

Continuing “The Complete Green Letters”
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Chapter 68 and 69, Tongues Trauma - Pg 305-313

I. Reasons for Charismania

A. Facebook Envy

1. Testimonies of deliverance
2. Exaltation of those with experiences

B. Impatience with God’s Design

1. Maturity takes time
2. Maturation involves a lot of failure

C. False Teaching – 2 Tim 4:3-4

1. Somehow you are not complete w/o the experience
2. Teaching one to do what the Spirit has supposedly enabled them through gifting

D. Emotional Experiences

1. Hypnotism – see III.
2. Reinforced praise

II. Biblical Theology

A. Spirit Baptism

1. **baptizo** - to immerse, submerge; to make whelmed (fully wet); used only (in the New Testament) of ceremonial ablution, (technically) of the ordinance of Christian baptism, baptize, wash.
2. From Jesus – Mk 1:8; Ac 1:5
3. The placing of a believer into the body of Christ by the Spirit - 1Co 12:13; Ga 3:27
 - a. The putting on of the new man, Christ – Ga 3:27
 - b. The positional crucifixion and resurrection of the believer – Ro 6:3-9; Col 2:12; 1 Pe 3:21

B. Spiritual Gifts – Ro 12:6-8; 1 Co 12-14; 1 Pe 4:10-11

1. **pneumatikos** - non-carnal, (humanly) ethereal (as opposed to gross), or (daemoniacally) a spirit, or supernatural, regenerate, religious, spiritual.
 - a. Used of Spiritual Gifts – Ro 1:11; 1 Co 12:1; 14:1 (14:12 - *pneuma*)
 - b. Used of Spiritually mature people – 1 Co 2:15; 3:1; 14:37; Ga 6:1
 - c. Used of Spiritually things – Ro 7:14; 15:27; 1 Co 2:13; 9:11; 10:3-4; 1 Co 15:44,46
2. Given by the Spirit – 1 Co 12:4,8-11 - according to His Purpose – 1 Co 12:14-18
3. Given for the purpose of edification of the body – 1 Co 12:7; 14:12,26

C. Tongues

1. **glossa** - the tongue; by implication, a language (specially, one naturally unacquired), tongue.
2. Definitions

- a. Unlearned language – Ac 2:6-8
- b. Ecstatic utterance or angelic language – 1 Co 13:1; 14:2
- 3. Purpose
 - a. Evangelism – Ac 2:4-11
 - b. Sign for unbelievers – 1 Co 14:22 (the believing Jewish Church)
 - i. *That Samaritans can be saved* - Ac 8:4-25
 - ii. That Gentiles can be saved – Ac 10:19-35
 - iii. That OT believers need to be saved by faith in the Gospel – Ac 19:1-7
 - iv. Context of 1 Co 14:23
- 4. Biblical Use
 - a. Prayer language? – 1 Co 14:2,14
 - b. With Order – 1 Co 14:26-28,32
 - i. Two or three at the most, One at a time – 1 Co 14:27
 - ii. Must have an interpreter or be quiet – 1 Co 14:28
 - c. Not for women in the church assembly? – 1 Co 14:34-35
 - d. Not to be forbidden – 1 Co 14:39
- 5. Reasons for 1 Co 12-14
 - a. Ignorance of gifts and body life – 1 Co 12
 - i. Source - 4, 7, 11, 13
 - ii. Purpose – 7, 12
 - iii. Need for all – 14-27
 - iv. Level of importance – 8-10, 28-30
 - b. The correct use of Gifts – 1 Co 13
 - c. Contrasting Edification /Misuse of tongues – 1 Co 14
 - i. Tongues– 2
 - Speaks mysteries to God - 2
 - Self-edification – 4
 - Makes uncertain sound/ people can't understand – 6-20
 - ii. Prophecy
 - Edifies the Body – 3
 - Greater than tongues w/o interpreter – 5

III. The Problems with Charismania – Chapter 69; pg 309-313

A. Physical

1. When the emotional experience is sought, the thinking side of the body is put in neutral opening the person to the power of suggestion
2. Like any other habit, the more it is practiced the more it becomes second nature

B. Moral

1. Lying
2. Embellishment
3. Lends itself to a lack of rationality

C. Spiritual

1. Error producing unscriptural unreality
2. Dependence on more emotional events for spirituality and salvation

D. Contrast

1. Faith for Salvation
2. Complete redemption of sins – Col 2:13
 - a. Loss of salvation
 - b. Immaturity – Heb 5:12; 6:1-2