

have mentioned. Those who live by the character principles of the Word will be able to war with their prophecies and assimilate the present truths that are the meat of the Word.

In so doing we are restored to the **“measure and stature of the fullness of Christ”** (Eph. 4:13). We are restored to walk according to the pattern for sons of God which we observe in Jesus while He lived on earth.

The only thing remaining to be restored is our bodies, which will occur at the Second Coming of Jesus bodily to earth when He shall change our physical bodies to be like His own glorified body (Phil. 3:21).

Spirit & Truth

Jesus walked in “all truth” of the Word, and “all anointing” of the Spirit.

“For he whom God has send speaks the words of God; for God gives not the Spirit by measure unto Him.” -John 3:34

In this verse we see the Word of God and the Holy Spirit functioning together. Jesus walked in the Word and anointing that the Father gave Him. He was the **“embodiment of the truth”** (John 1:14) and was anointed with the Holy Ghost and Power (Acts 10:38).

This is a picture of what a New Testament Believer can look like and is what God intends for every one of us as born again, spirit filled children of God.

During our journey from life in Adam to life in Christ we are prone to emphasize one and minimize the other. True worship is the balance in our lives of the WORD and the SPIRIT.

Through the Spirit we can do like Him in ministry. Again, the balance is equality of BEING and DOING.

We see many believers today who emphasize the Spirit and doing the works of Jesus but are very shallow personally. Then there are those who emphasize the Word without the fullness of what the Spirit can do, showing great principled lives but little spiritual manifestation of power in doing the works of Jesus.

“He that believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also” (John 14:12-14).

We are seeking to be ALL that we can be, and DO all that we can do in this end time revival occurring on earth presently.

Restored believers will understand and walk as Jesus walked, in the Word and Spirit of the Father.

Jesus didn’t need to go to a revival meeting to get on fire. He was a walking revival setting His world on fire.

We can and will be the same way as we fully embrace God’s will and worship in spirit and in truth.



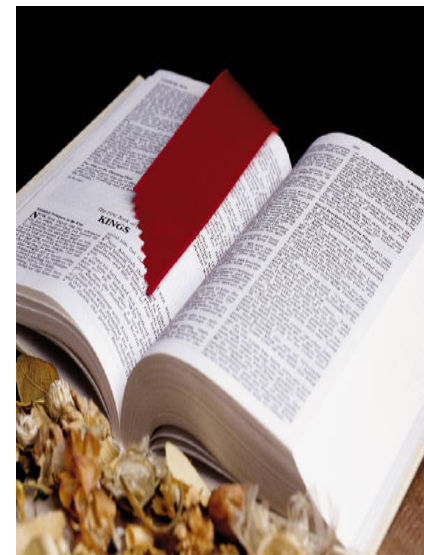
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HOW TO RECEIVE THE WORD OF GOD



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There are three basic ways the Word is administered and received.

Firstly in “principle” which is taught by Pastors to local church people. Second there are “prophecies” which are given by the prophets to the Body of Christ individually and corporately. Lastly in “present truth” which is brought to the church by the Apostles.

PRESENT TRUTH

“Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things though you know them and be established in the PRESENT TRUTH.” 2 Peter 1:2

Present truth is the message of the Apostle to the church. Apostles today are restoring truth that has been lost to tradition, so that the Church may be **“the glorious church without spot or wrinkle”** that Jesus is and will reign through.

Apostle Peter tells us in this verse that we are to be **established in the present truth.**

While God is restoring all things to His Church, the people of God are to embrace each fresh revelation being brought by **“His holy Apostles and Prophets”**, and to **“go from one degree of glory to another”**.

It is fresh revelation that brings the glory of His Presence to us. Present truth then is that particular truth that God is emphasizing at any time to His people.

A present truth becomes Church wide revelation. It is not the sole possession of any individual group of believers or denomination. It will be published and read across any and all boundaries within the Body of Christ.

Believers who are hungry for fresh bread will sniff it out as it were, as it comes piping hot from God’s oven.

Each of the restoration truths that have been received by the Church at large over the last 500 years, up to and including the current message of **Divine Government, Fivefold Ministry and Spiritual Fathering** have all been trumpeted by modern day Apostles.

The believers that **“have ears to hear what the Holy Spirit is saying”** recognize and receive the present truth and become established in it as part of their overall doctrine.

In 1 Thessalonians 3:9-10, we see the Apostolic ministry of restoring truth so that believers may be established as it is administered through Paul.

“For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before God; night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith.” 1 Thess. 3:9-10

Even though the Thessalonians were world renowned for their **“work of faith and labor of love and patience and hope” (1 Thess. 1:3)** Paul was looking for any area they still needed to be established in. This was so that he might **“present every man perfect in Christ Jesus” (Col. 1:28).**

God knows that His Church is strong in some areas and weak in others, so He sends Apostolic ministries to emphasize truths to fill up what is lacking in our faith (or the sum total of our belief).

When Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our confession (Heb. 3:1) was dealing with the rich young ruler in Matthew 19:16-22), He pointed out the **“one thing”** the young man was lacking. He had kept all the commandments from his childhood

on, except for taking care of the poor. Jesus shows us that to be brought to completion or maturity (to walk as Jesus walked manifesting the power of the Kingdom of God among men) then he will continue to inspect our lives as the Bishop and Overseer of our souls (1 Peter 2:25). He seeks to **“fill up that which is lacking in our faith”** by sending Apostolic voices to us with present truth.

RESTORED BELIEVERS

As believers in Jesus Christ, we are growing up in all aspects into Him which is the head, even Christ. (Eph. 4:15).

God created man in His image and crowned him with His Glory (Gen. 1:26; Ps. 8:5). But after Adam fell, man lost both the image and glory of God. In that vacuum he became possessed with the spirit of disobedience proceeding from Satan (Eph. 2:1-3).

God’s plan to have man in His image was completed through the redemptive work of Jesus and is effected in us by the power of the Spirit of God when we are born again.

Following the New Birth, we begin to desire the **“sincere milk of the Word that we may grow by it”** (1 Peter 2:2) to meat (1 Cor. 3:2) to strong meat (Heb. 5:14) of the Word of God.

Strong meat is for those who are of **“full age”** according to this verse. So there are truths that cannot be handled by us until we have matured through the more elementary principles of the Word of God.

I believe these three categories apply to the principles, prophecies and present truths we