THE TEACHING MINISTRY

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- 1. The **Holy Spirit** is the Teacher, 1Jn 2:27, Jn 14:26, Jn 16:13.
- 2. We are, in the teaching ministry, offering ourselves to God, to be **channels** through which the Teaching Ministry of the Holy Spirit can flow. *Ac* 13:1, *Ac* 18:24, *Eph* 4:11, 1Tim 3:2, 5:17.
- 3. So keep a close, **daily, personal relationship** with God in prayer and in the Word, *Ac* 6:4, 1Tim 5:17.
- 4. **Record, each day** in your "spiritual diary", what God says to you during prayer and in Bible reading, *Pro 4:20-22*.
- 5. *In 16:13*. We do not speak on our own authority, but what we hear from the Holy Spirit we speak, *1Pet 4:10,11*. Be an **oracle**, or mouthpiece for God.
- 6. Start about 2 or 3 weeks before a meeting to pray and ask God for His Word. Come to an awareness in the spirit and mind of what God wants you to share and preach. Record this in your diary at the date to speak. **Word of Wisdom, and Word of Knowledge** will reveal to you what to preach.
- 7. Sometime during the week before, spend one day before the Lord and let **Him instruct you** in the ministry of the Word for the meeting. Write down on rough note paper everything that "comes to mind". Then rewrite it in an order that seems best. Get your main headings clear, and main references.
- 8. As you prepare, wait on God for examples, examples, examples from the Word or your own experience to explain the message. For each main point use an example. Paint a picture story from every day life, *Mk* 4:33,34.
- 9. You may be led to prepare outlines notes to distribute to the congregation, or use an overhead projector transparency or use Microsoft Power Point.
- 10. **Take authority in Christ** for the ministry. Bind and break every hindering, opposing work and spirit of satan, and loose the blessing and power of the Holy Spirit. Do this for your preparation and for the meeting.
- 11. **Pray concerning the "appeal"** and how God wishes to **WORK** in power, in people's lives, as a result of the **WORD.** *1Cor 2:4, 1Cor 4:20, 1Thes 1:5, Rom 1:16, 2Cor 3:6.* Wait on God for Word of Knowledge, Word of Wisdom, Discernment of Spirits, Prophecy, Tongues, Interpretation of Tongues, Healing, Miracles, Gift of Faith, *1Cor 12:7-11*
- 12. I usually preach the message out aloud to myself, quite a few times on Saturday night and Sunday morning before the meeting. As I do the Holy Spirit brings examples and scriptures to use and gives great boldness and liberty.
- 13. When you stand to preach, **submit to the anointing of the Holy Spirit** and flow with Him as He brings His Word out through you. It may not be exactly as prepared.

Lk 12:12, Mat 10:20, Lk 21:15, 1Cor 2:4,5, 1Cor 4:20.

- 14. Do not be unbelieving if the leader of a meeting asks you to preach during the singing of the first song. Trust God. Go out to a quiet place for the praise time, **ask**, **listen**, **believe** and **preach**.
- 15. Keep Saturday night clear if possible to pray and believe for the Sunday ministry. Rise early on Sunday morning and pray through in faith to a place of full confidence in God for the preaching.