

The Economy of God

The Key to the Indwelling Spirit

The Human Spirit as the Key

- Our greatest problem is that we do not **know** the **indwelling Spirit** or realize that the **human spirit** is the very **dwelling place** of the Holy Spirit.
- Neither do we know that these two spirits are being **mingled** together as **one Spirit**.
- This is the **mark of God's economy**, and many Christians are missing the mark.
- The **key** is that our **human spirit is the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit** and that our **human spirit is one with the wonderful Holy Spirit**.
- **Heb. 4:12** – For the word of God is living and operative and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit and of joints and marrow, and able to discern the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
 - The book of Hebrews is encouraging us to **press on** from the **wilderness** into the **good land**.
 - From the wandering stage to the resting stage in the all-inclusive Christ.
 - At that time the Hebrew Christians were in danger of **drifting away** from Christ into Judaism, which is like **returning** to the land of Egypt.
- Hebrews also refers to the **Holy of Holies**.
 - Today, our **human spirit** is the Holy of Holies where we can contact God.
- We must be very clear that today the Triune God has completed **everything**, and all these are **in** the Holy Spirit, who has come into us.
- This Holy Spirit has been **dispensed** into our human spirit, which is now the residence of God.

Distractions from the Key

- Good
 - Whenever we have **good intentions** to try and **satisfy** the Lord, we must jump up and tell Satan to depart from us.
 - **John 15:4-5** – Abide in Me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither *can* you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from me you can do nothing.

- Here, there is **nothing of self-effort**. Only **abiding** in the indwelling One and allowing Him to abide in us.
- Doctrines
 - To possess the **knowledge** of the Scriptures is one thing, but to **know the living One** revealed by the Scriptures is quite another.
 - The Mosaic law was to **bring people to Christ** and **keep them for Christ**—It was to help people to know Christ, but many merely kept the law and **ignored** Christ.
- Gifts
 - Many gifted persons give too much attention to their gifts and **neglect** the indwelling Christ.
 - We are not trying to oppose any gift, we must give **proper proportion** to every gift; otherwise, we will be **unbalanced**.
 - Gifts should help us **realize** the mark of God's economy, which is the **indwelling Christ**.
 - The mark is neither the teachings nor the gifts but Christ!
- The gifts and the teachings are **not needed** when we realize the indwelling Christ in our Spirit.
- In order for us to obtain the key, God has proportioned certain gifts and teachings.
 - We have the key when we **discern our spirit**!
- Whatever we need of Christ, we have by **exercising our spirit to contact Him**.

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