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The Elements of Communion & The Gifts of the Spirit Are Sacred and Essential

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I saw the Lord emphasize that the gifts of the Spirit are sacred and essential. The Church would not allow a communion set to become dusty or unattended, but it has disregarded the gifts of the Spirit. Both the elements of communion and the gifts should be regarded as **essential and sacred**.

The Lord will "dust" off the gifts in His house because they have been left unused, but that was never His intention. Many leaders and congregations have believed that they are not essential, but the Apostle Paul stated that "the kingdom of God does not consist in words, but in power" (I Cor 4:20 NASB95); the gifts of the Spirit were essential to the Early Church, and they are essential for the Christian life today (Acts 2:33-39; I Cor 12 & 14).

People would not disregard communion, but they have disregarded the gifts; both are sacred and essential. For the gifts are the dispensing of the Spirit, who manifests His love through them. The communion elements, the bread and the wine, were given to the Lord's disciples during the last supper and are served to a congregation in remembrance of the Lord's death and to proclaim His death until He returns (I Cor 11:26). The blood of Christ ratified the New Covenant of the Spirit (2 Cor 3:6), fulfilling the Lord's promise revealed through Jeremiah (Jer 31:31-34; Heb 10:19-22; cf. Joel 2:28-30; Isa 28:11; Ezek 11:18-20; Mark 16:16-18; John 7:37-39; John 14-17; Acts 2; I Cor 12 & 14; Eph 4:7-8). The Lord released His gifts to the Church on the day of Pentecost (Acts 1:5, 7-8; 2:1-21), made possible through His sacrifice, and He is willing to activate them today in those who surrender to His will and earnestly desire Him to do so (I Cor 14:1). This was always the Lord's intention regarding the New Covenant (*or promise*) of the Spirit, as stated by Peter in Acts 2.

Many in the Church have attempted to hide and lock away the gifts of the Spirit, refusing to allow their use, but they would not do that for the communion set or the elements of communion. The Lord will restore the gifts to the Church, and their power will grow and crescendo. In this vision, He revealed that the use and manifestation of the gifts will grow exponentially in the days ahead, ultimately resulting in an explosion of the Church flowing in His gift as the Holy Spirit restores their use in and through the Church. As the Lord has declared, the knowledge of His Glory will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea (Hab 2:14; Isa 11:9; 60:1-3; Num 4:21).

THE COST OF RESISTING THE HOLY SPIRIT & THE USE OF HIS GIFTS

The Lord has repeatedly revealed that preventing the Holy Spirit to move in and through His own people will bring judgment. He demands that pastors repent of their intentional and habitual habit of grieving or resisting His Holy Spirit, who was sent to empower the believer (John 14-16; Acts 1:8) to move in the gifts while preaching the gospel to the world; this is how the Great Commission will be accomplished (Matt 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-18; Luke 24:46-49). His message to pastors is simple: change or perish! He has said, "Woe to those who stand against Me in the days of My wrath." He will not allow the gifts of His spirit to be "unattended."

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They are to be used in obedience to the Holy Spirit, by faithful stewards, so that His will is done on earth as it is in Heaven (Matt 6:9-10).

The Godhead has ordained the gifts of the Holy Spirit; they are holy, sacred, and essential to the Christian faith. To treat them otherwise is to risk the same judgment that Paul warned the Corinthians about:

> 1 Corinthians 11:27–31 (NASB95, emphasis mine)
> 27 Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. 28 But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly. 30 For this reason many among you are weak and sick, and a number sleep. 31 But if we judged ourselves rightly, we would not be judged.

The gifts of the Spirit are for each member of the body of Christ, and to disregard them, showing a lack of respect for the Godhead, will bring certain judgment. To disallow the flow of power by the Holy Spirit through the flock of Jesus Christ is to spurn the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Spurning, grieving, and resisting the Holy Spirit is nothing but rebellion against the Most High, and it will be met with terrible judgment.

The time to repent of the aforementioned sin is now, or His impending and certain judgment will fall. Do not let that happen to you.

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