

Sermon Notes for Readers

Sermon: The Three Beliefs - Are You Led by Systems or the Spirit?

Main Scripture: Galatians 5:16-18

Key Quote:

"Your belief must not be founded on what you see with your eyes or what you hear from men, but on what the Holy Spirit reveals to your spirit."

Introduction: The Age of Belief

- Everyone believes something, but the source matters.
- **Key Question:** Where does your belief come from - the Holy Spirit or human systems?
- There's a constant tension between God's voice and man's traditions.

Point 1: The Two Systems at War

- **The Old System:**
 - Traditions, religious rituals, cultural practices
 - Passed down from previous generations
 - Familiar and trusted because of respected people
- **The New Teacher:**
 - The Holy Spirit - our personal, daily guide
 - Speaks directly to each believer
- **The Conflict:** Man's thoughts vs. God's thoughts for YOU
- **Result:** Different callings create different denominations, but one God

Point 2: How the Gift Gets Twisted

- We're all called like the disciples - to preach and win souls
- **The Problem:** Gifts get corrupted for:
 - Personal gain
 - Spiritual pride
 - Impure motives
- **The Solution:** Bible + Holy Spirit = True Understanding

- **Key:** What you believe must align with what the Spirit is saying NOW

Point 3: The Three Foundations of Belief

1. **SEEING:** Trusting physical evidence
 - Examples: Buildings, jobs, circumstances
2. **HEARING:** Trusting human authority
 - Examples: Pastors, mentors, parents
3. **SENSING:** Trusting the Holy Spirit
 - This is REAL FAITH (2 Corinthians 5:7)
 - Beyond physical proof or human advice

CRITICAL REVELATION: Sensing the Spirit must come FIRST - before seeing or hearing!

Point 4: A Serious Warning

- We must be VERY careful
- Not every spiritual being is from God
- The devil can offer:
 - "Great life"
 - "Good things"
 - Worldly blessings
- **Test Everything:** Is this from God or a trap?

Conclusion: Putting the Spirit First

- The Holy Spirit must be:
 - Your LEADER
 - Your TITLE (defining authority)
 - Your FIRST VOICE every day
 - **Promise:** When He's first, "all these things will be added to you" (Matthew 6:33)
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