



# Awaken Your Slumbering Spirit

PART 1

# **IN TODAY'S MESSAGE WE WILL LEARN...**

- 1. What causes you spirit to slumber**
- 2. How to identify the symptoms of a slumbering spirit**
- 3. How to distinguish between your soul and spirit**

# WAKE UP FAMILY OF GOD!

*...The hour has come for you to **wake up** from your **slumber**, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed*

(Romans 13:11)

## *Romans 13:11-12 (Message)*

*...But make sure that you don't get so absorbed and exhausted in taking care of all your day-by-day obligations that you lose track of the time and doze off, oblivious to God.*

*The night is about over, dawn is about to break. Be up and awake to what God is doing!*

*God is putting the finishing touches on the salvation work he began when we first believed.*

# POWERFUL AND INSIGHTFUL

Receiving revelation about the slumbering spirit is essential to living from your unique design as a born-again believer.

It reveals a primary cause for the powerlessness and sin we see in the Body of Christ today.

# WHAT IS A SLUMBERING SPIRIT?

It is a condition in which your **personal spirit** has **never been fully awakened** or has “**gone to sleep**” due to a lack of nurture or understanding what it means to live life from your spirit being.

# **WILL-POWER BECOMES A SUBSTITUTE FOR SPIRITUAL-POWER**

**People with slumbering spirits** can be born-anew, spirit-filled, Bible-believing, and church going.

**They attempt to intellectually “live their faith...”**

- By human will-power, which soon loses its power...
- Or try to hide their “lack of experiential connection”, through human efforts of service or religious activity

# DULL AND DISCONNECTED...

A Believer can be in the midst of a passionate worship service, but feel dull and disconnected.

They watch other believers crying, smiling, or physically expressing what they feel inside, but feel little to no emotion, except perhaps frustration.

# SLUMBER LIMITS INTIMACY...

Unbelief and doubt limits the slumber's worship to just hearing words and music.

Hence, an intimate connection with God and people around them is really challenging.

Sometimes, individuals with a slumbering spirit feel agitation or annoyance when everyone around them seems to be experiencing peace or joy.

# LACKING STRENGTH OF CHARACTER

Some individuals seem to have little to no strength-of-character in specific areas of their lives which results in repeating patterns of sin.

This hurt and pain seems to haunt them, and it appears like they have no conscience ability to say no.

People around them, that lack understanding, are tempted to judge them and with subtle or direct expression demand that they just stop it!

# IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

## **BODY (Greek, "soma")**

This is the entire material or physical structure of a human being -- it is the physical part of your natural life.

## **SOUL: (Greek, "psyche", Hebrew: "nephesh")**

Those structures of the heart and mind, character and personality **which we erect**, and build as our spirit encounters life and reacts, setting up coping mechanisms.

## **SPIRIT: (Greek, "pneuma", Hebrew: "ruach")**

**Eternal being**; that which God breathed into us from the beginning and which will return to Him. (Ecclesiastes 12:7)

# YOUR TEMPLE...

**Together the soul and body serve as a temple** for you spirit and God's spirit, but at times it can feel like a type of prison, a place of undefined tension.

This is why it is so important to receive revelation about Hebrews 4:12 (NASB):  
*For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the **division of soul and spirit**, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

# AWAKEN YOUR SLUMBERING SPIRIT PART 2

## IN PART 2 WE WILL LOOK AT

1. Biblical references about Slumber
2. Eight Limitations of a Slumbering Spirit
3. How to know the difference between a true conscience and remorse conscience.
4. How to find healing and awaken from Slumber

## IN PART 3

We will learn how to care for and feed your personal spirit.