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All of a sudden, I have a lot of people interested in speaking in tongues. This has not happened in years. I am sending you an article I am writing on the subject.

I would like for you to do three things.

1. Look at the article and email me back anything else you would add to any of the lists.
2. Tell me about any changes you would make to what is already written.
3. If you have a testimony about how you came to speak in tongues write it out and email it to me. I will not use your name on the testimonies, just your initials. I feel that your personal testimony would help someone else speak in tongues.

Here is the article:

SPEAKING IN TONGUES

WHY SHOULD I SPEAK IN TONGUES?

1. So the Holy Spirit can intercede for you to the Father about things in your life you are not aware of
2. To start your deliverance from evil beings, ancestry, covenants, curses, bad habits, lust, and addictions.
3. To pray for other people and yourself when you don't know what to pray for.
4. To praise God when you run out of words in your native tongue to praise Him.
5. To cast out demons from yourself and from other people when you don't know who they are.
6. To give love, joy, peace, hope, and rest to your spirit, imagination, conscience, Memory, emotions, intellect, will, personality, and body.
Isaiah 28:11,12; 1 Corinthians 14:21
7. To cause your whole being to calm down and quit being anxious
8. To eliminate distraction in your spirit, imagination, conscience, and memories
9. In a meeting you pray in tongues so that you are someone else can interpret them. (The combination is the same as prophecy)
10. To cause the place where you are to flood with the Holy Spirit.
11. To increase your faith and belief in God and His Love for you
12. So God can reveal to you the things that block you from a relationship with Him.
13. Speaking in tongues helps you stay in relationship with the Lord even in dark

times and when you don't feel close to God.

14. Since you are "born again" from above, you should speak the languages from above.

15. To pray beyond your understanding and control. Speaking in tongues puts God in control

16. To pray for the anointing of the Holy Spirit over others or ourselves.

17. To pray for other ministers and ministries over the whole world--even when you are not aware of the ministries.

18. To intercede for people anywhere in the world when they need your intercession at that moment.

19. To heal bad relations between you and other people--especially your spouse or close personal friend.

20. To cause yourself to start growing into maturity through the power of the Holy Spirit. 1 Corinthians 14:4; Jude 20

21. To speak to God in divine secrets. 1 Corinthians 14:2

22. To speak the wonderful works of God. Acts 2:11

23. To magnify God. Acts 10:46

24. To pray a perfect prayer. Romans 8:26,27

25. To give thanks perfectly. 1 Cor. 14:17

26. To have the Holy Spirit bear witness with our spirit. Romans 8:16

27. To know you are a joint heir with Christ. Romans 8:17

28. To strengthen your inner man against the power of the enemy.

Ephesians 3:16

29. To be a sign to Christians who do not believe in the Holy Spirit or speaking in tongues. 1 Corinthians 14:22; Mark 16:17

30. To intercede and pray to break the ancestral curses, covenants, false gods, sin, and sickness from your past. Jude 20

WHAT ARE THE BLOCKS THAT KEEP ME FROM SPEAKING IN TONGUES?

1. If you are a person that likes to decide what truth is instead of letting the Holy Spirit reveal to you what truth is.

2. This includes people who study the bible all the time and try to understand spiritual things with their intellect instead of their spirit.

3. If you are a person that has to be in control of all situations and circumstances in your life.

4. If you are an intellectual person and have to try to understand everything you do before you do them

5. If you fear speaking in tongues because of how it will make you look, or because you have been taught that it is wrong, false or evil. (This is emotional and again you are depending upon you emotions instead of letting the Holy Spirit tell you what truth is.)

6. If you have a fear that you can not control your speaking in tongues and you will embarrass yourself.
7. Trying to speak in tongues with a lot of people around you praying for you creates a lot of fear and distraction and may prevent you from speaking in tongues.
8. People who speak in several languages sometimes have trouble speaking in tongues.
9. You will have to ask someone who knows several languages how they started speaking in tongues
10. Some people's ancestral bondages, mainly curses placed upon them by someone in their past, will prevent them from speaking in tongues.
11. People who come from churches or families that teach that tongues are not for today, evil, or false. Most of these people will not even try to speak in tongues because they think is wrong without searching for the truth themselves.
12. If I assume that truth is what I have been taught and not seek truth directly from God by my own choice
13. You are told that if you speak in tongues you will go to hell.
14. You are told that if you don't speak in tongues you will go to hell.
15. If I am waiting for the perfect time or circumstance to speak in tongues.
16. Not being willing to humble myself enough to speak in tongues. It is beneath me to do such a think
17. Feelings of guilt and condemnation if you would start speaking in tongues.

WHAT ARE THE WAYS THAT I CAN START SPEAKING IN TONGUES?

1. Repent of your intellectualism (which is a demon by the way), ask Jesus to remove it, then go through the process below
2. Repent of your having to decide what is right and wrong about everything
3. Repent of your fear of how you will look, your teaching about how wrong it is, how false, or how evil it is.
4. Repent of your fear of not being able to control your speech when your speak in tongues. This is false. Everyone is in control of speaking in tongues. The Holy Spirit is a gentleman and will not push himself or embarrass anyone.
5. If there are a lot of people around you trying to get you to speak in tongues. Wait until you are alone and begin again.
6. Realize that it is the Holy Spirit speaking through you and not you consciously doing it. Surrender the speech center of your brain and your tongue to the Holy Spirit, and then begin to speak in syllables. Start slow and then speed the syllables up while being conscious of surrendering to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirits' tongue for you should begin to flow.
7. If you are still having trouble, have someone you trust pray with you and encourage you to speak in tongues. Of course that person should already be

speaking in tongues.

8. Ask people who speak in tongues to pray for you in the Spirit until every block is removed and you can speak in tongues 8. Make a covenant with God that you will receive any gift He wills to give you, and mean it.

IS IT HARD TO START SPEAKING IN TONGUES?

1. If you can speak in any language then you can speak in tongues.
2. Even if you can not speak, you can speak in tongues in your head
3. It is only hard due to the blocks stated above.
4. Only Satan wants you to think it is hard to speak in tongues.
5. It is easier than speaking in your language because you do not have to think about what you are going to say.

ARE THERE COUNTERFEIT TONGUES?

1. Yes. Some are associated with particular denominations
2. Some are associated with the occult.
3. Some are of Satan himself. Especially in seances
4. Let God worry about counterfeit tongues. If they are false, He will tell you. However be sure and listen to Him.

ARE THERE FALSE INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES?

1. Yes. Most of the times in meetings where there is a false interpretation, or a false tongue before the interpretation.
2. Again, ask God to reveal to you what is false and what is true. All prophecies have to be judged, so should all tongues.

PERSONAL TESTIMONIES

I was raised a Baptist, and when I was confronted with speaking in tongues. I did not put down the people who spoke in tongues. However, I told the people who were talking with me about it that I did not think it was for Baptists and we should leave it alone.

The next day I was in my car at a stoplight and Jesus got in the car with me. He said to me, "Dwight, this may be of me. If it is, then you should look into it." Boy, did that make an impression on me. I went to the Wednesday night church supper that night and sat beside one of the ladies that was very active in the church. She had a book with her that she laid down on the table right beside me. I read the title, "Nine O'clock in The Morning". I said, "That is a strange title, what is the book

about?" She said, " I don't know. I bought it last night in Greensboro, NC and have not had a chance to read it. If you would like to read it, take it home with you and let me know what you think?" I started reading the book that night. On Saturday, I hurt my back chopping wood and could not go to Church on Sunday. My son and I stayed home because my wife was going to High Point, NC to see her mother, who was dying of cancer. I turned on the TV in my bedroom and was watching Catherine Kulman. She was giving her testimony to a group of young people. As she was giving her testimony, the Lord began to heal my back.

My son called me to eat lunch and by that time my back was completely healed.

After lunch I went back to bed and read the last chapter in the book, which lead you to receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. I was lying across the bed and I said to God. "God, I will receive any and all gifts that you will give me. I will hold nothing back." The Lord then spoke to me and said, "Move your mouth." I said, "Lord, any gift except that one." He gently spoke to me again and said, "Move your mouth." I opened my mouth and began to speak in a French language. I knew it was French because I had studied French for two years in High School. The language just poured out of me for a long period of time.

After that, I began to speak in tongues for three to six hours per day for two or three months. Strangely, since that day I have not been able to speak in the French language I started with, however, I can sing in that language. I speak in five or six different languages depending upon the anointing of the Holy Spirit upon me. I am in the deliverance ministry and sometimes I speak in tongues, through the prompting of the Holy Spirit, to cast out demons.

Now, I sometimes pray out loud in tongues, however, most of the time, I pray internally. I do this when I am working, when the Holy spirit reminds me to pray for someone, when I am in church, before I am to go meet someone new, or I am going to minister or talk to someone about something important.

Sometimes I am disturbed in my spirit, imagination, conscience, memory, and emotions. When I am I immediately begin to pray in tongues while I see my spirit, imagination, conscience, memory and emotion. As I pray I feel the distraction leaving all these areas and I began to think clearly and calmly.

Speaking in tongues is a wonderful tool given to us by God to be used in all kinds of situations and circumstances to help us and all the people around us when we don't know how or what to pray.

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