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## Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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### # 05-225-47 THROUGH THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT

:00- Comments related to the study up to this point. There is to be no separation between Christian truth and Christian living. In true Christianity, belief and behavior are to be linked – no separation.

5:25 Romans 15:14 “Goodness”. Part of the fruit of the Spirit – flowing from the Spirit led person(s). “Knowledge”. They clearly understood the necessity to understand what they professed to believe. “Instruct one another”. Learning to share the truth brings about more understanding.

8:45 Hebrews 5:11-6:3 In contrast to the commendation to the Romans, the Hebrew author cites the underachievement of his audience. In spiritual terms – a lack of maturity.

The aim point for the Christian should be to mature their understanding to the point that they can give a rationale for the faith that they hold and able to explain it to someone else. Just articulating on the short list in Hebrews 6:1-2 is the very basic starting part of Christian growth and progression.

17:25 Romans 15:15-16 Reading. Teaching Paul was “called” by grace to be a minister of Christ.

20:00 Galatians 1:13-17 Paul was called by God even before he was born.

22:10 Jeremiah 1:4-5 The prophet was called by God even before his birth. Reference Isaiah 49:5-6 Called to be a servant of God before he was born. The same is true for us.

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25:00 Romans 15:16 Paul sees his calling to be a priest, proclaiming the gospel so that the Gentiles become an offering to God, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

29:10 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 The gospel truth will not be arrived at by human intellection alone. The truth will come by the converting act of God's grace through the testimony (preaching) of those in Christ (not at all limited to the ordained clergy).

33:50 2 Corinthians 4:5 The subject of the Gospel is Jesus Christ as Lord, who made it possible for us to be part of God's family through reconciliation.

34:40 Romans 15:16-19 Paul sees the power of Jesus Christ in his service to God. He accomplishes more than humanly possible and he knows it. Reference Matthew 5:16. Thoughts on humility in God's service.

41:55 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Paul did not resort to eloquent wisdom, but he presented the gospel message simply; knowing that God would demonstrate his own power so that the spread of the message would not have to rely on man's wisdom and presentation skills. Reference 2 Corinthians 10:10. The effectiveness of a servant of Christ depends on, the call, the yielded-ness to the call, and a willingness to be a channel for the Holy Spirit.

47:20 2 Corinthians 3:4-6 Paul recognizes that any competence which he has comes from the Holy Spirit.

50:45 Questions from the congregation. The first person cites 1 Corinthians 15:10 as an indication that Paul attributes the success of ministry to God's grace.

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Next question: what is the significance of Paul's encounter with God on the road to Damascus. Reference Acts 22:8-10. Paul responds to God's call.

Next question: There was a mention of the abc's of the faith in Hebrews 6:1-2 but where is any mention of the xyz's. Then a follow up question as to how one acquires the xyz's of the faith. Proverbs 2:1-5. Receive, seek and understand.

Next question: What is the role of reason and intellect in the maturing process of growing in the Lord.

Next question: Isn't there a passage which says that there is enough evidence in nature to bring people to the knowledge of God. Terry mentions Romans 1:19-20 as the passage.

Next question: Is it possible to explain Christianity in an orderly and logical way?

59:25 Romans 15:22-33 Reading and teaching.

1:00:03 Question about the kind of "knowledge" which allows one to truly know the Lord.

The willingness to do the will of God is the pre-condition to knowing it. Similarly the trust and willingness to receive God fully, is the pre-condition to experience him working in your life in power.

Rom. 15:14 I myself am satisfied about you, my brethren, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, and able to instruct one another.

Heb. 5:11 About this we have much to say which is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. 12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need some one to teach you again the first principles of God's word. You need milk, not solid food; 13 for every one who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a child. 14 But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their faculties trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

Heb. 6:1 Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, 2 with instruction about ablutions, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment. 3 And this we will do if God permits.

Rom. 15:15 But on some points I have written to you very boldly by way of reminder, because of the grace given me by God 16 to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

Gal. 1:13 For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; 14 and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. 15 But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, 16 was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, 17 nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus.

Jer. 1:4 Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Is. 49:5 And now the LORD says, who formed me from the womb to be his

servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength — 6 he says: “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the preserved of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

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1Cor. 1:18 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the cleverness of the clever I will thwart.” 20 Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? 21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. 22 For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, 23 but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

2Cor. 4:5 For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake.

Rom. 15:16 to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. 17 In Christ Jesus, then, I have reason to be proud of my work for God. 18 For I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has wrought through me to win obedience from the Gentiles, by word and deed, 19 by the power of signs and wonders, by the power of the Holy Spirit, so that from Jerusalem and as far round as Illyricum I have fully preached the gospel of Christ,

Matt. 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

1Cor. 2:1 When I came to you, brethren, I did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God in lofty words or wisdom. 2 For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. 3 And I was with you in weakness and in much fear and trembling; 4 and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

2Cor. 10:10 For they say, "His letters are weighty and strong, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech of no account."

2Cor. 3:4 Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. 5 Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, 6 who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not in a written code but in the Spirit; for the written code kills, but the Spirit gives life.

1Cor. 15:10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me.

Acts 22:8 And I answered, 'Who are you, Lord?' And he said to me, 'I am Jesus of Nazareth whom you are persecuting.' 9 Now those who were with me saw the light but did not hear the voice of the one who was speaking to me. 10 And I said, 'What shall I do, Lord?' And the Lord said to me, 'Rise, and go into Damascus, and there you will be told all that is appointed for you to do.'

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Prov. 2:1 My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, 2 making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; 3 yes, if you cry out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, 4 if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures; 5 then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God.

Rom. 1:19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. 20 Ever since the creation of the world his invisible nature, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse;

Rom. 15:22 This is the reason why I have so often been hindered from coming to you. 23 But now, since I no longer have any room for work in these regions, and since I have longed for many years to come to you, 24 I hope to see you in passing as I go to Spain, and to be sped on my journey there by you, once I have enjoyed your company for a little. 25 At present, however, I am going to Jerusalem with aid for the saints. 26 For Macedonia and Achaia have been pleased to make some contribution for the poor among the saints at Jerusalem; 27 they were pleased to do it, and indeed they are in debt to them, for if the Gentiles have come to share in their spiritual blessings, they ought also to be of service to them in material blessings. 28 When therefore I have completed this, and have delivered to them what has been raised, I shall go on by way of you to Spain; 29 and I know that when I come to you I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of Christ.

Rom. 15:30 I appeal to you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf, 31 that I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints, 32 so that by God's will I may come to you with joy and be refreshed in your company. 33 The God of peace be with you all. Amen.