

Devotionals by Simpson and Murray – On God’s Spirit and God’s word

A B Simpson “Days of Heaven on Earth” devotional for February 16 - on God’s Spirit:

Acts 6:4 **We will give ourselves continually to prayer and the ministry of the word.**

In the consecrated believer the Holy Spirit is pre-eminently a Spirit of prayer (that’s the inaudible conversational kind of prayer – the highest kind). If our whole being is committed to Him and our thoughts are under His control He will occupy every moment in communion (this means, God is in Spirit to spirit communication, or conversation, with us).

1 Cor 2:14 **...God's Spirit and our spirits in open communion.** MSGE

Rev 2:7 **He who has an ear** (a heart that hears) **let him hear what the Spirit says...**

Heb 3:7-8 **...As the Holy Spirit says: "Today, if you will hear God’s voice, do not harden your hearts** (due to sin)” (our heart is our spirit, where we hear God)

We will bring everything to Him as it comes, and pray it out (talk it out) in our spiritual consciousness before we act it out (or speak it out) in our lives...this will be followed by the unfolding of God’s providence concerning us (working all things for our good-Ro 8:28).

Prov 3:6 **Listen for GOD's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go. And He will direct your paths** (and continually reveal His will for you). MSGE/NKJV

Prov 1:33 **Whoever listens to me will live safely and be secure without fear of evil.**

1 Thes 5:17 **Pray without ceasing** (continual conversation in your spirit with God’s Spirit)

Andrew Murray “Daily Thoughts on Holiness” devotional for February 16 - on God’s word:

Heb 1:1-2 **God...has in these last days spoken to us in His Son...**

The Son Himself had to come as the Word of God to us, the bearer of the life and love of the Father. The Son Himself had to come to bring us into contact with the divine being, to dwell in our hearts as He dwells in God’s heart, to be in us God’s Word as He is in God, and to give us the living experience of what it means that God speaks to us (by His word).

Col 3:16 **Let the word of Christ dwell in you (your spirit) richly** (as you believe them)

Eph 3:17 **So that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that you are rooted and grounded in love** (for the love of God is in Christ, in His words – Rom 8:39),

2 Cor 3:6 **...The new covenant, not of the letter** (the written word) **but of the Spirit; because the letter** (on its own is law and) **kills, but the Spirit gives (it) life.**

The words of God! Oh who can express what they ought to be to us. Each Word carries with it all the life of God, all His saving power and love. The words of God – they are creative deeds, they give what they speak “**He spoke and it was done**” Psa 33:9.

2 Tim 3:15-16 **...The Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise unto salvation by faith in Christ Jesus (Who is the living scripture). All Scripture is given by inspiration of God (by the Holy Spirit giving life to the dead written word);**