

Guidelines for the Exercise of the Lord's Day Prophesying Message Five : The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity Revealed in the Book

I. Overview:

The revelation concerning the Triune God in the holy Word is not for doctrinal understanding but for the dispensing of God in His Divine Trinity into people for their experience and enjoyment. The Bible was written according to the governing principle of the Triune God working Himself into His chosen and redeemed people as their life and life supply. The Divine Trinity is the framework of the entire Bible; the whole Bible, especially the book of Ephesians, is constructed with the Divine Trinity. Ephesians is the only book in the Bible in which every chapter is structured with the Divine Trinity as its basic element. According to the entire revelation of the sixty-six books of the Bible, the Divine Trinity is for God's dispensing, that is, for the distribution of God into His chosen people; God is triune so that He can dispense Himself into us, work Himself into us, for us to enjoy so that we can be built up to be the Body of Christ and prepared to be the bride of Christ for His second coming.

II. Truth and Enlightenment:

Day 1 —

A. Explain Second Corinthians 13:14 being the dispensing in His Trinity.

Second Corinthians 13:14 is strong proof that the trinity of the Godhead is not for the doctrinal understanding of systematic theology but for the dispensing of God Himself in His Trinity into His chosen and redeemed people. The whole Bible, from Genesis through Revelation, is not for theological study but for the apprehending of how God in His mysterious and marvelous Trinity dispenses Himself into His chosen people.

B. Expound the word in Psalm 36:8-9.

Psalm 36:8-9 reveals the Divine Trinity with the Father as the fountain, the Son as the fatness, and the Spirit as the river to saturate their entire being. We must realize that the Bible was written under this governing principle. This principle helps us to see every portion of the Bible. God is life, and God is light. Therefore, He Himself is the fountain of both life and light.

Day 2 —

A. Expound the sixty-six books of the Bible are altogether as their framework.

The sixty-six books of the Bible are altogether built upon the Divine Trinity as their support and framework, and all the other parts are just accessories. The Triune God is the framework of the entire Bible, and this is especially true with the book of Ephesians in the New Testament. If you do not know the Triune God, you cannot comprehend the profoundness of Ephesians, because every chapter of this book has the Divine Trinity as its framework.

B. Explain Ephesians revealing the church, which being composed of the Triune God.

The book of Ephesians reveals the church, and the church revealed in Ephesians is composed of and expresses the Triune God. The entire divine revelation in the book of Ephesians is constructed with and composed of the Divine Trinity. We need to see a vision that governs and directs us. We all need to see a divine vision concerning the Divine Trinity.

Day 3 —

A. Expound how God blessed the believers with a threefold dispensing in Ephesians 1.

Ephesians 1 shows that God has blessed the believers with a threefold dispensing. The Father's dispensing in His choosing and predestinating issues in many sons. The Son's dispensing in His redeeming and His saving issues in a heritage to God. Then the Spirit's dispensing in His sealing and pledging issues in God as the believers' inheritance unto their perfection.

B. Explain Ephesians 1 showing God's selection with predestination to determine a destiny for us.

Before time began, God the Father selected us. Then He predestinated us, determining a destiny for us. Following His selection, God predestinated us unto sonship. This means He destined beforehand that we would be His sons. Sonship is a matter of life dispensing. We have a great Father who is rich in life.

Day 4 —

A. Explain the meaning of the word 'masterpiece' in Ephesians 2:10

The Greek word 'poiema' means masterpiece in Ephesians 2:10, and that word in English means poem. We are God's poem. A poem often displays the wisdom of the writer. It expresses his skill, art, and design. We are poems written by the threefold life dispensing of the Father as the source, the Son as the course, and the Spirit as the flow.

B. Expound the words in Ephesians 2:16.

Both the Jewish and the Gentile believers have access to the Father through Christ, who abolished the law of the commandments in ordinances, broke down the middle wall of partition, slew the enmity to reconcile the Gentiles to the Jews, and shed His blood to redeem the Jews and the Gentiles to God. First, both the Jewish and the Gentile believers were reconciled in one Body to God. That was a positional matter. Then they both have access in one Spirit unto the Father. This is experiential.

Day 5 —

A. Expound the meaning of the words in Ephesians 3:14-19.

Paul prayed to the Father as the source. Then the Father strengthens the believers through the Spirit as the means, the channel. Then Christ moves and works to make His home in the believers' hearts. Eventually, the issue... is the fullness of the Triune God. The Father is the source, the Spirit is the means, the Son is the object, and the fullness of the Triune God is the issue. He works in a very complete and deep way to make His home in our hearts.

B. Fellowship the words in Ephesians 3:16 and how to experience them.

When you say that you are tired, you are in your old man, your outer man, your mentality. You need to be strengthened into the inner man. Do not remain in the outer man. You may be tired, but He is not tired. He who lives within you is much stronger than you. He is never tired. He would strengthen you into the inner man.

Day 6 —

A. Explain Paul speaking of the divine Trinity in Ephesians 4.

In Ephesians 4 Paul first speaks of the one Body and then of the one Spirit, the one Lord, and the one God, the Father. This indicates that the Triune God—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—has been developed in the Body. When Paul speaks of the one God and Father of all in verse 6, he says that the Father is over all, through all, and in all. This points to a mingling of the Triune God with the Body.

B. Expound the words in Ephesians 4:4 and how to experience them.

With the one Body and the one Spirit, there is one hope. At present our body is still in the physical life; it has not yet been transfigured. However, there is the hope that one day our physical body will be transfigured, that is, glorified. On that day the indwelling Christ will be manifested in glory. This glory is a hope to the Body with the Spirit.

III. Conclusion:

We should not get drunk, but be filled with the spirit. We are willing to be saturated in God's love, to be soaked and saturated with God's love, even to be drunk with God's love. The church should be made up of a group of people who are drunk with God. They are children of light who walk in love at all times. This is the proper church life. The church is a group of people who are united and mingled with the Triune God. The purpose of this mystical union and mingling of the Triune God with the Body of Christ is for dispensing. The Spirit as the substance of the Body continually dispenses Him into us. The Lord has been imparting His elements into us as the same time. In the same way, as the Father is over all, through all, and in all for us. And He continually dispenses Himself into us. Therefore, the church is the issue of the dispensing of the Triune God.