

WE ARE THE BRANCHES Dr. David R. Landis 6/27/18-029

Text: Isaiah 11:1,2 The Holy Spirit's ministry.

- Review:
1. John 15:5 We are the branches of the vine whom is Jesus. He is the tree of life in us.
 2. We are the wicks which must be clean and trimmed.
 3. Divine wisdom, human wisdom and satanic wisdom.

- I. I Corinthians 12:6 The anointing flows as He wills through the body.
- A. There are different operations of these gifts. Wisdom manifests through different means.
 - B. Matthew 13:10-23 The importance of understanding the Word of God that we hear.
 1. If we don't do the Word we hear it will be taken.
 2. There is no good reason for you not to understand.
 3. I want 100 -fold return on subject of healing.
 - C. James 1:21-25 The soul needs understanding.
 1. v25 "**looks**" over the edge
 - D. Luke 24:44-45 Jesus opened their understanding.
 1. Ephesians 1:17-23 Our eyes of understanding.
 2. II Timothy 2:7 The Lord will give understanding.
 3. I John 5:20 We have been given understanding.

- II. What we do not understand we are usually against or afraid.
- A. Computers, nuclear power, particular people groups.
 1. If the spirit of a person who has knowledge of computers gets inside of me, no fear.
 2. Adam was in fear after he sinned and didn't understand his future.
 - B. Ephesians 4:11-13 Gifts are given to help you understand the bible.
 1. I Timothy 4:11; 6:2 Command and teach.
 - a. I Thessalonians 4:3-8 Do not reject God.

- C. I Corinthians 11:14 Nature can teach you. How long is long? If you look like a girl.
- D. Proverbs 16:22 Understanding is a well spring.
 - 1. Wisdom is ability to use knowledge.
- E. I Corinthians 14:13-16 Through interpretation of tongues we can get understanding of the will of God.
- F. I Corinthians 12:10 The discerning of spirits.
 - 1. “**Discern**” means to distinguish or judge.
 - 2. There are spirits in and who work through people.
 - 3. Acts 16:16-18 The spirit of divination or fortune telling. Paul was troubled or annoyed. He did not see a spirit.

III. Isaiah 11:1,2 Definitions of the branches.

- A. **Wisdom** = skilled in spiritual and natural matters, to distinguish between good and evil, to exercise correct judgment (word of wisdom and tongues)
 - 1. **Understanding** = skilled in the faculty of insight and intelligence (interpretation of tongues and discerning of spirits)
- B. **Counsel** = to be skilled in the forming of plans by deliberation and doing of them (prophecy).
 - 1. God does nothing by chance but by planning.
- C. **Might** = to have strength and courage (faith, gifts of healings)
- D. **Knowledge** = knowing and being acquainted with God (word of knowledge)
- E. **Fear of the Lord** = the reverential fear of God (working of miracles) Signs and wonders brought fear of the Lord in Acts.

IV. The word “**another**” sometimes means the same kind and sometimes a different kind in the listing of gifts.

- A. Ask the Holy Spirit for understanding.
 - 1. When we were children we had wrong understanding.

