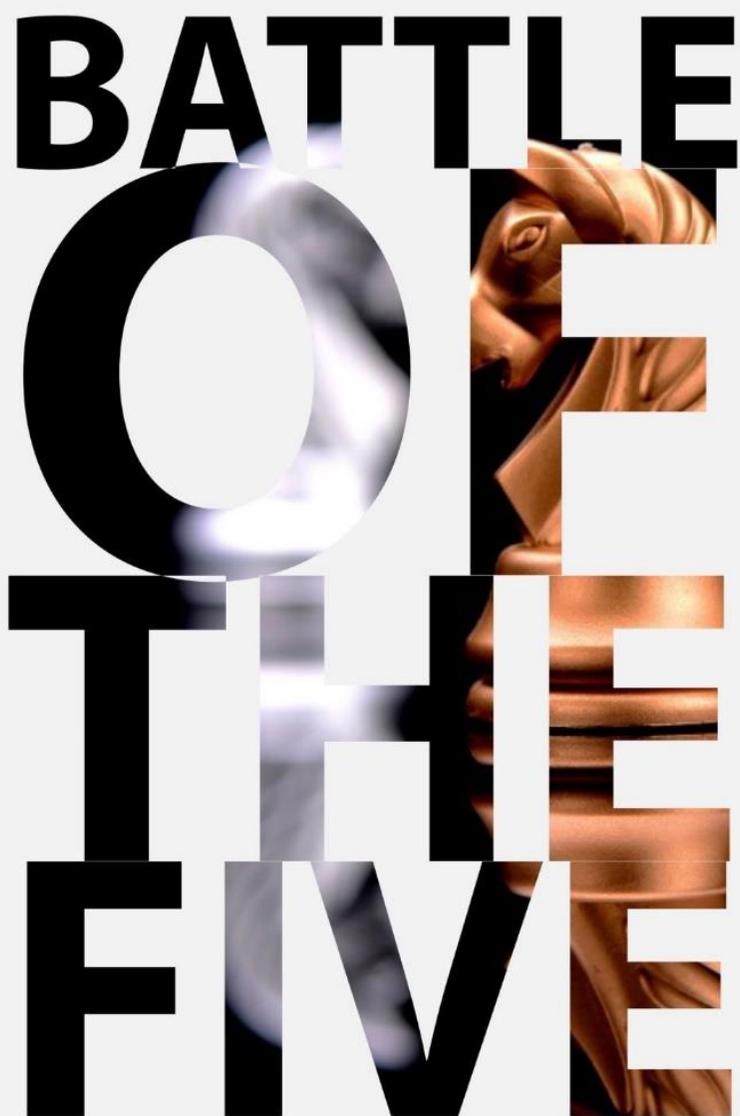


# BATTLE OF THE FIVE



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# Chapter 1

## The Battle of the Five

Let me lay the foundation of how this book came to me. I was seeking the Father about things that were going on in my life. The Holy Spirit had instructed me several months before to build a church that would be for teens. As I began to build this church, it seemed like the powers of hell broke loose over me. The Father spoke to me through the Spirit saying five evil spirits had been assigned to me, by Satan, to stop the church we had begun.

As I meditated on what the Holy Spirit had spoken, I asked him, “What are the names of these evil spirits, and what are their methods of attack?” The Holy Spirit began to tell me the names of these spirits and their avenues of attack against me. One evil spirit would be a religious spirit that would use the religious forces of the area to try to destroy the work. The second spirit would come against my mind and emotions. The third spirit would fight my finances and mechanical things to put pressure on my family life. The fourth spirit would be a spirit of false words and signs. The Holy Spirit informed me to be very careful and watch this particular spirit closely. This is a very dangerous spirit. The last spirit would be sickness. It would do its best to place sickness on my family.

The Holy Spirit instructed me to address these five spirits directly and not give them place. He said to bind them in the name of Jesus and go on. That is exactly what I did.

I want to clarify this one point. Each assignment from God is different. Each area has spirits that will hinder the work and assignments of God. The ones I have identified are the ones assigned to hinder me and the work God gave me to do. You will hear from God yourself if you are to identify a spirit by name to bind him.

As I meditated on these five avenues of attack, the Holy Spirit said to me, “This is the fivefold ministry of Satan.” This was a term I had never heard

before. I said to the Holy Spirit, “I know the fivefold ministry of God is in Ephesians 4:11-12: apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers. If there is a fivefold ministry of Satan, you will have to show me a scripture that list it. It also has to be in the same level of authority – the first being equal to an apostle, the second being equal to a prophet, and so on.”

The Holy Spirit brought me to Ephesians 6:11-12. There it was, Satan, Principalities, Powers, Ruler of the darkness in this world, and spiritual wickedness in high places. He brought me to the structure of the fivefold ministries of Satan.

In this book, I will show how God has the fivefold ministry he uses to move in this world. I will also show how Satan has a counterfeit structure to fight against the church. First, we must lay a foundation. Let’s answer some questions that are probably in your mind by now.

Why is the fivefold ministry of God listed by the name of the office? Why is the fivefold ministry of Satan listed by the spirit behind the office? To clarify these questions, I will list several important points.

For the natural minds sake, I will bring out scriptures of the different offices and their counterfeits.

1. Satan is not the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is God; therefore, can be all places, knowing all things at one time. This allows him to be the spiritual force behind all of the fivefold offices of God. Satan, on the other hand, is a fallen angel. He has to work through a structure to govern or rule over his kingdom.
2. Ephesians 3:8-11: *“<sup>8</sup> Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; <sup>9</sup> And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: <sup>10</sup> To the intent*

*that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, <sup>11</sup> According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:"*

"Principalities and powers would be known by the church" is the manifold wisdom of God and his eternal purpose in Jesus Christ. Satan has no principalities of his own; he can only copy what he sees the church do.

3. What is the purpose of the fivefold ministry of God? Ephesians 4:11-13: *"<sup>11</sup> And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; <sup>12</sup> For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: <sup>13</sup> Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:"*

-  For the perfecting of the saints
-  For the working of the ministry
-  For the edification of the body of Christ
-  To bring the unity of the faith
-  To bring us to that perfect man and the fullness of the measure of Christ

If you are not submitted to the fivefold ministry of Christ, you will never become the perfect man or woman that God wants you to be. You cannot get out on your own away from the body of Christ. That is when you will be deceived. We will get into more detail as we teach on the different offices.

4. What is the purpose of the fivefold ministry of Satan? Ephesians 6:11-12: *"<sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of*

*the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.”*  
Here, it is evident the purpose of the fivefold ministry of Satan is to fight against and tear down the body of Christ. It also serves as a means by which Satan governs over His kingdom.

Please take time to read and study the scripture verses as you go through this book. Study them, so they will become rooted in you. Just to read what I have found in God’s Word is not enough. You must see it for yourself and allow the Holy Spirit to make it alive and living to you.

1 Corinthians 2:14 says the natural mind cannot receive the things of God. Romans 8:5-6 says to be carnally minded is death. Your natural mind does not want you to understand the fivefold ministry of God or flow with them. It also does not want you to understand the fivefold ministry of Satan nor understand how to fight against it.

Please take a moment and pray for the leading of the Holy Spirit before we go on. This is vital to your understanding.

## Chapter 2

### The Apostles

Ephesians 2:19-22 says, *“<sup>19</sup> Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; <sup>20</sup>And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone.”*

Verse 20: We are built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets.

Verse 21: We are fitly framed together growing unto a holy temple in the Lord.

Verse 22: In whom ye are a habitation of God.

### The Apostles of God

First, we see the apostles and prophets work hand in hand to lay a foundation for the body of Christ. The problem in many churches today is they are not letting the apostles and prophets lay a foundation for what the church is doing. They readily accept the pastor, evangelist, and teacher, but are afraid of the apostles and prophets. We must submit to the whole fivefold ministries of God, not just the part we want, if we are to be that perfect man in full stature of the measure of Christ.

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## **Laying the Foundation**

How did the apostle of God lay down a foundation for the body of Christ? In 1 Corinthians 9:1-2, the seal of Paul's apostleship was he had founded the church at Corinth in the Lord. He had taught them what the Word of God said and how it applied to them. He had raised them up in the things of God. Everything the church at Corinth taught and believed, they learned from the apostle. As we read the book of 1 Corinthians, Paul corrects them in the things they believed are wrong and shows them the mysteries of God. In 2 Corinthians 4:1-2, we see the apostolic ministry of Paul laying the foundation in the Word for the church. It is the apostle's job to lay the foundation for what the body of Christ teaches and believes in the Word. They are the pace setters in the doctrine that is accepted in the body. Men like Larry Lea, who teaches the body how to pray, Jerry Savel and Kenneth Hagin, who teach the body faith, what their rights are and who they are in Jesus Christ and all the great men of God, set the standards of what the Word is saying to the church.

## **The Apostles of Satan**

Where are the false Apostles found? We said earlier, the authoritative structure of Satan would have to be listed in order of the fivefold ministry of God. Satan's authoritative structure can be identified in the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> verses of Ephesians chapter 6. Satan is listed first in verse 11; therefore, Satan has to be the spirit behind the false apostle. Through the false apostle, Satan fights against the office of the apostle. Let's look to the scriptures to see if that is so.

## **Satan Fighting The Apostle**

Let's go back to 2 Corinthians chapter 4 and read a little further. In verse 3 and 4, Paul says he laid a foundation in the Word and that the god of this world blinded the minds of them that are lost. Here, Satan himself is fighting and stopping man from seeing what the Apostle is doing. Satan is not God. He cannot be all places at one time. Therefore, Satan must set up an authoritative structure whereby he governs, or directs, his leaders

(or false Apostles). They, in turn, govern the lower levels of satanic authority. It is like our army in the United States. The President, as the commander-in chief, does not counsel with the privates or even the sergeants. He counsels with the generals. They tell him what the lower levels need to accomplish their job. Satan's army is the same way. He counsels with his false apostles, and they tell him what the lower satanic levels need to accomplish their job.

Just how does Satan blind those that are lost, so they don't hear the apostle's teachings? 2 Corinthians 11:13-14 says, *"<sup>13</sup> For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.<sup>14</sup> And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light."*

False apostles are emphasized in verse 13. They transform themselves into apostles of Christ. These verses indicate a setup of a false religious system. Verse 4 of the same chapter tells that they will preach another Jesus, another gospel, and another spirit. In other words, they will pervert the gospel of Christ. They will twist it to meet their own selfish needs and desires. 2 Timothy 3:5, *"Having a form of godliness, but denying the power of it..."*. They will reason away and deny the supernatural power of God. They will teach against everything that is supernatural. It is imperative for us to realize without the power of God, we are no threat to Satan and his Kingdom.

Mark 7:13; *"Making the word of God of no effect through your traditions which ye have delivered; and many such things do ye."* They will set up traditions of men to make the Word of God of no effect. The most dangerous thing in a Christian's life is to reason along the line of phrases, "I believe" or "my church teaches". We must rather be open to the Word of God. If what you believe does not line up with the Word of God, you need to check what set of apostles gave it to you. When an apostle of God lays a foundation, he will use the Word of God. The false apostle will not be able to lay a strong structural basis. He may have a verse or two, but it will be out of context with the Word of God. He will say things like, "Well, this is what was taught" or "we believe the bible and this book is our traditions." They make the Word of God of no effect in their life.

2 Corinthians 2:11: *“Lest Satan should get an advantage of us, for we are not ignorant of his devices.”* We must not be ignorant of his devices. It is imperative to know of his false Apostle’s work, their methods, their teachings, etc., so Satan does not get an advantage over us.

I challenge you to look at what you teach in the light of what the fivefold ministry of God is saying. If the most part of the fivefold ministry of God disagrees with what you believe, if those who are standing in the power of God disagree with you, maybe you need to check your heart. Search the scriptures a little deeper to see why.

## Chapter 3

### The Prophet

Ephesians 2:19-22: *“Now, therefore, ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saint, and all of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone, In whom all the building fitly framed together growth unto a holy temple in the Lord; In whom ye also are built together for a habitation of God through the Spirit.”*

We have already seen that the prophet, with the apostle, lays a foundation for the church. We know the apostle lays a foundation in the Word or doctrine. Let's explore deeper what the prophet does.

### The Prophet of God

1 Samuel 9:9: *“Before time in Israel, when a man went to inquire of God, thus he spoke, come, and let us go to the seer; for he that is now called a prophet was before time called a seer.”*

He who is now called a prophet was called a “seer.” It is the prophet's job to see into the spirit realm and tell us in the physical realm what he sees. If a man does not “see” in the spirit realm, he is not a prophet. The gift of prophecy can be used by any Spirit filled Christian as it is listed in 1 Corinthians chapter 12. The simple gift of prophecy is for edification, exhortation and comfort found in 1 Corinthians 14:3. It has no revelation knowledge in it. It is only a good word to edify or comfort you. It lets you know God is hearing you or moving on your behalf. It is equal to, or on the same level as, a tongue and interpretations according to 1 Corinthians 14:5. We will not be talking about the gift of prophecy in this chapter but the “office” of a prophet. To be a prophet, a saint has to have at least two of the three revelation gifts working consistently in their life. One is Words of Wisdom, another Word of Knowledge, and another is discerning of spirits (1 Corinthians chapter 12).

## The Prophets of God in Action

I want to bring you to the New Testament and explore how the prophets operate. We will examine how they tell what is happening in the supernatural realm. In Acts 11:27-30, Agabus, a prophet from Jerusalem, sees in the spirit realm a famine is about to come upon the world. Because of his warning the church prepares and is not caught by surprise. One job of the prophet is to warn of the things to come upon the earth. He is to warn of the physical things that will happen to all the people on earth. There are many examples of this in the Old Testament; Jeremiah, Joshua, Daniel, etc. In the New Testament, the prophet still is preparing the body of Christ for the things to come. If we are listening to the prophets of God, we will not be caught by surprise. We are not supposed to be subject to the elements of this world. We would be prepared for the crisis that comes upon the earth if we listen to the prophets of God.

*Acts 13:1-3: "Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers, as Barnabas, and Symeon, who was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, who was brought up with Herod, the tetrarch, and Saul. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, 'Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work unto which I have called them'. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away."*

One point I want to be clear on is that I agree the Holy Ghost can speak in an audible voice if he chooses to. But He did make a point of saying there were prophets there. Generally, we see him speaking through people. It is probably safe to say that the prophets spoke the clear word of direction to separate Paul and Barnabas. Here, we see the second job of a prophet. It is to give spiritual instructions to the body. This instruction will bear witness with your spirit. These personal words need to be tested by the Word of God and your spirit. Do not struggle with them. If they are of God, they will come. It would not be wise to test and judge the first job of a prophet, which is warning the church of things to come upon the earth. When a prophet warns of things to come, you'd better take heed, whether it bears witness with your spirit or not. When Jeremiah prophesied the

Babylonian captivity, it did not bear witness with the other prophets. Regardless if they believed, it came to pass anyway.

*Acts 21:10-11, "And as we tarried there many days, there came down from Judea a certain prophet, named Agabus. And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, so shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles."*

Listen to the prophet, Agabus, warn the Apostle Paul of the trials and attacks of Satan to come upon him. The saint of God is not subject to whatever Satan wants to do. If we submit to the office of a prophet, we will know the acts of the enemy before he does them. It prepares us to be ready to fight instead of being caught by surprise. I know in my own life, listening to the prophets has made the good fight of faith much easier. When you know the enemy's plan, he is defeated before he acts.

## **The False Prophets**

What about the false prophet? Once again, take a look at Ephesians 6:11-12. Remember, we said the second level would have to fight against the prophet and aid the false prophets. The second thing listed here is Principalities. Let's examine if they fight against the prophets of God.

## **Daniel Hindered by the Prince of Persia**

*Daniel 10:11-14, "<sup>11</sup> And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling. <sup>12</sup> Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. <sup>13</sup> But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia. <sup>14</sup> Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days."*

In this scripture, the prince of Persia is standing to fight and stop the prophet Daniel from receiving a word from God. Note that the spiritual entity, or demon over Persia identified as the Prince of Persia himself, was fighting to stop Daniel the prophet from seeing into, or receiving information from the spirit realm.

## **The Apostle Fights a False Prophet**

Acts 13:6-11: *“<sup>6</sup> And when they had gone through the isle unto Pathos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Barjesus: <sup>7</sup> Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the Word of God. <sup>8</sup> But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood them, seeking to turn away the deputy from the faith. <sup>9</sup> Then Saul, (who also is called Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him. <sup>10</sup> And said, O full of all subtilty and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? <sup>11</sup> And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.”*

Here, Paul the Apostle/Prophet is having a battle with a false prophet. For a clear understanding, I want to identify the office of a false prophet. Note, that through sorcery, or seeing into the spirit realm by devils, the sorcerer led the deputy of the country. False prophets will seek to lead men in the world of power so they may, in turn, influence all men through them. The false prophets will lead men in things to come just as the Holy Ghost, working through the prophet of God, leads us. However, the false prophet does so by being led by the “principality” over that particular area in the spirit realm.

The scripture is very clear on the things we are to stay away from. Deuteronomy 18: 10-14, *“<sup>10</sup> There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch. <sup>11</sup> Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer.*

*<sup>12</sup> For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. <sup>13</sup> Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. <sup>14</sup> For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do. "*

I want to be as clear as I can. It is not okay to get your palm read. It is not okay to obtain any information by means of tarot cards or horoscopes, etc. It is an abomination unto the Lord. Never before has there been so much of this type of activity in our nation. Television and internet give easy access to listen on the screen and get in touch with a witch. It is sin!

The Word of God says, "Unto him ye shall hearken." You are to call on the prophet of God. God will raise up one like you to be a prophet. If you need to know something in the spirit realm, you are instructed by the Word of God to call on the prophets.

2 Chronicles 20:20 says, *"... Believe His prophets, so shall ye prosper."*

Believe in and rely on the prophet of God, and you will not be caught by surprise in the physical things of this life or the spiritual things of your Christian walk. Then and only then, will you prosper.

## Chapter 4

### The Evangelist

Acts 21:8-9 says, *“<sup>8</sup>And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and abode with him. <sup>9</sup>And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy.”*

### The Evangelist of God in Action

Philip is an evangelist of God. Notice that his house is one of godliness. It says even his daughters did prophesy. We will take a closer look at Philip to learn more about the evangelist.

Acts 8:5-8” *<sup>5</sup> Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them. <sup>6</sup> And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. <sup>7</sup> For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. <sup>8</sup> And there was great joy in that city.”*

Here, Philip exercises the three power gifts of the Holy Spirit – Faith, Miracles, and Healings. 1 Corinthians chapter 12 identifies the power gifts from the Holy Spirit. It shows how the evangelist flows and works in the body of Christ:

- 1.) **Faith:** 1 John 5:4 says, *“<sup>4</sup>For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.”*

The Evangelist will move in a faith that overcomes the world. He will have the faith to believe no matter what your problem or need. When all others don't have the answer, the Evangelist will have the faith to change the thing. Men like R. W. Schambach and Billy Graham are perfect examples of evangelist with the faith that overcomes the world.

- 2.) **Miracles:** John 2:11 says, *“<sup>11</sup>This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.”*

Miracles are always for people to believe on Jesus, not the evangelist. If the evangelist takes the glory, the signs are not of God. Mark 16:20 tells that signs come to confirm the Word. The evangelist will do many signs. God will bring finances, fix marriages, and provide answers to the worst situations through the evangelist to confirm the word that he is bringing to the church.

- 3.) **Healings:** Because of the faith and miracles being manifested through the evangelist, the faith of the individuals in the congregation will be at a high level for healing. Let’s focus our attention again on Acts 8:8, “and there was great joy in the city.” Take particular notice that the office of evangelist brings great joy into the city, not just to the body of Christ or church congregation. It is the job of the evangelist to stir up the people, not to establish the church. We see in Acts 8:11-17, the apostle came from Jerusalem and established the church. As soon as the church was established, the evangelist is gone (Acts 8:26). I want to make it clear, the evangelist does not feed the flock or watch over them. We will learn that the pastor does that in the next chapter. Don’t say, “If my pastor only moved in the spirit like the evangelist, the church would grow.” It is not the pastor’s job to do so.

## **The False Evangelist**

What about the false evangelist? Looking back at Ephesians 6:11-12 again, “powers” is listed as the third element in what the Holy Spirit identified as the fivefold ministry of Satan. Let’s see if the “powers” fight against the evangelist and how they do so.

Acts 8:9-11 says, *“<sup>9</sup> But there was a certain man, called Simon, which before time in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one: <sup>10</sup> To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.*

*<sup>11</sup> And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.”*

Here, Simon had bewitched the people of Samaria. He had the whole city thinking he was the great power of God. He did the same thing Philip did, except he used witchcraft to do it. It is evident Simon, using the powers of darkness, had successfully counterfeited the role of the evangelist by stirring up the city. Take note that Simon himself gave out that he was some great one. This will always be the case when there are false signs and wonders.

2 Thessalonians 2:9-11 says, *“<sup>9</sup> Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, <sup>10</sup> And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. <sup>11</sup> And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie.”*

In verse 9, a counterfeit of the gifts is being set up. Verse 10 and 11 makes it clear that because they received not the love of the truth, these false powers are able to be established. If you don't have a love for God's Word, if you don't have a love and submission to his authoritative structure, you are in great danger of being deceived.

Acts 17:11 says, *“<sup>11</sup> These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.”*

One reason the people were considered noble was because they received the word with all readiness of mind. They wanted to hear everything that Paul and Silas had to say to them, not just what they wanted to hear. They were hungry for what the Word said.

Second, after listening to all that Paul and Silas had to say, they searched the scriptures daily to see if it was so. 2 Timothy 2:15 says to study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth. If you study your Word as unto God, you will not be ashamed or deceived. It is a promise from the Word.

# Chapter 5

## The Pastor

Titus 1:4-5 says, *“<sup>4</sup> To Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour. <sup>5</sup> For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee.”*

### God’s Pastor in Action

Here is a young pastor, Titus, left in Crete by the Apostle Paul. His job was to set in order the work that the Apostle Paul had established. Here, we can begin to see how the fivefold ministry of God works hand-in-hand with each other. Titus, in the role of pastor, was to set the church in order and ordain elders as the “Apostle” (Paul) had appointed. Here, the “Apostle” has already laid the foundation for what the pastor, in this case, Titus, was to teach. Paul “the Apostle” goes on in the next four verses to lay the foundation, or outline, for what the “Pastor’s” job is. He is to govern over the individual bodies and to raise up the next line of the fivefold ministry. In God, there is no great or small. Every part of the body of Christ is just as important as the other (1 Corinthians 12:14-27). In fact, Jesus said that he who will be great among you, let him be a servant of all.

Titus 2:1 says, *“But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine.”*

The pastor is to speak the things that become sound doctrine. The pastor has to be very careful here. Whatever the pastor does, the body that he governs over will also do. Part of the body in which he governs over will not receive or flow in areas he disapproves of.

In 1 Timothy 4:6-16, we find Timothy, another young pastor that the apostle Paul left in Ephesus (1 Timothy 1:3) to remind the brethren of the good doctrine and put an end to all the “old wives fables” and “endless genealogies.” It is the pastor’s job to get all the old “I believe that’s” out of

the body of Christ. They are to feed them good doctrine, which is Godly edification of the church body (1 Timothy 1:4).

The pastor is told to be an example to the believers. The pastor's main responsibility is the church. It is not his job to bring great joy to the city. That's the job of the evangelist. We should also note here, Timothy is also told to do the work of an evangelist (2 Timothy 1:11).

Paul, as an Apostle, filled the office of a teacher and pastor at times (2 Timothy 4:5). In clarity, the pastor should have a vision for the city, but his main responsibility is to feed the body. You might notice in 1 Timothy 4:16, the apostle Paul admonishes the pastor, Timothy, to take heed unto himself and the doctrine. He tells him continue in them. In doing so, he would both save himself and those that heard him. This serves to emphasize that whatever the pastor does, not only affects him but also the body that the pastor governs over.

Hebrews 13:17 says, *"<sup>17</sup>Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."*

The church probably has more problems with this than anything else in the Word. If you cannot obey your pastor; if you cannot submit to what he says the church needs, you have a problem between you and God. The problem is not between you and your pastor.

God puts pastors in office. He gives them a unique wisdom and insight for governing the church that he gives no one else. Not even the prophet, who sees all things, can override the pastoral office. Amos 3:7 says, *"Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secrets unto his servants, the prophets."* The prophet has this special insight like the pastor does.

The pastor sees the need and direction of that individual body because God is moving in him. It has nothing to do with him personally as an individual. It has everything to do with the fivefold ministry office of the pastor. If you find yourself in disagreement with your pastor, or you think

he is wrong, submit to him anyway. God will lead him as you pray for him. You may find yourself promoted for your obedience and submission.

I remember once when my pastor, a powerful man of God, was wrong. I had four pages of notes, mostly scripture references, on why I was right. He gave me one verse on why he was right. Through the grace of God, I submitted to him as my pastor anyway. He requested me to not use a certain supernatural gift. Needless to say, I prayed very intently about the matter and obeyed his request. Since then, I have seen him flowing in the thing he didn't understand, didn't accept, and did now allow at first. God promoted me greatly in his church after that incident. Oh, what God will do when we begin to flow as a body instead of fighting each other? Truly, if we, as his sheep, would totally submit ourselves to God's fivefold ministry, we would surely become that perfect man in Christ Jesus.

### **The False Pastor in Action**

As we go back to Ephesians 6:11-12, the fourth office the Holy Spirit showed me is the rulers of the darkness of this world. This position, the counterfeit pastor, fights against the pastor. We can see by the title, "Rulers of the darkness of this world", that they are the elements of Satan's spiritual hierarchy that governs over his kingdom, or their particular, are of the false body just as pastors govern over their portion of the body of Christ.

2 Corinthians 11:13-15 says, *"<sup>13</sup>For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. <sup>14</sup>And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. <sup>15</sup>Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works."*

Here, false ministers (or pastors) are transformed into ministers of light. They will govern the bodies that the false apostles would establish, putting down the false word. Remember, we said the false apostles would set up a religious system founded on the traditions of men to make the Word of God not effective.

Just as the apostle Paul has Timothy and Titus pastoring over the churches he established in the Lord, so does the false apostle have these rulers of darkness over their respective areas as ministers of Satan.

Titus 1:9-13 says, *“<sup>9</sup> Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers. <sup>10</sup> For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision: <sup>11</sup> Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake. <sup>12</sup> One of themselves, even a prophet of their own, said, the Cretians are always liars, evil beasts, and slow bellies. <sup>13</sup> This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith.”*

Here, Paul the Apostle is instructing the pastor, Titus, to stop the false pastors who are unruly, vain talkers, and deceivers teaching things which they ought not to teach simply for the sake of money.

2 Timothy 2:16-18 says, *“<sup>16</sup> But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. <sup>17</sup> And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus; <sup>18</sup> Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.”*

Note that Timothy is told to shun, or put an end to, the false pastors who teach vain babblings and things that are not in truth.

1 Peter 5:1-4 says, *“The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed: <sup>2</sup> Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; <sup>3</sup> Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup> And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.”*

This scripture list several characteristics of a pastor as he attends to the flock. The true pastor will lead. He will lead by example. The false pastor

will lead by constraint. The true pastor will lead by love. The false pastor will lead by fear.

# Chapter 6

## The Teacher

Galatians 6:6 says, *“<sup>6</sup> Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.”*

### The Teacher of God

It is the teacher’s job to communicate with the people in all their personal circumstances. He helps the pastor to disciple the people. The pastor cannot possibly disciple all the people in the body. Therefore, we have the teachers (Sunday school teachers, children’s church teachers, Boy’s camp teachers, ect.). Teachers are always to submit to and follow the vision of the pastor. The teacher should raise up and disciple people to work with the pastor. The teacher will teach others what he hears from the pastor. He will be the one who is there to encourage you when you are enduring bad times. He will be grounded in the Word.

Acts 11:25-26 says, *“<sup>25</sup>Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul: <sup>26</sup>And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.”*

After Paul and Barnabas worked in the office of a teacher, the disciples are called Christians for the first time. The teacher’s major responsibility is to work with the church, the body of believers on an individual basis, to conform them to the image of Christ.

The teacher is probably the most abused person in the body. They are never in the light of the people. So often we forget to tell them how important they are to the body of Christ. We send our children to their class while we sit in the main service to enjoy the spiritual food the pastor is setting forth. The teacher is in the back serving and not being served. I take my hat off to the many teachers that get no recognition. I might add, do not ask for recognition. In a situation like this, I get a little more insight

into what Jesus meant when He said *"...If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all.."* (Mark 9:35). It is especially good to notice, Jesus said this to his disciples after they had been arguing among themselves, as to who should be the greatest. I do not know a mature teacher that displays this attitude. The teacher, as a servant to the body of Christ, just may be the greatest of the entire fivefold ministry (Ephesians 4:11). But didn't Jesus say the last shall be first and the first shall be last (Matthew 20:16)? Just another thought.

## **The False Teacher in Action**

What about the false teacher? Once again, let us look at Ephesians 6:11-12. The last office the Holy Spirit told me about in Satan's fivefold ministry is "Spiritual wickedness in High Places". Here, we encounter wicked spirits that go out to teach or lead you away from the image of Christ.

1 Timothy 4:1-2 says, *"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; <sup>2</sup>Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;"*

2 Timothy 4:3-4 says, *"<sup>3</sup>For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; <sup>4</sup>And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables."*

## **How to Identify the False Teacher**

The false teacher will operate in the condition mentioned in 2 Timothy 4, *"They will not endure sound doctrine...but heap to themselves teachers.."*. The false teacher will do just the opposite of the teacher of God. They will teach lies, fables, seducing words that "itch" the ears of the people. His doctrine will minister to the flesh. He will teach things that will cause you to conform to the world, or the flesh, not to the image of Christ. He will not be submitted to a pastor. He will think he knows more than the pastor.

He will say things like “you don’t need to be under a pastor” or “church is where two or more gather together” to justify his rebellious attitude.

## Closing Comments

Brethren, listen to me! Hebrews 10:25 says, *“<sup>25</sup>Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”* This is a very clear spiritual admonition and warning. Do not forsake the assembling of yourselves together. 1 John 1:7 says, *“<sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.”*

Here, it says if you walk in the light, you **WILL HAVE FELLOWSHIP**. Don't let false teachers draw you out on your own. If it ministers to your flesh and your spirit is grieved, it is probably a false teacher. If it leads you away from the body of Christ, it is not the Holy Spirit. He will always lead you to the body of Christ and the authoritative structure of the fivefold ministry of God.

Amen!

## Message from the Holy Spirit

Let me close this book with a word that I received from the Holy Spirit after having prayed.

“I do a new thing in the Earth, says the Lord. I am doing things in the Earth like I have never done before. I will, in this last day, bring more people unto me than ever before. I will do signs and wonders like I never have. Yea, but when I am doing a new thing, it is the most dangerous time for deception. Did I not say in my word that in the last days there would be lying signs and wonders? Therefore, I am calling for a people who are strong in the Lord their God, who is mature in His spirit. Yea, I say unto you, submit yourselves to me and you will run through troops, you will leap over walls. Submit to my servants and you will prosper.”

Listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the church! We are living in a day and time when we must be stable in God and in His Word. I encourage you to study your Bible like you never have before and to be submitted under the fivefold ministry of God. Don't go out on your own. Stay in God's authoritative structure, and you will become that perfect man or woman in the full measure of the stature of Christ.

The word as it came to me by the Holy Spirit!

His Servant,

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