

LED BY HOLY SPIRIT

Keys To Being Led-Coolness

I. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of peace who leads by peace with peace

- A. God is a God of peace, the Word of God is the Word of peace, Jesus is the prince of peace, The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of peace (1 Thess 5:23, Romans 10:15, Isaiah 9:6)
 - 1. **Peace**-Rest, quietness, the tranquil state of a soul assured and so fearing nothing
- B. Romans 8:14-15-The Holy Spirit is not the spirit of fear and He doesn't lead by fear, torment, and chaos, and He can't lead a person who is yielding to those things
 - 1. John 4:18-Fear has torment; the tormented life is not a still, quiet life, it is a loud, restless, chaotic life
 - 2. He's not the spirit of fear, but the spirit of peace
- C. The Holy Spirit is the comforter and he is the spirit of peace-John 14:16,26-27
 - 1. **Comfort**-Relief from distress of mind; the ease and quiet which is experienced when agitation ceases
 - 2. When something is too much for you and somebody shows up who has all the capability to help you and wants to help you it gives you peace
- D. You can't be led by the Spirit of peace while you yield to a loud, restless, chaotic life-Colossians 3:15, Isaiah 55:12
 - 1. People who are mad, upset, frustrated, vexed, worried, discouraged will be insensitive to the spirit's leading because while you yield to those feelings you're resisting Him
 - 2. Being a frantic, basket-case, in a hurry, go-go-go, worried, frustrated, mad and vexed will lead to you being insensitive to the Holy Spirit
 - 3. There's a quality of stillness, slowness, quietness, rest, and peace that is required if you're going to be led by Him

II. To be led by the Spirit we have to be quiet, be still, and yield to peace

- A. The wisdom of God, the direction of God is in the peace of God-James 3:16-17
 - 1. The leading of the spirit is related or connected to peace
 - a. It loves peace; you can't resist peace and get wisdom
 - 1) EX: You can't refuse Amber and get me-1 John 5:1-2
 - b. You yield to envy and strife, that's not peace and you won't have wisdom
 - 2. People frustrated, mad, worried, upset, frantic will miss the leading of the Spirit. However, if you'll get quiet rather than yielding to those feelings you'll be positioned to hear from the Holy Spirit and be led by Him
 - a. God's on the peace channel and to hear Him you got to get on that channel
 - b. God's not on the gripe and complain channel or the frustrated channel

3. Frustration will keep you from direction
 - a. Acts 8:26-Philipp was a part of this huge revival in Samaria and Peter and John are going to continue the revival, but God tells him to get on the road leading to Gaza, which was a desert place where the church was struggling, and if he would have been pouting and mad, he would have missed his whole assignment
- B. John 8:1-10-When Jesus needed to be led by the Spirit, he got quiet and yielded to peace
 1. She's committed adultery and the Word says stone her so you who preach love and mercy and forgiveness what should be done to her? --- Tough question
 2. Jesus didn't operate in omniscience, but rather had to be led by the Spirit
 3. 3-7-They are testing him and wanting an answer; they want it now and surely they're not waiting quietly (They set her in the middle where everybody can see)
 4. This is a pressured situation, a hectic situation, a loud situation and in the middle of all it Jesus gets quiet, gets still, and yields to peace because he knows he can't get what he needs yielding to all this frantic loud stuff
 - a. 1 of the tactics of the enemy is make life so loud that you miss the Spirit's leading
- C. John 11:1-6-Particularly in times of pressure we have to guard against getting worried, frantic, or even frustrated because it will keep us from being led by the Spirit
 1. This a serious situation, but rather moving frantically Jesus got quiet and still
 2. It's important that we be slow at all times because it bests positions us to be led by the Spirit (James 1:19, Proverbs 15:18, 16:32)
 - a. It's hard to receive directions when you're doing something else; but if you'll stop, slow down, and get quiet you'll be better positioned to receive direction
 - b. EX: If we filled this room and everybody was talking and meanwhile you're setting up the room it's going to be hard for you to be led by me, but if we left the room and you stopped doing what you were doing and got quiet it'd be easy
 3. 41-Before he speaks to Lazarus, he yields to peace
 - a. They're accusing him, they're in unbelief, Mary is crying this is chaos
- D. Psalm 46:1-10-There's no greater time that you need to be led, more than a time of great attack; This is a hectic time, a loud time, and the command is be still
 1. **Still**-Alone, idle, stay, cease, relax, withdraw, quiet
 2. 1 Peter 5:7-8-Cast your care on God and be calm and collected b/c there's an enemy out there trying to kill still and destroy and you need to be led by the Spirit
 3. Isaiah 7:1--They were under great attack and God's command was be quiet
 - a. **Quiet**-Idle, settled, be tranquil, be at peace, be quiet, rest, lie still, be undisturbed
 - b. Isaiah is functioning in the office of the ministry of the Holy Spirit

- c. To receive this direction you're going to have to be quiet
- d. Numbers 14-If they would've just shut up and they would have heard
- E. Isaiah 28:16-Not being in a hurry reveals faith and there's joy and peace in believing
 - 1. If you're in faith and yielding to peace, you're calm, you're quiet, you're slow and you're positioned to be led by the spirit
 - 2. **Haste**-Rashly, pressed, early, ripe, heedless eagerness,

III. You get your mind fixed on the Word and you'll get into peace and be led by the Spirit

- A. Romans 8:6-You yield to peace by minding the things of the spirit (the Word of God)
 - 1. Being carnally minded will rob of you peace and keep you from being led by the Spirit
 - a. Acts 10:19-Paul was led of the Lord as he gave his mind to the things of God
 - 2. If you're frustrated, anxious, tormented, or vexed it's because you've been thinking on the wrong stuff
 - a. If it's brining you frustration then stop thinking about; you can't afford to allow the spiritual atmosphere of your life to be loud, dark, and chaotic
 - b. Thinking and talking about things that are negatively effecting the spiritual atmosphere of your life is dumb and you need to stop
 - 3. It's all an attempt of the enemy to get your life so loud and chaotic that you can't hear from the Holy Spirit
- B. Isaiah 26:3-When you get your mind on the Word of God it gives you peace and keeps you available to being led by the Spirit
 - 1. If you think on the wrong things the results will not be peace, but it will be frustration and vexation and you'll miss the leading of the spirit
- C. Yielding to carnality will cause you to miss the leading of the Spirit
 - 1. If you yield to carnality and get unthankful, frustrated, critical and feed on darkness it'll get darker and darker and you'll become more and more dull to the leading of the Lord