PRAYER STUDY #10 LOGOS AND RHEMA

The Remnant Walking in the Word of the Lord

For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal [of human devising] but mighty through God to the pulling down [demolishing] of strongholds [fortresses], casting down imaginations [vain reasoning and analyzing] and every high thing [high mental thought or thing] that exalteth itself against the knowledge [THE WORD] of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. 2nd Corinthians 10:4-5

Satan hates the Word. He knows that the Word reveals to us who Jesus is. He is God the Son who saves us from our sin and allows us, even though we are sinful, fallen mankind, to have relationship with a holy God. The Word is a love letter to us from Jesus. It teaches us how to do spiritual warfare against the kingdom of darkness and promises us victory over Satan's forces if we walk in obedience and humility. The Word also reveals to us who Satan is. Ezekiel 28:14-15 identifies him as a mere cherub, not one of the chief angels like Michael and Gabriel that we have been wrongly taught, and Isaiah tells us that one day *"They that wee thee shall narrowly look upon thee and consider thee, saying 'Is this the man who made the earth to tremble, who did shake kingdoms, who made the world like a wilderness and destroyed its cities, who opened not the house of his prisoners?"* (Isaiah 14:16-17). In other words, the Word tells us that we will one day realize that the one who *weakened the nations* is nothing in comparison to the power of God.

I was brought up in a home that had daily Bible readings, and I am so grateful for that. I have known the Lord as long as I can remember, making a public profession of this in my early teen years. I did not, however, know anything about spiritual warfare and the power of the Word until I was spirit-baptized in my early twenties. Then the Word became alive to me.

The Remnant Company of the Last Days will be lovers of the Word. They will know both the Logos and the Rhema of the Word. In the Greek language the words Logos and Rhema are both translated as "Word." There is a great difference, however, in the meanings of the two Greek Words. Logos is the written and spoken Word of God. In John 1, it was the Logos that became flesh and dwelt among us. Logos is the representation of all Jesus is to His people. In the ministry I am involved in, First Love Ministries, Inc., we believe that the Word of God, the Logos, is inerrant, and was written by the Holy Spirit through human vessels and is Truth. A great faith teacher who has gone to be with the Lord, Pat Carver, said of the Word, "We can pray the Word about a situation and expect God-kind of results. The person we pray for has a free choice whether to accept what God has for them and, by praying The Word on their behalf, we give them the benefit of choosing either life or death, blessing or cursing, going God's Way or their own way (Deuteronomy 30:19). As we confess His Word, believe it, read it, speak it, and act on it, we begin to merge with it, and it becomes our way of live. As we live the Word, His strength, His ability, His peace, His love, His joy, His confidence, and His faith become ours. As we pray His Word, the weary ones, the weak ones, the deceived ones, the sick ones will be ministered to, protected by and brought gently to or God Shephard.

Psalm 119 is the longest chapter in the Bible with 176 verses. All but a few of these verses refer directly to the Word of God. Verse 9, for example, tells us the Word cleanses us. This is typed in the Bible by the brazen laver filled with water with which the priest washed himself in the Old Testament Tabernacle. Verse 24 tells us that the Word is our counselor. Verse 105 tells us that the Word is our guide. Verse 165 tells is that the Word gives us peace.

But what about the difference between the Logos and the Rhema? Logos is the Word of God. It is the whole Bible, the whole revelation of God, the knowledge of God, the same for all eternity. Though it we receive general prophecies and general instructions for the Body of Christ. The Rhema is a word from the Word. It is a specific word for a specific person. It is a word of knowledge. It is individual scriptures revealed by God for a specific situation and a personal prophecy to an individual.

"LOGOS" WORD	VS.	"RHEMA" WORD
John 1:1		Romans 10:8
2 nd Timothy 3:16		Romans 10:17
John 14:2		Ephesians 6:17
The Word of God		A word from the Word
General prophecies		Personal prophecies
Word same for all eternity		Specific word for a person
Instruction for all people		Instructions for one person
The knowledge of God		A word of knowledge
The whole Bible		Individual scriptures
The revelation of God		God revealing & relating

1985: The Lord God of your fathers make you a thousand times as many more as you are, and bless you, as he hath promised you! (Deuteronomy 1:11)

1987: And now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there forever; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually. (2nd Chronicles 7:16)

1987: And it shall come to pass in the day that the Lord shall give thee rest from they sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage in which thou wast made to serve. (Isaiah 14:3)

1990: Thy fathers went down into Egypt with threescore and ten persons; and now the Lord thy God hath made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude. (Deuteronomy 10:22

1992: And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say unto your master, Thus saith the Lord, Be not afraid of the words that thou hast heard, wherewith the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me. Behold, I will send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land. (Isaiah 37:6-7)

1994: For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within? But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person. (1st Corinthians 5:12-13)

1996: Thus saith the Lord; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Lord; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. (Jeremiah 31:16)

1997: Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. (Isaiah 43:18-19)