How to Operate the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

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[0:00] Hallelujah! Thank you for tuning in to this powerful message by David Entry at Karis Phase 2, our Christ-centered youth services. You can never find Christ outside of the open Word of God.

May Jesus Christ reveal himself to you as you listen. 1 Corinthians chapter 12 from verse 1. Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.

Do you know that ye were Gentiles carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led? Wherefore I give you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus a guest, and that no man can say Jesus is Lord but by the Holy Ghost.

Now there are diversities of gifts by the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations by the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations by the same God which worketh all in all.

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to prophesy with all. For to one is given by the Spirit the Word of wisdom, to another the Word of knowledge by the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another the gift of healing by the same Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another diverse kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

[1:37] But all these worketh that one and the self same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he wills.

For us the body is one, and has many members, and all the members of that body, of that one body, be many, a one body, so also is Christ.

For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body. Whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be born or free, and have been given, and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

Here ends the reading of God's Holy Word. Thank you, Jesus, for the preaching, the reading, the preaching, and the hearing of your Word.

In Jesus' name. Amen. Amen. Last week, we learned about what we are not supposed to be ignorant of.

There are quite a few things that you are not supposed to be ignorant about. And there are other things that you are supposed to know. So Paul talks about, and we know that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord.

And we know. It's something you should know. Being a growing Christian is a Christian who is knowing the things of God. It says that for we do not speak the wisdom of this world

1 Corinthians chapter 2. We do not speak the wisdom of this world. From verse 4, it says that when I came to you I cannot come to you with enticing words of man's wisdom, but I came to you with a demonstration of the Holy Spirit and power that your faith will not rest, should not stand in the wisdom of man, but the power of God.

Then he said, however, how be it we speak wisdom or we speak the, we speak wisdom amongst them that are perfect. Perfect there means complete, all, mature.

so as you are maturing, there are things that in Christ it's like full of wisdom, but you don't start based on your intellectual abilities because when you become born again, you don't start with, oh, I understand, I understand.

You can be born again and there are still questions you really don't get, but your spirit is fine. That's why I said except a man is born again, he cannot see. You are talking to a blind man that, you know, the other time when it rained, a lot of buildings were broken or collapsed.

That's why the government has changed the policies. Oh, I see. Blind man say, I see. What have you seen? When people want to say, I see, he's just talking about, I get it.

Unless a man is born again, he cannot get the kingdom. Cannot get, that's why many people outside of church talk rubbish concerning church. People outside the church think they know the church.

Running commentary on church scripture. There are people who are not born again but are sitting online trying to explain the church. It's bizarre and preposterous trying to explain the church.

People who are not born again. But my father is a pastor, so what? You are not born again. You cannot see the kingdom of God.

You are not born again. You cannot see the kingdom of God. So, now back to what I was talking about. When you become born again, suddenly, some things that you struggle to understand in the things of God begin to make sense systematically.

many of you here will still have some questions about the things of God but it's a matter of time. I still have questions that when I meet Jesus I have to ask him.

Because we are not comprehensive or we are not, we are human beings so we are limited but as we walk with God it begins to make sense little after little.

That's why you can't say I have read Romans chapter 9 some time ago so I don't have to read it again. No, you can't say that. You read it yesterday, today you might have to read it again.

Now, I am talking about 1 Corinthians chapter 12. I can be preaching tomorrow if we have I can preach 1 Corinthians and God will show us a new thing. Next week I can preach again, God will show us and the next time we can preach the same thing because you can never, the Bible says that the wisdom and the knowledge of God they are how unsearchable I understand in Romans chapter 11 verse 33 all the depths of both the depth both of the wisdom or the knowledge of God how unsearchable you can't exhaust it all the depths of the richest both of the wisdom and the knowledge of God how unsearchable are his judgments and his ways are past finding his ways are beyond what you can search for you can research so as you walk with God you get understanding so he said however how be it we speak wisdom we speak wisdom we speak wisdom not among them that are perfect those who are maturing those who are growing at a certain it's not how long you've been in church please spiritual growth has not got to do with when you got born again how long you've been born again spiritual growth has everything to do with your ability to yield more to God over a period of time consistently and then you don't go back to some things again and over a long period of time now God has been formed in you in Galatians chapter 4 verse 19 my children and little children whom I travel unto Christ be formed in you and so your spiritual maturity is where you get to a place it's measured based on how much

[8:27] Christ has been formed in you not the strength of your character but how much Christ has been formed in you and that has everything to do with your ability to also understand scripture or your ability to also grow in the knowledge of God you grow in grace 2 Peter chapter 3 verse 18 grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ so everybody must be growing that's why you can't afford after being born again not to be exposed to teachings ah listen to what I didn't say you are eating from everywhere listen to this teaching listen to this teaching why don't you do your education like that you fail your exam you go and listen to this teacher and then listen to this lecture listen to this lecture in this school and this school and this school learn maths in different different schools you fail your math you need a teacher who will take you from the basics and systematically it takes a long time to be under the ministry of a sound teacher it's the Holy Spirit who is our ultimate teacher but he himself is not the one teaching you he uses human agents so Bible says in 1st John chapter 2 verse 27 that the anointing abides in you there's an anointing inside you the unction the anointing which you have received of him abides in you and he need that no man teach you but as the same anointing teaches you all things and it is true it's truth and it's no lie and even as it has taught you ye shall abide in so he said you don't need anybody to teach you see

I have to read my own Bible no no no that's not what he's saying even the teaching I'm doing for you to capture it it takes the spirit of God inside you to interpret it to you to help you to capture to help you to grasp to help you to encapsulate in Ephesians chapter 3 it says that thou will be able to comprehend with all the sins chapter 3 verse 17 and 18 that ye might be able to comprehend that word comprehend with all the sins mean to grasp to come to full terms you're able to take hold of but it takes a certain period of time as you walk with God you are comprehending more and more because God is knowable oh you can know God oh yes not comprehensively though but to a certain limited dimension depending on how much you have been working walking with him the more you walk with him the more you realize you don't know him the more you the closer you get to God the more you realize you want to know him

Paul after teaching all these things he said that that I may know him whatever things Philippians chapter 3 whatever things were gained to me I count them as rubbish for the excellency of the knowledge of God yea verse 8 yea I count all things as done that verse 9 that I may know I may win there he says that and be found not having my own righteousness which is of the law but that which is of faith through faith through the faith of Christ then verse 10 says that that I may God won't I won't know him Paul you mean you don't know him you don't know what I'm talking about God is the knowledge of God cannot be comprehensive for any human being that you get to a place you finish knowing God then it ceases being God because your mind is too small to capture comprehend God in your time you can't even the angels have not finished knowing him the angels in heaven who are always before him why do you think they keep bowing holy holy holy they bow when they lift their eyes they see another dimension of God they have it ah holy holy then they lift their eyes yes every day they keep seeing depths of God that's why Bible talks about how by the church the multifarious multifaceted multifaceted multifaceted multifaceted

Ephesians chapter 3 verse 10 that by through God the multifaceted dimension of wisdom of God through the church might be made manifested to the principalities in heaven that the intent that to the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in the heavenly places might be made known by the church it takes the church for even powers to be able to understand because it's very complicated wisdom that that word that phrase you say the church the more the manifold wisdom when you read and I think amplify which he uses more different ways he uses different multifaceted it's complicated wisdom of God that is the revealed to the ministry the angelic rulers the authority in the heavenly places okay it's a multifaceted it's like a diamond every diamond intricately cut diamond has different faces and the wisdom of God is not one-sided though it has different faces different faces and even the principalities and powers in the heavenly places they are they are struggling to find and so God will use the church to teach them a little bit more about his complicated wisdom

Satan is clever but God is wise so he says that however we speak wisdom amongst those who are matured he said not the yet not the wisdom of this world it's a habit we speak wisdom among those that are perfect yet not the wisdom of this world nor of the principalities sorry nor of the princes of this world that comes to a knot a knot you see what they will tell you if you want to catch a man they have a dress like this they think it works it comes to a knot some of you think you are smart by catching a girl and be messing up that smartness it comes to a knot you think you are smart I won't do school I won't do that I won't do that no one can no one can tell me I should honor anybody no problem just keep going you are heading for a crash the wisdom of this world the wisdom of this world don't confuse cleverness for wisdom there are a lot of people who are intellectuals who are clever but that doesn't mean they have wisdom wisdom is how to handle the matters of life and even that there is what we call the wisdom of this world you have to do it like this it comes to a knot he said so how be in church when it comes to Christ we speak wisdom but that wisdom is not the kind of wisdom the way the world does their things we teach a certain type of wisdom it's authentic it's workable it's dependable it's reliable and yet it's not like the world's wisdom even though it's also wise and it says that it comes look at verse 7 we speak the wisdom that has been reserved for our glory hallelujah but we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery even the wisdom hidden my goodness which God ordained before the world unto our glory there's a certain wisdom that is hidden you can't find that in school so you can tell that it's teaching about how there are things in God that with time you begin to discover we begin to discover and then it goes on to say that we don't speak normal wisdom this wisdom is hidden for our glory then verse 8 verse 8 it goes on to say which none of the priests of this world knew they don't know it so don't let anyone bully you and say

[16:22] I've read wide I've read wide and I understand a lot of things all these things they are teaching you in the church they are just deceiving you tell the person Satan has really deceived you he has deceived you to believe a lie then he says that he says that no eye has seen no ear heard neither has he entered the heart of any man what God has prepared for those who love him then he says that he says that but the spirit of God look at verse 10 a powerful scripture that's where I'm going but God has revealed them to us by his spirit why?

because the spirit searches Google this is better than Google Google can in fact there are things when you even search in Google you won't find about Christ because the world doesn't like Christ so much there are times people complain that if you type who is Jesus Christ it will tell you something else on Google I don't know hey Google who is Jesus Christ sorry mate I don't know so some people complain how can you block that the world doesn't like Christ so don't be deceived about that don't be worried about that at all there's never a time where the world will be so happy with Christianity the world they only like our results when people's lives are changing our results are glorious you can't deny the results Jesus could heal blind people raise the dead how can you deny that one you'll be happy but they don't like our message they don't like our message so it says that no I have sinned but the spirit of God has revealed the spirit searches the deep things of God 1 Corinthians chapter 2 verse 10 it searches the deep things of God now look at

I'm going to verse 13 then I'll move away from there we'll go to 1 Corinthians it said for this is what it means do you know no one knows what is inside you right now when there's a guy you like you will know even your friend will know it's your behavior that will make someone know do you like him hello no man knows what is in a man except even though no man knows your spirit knows for no man know the things of a man save the spirit of man which is inside him even so the things of God knoweth no man but the spirit of God and we have received the spirit look at every song now we have received not the spirit of the world but the spirit which is of God we have received the spirit which is of God why why have you received so that we may know the things which are freely given to us of God oh if I were you

I would shout a very loud hallelujah yeah we have received the spirit and it says that it's not the spirit of the world it's the spirit of God so this wisdom of God we speak is based on what the spirit of God communicates to us so that we don't need a preacher no as the preacher is teaching faithfully from God's word the spirit is now beginning to do the interpretation for you the spirit is beginning to take the words and expound it and show you things that you didn't know previously because he is the teacher he is the magister veritatis the master of the truth the source of truth the origin of truth magister veritatis he is the only one who can teach you the truth he said he when the spirit of truth is come he will guide you and teach you lead you into all truth John chapter 16 he is the spirit of truth so we have received look at verse 13

I like 1 Corinthians chapter 2 verse 13 which means also we are not just being taught but we speak we speak not in words which man's wisdom teach but but which the Holy Ghost teach comparing spiritual see you have to be spiritual to move on to spiritual things comparing spiritual things with spiritual we are speaking it but we are making comparison so can you imagine if you are not spiritual there are a lot of things you are outside of a certain realm and making comments because the fact because you are white red you think that you can understand the things of the spirit no look at the next verse for the natural man the natural man does not receive the things of the spirit of God for they have foolishness unto him don't be surprised the reason why they talk the way they talk don't be surprised even though some people are in church they have been in church a long time he is still a natural man that is why oh this is nonsense oh this is nonsense yes it will be nonsense because you are in the realm of nonsense you are not in a realm you are not in a realm when you are in a realm how many of you have heard preaching where a scripture you know for a long time suddenly say what what is this also in the bible oh thank you

Jesus and you can tell the scripture is jumping at you suddenly light has dawn the scales are falling off your eyes your ears that have been blocked can't be non-stopped oh I feel like preaching God of a child so Paul said I do not want you to be ignorant the problem is we have too many ignorant Christians they know which country is fighting which country they know about fashion you know everything but you don't know the things of God you don't know the things of God you were raised knowing so many other useless and frivolous things but not the things of God but the times have changed the times have changed he said I don't want you to be ignorant and we know you have to be a person Christian a spiritual man a spiritual woman who is growing in your knowledge of what

Christ first and that's what spills over to help give you a better interpretation about every other things in life when you know Christ then you find you when you know Christ then life makes sense when you hear God's word you begin to understand why you are alive life makes sense life makes sense in spite of what you are going through when you begin to discover Christ and know Christ more and more we never come to a place where you are finished knowing God or knowing Christ why because his knowledge is unsearchable it's inexhaustible unsearchable riches it's called the unsearchable riches of Christ but it takes comprehending takes with the saints that's why you can't afford not to be part of a Christian team that share the word of God together hear the word of God on a consistent basis you keep changing like Uber teams no it's not it does not help nobody grows stable to become a stable adult with different family experience every year you are in a different family every year you'll be a very confused child and a dangerous citizen so those people who have this idea about

Christianity and church life I don't have to be part of any church it's just because you don't understand spiritual things if you understand spiritual things you know you have to be part of a church you have to but why do I have to because you have to that's how God has designed it everybody must be part of a spiritual family and stable consistently so every day next week you are here next week you are here next month you are here no no no stop that stop that you can't keep uprooting or transplanting a plant and expect it to grow normally you move here and then you move again and then you move again and then you move again and then you need an environment where God God's word is taught without compromise that you are growing in the knowledge of Christ in Ephesians chapter 4 verse 13 till we all come to the unity of faith till we all come to the unity of faith and of the knowledge not knowledge of mathematics knowledge of the son of God you got to know him you got to know him

Paul said that I might know him there are things you can't afford not to know so it says that I would not have you to be ignorant about spiritual gifts and then he told us about how no one can say Jesus is Lord except by the spirit what?

no one speaking by the spirit will say Jesus be cursed no you can't say Jesus is Lord or you can not communicate the lordship of Christ effectively spiritually when you are not doing it by the Holy Spirit it takes the Holy Spirit to communicate Christ those of you who want to be used by God start desiring for the Holy Spirit desiring oh I need you Holy Spirit I need you Holy Spirit but that's not all that it takes and so we hear we found out in scripture we have word of wisdom word of knowledge discernment of spirit interpretation of tongues diverse kinds of tongues word of prophecy gift of healing working of miracles and gift of faith nine of them we saw how these are spiritual gifts and the Bible says that verse 7 says that but it's the these things are the manifestation of the Holy Ghost it's not your personal gift it's the manifestation of the Holy Ghost and verse 11 says that these are all done by the same spirit as he wills giving it to every man it says that but all these worketh all but all these worketh that one that one and self same self same spirit dividing to every man severally severally as he that he there is not you talking about he

I'm sure New Kitchens will have a capital as the Holy Spirit wills so the Holy Spirit has a will so he's not an it your phone has not got a will so it's an it anything that has a will means he has personality so the Holy Spirit is not an it it was here all calls calls call the Holy Spirit an it but the word of God calls the Holy Spirit a he and his God the Holy Spirit is not just a force amongst us he's God amongst us as they ministered and fasted the Holy Spirit said separate unto me you yes me Acts chapter 13 verse 2 separate unto me Barnabas and Saul for the work which I what who is speaking now don't be confused about it he said so you don't be confused he told us who is speaking as the minister said the Holy Ghost said what is it separate Barnabas and Saul unto me separate you who are you

I am the Lord I am the Lord so the Holy Spirit is a person he has a will he can be grieved he has feelings he said grieve not Ephesians chapter 4 verse 30 grieve not the Holy Spirit of God of which you have been sealed don't grieve him because he's a person these are all traits of a person you can't grieve your phone you can't throw it into water it's not upset with you just that it won't work it's not upset it doesn't have emotions it doesn't have feelings it's not a person but the Holy Spirit is a person you can't grieve him it's like oh no I'm not happy with this oh can you imagine since you became born again how many times you've grieved the Spirit by saying things about other people you shouldn't say watching things you shouldn't watch going places you shouldn't quaffing things in red caps you shouldn't be quapping I've not the Holy Spirit of God tell someone don't grieve the Holy Spirit so you can grieve the Holy Spirit so he has feelings he has will he has will the Holy Spirit he has a mind the Bible talks about the mind of the Spirit he has a mind so these are very important things the Holy Spirit distributes as he wills talking about the gift of the Spirit as he severally as he wills now the question here is so what do

I do to operate the gifts of the Spirit how do I operate the gifts of the Spirit because the Spirit who gives by people who flow in it so what do I do number one if you want to operate the Spirit the gifts of the Spirit first thing is that you have to seek seek God's glory that's where Sabrina the teenage witch comes in to be honest let me ask a question I want you to be honest with me how many of you have imagined you having some powers when I was a child I always imagined once upon a time I thought I would be Superman and roaming in there without an aeroplane sometimes in school when there's somebody you don't like who is being mean to you and you wish you had the powers to make his tongue stick out and so when you watch

Bruce Almighty it makes you want to I wish I had those powers I wish it's natural to want to have powers so people when they come to church and they see the manifestation of the gift of the Spirit where someone is looking at you and beginning to tell you things a word of knowledge when you were coming this happened this happened last week this happened you say wow I want that to do you are Simon the sorcerer is it wrong to want it it's not entirely wrong to want it but your motive for wanting it is where the problem is Simon the sorcerer in Acts chapter 8 Bible says in verse 18 when he saw that through the laying on of some people's hand listen to what he saw the laying on of hands was not a problem for him he can lay hands but he saw that hey come here he laid his hands on them what happened the

Holy Ghost was given so the people they haven't laid hands the Holy Ghost didn't come but you guys are amazing wow he offered them money and you know what he said verse 19 he said give me also this power that on whosoever I lay my hands he may receive the Holy Ghost so now it's about me where I lay my hands hey are you joking me come here say power and you know what Peter said he said your money perish with you not because you give money but because you have thought that you can purchase the gift of God or the gift of God can be bought with money how could you think that listen to the next statement he said you don't have a part in this why your heart you want to flow in the gift of the spirit you are doing that because of your step mother so that one day you tell your dad go to that hotel she's there you want spiritual gift to prove a point to your enemies you want spiritual gift to make a statement to show your family members

I people who desire to operate in the gift of the spirit for their glory Joseph would never have been promoted by God if it was about Joseph's vendetta he was trying to prove his brothers you sold me you will see what I'll do to you you will see what I'll do to you I know I have a destiny when I get there you see that is why when God promotes you you don't use it to fight your enemies who didn't like you when you were nobody because God didn't promote you to prove a point to your enemies he promotes you for his own glory and agenda your enemies will find out they'll be put to shame but that shouldn't be your objective that's why I say when you're in his hand feed him

Joseph said no no no no they were begging him they knew that their dad was that this man will munch us because of the things they had done Genesis chapter 50 verse 19 and 20 Joseph said no am I in the place of God please don't be begging me you meant it for evil but God meant it for good watch this God meant it for good to bring to pass as it is this day to have much people alive if I haven't been brought in people would have been dead so me I can't claim because I couldn't have organized this God did this for his so I can't hold it against you he never could hold it against them not because he was such a kind hearted person but he was a God hearted person so there was no room in his heart for vendetta and revenge you want the gift of the Holy Spirit for revenge to prove a point so that you can when you are dead you are lying and then you are that girl who calls herself a Christian she's your neighbor but you can know what's going on in her room that's why you want the Holy Ghost your heart is not right number one if you want to walk operate spiritual gifts seek God's glory number two you must be Christ centered this whole thing is about Jesus

Jesus at the center of it all from beginning to the end it has always been and always be Jesus nothing else matters Jesus at the center of it all so you must be Christ centered in two areas in your message and in your actions in your message and in your actions you must be Stephen sorry Philip went down to Samaria Acts chapter 8 and preached Christ he preached Christ unto them not philosophy to demonstrate the big words he knows some of you when you get a chance you are just throwing words about when you are asked to pray shika kuku kuku kuku kuku zoomle zoomle tuku kuku kuku you have mastered big tongues but your anointing is very tiny kuku kuku kuku oh thou the omniscient creator of the heavens and the earth what is the meaning of that one you alone who dwells in ancient of days and time before time you commanded and it was thou say it now you are speaking

King James in your prayer thou say it and the charismatic we add meanwhile meanwhile meanwhile when they told you you are about to lose your job you were your father you never almighty God father please father can I talk to you now now I want to talk to you so when people listen to you they feel you are very powerful because of combination of christianese you know chinese japanese if you have christianese a christian language you combine them and you release them and people are so impressed wow this person is deep it's all not christ centered your message must be christ and as you preach your focus is to make christ be seen as you behave your behavior you have an interest that christ will be seen whatever you are doing you have an interest that christ will be seen it's christ centered as i taught on ezekiel 47 it says that it came from the right side the water came from the right side of the altar christ must be the preeminent one in everything you are doing it allows the river to flow the river only flows from where where christ is the center in colossians chapter 1 verse 17 and 18 particularly verse 18 it says that colossians chapter 1 verse 18 and it's before he's the head of the body the church who is the beginning the first born from the dead that in all things he christ might have what the preeminence yeah he's the one might have the preeminence he's the preeminent one before any other one who can be eminent he said preeminent one eminent is like image as the highest preeminent one someone getting something number three what's number one number two number three if you want to operate spiritual gifts i think i would like to go to a scripture first which some of you hasn't realized that didn't really helped me in my life that's what has really helped me in operating spiritual gifts first corinthians chapter 14 let's read it out let's go the second statement no no no please verse one the second statement there what should you do about spiritual gifts what should you do about spiritual gifts you must have a desire for it desire you manifest yourself to me it's so crucial when it comes to anybody who operates in spiritual gifts they desire you must want it you must want to operate in spiritual gifts desire it desire spiritual gifts somebody i think is a good thing to desire spiritual gifts so he said the first one says follow after charity in other words the love of god see where the things that the desire

your love for god and demonstrating the love of god to others must overshadow everything you do then desire spiritual gifts desire spiritual gifts say oh lord oh i will desire spiritual gifts god doesn't give things to people who don't want never forget it god doesn't give gifts to people who don't want it desire spiritual gifts is a crucial aspect can you imagine he says Jesus puts it this way think about it even the giving of the holy spirit he said how much more look 11 13 how much more will your heavenly father how much more shall your heavenly father give the holy spirit not to everybody ah who does he give the holy spirit to you see to those who ask so there is

[43:50] Jesus said whoever is test let him come and drink when it comes to spiritual things what will give you an advantage is desire don't be nonchalant don't say well if god wants he will do don't do that yeah if it's the will of god it's the will of god there are a lot of things that will not be the will of god but will happen against you until you rise up to do something about it he says that when you pray say your will be done so if you don't pray the will be done the will will not be done and you will say maybe god wanted you to do well in your family life but you never prayed about it who told you it was the will of god for james to die in acts chapter 5 and it wasn't certainly not the will of god for peter to die but the church prayed for peter and so he couldn't die prayer can bring the will of god rather to pass so there are some things that will not be in the will of god but will happen and there are things that will be in the will of god but will never happen so you have to pray that will be done on earth as it is in heaven so as for heaven the problem is not heaven it's earth so somebody must be able to pray and transfer the pounds in the account of heaven transfer it from your heavenly accounts into your natural account else your natural account will still be zero desire say desire say it again desire say it louder desire so how do you tap into spiritual or pray spiritual gifts number one seek god's glory number two christ-centeredness number three desire number four are you ready for number four number four wants to make make me walk in a certain way because it's a heavy one for many of you here are you sure you're ready i will say the word it's a it's a big word it's a normal day-to-day language i will say that will make it easier and i will explain it and that will make it closer consecration when you are young you are you have the proclivity of fulfilling the desires of the flesh consecration means you separate yourself and keep yourself as a clean vessel for god let me draw your attention to a scripture it's kind of an interesting scripture very interesting scripture second timothy chapter 2 verse 19 says that nevertheless the foundation of the lord stands firm having this till god knows those who are his ah i don't know why we have been stopping there you see what i mean i don't know why we have been stopping there and he says that and let everyone that names the name of christ do what what's iniquity sin practicing of sin the practicing of sin practicing of things that you know you shouldn't be doing especially when you are alone and people don't know and unfortunately how many of you have had some struggles and you are wondering when can this thing be over

i hate it i don't want to do it but it doesn't leave me i wish

i wish this thing i don't feel for it again hey most of you are hypocrites like that you don't lift your hand meanwhile you are the one i'm talking about you've been a christian but still there are things that are bothering you you have feelings for some things you have temptations for some things why is it so many people when they are not born again they see the way you are praying and sweating they think you don't have struggles but the thing is god never saved your flesh so even though you are saved your flesh is not saved and bible says that it was against your soul abstain from fleshly that first peter chapter 1 verse 11 or 12 it said abstain from fleshly lust which warreth against your soul you are at war it's like guerrilla warfare chapter 2 verse 11 dearly beloved

I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims abstain from what fleshly lust which warre against your soul Galatians chapter 5 verse 16 walk in the spirit and you will not fulfill the desires so the desires of the flesh will stay as long as you are alive on this earth that's why you might hear a church leader has done this a church leader has done that a church praise and worship lady has gotten pregnant with somebody church leader has done that they are also human beings the rice you eat they also eat did you hear what I'm saying there are things you like they also like by nature but as you walk with God you receive grace from the Holy Spirit to bring the body under subjection 1st Corinthians chapter 9 verse 27 he said I bring my body under subjection so so much of your Christian life you must always be like this what I do

I'm keeping my body under why are you not coming for the party I'm keeping my body under subjection oh let's go and watch a movie and bowling with those girls no I want to keep my body under subjection sometimes you have a desire for something but you know what there's a way you have to manage your life so you can keep your body under subjection in Romans chapter 13 it says that don't make occasion for the flesh to fulfill its last Romans 13 12 13 14 or something like that make no room for the flesh to fulfill its last thereof so then if you give the flesh the chance it will do it but put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill the last is always there the last is always there when I got born again many years ago I couldn't wait to be one year in the Lord two years in the Lord so that there will be minimal temptation or minimum temptation the last no as long as you are in this flesh if you have blood in your body because sin dwelleth in the flesh that's in the flesh nothing could dwell in me that's in my flesh so in the flesh you can't serve God in the flesh and there are people who are quarrying with this person arguing with this person and contending with this person

I don't talk to her I don't like him I don't like her I will never forgive him and you are arrogant you are naughty you do your own thing in church and you want to pray in the Holy Spirit oh no there's too much flesh you might not even be engaging in sin like fornication like pornography get busy building your spirit don't be asking pastor I don't know how I can stop this gambling I don't know build your spirit you are not reading your bible you are not praying you are not engaging in listening to messages you've listened to all kinds of junk music and you are wondering why you can't stop fornicating the junk music is fueling your flesh the junk message and the junk association is fueling the flesh it's making the flesh feel so powerful that you want to go there keep pushing me oh my god oh my god oh my gosh

I want to do the things of god your flesh is so powerful everybody's flesh is like that so can [52:39] you imagine the one who is not born again that one is fully flesh it's all flesh all flesh and if your friends are unbelievers who walk in the flesh guess what your flesh will be because you are creating the room for your flesh you are creating the occasion for the flesh to fulfill its last that's why some places I don't want to go it might not be a sin but I don't want to go to empower my flesh being a Christian is not so much predicated on you falling to sin that's why he said in 1st John chapter 2 verse 1 so I write these things that you don't sin but if we sin we have an apple so there's provision that know that your flesh can win but I'm teaching you that if you want to work with God at a certain dimension then you have to believe God so the flesh will not win and if you don't want the flesh to win it's not okay I made up my mind that from today I won't do that no no you say you won't do it but you end up doing it more hello how many of you have ever said I'm not going to do it anymore and you did it much more that's why we have to be careful when we are pointing fingers at people that look at what you're doing look at what you're doing sometimes people are just struggling they can't subject the flesh they can't bring the flesh under control because their spirits are weak didn't

Jesus say the spirit is willing the ability to carry out spiritual things the flesh doesn't have it meanwhile you have empowered the flesh but it doesn't have the strength to do spiritual things the flesh is always weak when it comes to pursue you can't pursue spiritual things in the flesh because the spirit is willing but the flesh is always weak so what you got to do is empower your spirit and pursue spiritual things with your spirit Paul said in Romans chapter 1 verse 9 I serve God with my spirit somebody shout hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah this thing is spiritual comparing spiritual things with spiritual pastor I don't know I'm struggling with porn build your spirit when you tell me you are struggling with porn the first thing that comes to my mind is thanks be to God I thank

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God that you are still feeling uncomfortable about porn as some it's not a struggle they are in it and I don't see anything wrong you are comatose you are in coma spiritual coma so if you don't live by your spirit you will be in church but believe that you are a hypocrite and people you have to now hide because if they find out they will think you are hypocrite but deep in your heart you don't want to be a hypocrite but just that you don't know you can't stop this gambling you don't give offering but you are gambling you want to walk by the spirit consecration it says that let everyone who name the name of christ depart from iniquity that's verse 19 isn't it and then the verse 20 said for in a great house for in a great house there are not only vessels of gold or silver but also wood and earth some for honor and some for the garbage how many of you have garbage cans or garbage beans in your house you don't eat from those bowls you don't eat from them you eat from the proper ones that for honor and the one for garbage the other things you don't like when you finish eating and the rest you pour them and it says in every house they are that so the house of gothu they are vessels that are for the good use of the manifestation of the holy ghost and they are the vessels that is for the rubbish and who chooses who is what it's not

God who chooses the next verse if any man purges himself from this that this depart from iniquity if any man purges himself from this he shall be a vessel of honor sanctified and appropriate for God's use and prepared for every good work so you see it's not God who determines who is going to be used it's the people who are going to be used they determine I'm ready to be used how by purging yourself from these things how do you purge yourself from these things you have to depend on the holy spirit feed your spirit man that's a separate thing I'm talking about how do you keep your system clean depend on the holy spirit number one don't depend on your personal strength because it has been failing you for a long time right and it will continue to fail because you are not stronger than the enemy inside you you are not stronger than the enemy so number one you depend on the holy spirit that's why don't tell me you want to stop stealing you want to stop fornicating you want to stop acting doing the porn act you want to stop gambling you want to stop raving you want to stop before you you want to break out with that boy you want to break out with that girl because that's your problem you really like girls someone told me many years ago many years when I was secondary school a boy said you know what

David if God kill all girls we will serve God I'm not lying he told me my school mates I was preaching to him he said David I won't lie you I really want to serve God but girls if God can get rid of all girls I will serve him you know so you don't want to wait till you have broken up the relationship before you serve God some people will tell you I'm waiting when I break up I'm waiting when I stop this you can't stop it by yourself so what do you do you jump out of it and come to Christ and he'll give you the empowerment by his spirit and now you see the devil he said serve I can handle you you build up your spirit big up your spirit man so even though you know how many of you sometimes want to do something and you want to stop but you keep going you keep going sometimes you feel like you a slave and it's so frustrating that's why when you see a Christian who is caught into something don't attack them because if the person is a real

Christian one of the frustrating things that can happen to a Christian is to fall into sin no Christian likes sinning hello no Christian so you are not spiritual if you attack people who first is caught in sin it's not a sign of spirituality a sign of spirituality is you seek to restore them Galatians chapter 6 verse 1 if anyone is overtaken by a fault you who are spiritual you prove that you are spiritual by restoring that person that shows you are spiritual be the conduit the channel of restoration for the person who has been caught in sin instead of telling people you have to pray nowadays some of people they call themselves Christians because you don't want to be what they are doing you are not spiritual in spite of the numerous fasting you are doing you are not spiritual fasting doesn't mean you are spiritual because other religions have been fasting too but some people even when they are fast that's when they commit suicide bombing they will kill people during their fasting fasting fasting doesn't make you spiritual necessarily am I teaching at all

I just want you to understand that the struggles of the flesh never ends till you die everybody have what tempts them everybody there are some things that are general when you see people who have wait you can tell food can be a major temptation for them so different things some of some of us fashion fashion you kill for Gucci bag your biggest dream is is it called banking that's why when you find out the guy is a footballer you are now interested so everybody and some of you particularly ladies your temptation is how not to wear tight revealing things things that will be showing how protruding your hips are all your life that's how you've dressed and you like when men look at you you love it that's your value now you're born again but that temptation is still there everybody has their different areas of some people their temptation is bitterness against their father against their mother against their ex that one has a lot of girls here like that no one told you to go out with him if you had not broken your heart you wouldn't have come to church thank

God so you should actually thank God for his life that he ghosted you and went for somebody else guys I have to run up I have to stand I'm talking about consecration you want to consecration holiness is a booster for anointing he said for you will never you will not suffer your holy one to see corruption you can't be holy and get corrupted he said Jesus was resurrected by the spirit of holiness Romans chapter 1 verse 4 and 5 resurrected verse 4 actually by the spirit of holiness yeah declared to be the son of God according to the spirit of holiness by the resurrection from that he couldn't have stayed dead because he says for death could not hold him captive

Acts chapter 2 verse 24 25 for it was impossible that death could hold him why because the sting of death is sin 1 Corinthians chapter 15 from verse 56 the sting what death can use to where your sting the sting of death is sin so if there's no sin he said the sting of death is what sin sin in your life is what gives death opportunity to hold to you to come into your life to invade your life sin Jesus Christ he was sinless so when he died he just got up because it wasn't possible that the grave death should hold him by the spirit of holiness is someone learning something else I don't want it to sound simplistic I know some of us here have your own struggles but the way forward is to build your spirit it doesn't leave it doesn't leave you die with it as you grow it might mutate yeah it might mutate it might change focus so maybe you used to be very bitter always angry now it has changed you are not as bitter but you are always gossiping as you are growing then you used to after some while maybe gossip will stay and then it will add you like people's men or people's women yeah and you don't know why am

I always interested in somebody's man what's wrong with me and sometimes you understand yourself it's the flesh it's the human nature it can like things that you don't want to like do you understand that that's why stop condemning yourself and build your spirit build your spirit build your spirit if you find yourself struggling with sin and temptation and you realize that desire is heightening inside you temptation the desire for sin the desire is growing and you don't understand where is this thing coming from I can tell you number one you are not reading your bible the more you read your bible constantly for some reason it has a way of nourishing your spirit man I'm telling you it might sound so simplistic try it try reading your bible constantly and see if sin can have dominion over you read your bible as a christian feed your spirit man must not live but every word that means if you are not going to the word you are not feeding you are malnourished you are famished that's why your spirit doesn't have the strength to say no to say no to the flesh the flesh so it's the flesh the flesh is pushing your spirit oh my god oh my god am I going to this guy again oh my god you know what is about to happen but you you call the uber oh my god oh my god and you send your message let's meet at the shard oh my god so two things from this two two things from this when you're a christian you see someone in the flesh don't take it too personal pray for them doesn't matter how spiritual they look if you hear negative things about people who are supposed to be christians and they say they've done this they've done it don't join don't be an ignorant christian and join because you can be a christian and so forth bible said he who thinks he stands let him be careful lest he falls first corinthians chapter 10 verse 12 and 13 can you imagine so you can be standing but the bible said be careful lest he fall whoever wherefore let him that think he stands what be careful lest you fall so you can fall but once you are careful once you mind what you are focusing on mind what is coming in mind your association mind your exposure you are careful many years ago when i was 18 when i was 19 when i was 20 we have so many christian sisters on fire around us on fire and we are not married and you would think that the fact that you are preaching your fire you won't have feelings for sisters feelings for sisters is normal hello hi it's normal so we come to a conclusion no no no i won't hug any sister because these sisters are hugging you and you finish and you feel ah jesus it's so nice it's so nice her sister hugs you and she's and she's and she's finished she's going but you feel like oh no don't go don't go don't go so me and my friends we made conclusions came to conclusions that we don't hug sisters then somebody say about you are weak yes i'm weak yes i'm weak yes i'm weak i don't hug sisters yes i'm weak yes i'm weak i don't want to fake it yes i'm weak and i will stay strong i will end up lasting than you who think you are strong listen to what i didn't say i didn't say

when you hug a sister it's a sin or a brother for that matter because some of the sisters [68:54] they really want to hug but i don't like that expression on your face listen don't think i said that because people are online we are live people are online and they will be saying that's what i never said that i only said be mindful know your strength know your weakness some of you you know anyway i don't go to parties like you know where there'll be alcohol i don't i don't have friends who invite me to kind of environment but some of you you still have family and stuff like that and maybe you go and you know that you used to struggle with alcohol when you see a glass sweating with guinness guinness glass or beer a pint glass oh my good even pint glass makes your mouth to water now so you see somebody i met a guy he's a pastor in a certain pastor there was some event celebration and i said but you didn't go he said no i don't want to go i said why he said the alcohol there i used to struggle a lot with alcohol that's one thing god delivered me from and i don't want to expose myself to an alcoholic environment because i don't know because if i fall back to it i don't know why it would let me to you understand that so you have to block those who have been sending you photographic images because now you are changed but your taste hasn't gone your taste hasn't changed your spirit is born again your body is not born again your soul is being renewed so it gets to a time where those temptations don't mean much because your soul has been so renewed you have gotten to a certain place i've moved too far from my main topic let me go back consecration if you want to operate the gifts of the spirit consecration keep your vessel clean dedicate yourself to god and it will make a difference did somebody receive something give jesus praise thank you for choosing to listen to this message by david entry we hope you were blessed by it you can connect with david entry on all relevant social media platforms including tiktok and threads there's also many more messages to listen to from david entry on all relevant streaming platforms and on the carish church app be blessed be blessed