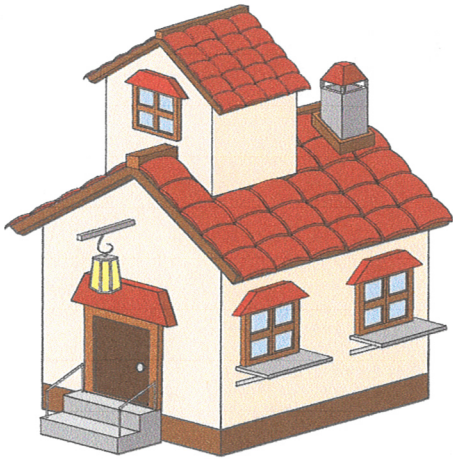


What is in the House?



House of Wisdom



House of Folly

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Exercise Your Spiritual Gifts

Smith Wigglesworth on Spiritual Gifts

God wants us to enter into the rest of faith. He desires us to have all confidence in Him. He purposes that His Word will be established in our hearts, and, as we believe His Word, we will see that "all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26).

In I Corinthians 12:1 we read, "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant." There is a great weakness in the church of Christ because of an awful ignorance concerning the Spirit of God and the gifts He has come to bring. God wants us to be powerful in every way because of the revelation of the knowledge of His will concerning the power and manifestation of His Spirit. He desires us to be continually hungry to receive more and more of His Spirit.

It is impossible to overestimate the importance of being filled with the Spirit. It is impossible for us to meet the conditions of the day, to "walk in the light as He is in the light" (I John 1:7), to subdue kingdoms and work righteousness and bind the power of Satan unless we are filled with the Holy Spirit.

In the early church, "they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42). It is important for us also to continue steadfastly in these same things.

God wants us to understand spiritual gifts and to "earnestly desire the best gifts" (I Cor. 12:31). He also wants us to enter into the "more excellent way" (v. 31) of the fruit of the Spirit. We must implore God for these gifts. It is a serious thing to

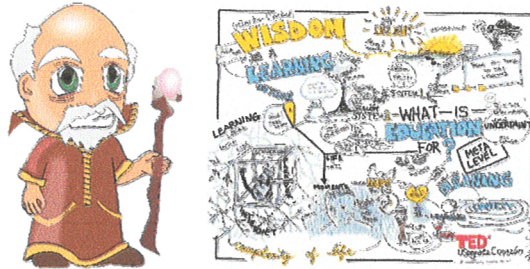
have succession on the same spiritual plane is a tragedy. We must be willing to deny ourselves everything to receive the revelation of God's truth and to receive the fullness of the spirit. Only that will satisfy God, and nothing less must satisfy us.

A young Russian received the Holy Spirit and was mightily clothed with power from on high. The secret of his power was a continuous waiting upon God. As the Holy spirit filled him, it seemed as though every breath became a prayer, and so his entire ministry was continually increasing.

Yes, there is power, a blessing, an assurance, a rest in the presence of the Holy Spirit. You can feel His presence and know that He is with you. You do not need to spend an hour without this inner knowledge of His Holy presence. With His power upon you, there can be no failure. You are above par all the time.

He has grafted the gentiles into the olive tree where many of the Jews were broken off. (Romans 11:17-25). There has never been a time when God has been so favorable to a people who were not a people. (I Peter 2:9-10) He has brought in the Gentiles to carry out His purpose of preaching the Gospel to all nations and receiving the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish this task. It is because of the mercy of God that He has turned to the Gentiles and made us partakers of all the blessings that belong to the Jews. Here, under this canopy of glory, because we believe, we get all the blessings of faithful Abraham.

Using Wisdom Wisely



"Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but whoever hates correction is stupid."

Proverbs 12:1

"Meditate on his Word Day and night, on his promises, on truths about who he is, on how he can be trusted, on how he is sovereign and in control." Proverbs 12:25

Assesses the Situation

(Assesses- evaluate or estimate the nature, ability, or quality of)

Think (have a particular opinion, belief, or idea about someone or something)

Learn the Facts (a thing that is known or proved to be true)

Understand the details (perceive the intended meaning of words; interpret or view something in a particular way)

Discern the situation (perceive or recognize something)

Prudence (being careful and wise in one's actions, exercising good judgment, managing affairs with foresight)

Action (something done, either a specific "act" or a process of doing something) **Wisdom** (the quality of having experience, knowledge, and good judgment; the quality of being wise) Understand life from God's perspective.



Discerning the situation: What Scripture supports your decision?

What action will you take to resolve the problem?