

## **...Until It Becomes Life to You**

*Scripture reading:* Ephesians 4:11

Yesterday we talked about “*having your loins girt about with truth*” and about following the true apostolic leading. Let us look today at more “*truth*” and the other ministries described in Ephesians 4:11.

We have the prophetic ministry but we do not respect them. If somebody prophetically comes and tells me something, for example my wife, I say, “Now, where did you get it? Is it you or from the Lord?” She says, “Well, it just comes to me.” I say, “Well, that is good enough for me.” The prophetic ministry is not only speaking through the prophets, but it is speaking through the hearts of all the brethren, because the spirit of prophecy is the Spirit of Christ (Revelation 19:10)! When the prophetic ministry speaks, I have already had the word inside of me. The Christ in me says, “Aha!” I am afraid to do anything against what is said by a prophetic ministry! We have to begin to believe God.

“...and he gave some evangelists...” There is a brother I know who is going out as an evangelist. I noticed that when he goes, God makes it a point to give him some substance wherever he goes. I am not talking about people with whatever faults we have, but I am talking about “*God in us*.” I am talking about “*Christ in you, the hope of glory*” (Colossians 1:27). Christ moving in you and Christ moving through you! I have no business with your faults! God will take care of them! **MOVE AS GOD WOULD HAVE YOU TO MOVE, AND STOP SUBMITTING TO THE SPIRITS OF UNBELIEF!** Hallelujah! Instead of sitting back on your haunches and criticizing everything that everybody does, get up and do something! Amen!

“...and he gave some shepherds...” You know, we lack shepherds. Oh, we lack shepherds! There is nobody who loves the people, who will lay down their lives for them, who will go and seek them out in the darkness, who is looking after them. I think that the poverty of this specific group is the lack of shepherd ministry. Does anyone care? Do we really care? There is such and such a one and we have not seen him for a while; he has not come back to service. We do not know what is wrong with him; and then a little news might come around that he is out there eating dirt—and nobody goes after him! We cannot allow them to stay there! We will not allow them to stay there! Somebody should say, “Lord God, kill me unless such and such comes back!” But do you know what? If you just say it of yourself, you are a goner. You are going to die. That is, if you say it of yourself. You need to have the spiritual energy that comes from God, which gives you the real compassion for that person. Compassion that rises to a level that you put your own heart and life on the line! Not one should die in our midst. Many are walking in the ways of death and hell, but we need to reach out to them.

We pray for the people, because these things are being done by spirits. The spirits are even going as far as dressing up the people like spirits. Have you ever looked at the costumes the children wear at Halloween? These are the spirits that are reigning and ruling in the world around us, the powers of the world (the “*cosmokratoras*”) that are binding us, binding the church, and stopping the church from going. God Almighty is speaking a word to get the church loose. **THE CHURCH MUST MOVE OUT NOW AND BREAK THE POWER OF THE DEVIL IN OUR LIVES!** Amen!

If you find yourself cursing, you know that it is something that is wrong. A brother once said that he found himself cursing, having profanity in his mind. He said that he would not talk it out and nobody would hear, but it was in his mind. That shows that there is a demon ministering death to his mind. This brother was only the mouthpiece to talk it out, of that which goes through the minds of some of the brethren.

“*Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth...*” If you do not have the truth, if your belt is not properly girded, then you have left a space for Satan to administer **DEATH** to you. Do you understand? You have left a space! The truth **MUST** be there! Question everything that you hear, and question it and question it and question it until it becomes **LIFE** to you! The clean animal chews his cud. So **CHEW YOUR CUD!**

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*Thought for today:* Trust the ministry that God has ordained in the church and chew the cud until it becomes life to you.