

Sermon Notes

God's Secret Weapon Part 5

February 3rd – February 4th, 2024

- **God's Secret Weapon:** God's Secret Weapon? His love for us all!!!
 - o **Part 4: Pastor Daniel – Living a Christ Like Life**
 - “In this world we are like Jesus” 1 John 4. How do we get there?
 - Having the humility to be able to receive instruction from God.
- **Part 5: Our Divine Helper**
- Today we talk about the Holy Spirit. **1 John 4:13**
 - o Problem: When believers just don't get it. Don't get the heart of God but just follow rules. (or not)
 - o God's love for us and sending the Holy Spirit solves that problem.
- Best sermon I ever heard about the Holy Spirit was at Commencement at PCC!!!
 - o Old Testament temple: people had received instruction from God, they built it the way they were told, everything was finished and ready to go, they made sacrifices, had amazing music...but the most important thing was missing.
 - But then...**2 Chronicles 5:13-14**. And then...**2 Chronicles 7:1-3**
 - We are like Solomon's Temple. Can have all the teaching, all the skills, all the things in the right order...but without the Spirit of the Lord filling us we are an empty temple.
- Two extremes:
 - o 1) Talk about the Holy Spirit, but there's nothing there but ideas.
 - o 2) It's all about speaking in tongues.
 - o What is the heart of God with this?? So we have an advocate, helper, comforter, and counselor!
- God loves us so he doesn't leave us here as orphans, lost and without a shepherd. John 14-16.
 - o Examples: **John 14:15-18, John 14:25-26, John 15:26-27, John 16:7**
 - o Advocate in this version. Others: Helper, Counselor, Comforter. He loves us this much!
- The New Testament Temple is the people, not the building.
 - o The group: **1 Corinthians 3:16-17**
 - o The Individual: **1 Corinthians 6:19-20**
- The followers of Jesus were told to wait for the Holy Spirit. **Acts 1:4-5**
 - o They had followed Jesus for 3 years! They saw Him do miracles and did ministry under Him!
 - And still, Jesus said don't do **Acts 1:8** until the Holy Spirit comes on you.
 - Just like the in the Old Testament, the presence of God came into the temple. **Acts 2:1-4**
- We, if we are going to be at all effective, need the Holy Spirit in us.
 - o The fruit of the Spirit: **Galatians 5:22-25**.
 - How good of a world would it be if all of Jesus' followers kept in step with the Spirit??
- How do we get this??
 - o As we read in Acts 1, Jesus baptizes in the Holy Spirit. We receive from Him.
 - It's the pully thing again. From God, He is the drive pully.
 - Let go of some things. Hurt. Anger. Pride. Hopelessness. Fear. Neediness. Etc.
 - o And ask Jesus for some help. **Luke 11:11-13**
 - He will meet you where you are at.
 - It's time to be filled with the right Spirit.
- Get prayer by emailing the prayer team: prayer@goodhope.ag