

THE TRUTH ABOUT TONGUES

Tongues & Edification

- I. **They're doing well and the warning is don't get tired and quit doing it-Ga6:9-**
Let us not be weary (weak & fail/faint/quit) in well doing: FOR in due season we shall reap if we faint (weak, loose) not-2Th3:13-Be not weary in well doing
- A. We can get tired and quit-Disenchanted, indifferent, tired of it-Hb12:1-
Run with patience (endurance) THE RACE-1Tm6:12-The good FIGHT of faith
- B. If you get tired and quit it will keep you from reaping (miss a harvest)-
*In a faith fight it'll cost you victory in this life and in your service it'll cost you reward in the next; **IT'S A BIG THING WE'RE TALKING ABOUT-**
Hb6:12-Lk8:15-Jn8:31-Hb10:35-36-Rv22:12-I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be*
- C. The enemy wants to sever you from what you should be doing to keep you from reaping want God wants you to reap-Wants us tired/weak so we quit
- D. Before you quit strength wains-Is40:29-Gives power to the faint and to them that have no might he increases strength.³⁰*Even the youths shall faint and be weary and the young men shall utterly fall*³¹*...they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary and they shall walk and not faint-Pr24:10-If you faint in the day of adversity thy strength is small*
1. There's a pull to quit and if we're weak inside we'll give in-Pr18:14-AC-Strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble
- E. We can be strengthened and not quit and reap instead of missing out-2Co4:8-Troubled on every side yet not distressed..perplexed but not in despair;⁹*Persecuted but not forsaken; cast down but not destroyed..*¹⁶*For which cause WE FAINT NOT; but though our outward man perish YET THE INWARD MAN IS RENEWED DAY BY DAY-Ps23:3-He restoreth my soul...⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil*
- F. God is adamant about us being strong-Ep6:10-Be strong in the Lord-2Tm2:1-Be strong in the grace-1Co16:13-Quit you like men, be strong-Ep3:16-Strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man
- G. This is on us-Ga6:9-NLV-Do not let yourselves get tired of doing good
- II. **Tongues edify-1Co14:4-Speaks in an unknown tongue edifies himself (strengthen)-CSB-Builds himself up-NLT-Strengthened personally-Jd1:20-Building up yourselves on your most holy faith praying in the Holy Ghost-1Sm30:6**
- A. Words affect the inner man-Pr15:4-Wholesome tongue is a tree of life but PERVERSENESS THEREIN is a breach (break, hurt) in THE SPIRIT-Pr18:20-A MAN'S BELLY (inner being) shall be satisfied (filled) with the fruit of HIS MOUTH; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled-Pr16:24-Pleasant WORDS are as an honeycomb, SWEET TO THE SOUL..
- B. God's inspired words are spirit and life-Jn6:63-The words that I speak unto you they are spirit and they are life-Jn3:34-Speaks words of God
- C. Speaking by divine inspiration edifies-1Co14:3-He that prophesies speaks unto men to edification, and exhortation and comfort

- D. Speaking by divine inspiration to yourself edifies yourself-**Ep5:18**-Be filled with the Spirit; ¹⁹**SPEAKING TO YOURSELVES IN PSALMS** and hymns and SPIRITUAL SONGS, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord
1. David strengthened himself in the Lord by **SPEAKING TO HIMSELF IN PSALMS**-Many of the Psalms are David talking to himself-**1Sm30:6**-Encouraged (strengthen) himself in the Lord-**Ps91:2**-I will say OF the Lord (not to)-**Ps42:5**-Why art thou cast down, O my soul-**Ps23:1**
- E. Tongues are words, God's words, inspired utterance and when you speak in tongues you are speaking by divine inspiration and it edifies-The Holy Spirit is giving you the words to say in a language unknown to your head, not your spirit-**Ac2:4**-As the Spirit gave them utterance
1. There are tongues to yourself that edify yourself-**1Co14:27**-If any man speak in an unknown tongue...²⁸if...no interpreter...keep silence in the church...let him **SPEAK TO HIMSELF** and to God