

Obedience in the Outer Court

Scripture reading: Hebrews 5:12-14

Let me ask you a question today: Have you been baptized in water? You see, when you get the baptism in water and are determined in your heart to serve God unto death, and the Holy Ghost sees a heart that is wide open then He rushes in. When the Holy Ghost comes into your heart and into your life, there is a definite change. You undergo a change when you accept Jesus Christ as your Savior, and then when you go into the baptism you undergo another change, and then when you go into the Holy Ghost baptism you undergo yet another change. But you are **still** in the Outer Court. Baptism in the Holy Ghost does not automatically take you into the Holy Place. Baptism in the Holy Ghost is meant to take you into the Holy Place. Am I talking riddles? In other words, because you are baptized in the Holy Ghost and you blabber in tongues and so and so and so, you feel that you are all right. You are not all right, until you begin to walk in the Holy Ghost. Amen.

In my old age, I find something terrible; there are little things that you miss. My wife and I are sitting at the table, we are going to eat and so we start to pray; I close my eyes and bend down to pray and I see the rice falling to the floor like rain. Hear me now. This is foolishness, right? Old man having hallucinations. Well, if the old man was smart, he would have said, “Sister, don’t eat that rice.” Because I was seeing what God sees. What happens is that I have a message now to say to her, “That rice is going to hurt you.” It is as simple as that.

When God looked at Adam and said, “It is good,” even though He saw all the trouble that Adam would go through, He knew that He was looking at the end of the matter – He was looking at YOU!

I am not talking about one instance. It is every day, every step of the way. If you say, “Howdy do” to somebody, and you see something flash there, you need to learn to obey it and walk in it. The Holy Ghost life is an entirely different life from the life of a natural person. Slight little things and thoughts flash to you in the spirit and you need to work on it, and the moment you move on it you have a victory. But instead you say, “Oh, it is my mind,” and the devil robs you of the moment. You are not a fit man. Yes, if you call the Holy Ghost your mind, you are not fit, because we need to be sharp in the spirit. We need to be able to discern between good and evil (Hebrews 5:14). Yes, right and wrong, good and evil, little things, and I mean, that is simple. Remember now, He said this is A-B-C. He didn’t say this is big. You haven’t gone to college yet. You are still down there in elementary school.

The same mind that the kid takes to learn in elementary school is the same mind that is going to be up there in the college. If he becomes a scientist, it is the same mind and the same principles of thinking that he is subjected to that are going to lead him right up there. Hear me now. I am not talking to you about spiritual things yet. No, no, no, we are down there in the Outer Court. It is the obedience of the child of God in the Outer Court that makes you a son of God, that takes you through the door into the Holy Place. If we have not learned how to obey the Holy Ghost, then we are still in trouble, you can still lose your life and go to hell. What? What am I saying? I am saying that if you don’t learn how to walk in the Holy Ghost, you can still go to hell.

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