** (Note: All Bible Quotes Are Taken From The Original King James Version)

Subject: The Holy Spirit Is A Mail Carrier Of Prayers To God (Romans 8:26):

You don't get to heaven by praying; you get there by obeying God. Prayer is the means by which you approach the throne of God, but you must obey God's commandments in order for your prayers to reach God. Disobedience to God causes prayers to be of non-effect. When you obey God He pours His Spirit upon you, and God's Spirit will carry your prayers to God. Your prayers cannot reach God unless the Holy Spirit is the mail carrier for your prayers. The Holy Spirit helps you to understand what God requires so that you will have a line of communication with God. It is impossible to please God without an understanding of His word. It is more important to obey God than it is to pray. God already knows what you need before you pray, but your disobedience will not allow you to receive consideration from God.

If you are sincere, God will teach you what is required to get His attention. You can't learn about God unless He sends someone to teach you. When you cease to do evil and learn to do right, there is an open line of communication between you and God; and the Spirit will establish the connection line.

Subject: The Holy Spirit Brings Human Desires Within The Bounds Of Good Conduct:

God ordained that men and women be together in holy matrimony, because they are a comfort to one another. Nothing on earth is more beautiful than a man and a woman being married with godly minds. When such a couple is filled with the Spirit of God, they will make one another happy.

It is difficult to make your spouse happy when you don't have the Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit, though a man and woman are married, they will try to make someone else's spouse happy. The Holy Spirit keeps you interested in your own spouse. The Holy Spirit controls and disciplines a person's interest and sexual desire to their spouse. When you are not filled with the Holy Spirit, you are not born again, and your sexual desire will be uncontrollable. It will run wild.

Without the Holy Spirit, human nature is without discipline, and you can't always do right, because you know what is right. Your carnal desires will be stronger than your knowledge.

Knowledge of what you know is right must be activated by the Holy Spirit in order for you to do right. Most folk who commit adultery know it is wrong, but their wild carnal desires are not always within the bounds of good behavior. This is why you must be born again. When you are born again, God replaces your carnal nature and its wild desires with His divine nature that will bring your desires within the bounds of good spiritual conduct. Listen to II Peter 1:4:

Verse 4 - Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

Subject: The Fear Of The Lord:

When you fear God, you are wise. This means you are spiritually smart enough to know what not to do to displease God. You learn to fear God by acquiring knowledge. To be spiritually ignorant will cause you to disrespect God.

The fear of the Lord has cleansing power that dominates the heart. It will subordinate, or demote all thoughts and evil imaginations to a level where such thoughts will be non-effective. The fear of the Lord is to hate evil. The Holy Spirit will energize your spiritual ability to make evil inactive.

The fear of the Lord will prolong your days; in it is strong confidence as a fountain of life (Proverbs 10:27). When you receive the Holy Spirit, you will receive the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, inclusive will be the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2).

Subject: You Can Be A Witness After You Receive The Holy Ghost:

Just because your name is on a church roll does not necessarily mean that your name is on the book of life in heaven. In order for your name to be on the

book of life in heaven, you have to receive the new birth from the powers of heaven. You must receive power from the Holy Ghost to be registered in heaven, and you can then be a witness for God here on the earth. Listen to Acts 1:8:

Verse 8 - But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Subject: Honor God And He Will Bless You:

You cannot visualize and be encouraged by the promises of God's word unless you have the Spirit of God. When there is no vision given by the Spirit of God, the people will perish. So, God in His mercy has ordained that His Spirit move upon those who receive His gospel so that they will be inspired and motivated to believe His promises.

It is only through the Spirit that one can visualize the promises of God. The things of this world that we are confronted with oftentimes bring discouragement. Therefore, we must anchor our hope in the promises of God that will lift our minds above the things of discouragement. We should not waste a lot of time talking to men and women for encouragement, because they need to be encouraged themselves. However, we can find encouragement in the Spirit of God, which abides in the people of God. If we give reverence and honor to God by means of His Spirit, God will give us encouragement and strength by means of His Spirit.