Spirit of Life Community Adventist Fellowship Pastor William Dawson "The Holy Spirit – Your Inside Resource"

- 1. Romans 8:14. The importance of being led by the Holy Spirit cannot be over emphasized. It is the inherent right of the believer to hear the voice of God and to be led by the Spirit of God. God wants to lead us by His Spirit so that our lives do not become chaotic. We live in a day and in a season when being accurate in our decision-making is very key to our purpose and destiny. As believers there are decisions and achievements we can make only under the guidance and leading of the Holy Spirit.
- 2. When you were born again, your spirit-man was regenerated and recreated. As a Christian, you now have a recreated human spirit with God's Spirit starting over in you and with you. It is a new beginning. Your status changes from non-believer to "child of God." You are now in the inside circle. Prov. 20:27. God enlightens your mind by His own Spirit. You are then able to know how to distinguish good from evil. He is able to lead and guide your life. God lights your spirit (your candle) and grants you the wisdom to make right decisions and choices based on His Word. Through the Holy Spirit He causes you to see the traps and schemes of the enemy that hide in the darkness. (This is also why it is important that you walk in the light 1 John 1:5-7; John 3:19-21). You must develop your recreated human spirit because it is one of the ways you receive spiritual insight and prophetic revelation. God leads you through your recreated human spirit by two guides. They are the inward witness and the inward voice. In this lesson we will look at the inward witness.
- 3. The inward witness is something inside of you that produces a red light instructing you to stop. It is not a voice. It is an inward knowing. It is intuition—knowledge derived by the spirit; something you would have never thought of or sensed in a normal way. It is a feeling that is produced in your spirit, not in your mind or body. You must respond to the promptings of this inward witness by faith. As you follow the Holy Spirit's leading you come to understand that is actually speaking. If the Body of Christ followed the leadings of the inward witness, the church would receive guidance in every area of life and would be able to avoid pitfalls of the enemy.
- 4. One of the ways to develop this inner knowing is by deliberately growing in your understanding and relationship with the Holy Spirit. Stop being afraid of Him. Do not judge Him by the actions of unbalanced Christians. Judge the Holy Spirit by what He was able to accomplish in the life of Jesus and the disciples. Matt. 3:16,17; Acts 1:4-8. Pray to receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.