



“The Holy Spirit & Wisdom”

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Seven Lamps of the Menorah : Isaiah 11:2

Each lamp of the menorah represents a
ministry of the Holy Spirit

1. *The Spirit of the Lord*
2. *The Spirit of Wisdom*
3. *The Spirit of Understanding*
4. *The Spirit of Counsel*
5. *The Spirit of Might*
6. *The Spirit of Knowledge*
7. *The Spirit of the Fear of the Lord*



Ruach Ha Kodesh Hebrew חַוֵּי שְׂדוּקָה = Divine Inspiration– Holy Spirit

Genesis 3: There were 2 trees in the garden– tree of the knowledge of good and evil – tree of life. Man lost his flow of divine wisdom through disobedience. Throughout the OT we see God imparting His wisdom on certain men for specific times and things, but only for a specified time. After He sent His Son to pay the price for the sin of the world He gives back the ability to access the **Ruach ha Kodesh**, or divine wisdom , back to man as he diligently seeks it and live a life worthy of flowing in it through the Holy Spirit – The Holy Spirit came inside of us to live.

Acts 1:8 “You shall receive power after the Holy Spirit”

(Acts 6:1-8) “And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministrations. {2} Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. {3} Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. {4} But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. {5} And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: {6} Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. {7} And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith. {8} And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.”

The selection of 7 deacons represents another aspect of the ministry of the Holy Spirit. That is, the ability to bring order out of confusion. This reflects wisdom, or the ability to solve problems. Like when god said let there be. (Genesis 1) Let’s look at this spiritual wisdom in the scriptures. -- Of course we see this prophesied to be in Jesus.

(Isa 11:1-2) **And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: {2} And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;**

You see, He knows the past, present , and future. He knows the mind of God in every situation. The 1st Adam knew and the 2nd Adam knows. He knows the calling of God on every individual. He knows everything about the financial world and the political world. Because He is the **Ruach Ha Kodesh**. ---- And we have the mind of Christ.

The Holy Spirit gave wisdom to Joseph about how to prepare for the future. ---

[\(Gen 41:38-40\)](#) And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find such a one as this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is? {39} And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath showed thee all this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou art: {40} Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou.”

He gave Daniel wisdom about the future of Babylon:

[\(Dan 5:11-12\)](#) “There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy father, the king, I say, thy father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers; {12} Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and showing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will show the interpretation.”

The Holy Spirit gave both these men a word of wisdom that brought promotion and favor in their nations. Wisdom is always a revelation of the pattern of God for a certain area of the kingdom. Every house has a blueprint, a pattern from which it is built. The Holy Spirit’s wisdom is evidenced when He shows you the pattern for anything you are trying to “build” – your life, family, finances, ministry, church, or nation.

It was through the Holy Spirit’s wisdom that Moses received the pattern for the Tabernacle.

[\(Exodus 25:9\)](#) “According to all that I show thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it.”

David received the pattern for the Holy Temple by the Spirit of Wisdom.

[\(1 Chr.28:12\)](#) “And the pattern of all that he had by the spirit, of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the dedicated things: “

Noah received the pattern for the ark, and Moses received the order for the march in the wilderness from this divine assignment that is given to man called the Spirit of Wisdom.

The Bible you hold in your hand is God’s Wisdom written for mankind.

[2 Tim 3:16](#) “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: [17](#) That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.”

Back to Acts 6 and let's look at the pattern for the church --- The fast growing church at Jerusalem was no longer able to keep up with the needs of the people. Their systems and structure had broken down. They needed a new pattern, a paradigm shift that would enable them to hold the growth. The solution was given to the twelve apostles. They yielded to the Holy Spirit's government in the church. He gave them the solution of appointing seven deacons to handle the feeding of the widows. The Twelve laid hands on the new deacons and delegated their authority to them. These elder and deacons were a carryover from the Old Testament priest and Levites. ALL of our problems arise from something being out of order! And if we will return to the "pattern," things will become simple and enjoyable again. --- somebody say amen!

Let's bring this down to where the rubber meets the road. --- How to walk in the wisdom of the Spirit. The Ruach Ha Kodesh.

1. Wisdom in your personal life --- (Eph 5:15-20) See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, {16} Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. {17} Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. {18} And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; {19} Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; {20} Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

First, the Holy Spirit wants to give you wisdom in your personal life -- in your conduct, character, speech, habits, and decisions. If your filled with the Spirit at all times, then your won't act like a fool. In your personal life, you need wisdom in dealing with your time and your money. The Holy Spirit will help you prioritize your spending of time and use of money so that you can achieve the purpose to which you are called. You will give of yourself and your money as He leads you to and not as your self-centered natural man wants to do. You will flow out of the wisdom of God a always be successful as God has designed you to be.

2. Wisdom in your family life --- (Eph 5:21-25) Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. {22} Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. {23} For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. {24} Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. {25} Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

Many families need to rediscover the pattern in the roles for husbands and wives. As head of the household, the man was intended to carry the physical, emotional, financial, and spiritual load. The wife was meant to be protected and loved so that she could flourish in her gifts and callings. Children are to be taught the pattern of respecting their parents, and parents are meant to be "Gods model of wisdom" for their children. This not only establishes the fear of God in their lives, but also imparts a sense of security in God's love.

When we get away from God's pattern for the family, -- foolishness, rebellion and chaos are the result. --- The society we live in today in America, is a statement to the foolishness of trying to build a family on the pattern of secular humanism.

3. Wisdom in your occupation --- (Eph 6:5-7) Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; {6} Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; {7} With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:

The Holy Spirit wants to give you wisdom to be a consistent, faithful, and energetic employee. Your attitude should be one of servant-hood, enthusiasm, and quality. A wise employee is productive as opposed to a person with a lazy spirit who sleeps late, doesn't reach any goals and is basically unfruitful. --- Wisdom brings the ability to solve problems, and the Holy Spirit will bless your boss and give you favor with him.

4. Wisdom in your ministry --- Acts 6. If you are wise in your personal life, family, and occupation, God will reward you with a ministry. The seven deacons were selected because they were "well respected and full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom. V3. They knew their gifting and worked with all their hearts so that the pastors would be free to work in their gifting. The Holy Spirit knows our place and function. All of us are called to be able ministers of the New Covenant. We must all win souls.

(Prov 11:30) The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that wins souls is wise.

When talking about fruitfulness, Jesus said some would bear fruit 30-fold, some 60-fold, and some a 100-fold, but that everyone would be fruitful! Your assignment this week is to take this Spirit of Wisdom, this Ruach HaKodesh that is within you and go make a difference in someone's life. Blessing!

The first Hebrew Scripture use for the phrase Ruach haKodesh (or "holy spirit") in Psalms 51 contains a triple parallelism:

10 "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit (רוח) within me."

11 "Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit (רוח קדש) from me." "Do not fling me from Your presence", commenting: "as elsewhere, this Hebrew verb has a connotation of violent action for which the conventional translation of it as 'cast' is too tame." [1]:

12 "Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with a (רוח חיה) free spirit."

The Holy Spirit is for everyone and for today! James 1:5-6 "And if any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that gives to all men liberally and upbraids not: and it (wisdom) shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavers is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed."