lord allows His love and presence to rule the soul and the body.

[15] For [the Spirit which] you have now received [is] not a spirit of slavery to put you once more in bondage to fear.

I'm not making decisions out of fear or the memories of what you did to me exclusively. Yes, I have memories that God needs to heal, but they will not control my kingdom decision making.

but you have received the Spirit of adoption [the Spirit producing sonship] in [the bliss of] which we cry, Abba (Father)! Father!

This is where He breathes and renews our spirit every day. He blows on the garden of our spirit like Song of Solomon says.

Now verse **[16] The Spirit Himself [thus] testifies together with our own spirit, [assuring us] that we are children of God.**

What does this mean? It means when God's spirit is freely alive in my spirit. Now my spirit bears witness to both my soul and body that His love is present in me because all real lasting and permanent love begins in your spirit and not in your mind will and emotions.

You are not a slave Paul says to your strong opinions and emotions that try to tell you this is God's voice. Your soul is only a trustee for your spirit. It does not have authority to run your body and spirit without you letting it do so. So most of our battles take place in the spirit part of us that our soul dumps offenses and hurts into, because your soul man, without the control of your spirit man, will cause conflict with you and God and your loved ones. So when I dump and don't deal with severe disappointments, hurts, and offenses properly, my soul dumps them into my subconscious side of me.

Proverbs 18:19 AMPC

[19] A brother offended is harder to be won over than a strong city, and [their] contentions separate them like the bars of a castle.

Proverbs 18:14 AMPC

[14] The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?

So there are three important ways we must practice our spirit man controlling our soul and body.

Mortify through the motivation of God's love the appetites and cravings of your carnal nature (Your soul man gone rogue).

Galatians 5:24-26 AMPC

[24] And those who belong to Christ Jesus (the Messiah) have crucified the flesh (the godless human nature) with its passions and appetites and desires. [25] If we live by the [Holy] Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. [If by the Holy

Spirit we have our life in God, let us go forward walking in line, our conduct controlled by the Spirit.] [26] Let us not become vainglorious and self-conceited, competitive and challenging and provoking and irritating to one another, envying and being jealous of one another.

Romans 8:13-14 AMPC

[13] For if you live according to [the dictates of] the flesh, you will surely die. But if through the power of the [Holy] Spirit you are [habitually] putting to death (making extinct, deadening) the [evil] deeds prompted by the body, you shall [really and genuinely] live forever. [14] For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

Then your spirit remains alive. You have light and understanding when it's time to direct your intellect and skill sets. God attract favor in your life because He looks at the spirit of a man and not His outward soul and body when giving answering prayer.

Willingly and cheerfully choose to submit to the spiritual food of the five fold ministry. You may not feel you need this kind of teaching but your spirit man is hungry all the time. Make the vision and leadership direction of the five fold ministry your direction. Otherwise you will always have a strong opinion why you don't agree with the things you hear over a pulpit. You won't be a team player. This was the problem Saul had when the prophet Samuel told him to kill all of the Amalekites. In his soul man he really thought he heard from God. Saul never allowed the spirit to penetrate deep enough to rule is spirit man. He was deceived and could not follow the Word of the Lord. The spirit of Saul was not in harmony with his soul.

Somebody needs to ask for the breathing Pneuma and and Ruach of Yahweh to blow on their spirit right now. Lord bring back to life dry bones within me right now.

The third and final way for our spirit to rule our soul and body is ***SEEKING AND APPROACH FEEDING OUR SPIRIT MAN WITH EXTRAORDINARY DESPERATION.***

- A. Towards worship
- B. Towards praying in the spirit
- C. Towards fasting
- D. Towards the reading and meditation and obedience to God's word.(Show video of people hungry for food)
- E. This must be you chasing after God with your spirit man right now.

Crucify the carnal appetites.

Submit eating spiritual diet to the five fold ministry.

Seek after God desperately with your spirit man right now.

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