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Scripture Study

A consecrated walk in the Spirit is what opens the door to understanding, but not just understanding of theology that's void of truth. Theology is the study about God and about truth; whereas truth is a living, vital reality that pulsates with Divine life, power, wisdom and knowledge. Jesus said "I am the truth." By making this statement Jesus dispelled the idea that truth has anything to do with creeds, doctrines or theories about God or spiritual things. Truth comes to us in the person of Jesus, therefore truth presents itself to us in garments of humility and meekness and will find little to no acceptance among the learned and powerful. History has revealed that those who have lead the masses in a form of godliness cast the truth aside when He knocked at their door and asked for admission. Those who hunger and thirst after Him in a spirit of humility have an entrance ministered unto them by the Spirit of truth into the unlimited resources of the personage of Jesus. Jesus said, "You diligently study the Scriptures because you think that by them you possess eternal life. These are the Scriptures that testify about me, yet you refuse to come to me to have life." Jesus is the living Word. When we search the scripture we are searching for Him.

John 14:16-17

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever
17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. (NKJV)

I John 2:27

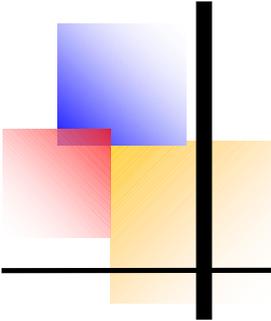
But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him. (NKJV)

Ephesians 4:11-13

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

13 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 fulness of Christ: (KJV)



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✠ The Holy Ghost has been given to lead us and guide us into all truth. Many believers depend solely upon their Pastor to teach them truth. God has clearly established the five fold ministry gifts in the body of Christ for the perfecting of the saints and for the work of the ministry to edify and bring the body into the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of Jesus, unto a perfect man fully mature in Christ. We must learn to recognize truly anointed ministry gifts and learn how to receive from them. However, complete trust and reliance must be placed first upon the Spirit or Anointing that we received from the Lord.

John 16:7

But it is actually best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Counselor won't come. If I do go away, he will come because I will send him to you. (NLT)

✠ Jesus said it is better if I go away for if I go the Comforter will come. At first the disciples must have thought they misunderstood what He was saying. They lived with Him and saw every kind of miracle you could imagine. For three and a half years they lacked nothing. When they needed tax money He sent them fishing and they gathered money from the fishes mouth. They witnessed the five thousand fed from a little boys lunch. He stilled the storm and raised the dead. I can hear the disciples ask themselves the question. How could anything be better than what we have experienced? Yet He said it would be better when the Comforter comes. He went on to say there are many things I want to share with you but you can't hear or bear them now, but when the Spirit of truth comes He will guide you into all truth and show you things to come.

John 16:7,12-15

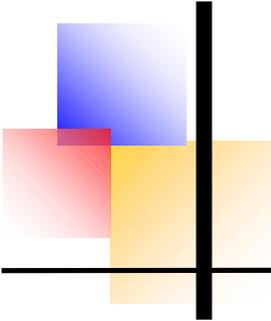
12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

13 Howbeit 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.

14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

15 All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you. (KJV)

✠ The Spirit of truth has come upon us and He has a message for us from the heart of God. It is His job is to reveal Jesus [word, truth] to us. We must allow what He reveals to change us into the image of the one revealed. Jesus said all that the Father has belongs to me and the Spirit will take all that belongs to me and show it unto you. There is no end to what the Father wants to show us. It will take eternity for Him to show us all He has, yet He has opened wide the door of truth to us in the here and now. Let us not be timid refusing to step through the door. Jesus is holding wide the door of revelation knowledge for us.



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1 Corinthians 2:9-11

9 That is what the Scriptures mean when they say, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

10 But we know these things because God has revealed them to us by his Spirit, and his Spirit searches out everything and shows us even God's deep secrets. 11 No one can know what anyone else is really thinking except that person alone, and no one can know God's thoughts except God's own Spirit. (NLT)

✠ The religious sect generally stops reading at verse nine, they will acknowledge that God has great and mighty things prepared for us when we get to Heaven. Unknowingly when they teach the scripture in this way the very Word that is designed to bring life now becomes a stumbling block especially to the new born and to the inexperienced. Verse ten clearly states that God has revealed the deep things of God unto us by His Spirit. Spiritual truth comes by and through the Spirit of God into our spirit. We don't have to wait for death or the resurrection to receive revelation. However, it is necessary to apply all diligence to enter into this realm of the Spirit. Truly the heritage is ours for the possessing. Yet not without struggle, determination and a unrelenting desire to know Him, who is the way the truth and the life.

1 Corinthians 2:12-16

12 And God has actually given us his Spirit (not the world's spirit) so we can know the wonderful things God has freely given us.

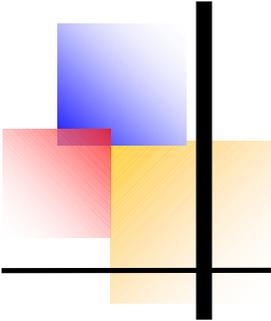
13 When we tell you this, we do not use words of human wisdom. We speak words given to us by the Spirit, using the Spirit's words to explain spiritual truths.

14 But people who aren't Christians can't understand these truths from God's Spirit. It all sounds foolish to them because only those who have the Spirit can understand what the Spirit means.

15 We who have the Spirit understand these things, but others can't understand us at all.

16 How could they? For, "Who can know what the Lord is thinking? Who can give him counsel?" But we can understand these things, for we have the mind of Christ. (NLT)

✠ Paul says we have been given the Spirit of God so that we may understand what God has freely given to us. Someone that is not controlled by the Spirit cannot understand Spiritual truths revealed by Spiritual Words, for they are spiritually discerned or understood. As we reflect back to Solomon we can now better understand what he was asking God for. Solomon wanted a heart to discern and a heart to understand truth as revealed by the Spirit of God which is the only true source of truth and wisdom. We have been granted access to God's wisdom, knowledge and Spiritual understanding. Jesus is made unto us wisdom and we have been given the mind of Christ.



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2 Peter 1:1-8

1 Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:

2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (KJV)

✠ Peace and grace is multiplied through knowledge revealed. It is His divine power that gives us all things that pertain to life and godliness through knowing Him not just knowing about Him. The exceeding great and precious promises cause us to partake of the divine nature. It is these promises that allow us to escape the corruption that is in the world. Let us be diligent to add to our faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness and love. These qualities make you abound and you will not be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of Him. If you stir these things up and sit at His feet hearing His Word, revelation will come. As we are diligent to pursue these qualities the door of revealed knowledge will be opened wide unto us.

Ephesians 3:2-3

2 As you already know, God has given me this special ministry of announcing his favor to you Gentiles.

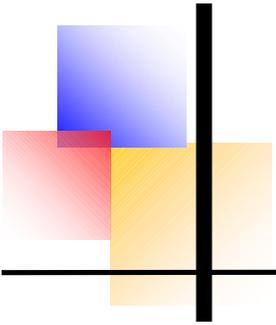
3 As I briefly mentioned earlier in this letter, God himself revealed his secret plan to me. (NLT)

Galatians 1:11-12

11 But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. (KJV)

12 For indeed I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but [it came to me] through a [direct] revelation [given] by Jesus Christ (the Messiah). (AMP)



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- ✠ Paul didn't know Jesus after the flesh, as did the other Apostles. Paul was introduced to Jesus on the road to Damascus. Paul's relationship and ministry was founded solely on knowledge revealed by the Spirit of truth. Paul wrote to the Romans and said we are established through the revelation of the mystery which is revealed through the prophetic writings. Most of what we see today in the way of ministry is a product of learned knowledge not revealed knowledge. This type of ministry is a ministry that originates and proceeds from the soul of man. As well meaning as these types of ministries are they fall short of the anointing that breaks the yoke of bondage from peoples lives. True ministry is a ministry built on revelation that comes directly from the Spirit of God revealed to your spirit man. This is where the power comes from.

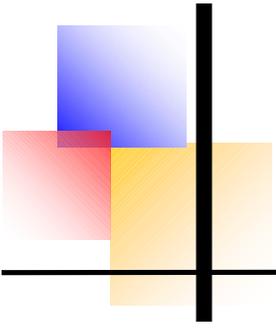
Romans 16:25-26

25 Now to him who is able to establish you by my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past,
26 but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all nations might believe and obey him-- (NIV)

2 Peter 1:16-19

16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.
17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.
18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount. 19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; hereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: (KJV)

- ✠ Peter instructs us to earnestly take heed to the sure Word of prophecy as unto a light that shines in a dark place until the light of day arises in your heart. Peter heard the audible voice of God yet he said the prophecy of the scripture is more sure. We have been given the written Word of the living God. We also have been given the Spirit of truth to reveal the Word to us. We are without excuse for not knowing the will or Word of God.



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Study Questions

1. What is the purpose of the Spirit according to 1 John 2:27?
2. What is the purpose of the five fold ministry according to Ephesians 4:11-13?
3. How many things does the Father wish to reveal to us according to John 16:12-15?
4. T or F. We can't expect revelation in this life because the eye has not seen or the ear heard, nor has the mind conceived what God has prepared for those that love Him.
5. How is grace and peace multiplied to us according to Peter?
6. Expound on 1 Corinthians 2:12-16.
7. How did Paul receive his knowledge and understanding?
8. What did God reveal to you as you studied?

Extra Blessing

(Study To Show Yourself Approved Unto God 2 Timothy 2:15)

Ephesians Chapter 1

Colossians Chapter 1