

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Class #16 – Friday PM1 JULY 06, 2007

CONFERENCE #7

It is important to ensure fellowship with God before the study of the Word.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9).

Hebrews 4:12 For the Word of God is alive and powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword.

Romans 12:1 Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to **present** your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

παρίστημι - **PARISTEMI** – “To place at one’s disposal”

Points of Doctrine

1st POD: The epitome of willingness is actualized when the Christian places himself at God’s disposal to be used however God so chooses.

2nd POD: The presentation of oneself to God as a living sacrifice is fulfilled in the throne of grace through prayer.

3rd POD: Presenting oneself to God is a comprehensive action after salvation which mandates perpetual responsibilities.

Believer-priest responsibilities –

1. Grieve not – **Eph 4:30**
2. Quench not – **1 Thess 5:19**
3. Walk by the Spirit – **Gal 5:16**

4th POD: An individual does not present himself to God in order to be saved, but *because* he has been saved.

5th POD: Once placed at God’s disposal, it is God’s divine prerogative and responsibility to provide the opportunities for deploying one’s spiritual gift.

All Scriptures quoted are from New American Standard unless otherwise noted.