Part 1

Introduction: The brain is an amazing organ created by God. God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Man is **Body**, **Soul**, **Spirit**.

Our mind is not like that of an animal, but more like our Creators. Our very Soul is tied in with our ability to be self-aware, reason, and be intuitive.

The Right and Left Hemisphere of the Brain: The Left is the more Fact oriented side; numbers, language, science, and reason. The Right side is more dimensional; music, art, imagination, and intuition... (Explain – Intuitive: based on what one feels to be true even without conscious reasoning; instinctive. etc... Men use more of their left brain while women typically use more of a balance of both...)

This message is entitled: I Want My Bible Back! But I believe that once you have heard it with your Soul; many of you will cry out: I want my church back!, I want my Discipleship back!, I want my Experiences with God back!, and I want Revival back in my life! And may even ask the Lord to forgive you, as I have, for hindering them from being as Powerful as they are supposed to be in our lives!

Text: 1 Corinthians 2:4-12 (NLT)

Outline:

I. I Want my Soul Back

A. My Mind: I can study the Bible rationally, simply with the mind, and learn many facts about God. For instance, I can learn that God loves me. But since love is an inner heart experience, I cannot fully experience God's love until He touches my heart, heals my hurts, and breaks my hardness. When He fills me to overflowing and brings tears of joy to my eyes! Then through an intuitive, spiritual experience, I have fully experienced the love I read about.

B. Rationalism vs. Relationship

- 49% of the N.T. contains references to Spiritual (nonrational) experiences. If you are bound to only a rational approach to God and His word, you are cutting out nearly HALF of N.T. Christianity.
- If you are not experiencing God spiritually (which is intuitive), and only experiencing Him intellectually; you will never be able to flow in the 9 gifts of the Holy Spirit, receive guidance through dreams or visions, have a fully meaningful prayer life, have a truly intimate relationship with God, or experience the benefits of worshiping God in Spirit! Joel 2:28 (NLT) Luke wrote in the book of Acts that

Pentecost was a fulfillment of this prophecy! These are not just word imagery! This is how God works through us! If you have lost all comprehension or desire for a Supernatural God to work through you Supernaturally... You are in need of Revival in a desperate way!

- Because of this, Church people of this day have not effectively dealt with the forces at work inside of them (repressed hurts, fears, anxieties, generational curses, forces of darkness and demon oppression.) For some, Church has become so rational that they have "tried church" only to find that it does not work for them, yet turning to drugs, drinking and a sensual lifestyle and feeling that does work!

II. I Want my Doctrine Back!

Many of you remember when people in this very church had a more Spiritual encounter with God! Shouts, dancing in the aisles, manifestations of the Spirit etc...

- The world is full of counselors, self help books, medications, and theories for a better life! But the Work of the Church is to reveal a Supernatural God who unlocks Spiritual senses! We need to rediscover how the Power of God the Father, Jesus the Son, and God the Holy Spirit can bring Strength, Deliverance, Healing, and Guidance to our lives Again!
- Without this, sermons are no better than Dr. Phil and church people have nothing to offer!
- Let me illustrate this by means of doctrines of our day: Many church denominations have taught generations of people that the Old Testament was for the Jews; the Gospels were about the supernatural lifestyle of Jesus and not a way of life we can experience ourselves; the Book of Acts was transitional and not for today; and the Book of Revelation was for the future. All you are left with is the lessons from the Epistles that do not speak about the supernatural yet they too have to be picked apart by these mainstream denominations to exclude talk of the gifts of the Holy Spirit etc...! They are not taught to truly believe in the **Whole Bible**!
- Maybe some of you were raised in a church like that. Maybe you have even raised your children with that conflict in your doctrine. "*I'm just not sure how radical and spiritual this relationship with God is supposed to be?*" Well let me tell you, the Whole Bible is for TODAY! The same God who said "*greater things than these will you do.*" John 14:12 (NKJV) Was talking about you!
- Jesus is not asking us to lose our minds! He is saying your mind and your spirit have their place! (Jesus Himself said: *Those who worship God must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth* John 4:23) A balance between Intuition and Intellect...Spirituality and Practicality. We need Both!
- It is time to say: I want my Bible Back! Repent and prepare yourself to live

It from cover to cover! If you don't have a Whole Bible to live, take back discipleship in your life! Read the Word as though it is FRESH and NEW and expect God to manifest in your life <u>supernaturally!</u> That IS God's desire!

When we walk out of the doors of our church each opportunity we come together...we should leave more Spiritually minded and focused! We should allow the things of God to be more heightened in our understanding and level of importance. WE should be ready to go forth and do what we hear, see, and know God is calling us to do!

LEFT BRAIN FUNCTIONS uses logic detail oriented facts rule words and language present and past math and science can comprehend knowing acknowledges order/pattern perception knows object name reality based forms strategies practical safe

RIGHT BRAIN FUNCTIONS uses feeling "big picture" oriented imagination rules symbols and images present and future philosophy & religion can "get it" (i.e. meaning) believes appreciates spatial perception knows object function fantasy based presents possibilities impetuous risk taking