

These were given to illustrate spiritual truths. We worship the only true God who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see (1 Timothy 6:15-16). God is light. Light is invisible unless it is reflected off some object and objects themselves cannot be seen unless they reflect light. God introduced us to spiritual truths of the unseen spiritual realm with the visible, tangible symbols and worship rituals of the earthly temple. We can now understand the meaning behind the rituals and symbols of the temple in the light of Christ, but if we reject him of whom those symbols witnessed, we remain blind to the spiritual reality, clinging to the mere outward form (cf. Hebrews 9:1-28). [From article](#)

The word Menorah is translated “lampstand”. King James uses Candlestick.

7 vs 9 Candles?

Lighting a special, nine-branched candelabrum is the main ritual on Hanukkah. Most people — including Jews — incorrectly refer to this as a menorah, when in fact the correct name for the candleholder is Hanukkiah or Hanukkah menorah. A menorah, which has only seven candleholders, was the lamp used in the ancient holy temple in Jerusalem — now a symbol of Judaism and an emblem of Israel. A Hanukkiah, however, has nine candlesticks — one for each night of Hanukkah and an extra one to light the others. According to strict Jewish law, a Hanukkiah should have eight candleholders of the same height and a ninth branch that is set higher than the rest. Olive oil was traditionally used to light the Hannukiah, later replaced by candles that are inserted incrementally each night from right to left, but lit from left to right. Since 1998, the world's largest Hanukkiah — a 32-ft.-high, gold-colored steel structure — can be found during the Festival of Lights in New York City's Central Park.

Repent, be baptized, receive the Holy Spirit

[Acts 2:37-42](#) _38 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, (LAVER function in baptism) every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And **you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.** *(Both Laver ministry and Lampstand ministry now happen in believers bodies, the new version of the temple with Jesus’s new priestly order operating in heaven and soon on earth when he returns)*

Work required by the priests

[LEV 24:3](#) Aaron is to tend the lamps before the LORD from evening till morning, continually. (There is work to keep our temples clean and sin free so the light can burn brightly)

The LORD is the Spirit

[2Sam 22:29](#) You are my lamp, O LORD; the LORD turns my darkness into light. (The LORD (Yahweh) IS THE SPIRIT in us - 3 in 1 manifesting through Holy Spirit in us.

The LORD Keeps our lamps Burning

[Psa 18:28](#) You, LORD, keep my lamp burning; (Yahweh - keep the Spirit in me burning so I am your ambassador full of your light)

Isa 11:2 7 fold Spirit - 7 Lamps on Lampstand

The **Spirit of the Lord** will rest on him—the **Spirit of wisdom** and of **understanding**, the **Spirit of counsel** and of **might**, the **Spirit of the knowledge** and **fear of the Lord**—3 and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.

The Spirit Illuminates the Word

Psa 119:105 Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

(without Holy Spirit, the Word is not understandable to us, the Word is “enlightened” and it’s living meaning revealed to us by the Holy Spirit and thus the word becomes a lamp and a light for us everyday. This is how the Lampstand and the Word (at the Table) work together.

Eze 36:26 **Give Me a New Heart Lord** And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. (27) And I will put My Spirit in you so that you will follow My decrees and be careful to obey My regulations.

Jesus is the Light of the World

Joh 8:12 Once more Jesus addressed the crowd. He said, I am the Light of the world. He who follows Me will not be walking in the dark, but will have the Light which is Life.

(He is the Word made flesh, yet even Jesus the man, required the Holy Spirit to come upon him. (baptism - Mat 3:15-17) From then on, Jesus had Holy Spirit fully in him, so as a man on earth he has that LIGHT and becomes the Light of the world, having the full measure of understanding of everything about the Word and literally speaking the WORD out of his mouth directly from the Father...all all empowered and illuminated by the power of Holy Spirit living fully in him.)

Luk 3:16 Baptize Me with Fire

John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Joh 14:26 Holy Spirit is My Teacher

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

Obedience Pre-requisite to Receiving Holy Spirit

Joh 14:15 If you [really] love Me, you will keep (obey) My commands.

(16) And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another **Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Standby)**, that He may remain with you forever-- (17) **The Spirit of Truth**, Whom the world cannot receive (welcome, take to its heart), because it does not see Him or know and recognize Him. But you know and recognize Him, for He lives with you [constantly] **and will be in you.**

Acts 2:1-4 Tongues of Fire

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of

them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues[a] as the Spirit enabled them.

1Co 12:7 Holy Spirit Manifest in Me

But to each one is given the manifestation of the [Holy] Spirit [the evidence, the spiritual illumination of the Spirit] for good and profit.

1Co 13:4-8 What is Love Lord? Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 8 Love never fails.

Eph 5:8 I Want to Live in Your Light Lord

For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light! (9) For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true.

Eph 6:10-12 Put on the Armor to fight spiritual battles

“Finally, **be strong** in the Lord and in **his mighty power**. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can **take your stand against** the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.”

Eph 6:17-18 Pray In The Spirit *(This is why we pray using the Word)*

“Take the helmet of salvation and **the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God**. **And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests**. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.”

Eph 4:30-32 The Holy Spirit has feelings

“And **do not grieve the Holy Spirit** of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

Gal 5:16-26 Walk in the Holy Spirit But I say, walk and live [habitually] in the [Holy] Spirit [responsive to and controlled and guided by the Spirit]; then you will certainly not gratify the cravings and desires of the flesh (of human nature without God).

1Cor 2:9-11 Spirit Teaches Us Gods Thoughts and Words

“However, as it is written: “What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived”— the things God has prepared for those who love him— these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who knows a person’s thoughts except their own spirit within them? **In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.**”

Remember, Jesus went away, so that the Holy Spirit could come. And the Holy Spirit lives in us. He’s our guide, our counselor, He’s everything we need! He is God in us. It’s important to understand it’s the Holy Spirit who is Christ in you, the spirit of Christ. He is the spirit of the father in you he directly reminds us what Jesus and the Father are saying what they want us to do. The Three work perfectly together...as One. Three separate Holy persons... one God.

Eph 5:8-14 Once darkness. We are now light! - A Reflection of His Light

Remember the 10 Commandments are a reflection of the Father's Testimony. Holy Spirit enables Christlikeness to reflect on Us.

"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. (Not once were living in darkness... we once were darkness... now with the Spirit we are light!)

Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and **find out what pleases the Lord**. Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. This is why it is said: "Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

When we try to do XYZ in our own strength we just get frustrated. Only thru the Holy Spirit can we lead a peaceful, successful, fruitful life

Eph 5:17-20 Be Filled with the Spirit

"Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. **Instead, be filled with the Spirit**, (happens multiple times) speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

1Cor 3:1-4 Mere Human Beings?

Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere infants in Christ. 2 I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. 3 You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? 4 For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” **are you not mere human beings?**

God has arranged for us to be MORE than mere human beings. In other words, we no longer have to live as people who operate and live lives according to the spirit of this world or the spirit of our flesh. He's calling us to live lives led and guided by the Holy Spirit.

We either function as mere human beings. Operating out of our flesh or the spirit of the world, our own appetites, OR we live as Spirit Filled Christians.. God's temple with the Holy Spirit in us, leading us and guiding us. So there's a huge difference night and day difference literally night is darkness you're living in the world you're full of darkness you just function based on appetites and you're affected more by the worlds ways, our own flesh in its appetites or demonic activity, and the devil himself, Guided by the world, the flesh and the Devil - that's living as a "mere human being".

Or you are living in the light of day time as a adopted son or daughter of the King (ROYALTY) - led by the spirit, which is the spirit of Christ, the spirit of our father in heaven , Jesus, and the father, get together and send Holy Spirit to live in us while we're on earth to remind us of the word, to teach us, to guide us, to train us, to be our counselor, our helper, and to be resurrection power inside of us. Remember we are of a different ROYAL priesthood, we are priests who have the Spirit of the living God inside of us. Dunamis power! This is the life that is ours in Christ through Holy Spirit, if we can lay hold of it.

1 Cor 3:16-17 Holy Spirit in Us Make us Temples of God - Individually and Corporately

“Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for God's temple is sacred, and you together are that temple.”

In first Corinthians Paul begins to teach us again the difference between a life that's led by the spirit, and being able to understand spiritual things , being able to operate as a temple of God, with gods spirit living in you, that we are corporately, a temple of God, and we're all living stones in that temple, and we literally live a different type of life led by the spirit.

Having the Holy Spirit residing in us is the key to knowing the deep things in God, the important things of God that are discern only by the Holy Spirit. So it is the key to our Christianity. It is the key to going beyond an external relationship with God. And having an internal relationship with God in us. Remember, we are temples of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit lives in us. And the Holy Spirit reveals these mysteries of God to us, as we read the word with the Spirit as helper, as we pray the word empowered by the Spirit, as we worship God in his temple with Holy Spirit as our guide!

I can't overemphasize the importance of our relationship with Holy Spirit. He dwells in us he is God in us. He makes us temples of the Holy Spirit. The father, the first person of the trinity, lives in unapproachable light in heaven. The sun, Jesus, sits at the right hand of the father in heaven, as the high priest of heaven, he is worshiped as the Lamb of God in heaven. Jesus the man, is

coming back one day... in order to come back and take over, He has to be far away from here right now.

One final promise with this particular passage, it says God's temple is sacred... that's his corporate church. Each one of us is a living stone, sacred, and anyone who mess with his church...God will destroy them. So that's a promise from God that he will ultimately protect, raised back up his temple, his corporate church to take over the world. The gates of hell shall not prevail against it, it may get defeated in some battles. We may lose ground for a time....getting driven totally out of some countries... like around the Middle East early church was in Turkey. It was in the Middle East in many countries, but eventually got driven out by the Muslims.

God's promising us that in the future he will return and reestablish that church when he returns with the Jews, or rather win, the full measure of Gentiles is in the church, and then God reveals himself to the Jews. The Jews are going to all of a sudden have their eyes opened. They're going to see look upon the one the pierced and are going to see Jesus as the Messiah. And they're going to become the most on fire Christians the world as ever seen. They're going to rebuild the temple. It's gonna take a massive amount of them becoming Christians to have the conviction to rebuild the temple on temple mount and start a world war basically with Islam.

They don't have the courage or the political will to do that today. Just like the disciples didn't have the courage to share about Christ before Holy Spirit was in them they were cowering. They were cowards. They denied Christ. But after they were filled with holy spirit, they became on fire, Ambassadors and Evangelists, because they had been baptized in the Holy Spirit. And my opinion is that it's gonna take something like that happening to enough Jews, to empower them and catch them on fire to rebuild the temple in the face of the world saying no don't do that because you're encroaching upon Islam in the Muslim world by doing that on temple mount where their sacred place is their dome of the rock.

Rom 8:2-9 We Are Under a New Law - The Law of the Spirit

“because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be **fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit**. Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but **those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires**. The mind governed by the flesh is death, but **the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace**. The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law, nor can it do so. Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but **are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you**. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, (IN THEM) they do not belong to Christ.”

Rom 8:14-17 The Children of God (Holy Spirit in us makes us sons and daughters)

14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. **15** The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, **the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship**. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” **16** The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. **17** Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

In Roman 8 Paul talks about the law of the spirit of life versus the law of sin and death, and the difference between those who are led by the law of the spirit, led by Holy Spirit, and those who are led by their own flesh or the law of sin and death, where you’re a sinner and you don’t know any better you live a certain way. When you are filled with Holy Spirit and follow the leading of the Holy Spirit and listen to the Holy Spirit you lead a very different life and lifestyle.

The Seven Churches of Revelation 1- 3

Rev 1:12-13 The Lord in the Midst of the 7 Churches

12 I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest.

Rev 1:19-20 7 Lampstands are the 7 Churches

19 "Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later. 20 The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Ephesus Rev 2:5 Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and **remove your lampstand** from its place

Thyatira Rev 2:23 I will strike her children dead. Then all the churches will know that I am he who searches hearts and minds, and I will repay each of you according to your deeds.

Pergamum Rev 2:16 **Repent therefore!** Otherwise, I will soon come to you and **will fight against them** with the sword of my mouth.

Sardis Rev 3:1 These are the words of **him who holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars**. I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead.

Philadelphia Rev 3:12 12 The one who is victorious **I will make a pillar in the temple of my God**. Never again will they leave it. I will write on them the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God;

Laodicea Rev 3:19 Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest and repent. 20 **Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.**

ALL 7 Whoever has ears, let them hear **what the Spirit** says to the churches.

Not used

[John 20:21-23](#) Jesus therefore said to them again, Peace be unto you: as the Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Spirit:

[Eph 4:22-29](#) **Paul's Letters full of "how to live the Christian life"**

"You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. **"In your anger do not sin"**: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. **Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer**, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need. Do not let any **unwholesome talk come out of your mouths**, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."