

Pastor Ron Case
12/3/23

“Spirit Speak”

“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches...” (Revelation 2:7, 2:11, 2:17, 2:29, 3:6, 3:13, 3:22)

The New World Order

Genesis 1:1-3 – ¹“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³And God said, ‘Let there be light,’ and there was light.”

The New & Living Way

Mark 1:9-12 – ⁹ “In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.’ ¹² The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.”

Prized Possession

John 14:16, 26; 16:7-8, 13 – ¹⁶ “And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide

you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.”

Stubborn?

Isaiah 30:1-5, 7, 18, 21 – ¹ “Ah, stubborn children,” declares the LORD, “who carry out a plan, but not mine, and who make an alliance,¹ but not of my Spirit, that they may add sin to sin;² who set out to go down to Egypt, without asking for my direction, to take refuge in the protection of Pharaoh and to seek shelter in the shadow of Egypt. ³ Therefore shall the protection of Pharaoh turn to your shame, and the shelter in the shadow of Egypt to your humiliation. ⁴ For though his officials are at Zoan and his envoys reach Hanes, ⁵ everyone comes to shame through a people that cannot profit them, that brings neither help nor profit, but shame and disgrace. ⁷ Egypt's help is worthless and empty; therefore I have called her ‘Rahab who sits still.’”
¹⁸ Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him. ²¹ And your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, ‘This is the way, walk in it,’ when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left.”

Steerable?

Acts 8:29, 9:11-12, 10:19-20 – ²⁹ “And the Spirit said to Philip, ‘Go over and join this chariot.’”

¹¹ And the Lord said to (*Ananias*), “Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹² and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.”

¹⁹ And while Peter was pondering the vision, the Spirit said to him, “Behold, three men are looking for you. ²⁰ Rise and go down and accompany them without hesitation, for I have sent them.”

The Voice & Our Choice

Hebrews 3:7-8 – ⁷ Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, “Today, if you hear his voice, ⁸ do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion...”

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)