

Shelton Park Church of God

Pastors Corner

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“...the Spirit ALSO helpeth our infirmities.”

Romans 8:26-28

“Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.”

How often have we wondered, “Where will my help come from?” We know that the scripture teaches that Christ is “touched by the feelings of our infirmities,” which simply means He is compassionate and understands the severity of our problems. The scripture also notes that Christ’s position is one of mediating between man and God. The idea is that of relating our feelings and problems and requests and even praises to our heavenly Father. Knowing these things and knowing that someone understands our difficulties helps bring comfort in our tribulation. We also know that by the Stripes that were placed upon Jesus we “are healed.” This brings great delight.

But did you know that we also have the “Spirit to help our infirmities?” One of the great parts of our heritage in the Christian faith is that of a ‘*Spiritual life*.’ You see, only Spirit can relate to Spirit. And sometimes when our body or soul is overwhelmed with the problems of life, that’s when the Spirit of God which dwelleth in us can relate what we can not physically relate to our heavenly Father which is Spirit. Yes, it’s at the great points of weakness and trial that the Spirit of God help’s us to pray for that which we don’t even know what we need to pray for.

And that Spirit always prays according to the will of God. Someone may ask, “How do I know how to pray according to God’s will?” The answer is simple, we must allow the Spirit of God to direct us in and during our prayer time and you can rest assured that you will be praying according to God’s will with God’s Spirit in control!

You may be at a desperate time in your life in which you don’t even know how to pray, but don’t give up, even if when you go to pray all you can do is cry, because it may be at that point the Spirit is beginning to relate to God on your behalf! And God will Answer you!!

Until next week,

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