PNEUMATIKOS PEOPLE OF THE SPIRIT PART 5
"THE GIFT OF LANGUAGE"
SCRIPTURE: 1 CORINTHIANS 14
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INTRODUCTION

- The Spirit is always characterized by His Power and Mystery.
- Last week we covered faith, healing, miracles, and prophecy. All supernatural.
- The Spirit [like Jesus] is concerned with transformation from the inside out.
- 1 Corinthians 12:8-10, "To one person the Spirit gives …the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said."
- The Groups of the Gifts of the Spirit:
  - The Gifts to Say: prophecy, tongues, and interpretation
  - The Gifts to Do: healings, miracles and faith
  - The Gifts to Know: discerning of spirits, knowledge and wisdom

I. DISCERNING SPIRITS

- Discerning spirits functionally means to judge through.
- Three types of 'spirits': demonic, angelic, human
- Discerning Demonic Spirits **-** Mark 1:21-27
  - Only done through the presence of the Holy Spirit.
  - Why do we need to know? 2 Thessalonians 2:3-9
- Discerning Human Spirits
  - Jesus' discernment positioned Him to speak into the lives of people and bring transformation.
  - John 2:23-35 - Jesus saw their hearts and He discerned their motives.

II. The Beauty of Spiritual Language

- 1 Corinthians 14:1-5a, "…[2] For if you have the ability to speak in tongues, you will be talking only to God…You will be speaking by the power of the Spirit, but it will all be mysterious… [4] A person who speaks in tongues is strengthened personally… [5] I wish you could all speak in tongues…"
- Paul is convinced that many, if not all, Jesus followers should speak in tongues.
- Three Types of Tongues:
  - Prayer Language - 1 Corinthians 14:2-4
    - Usually Private/personal – frequently used
  - Prophetic Language - 1 Corinthians 14:5
    - Public – situational, infrequent and more rare use - Comes standard with interpretation!!
  - Worship Language - 1 Corinthians 14:15
    - Should start in private, can be public – situational, publicly more infrequent.

CLOSE

- A gift doesn't reach its full potential until it is received, embraced, and used!!
- Ephesians 5:15-20, "…be filled with the Holy Spirit, [19] singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts…"