WORSHIP GOD IN SPIRIT &

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A Pictorial Introduction To The Exhilarating Baptism Of The Spirit Which Enables A Believer To Worship God In Spirit & In Truth

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PREFACE

Worship God In Spirit & In Truth is the seventh in a seven book series (FREELY AVAILABLE ONLINE) which captures the revelations and inspirations given to the Author by God that were posted online in subject groupings / collections. These posts were not planned or pre-organized but produced on the same morning that prayer and communion with God was made before the actual postings. Indeed, many of the posts especially blessed the Author himself who had not previously encountered what many of the Posts communicated. [Most of the content used in the One God One Lord and God Is A Generous Giver & Just Rewarder Collections are derived from Mark's first book, Whose Will Be Done? (also freely available online).] Often, the Holy Spirit would guide the Author to the verse used in the Post by placing one or several words into his mind which were then searched in the King James Bible (KJV). The Spirit would then highlight the words He wanted Mark to embolden which assisted in the emphasis to be made in the Posting through capitalizations, fonts and colours. The postings for each day were thematic and, when placed end-to-end in time sequence, formed themes and eventual 'Collections' which the Author has grouped and laid out in each book of this Series. The seven books ('Collections) in this Series are based upon their respective subject groupings and each are entitled as follows:

- (1) Life After Our Redemption;
- (2) God Is A Generous Giver & Just Rewarder;
- (3) The Earth Magnificent, Dynamic & Created By God;
- (4) God Versus The Religious Mind;
- (5) Death After Life A Grave Issue;
- (6) One God One Lord; and
- (7) Worship God In Spirit & In Truth.

From the need for a person to receive the Holy Spirit to the worship of The One God by Jesus Christ, from the comfort that our loved ones will one day be raised to life to the need to test the spirits and traditions of men with the Word of God and Spiritual Discernment, as well as the acknowledgement that we truly are on a wonderful and unique Earth and that God will spoil all those who are faithful to His Calling through Jesus Christ with Crowns, power, authority, unions, babies and fulfillment during Christ's 1,000 Year Reign and beyond, the Posts in this Series will greatly bless and encourage all readers as they check each verse stated and marvel at the riches God has placed before us all.

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Worship God In Spirit & In Truth is by no means an exhaustive text but a tool to generate thought and the subsequent worship of the One True God and Jesus Christ which has been distorted and watered down by the traditions of men. Hence, verses from The Bible in this work are preferred over traditional positions held by many religious people as Scripture holds the authority of God who inspired Holy People to write words down on His behalf. The Postings contain separate moments of revelation and contemplation upon Scripture which have been grouped into this Collection of Posts that were previously made online by the Author through various Service Providers. Content and the words used were received by the Author from the Holy Spirit through words and visions as promised would occur in these 'End Times' (Acts 2:16ff KJV). Of note, because the Author is a life-long student of Scripture feedback from readers is cordially welcomed as are your prayers for this work.

Those who are moved by God to support this work through prayer and 'grassroots networking', as well as delivering this work to non-English readers, are warmly welcomed and invited to contact the Author about such opportunities.

DEDICATION

This work is dedicated to The Living God Who first created the Earth and then the Heavens, and Who raised Jesus Christ from the dead. It is dedicated to The One Who knew everyone before they were born and yet still intensely desired to love and live with every individual as a Father to a Child; Who promised, protected, provided, and purchased every soul who is free to choose eternal life in Christ. It is dedicated to Him to Whom Jesus Christ worshipped, loved, served, and obeyed—even to the point of torture and death by ignorant men.

It is also dedicated to the Only Begotten Son of God who died because He put aside His own Will in the Garden of Gethsemane when He uttered the words, "Not my Will but your Will be done". It is dedicated to The One Who created the Earth and the Heavens with God, His Father; Who always did the Will of His Father and not His own; Who now sits at the Right Hand of God and is ordained by Almighty God to be worshipped as God.

WORSHIP GOD IN SPIRIT & IN TRUTH is also dedicated to each one for whom the Lord Jesus Christ gave His life on the gruesome cross; to the One who hungered and is now filled; to the One for whom Jesus Christ will always be their living fountain of water; to the One who will be raised or changed in the twinkle of an eye to be forever with The Lord from On High; and to the One who believes after the Church has been Raptured to the clouds to be with The Lord forevermore.



KJV = *King James Version* (with words such as 'thou' changed to 'you')

'Genesis 1:1' is a format used to reference a verse (or verses) in the Bible and reads: the Book of Genesis, chapter 1, verse 1. Likewise, Acts 2:1-47 says: the Book of Acts, chapter 2 and all the verses from verse 1 to verse 47.

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POSTINGS

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Paul performed many great works for God because he was meek to The Lord and empowered by the holy spirit within him. He SPOKE IN TONGUES MUCH AND EXHORTED ALL BELIEVERS EVERYWHERE TO FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE (and the other Apostles) by speaking and worshiping in the spirit of God (see Previous Postings). While he worshiped God IN SPIRIT and in Truth he warned Believers to beware of people who did not worship God as he taught but to FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE which is shown THROUGHOUT HIS LETTERS TO THE CHURCHES and the BOOK OF ACTS. Why? Because God seeks those who will worship Him IN SPIRIT and in Truth.

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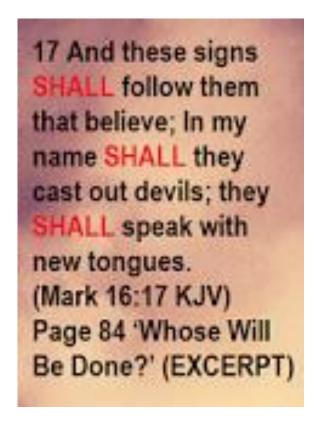
124 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit... [5] differences of administrations, but the same Lord... [6] diversities of operations, but it is the same God which works all in all. 7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. 8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom... word of knowledge... [9] faith ... gifts of healing... [10] working of miracles... prophecy... discerning of spirits... divers kinds of tongues... interpretation of tongues: 11 But all these works that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally WILL... [18] God set the members every one of them in the body, AS IT HAS PLEASED HIM... 31 BUT COVET EARNESTLY THE BEST GIFTS...; [141] **DESIRE SPIRITUAL GIFTS... [12]** forasmuch as YOU ARE ZEALOUS OF SPIRITUAL GIFTS, SEEK THAT YOU MAY EXCEL to the edifying of the church... [13] him that speaks in an unknown tongue PRAY THAT HE MAY INTERPRET... [39] COVET TO PROPHESY... (1 Corinthians 12:4-11, 31; 14:1, 12-13, 39 KJV)

Every time I have the thought to Speak in Tongues I do so (but only in my mind if in a group of people); every time I Speak in Tongues in a Believers meeting (at the appointed time 'decently and in order') I interpret what I just spoke when I sense the end of the tongue message and I receive the first English word in my mind (the remaining words simply flow after the first word is given by the spirit and spoken by my mouth); every time I am prompted to prophesy (again, at the appointed time in a meeting) I say the first English word and the rest simply flow off my tongue.

All interpretations and all prophesies ALWAYS edify the listener. The remaining gifts/manifestations of the spirit are also available from God to each Believer but I have found these operate WHEN God wills it without my anticipation — often when I am ministering to someone or in a dangerous situation ('comes out-of-the-blue'). I cannot anticipate when Word of Knowledge, Word of Wisdom etc will come to me but the spirit of God within my body enables me to meet any challenge or call to service just as long as I am ready to do His Will. I am not alone in these experiences with God and it is a VERY EXCITING LIFE HE WANTS

ALL OF US TO HAVE. While I do not prophesy or heal all the time, I Speak in Tongues much which The Bible clearly declares is 'essential' to the walk of every Believer (see Previous Postings).

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Even before Pentecost arrived Jesus Christ told His disciples that the signs which would follow His Believers will include Speaking with 'New Tongues'.

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues. (Mark 16:17 KJV) Page 84 'Whose Will Be Done?' 3rd Ed (EXCERPT)

18 I THANK MY GOD, I SPEAK TH TONGUES MORE THAN YOU ALL: 19 YET IN THE CHURCH I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue... 12 Even so you, for as much as you are zealous of spiritual gifts, SEEK THAT YOU MAY CEL TO THE EDIFYING OF HE CHURCH, 13 Wherefore let him that speaks in an unknown tongue PRAY THAT HE MAY INTERPRET... 5 I would that you all spoke with tongues but rather that you prophesied: for greater is he that prophesies than he that speaks with tongues, EXCEPT HE INTERPRET, that the CHURCH MAY RECEIVE EDIFYING. (1) Corinthians 14:18-19, 12-13, 5 KJV)

Not only did Believers in Corinth and elsewhere Speak in Tongues (and not forbid Speaking in Tongues as Commanded by The Lord in 1 Corinthians 14:37, 39 KJV) but Paul said that he Spoke in Tongues MORE THAN THEM ALL (but when in a group it was only to be done OUT LOUD if interpreted—INTERPRETATION AND PROPHECY HANDLED SEPARATELY WHICH EACH BELIEVER CAN ALSO SEEK TO DO (!!)).

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Scripture declares of itself that it is inspired of God and is the instruction 'manual' to be used for godly or 'right' believing and action. Regarding spiritual gifts and matters, Paul was inspired by God to write 1 Corinthians 12 to 14 which (LARGE) section is not only vital to the understanding and application of the spiritual walk in Jesus Christ but it is to be considered the commandments of The Lord for you and me; such commandments includes NOT TO FORBID SPEAKING IN TONGUES.

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Every Believer in Christ is Baptized with the holy spirit and to be 'Baptized' by the spirit is evidenced when a person Speaks in Tongues (already shown in my Previous Postings and Chapter 6.7 of 'Whose Will Be Done?' 3rd Edition (English)

(http://ftp.whosewillbedone.altervista.org). This manifestation of the powerful and godly presence of the spirit of God within each Believer is needed and ordained by God to empower and bless each person in His Church; God wants EVERYONE to operate this spiritual 'enablement' (THERE ARE 14 USES AND BENEFITS FOR SPEAKING IN TONGUES in Scripture which will be shown in upcoming postings). So dynamic is this blessing from God that EACH BELIEVER IN CHRIST is TOLD to DESIRE and SEEK this manifestation of the holy spirit in their lives; it not only has direct benefits for the speaker but it also edifies, blesses and exhorts the listeners when operated properly (misuse of Speaking in Tongues in group meetings is addressed in 1 Corinthians 14). Despite the misuse of this wonderful blessing from God by some in the Early Church (and today), it should be emphasized that EVERY BELIEVER addressed by Paul in the EARLY CHURCH at Corinth SPOKE IN TONGUES.

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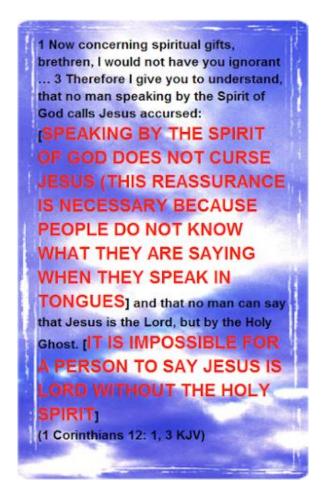
FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD; A JUSTIFIED PERSON WILL SHOW OTHERS THEIR FAITH BY WORKS — BELIEF IN ONE GOD IS NOT ENOUGH (!)

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Time is too short and The Word of God too precious to debate. Unless God tells you to stay and speak to someone's heart it is strongly recommended that you find someone else who may not yet have heard The Good News. The fields are full but there are so few workers; with so many people yet to be given the opportunity to worship God in Spirit and in Truth, let's live our lives for Him being confident in The One Who has gone before us, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

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God does not want you and me to be ignorant about spiritual gifts (or 'spiritual matters') and has recorded information in the Bible about speaking in tongues so that we can learn more about it and seek His Blessing and Will for our lives in this vital subject. Pages 84-85 'Whose Will Be Done?' (EXCERPT)

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant... 3 Therefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed: [SPEAKING BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD DOES NOT CURSE JESUS (THIS REASSURANCE IS NECESSARY BECAUSE PEOPLE DO NOT KNOW WHAT THEY ARE SAYING WHEN THEY SPEAK IN TONGUES)] and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. [IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR A PERSON TO SAY JESUS IS LORD WITHOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT] (1 Corinthians 12:1, 3 KJV)

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Scripture declares that one day Speaking in Tongues will cease, as well as knowledge and prophecies: 8 Charity [love] never fails: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away (1 Corinthians 13:8 KJV).]. But WHEN exactly will 'tongues' cease and prophesies fail? Scripture says that prophesies will still be given in 'The Last Days':

17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: 18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: (Acts 2:17-18 KJV). Prophesies will still be given right up to and during 'The Last Days'. (And 'Knowledge' is still here with us.)

Likewise, 'Tongues' can be assumed to still be available up to and including 'The Last Days' as there is not a single verse that states Speaking in Tongues is no longer available today (or that not every Believer in Christ can Speak in Tongues); all Believers everywhere—since the Day of Pentecost in Acts 2—can expect that God wants them (and will enable them) to Speak in Tongues. (Speaking in Tongues is not salvation in and of itself but it signifies to the speaker and listener that a person is baptized of the holy spirit and has received salvation in Christ.) It is given by God Who wants such an act to be done by each Believer in worship to Him. Speaking

in Tongues in The Church is first recorded in Acts 2 where the hearers heard 'the wonderful works of God'.

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9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. 10 For every one that asks receives; and he that seeks finds; and to him that knocks it shall be opened. 11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?... 13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him? (Luke 11:9-11, 13 KJV) Page 86 'Whose Will Be Done?' (EXCERPT)

Jesus Christ promised that God would give the holy spirit to those who ASKED Him for it—then and now; Pentecost and in the 21st Century. If you currently do not speak in tongues and have not asked God to receive the holy spirit you should do so now as IT IS THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT BAPTIZES A BELIEVER (see earlier Posting) and ENABLES A PERSON TO WORSHIP GOD IN SPIRIT (and truth). If you do not know if you are Born Again read the relevant sections of 'Whose Will Be Done?' and pray the Prayer on page 46 of the 3rd English Edition (different page number for the Non-English editions).

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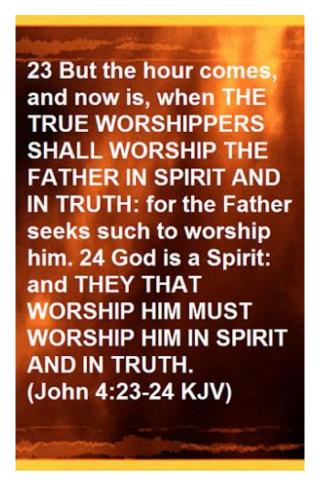
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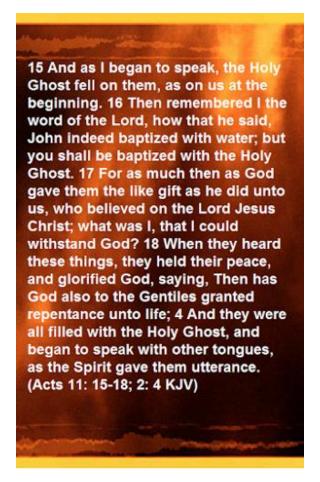


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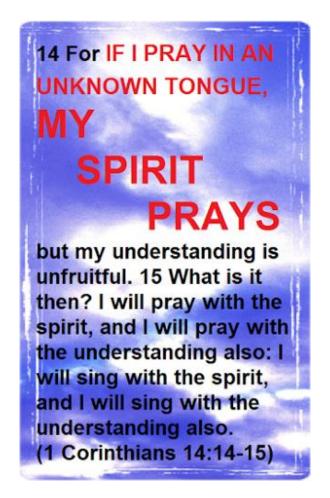
SPEAK IN TONGUES' POSTINGS, WATCH FOR THE NEXT POSTING (ANECDOTES) AND ENJOY THIS RICH BLESSING FROM THE LORD)] (:

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SPEAKING IN TONGUES SIGN THAT A PERSON IS BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning. 16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but you shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost. 17 For as much then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God? 18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then has God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life; 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. (Acts 11: 15-18; 2: 4 KJV)



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SPEAKING IN TONGUES GIVES THANKS WELL AND IS PERFECT PRAYER (BECAUSE IT BY-PASSES OUR OWN [LIMITED] HUMAN UNDERSTANDING ABOUT A NEED, PERSON OR SITUATION)

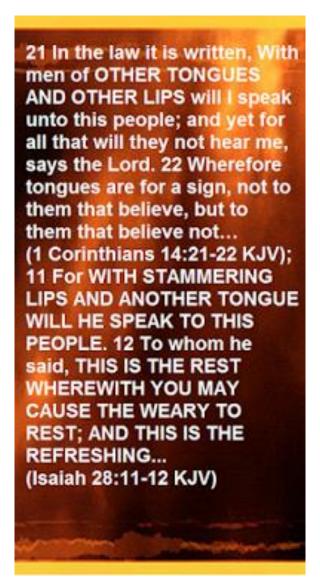
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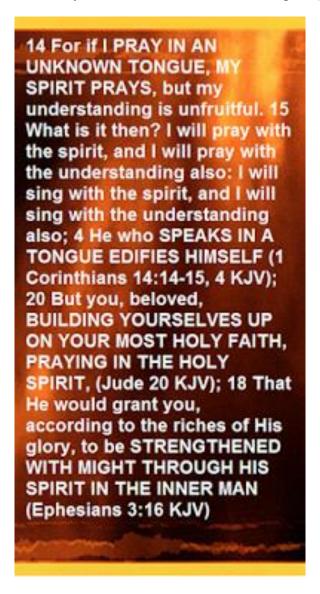
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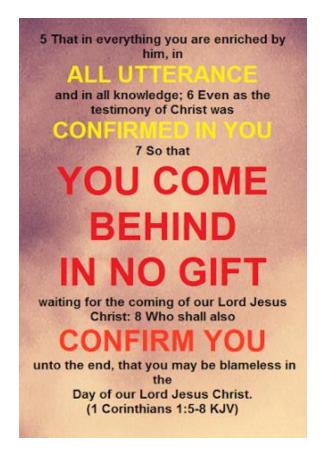
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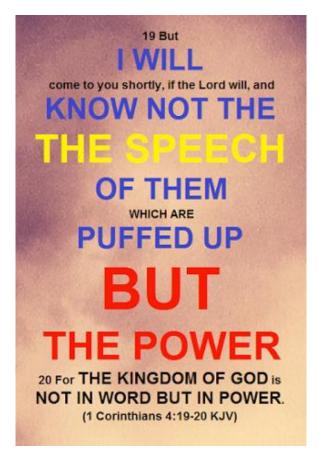
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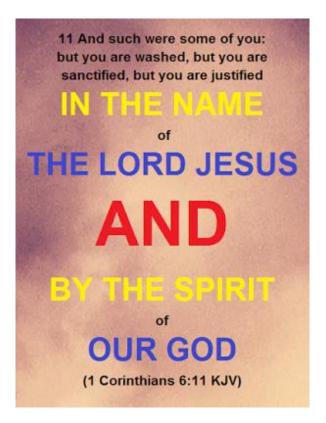


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DO NOT indulge those who argue against what Scripture teaches about Spiritual Matters. We are told that God does not want us to be ignorant of spiritual matters and we are exhorted to seek out spiritual gifts to bless and operate in our love to God and the Body of Christ. Words of men (especially from the religious) can be deceptive; the Words from the Holy Spirit speak truth and power - BOTH in our understanding and when speaking / singing in tongues (which is POWER given from God for His Kingdom!).

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11 And such were some of you: but you are washed, but you are sanctified, but you are justified IN THE NAME of THE LORD JESUS, AND BY THE SPIRIT of OUR GOD. (1 Corinthians 6:11 KJV)



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'Whose Will Be Done?' (Section 6.7)

CONCLUSION

All the statements in *Worship God In Spirit & In Truth* are based upon verses taken from the Bible (KJV) in order to use what God spoke to the holy men who recorded God's Words onto scrolls. There are so many verses that state God's love for every single human being and that He seeks worship from each person 'in spirit and in truth'. We show our love and affection to family members and close friends through hugs, kisses and loving words but how do spirits give and receive affection? They do not have physical bodies that we can kiss and hug but do feel the words, emotions and music we play; it is the words, emotions and music that God seeks from us in worship and thanksgiving to Him which He has also ordained is to be done towards His Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ. On Pentecost, the Early Church Family received spirit into their minds and bodies from God that was not only holy but a powerfully intelligent spirit that enabled the perfect worship of God through spoken and sung words in a 'language unknown' to the speaker, as well as other powers that were to edify, exhort and encourage The Household of Faith in a hostile world. This gift of the holy spirit is still given today to every person who receives Christ into their lives and it is to be manifested by faith in the various forms declared in Scripture.

There are many teachings and doctrines taught by people about God, Jesus Christ, the Baptism of The Spirit and the Bible, and you and I need to test each claim and belief with the Word of God instead of the traditions of men. There are many arguments of carnal / religious people against the issues raised in this Book but none were quoted or directly debated given that time is valuable and *Worship God In Spirit & In Truth* is written for those who are or will be saved — not those who do not love God's Word.

Despite the lack of Faith through ignorance and wrong teaching prevalent in the world today, from time-to-time I like to visit churches to see if I can learn anything from the pulpit or congregation members. Sometimes, I am delighted with what I find; often I am not. Scripture is clear regarding the need for those who are new in the Faith of Jesus Christ to avoid contentious arguments and those who are contrary to themselves and so it is recommended that novice Believers seek fellowship with likeminded Believers who love God and have not been seduced by the doctrines of men. For those who are mature in their love and walk with God and Jesus Christ, who are able to maintain their love for God and objectivity of thought, I encourage you to love and witness to those who are in churches and cathedrals — especially if they are open to the worship God seeks: that of the spirit and in truth. Otherwise, the Bible clearly states that, while God and Jesus Christ are long suffering with every person, we are to reject a person after the first and second admonition.

⁹ But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain. ¹⁰ A man that is an heretic after the first and second admonition

reject; ¹¹ Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sins, being condemned of himself. (Titus 3:9-11 KJV); ³⁷ If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord. ³⁸ But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant. (1 Corinthians 14:37-38 KJV)

Time is too short and The Word of God too precious to debate. Unless God tells you to stay and speak to someone's heart it is strongly recommended that you find someone else who may not yet have heard The Good News. The fields are full but there are so few workers; with so many people yet to be given the opportunity to worship God in Spirit and in Truth, let's live our lives for Him being confident in The One Who has gone before us, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

18 THE EYES OF YOUR UNDERSTANDING BEING ENLIGHTENED; THAT YE MAY KNOW WHAT IS THE HOPE OF HIS CALLING, AND WHAT THE RICHES OF THE GLORY OF HIS INHERITANCE IN THE SAINTS, 19 AND WHAT IS THE EXCEEDING GREATNESS OF HIS POWER TO US-WARD WHO BELIEVE, ACCORDING TO THE WORKING OF HIS MIGHTY POWER, 20 WHICH HE WROUGHT IN CHRIST, WHEN HE RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD, AND SET HIM AT HIS OWN RIGHT HAND IN THE HEAVENLY PLACES, 21 FAR ABOVE ALL PRINCIPALITY, AND POWER, AND MIGHT, AND DOMINION, AND EVERY NAME THAT IS NAMED, NOT ONLY IN THIS WORLD, BUT ALSO IN THAT WHICH IS TO COME: (EPHESIANS 1:18-21 KJV)

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In the Royal Australian Navy, Mark initiated and led a small Christian fellowship onboard a guided missile destroyer and continued to experience persecution which had begun in Basic Training. Regardless of the hostility all Believers experience in this world, Mark remained faithful and witnessed in the various ports he travelled to during his naval deployments in the Indian and South Pacific Oceans.

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