John Connelly - October 29,2020 teaching for NDCCRS Prayer Group (Nelson)

- we are all miners, mining for God's Word
- the reason why God raised the Catholic Charismatic Renewal is to raise prophetic people
 - we are the John the Baptists of the world
 - we are preparing the way of the Lord
 - we are calling the world to repent and to draw them to Jesus
 - there is only One who can bring true peace and stop all the babble in the world... that is Jesus
 - it is our prophetic mission as the renewal
- how are we to become prophetic people?
 - we need to re-mine God's truth and find new truth in His Word
 - this is done by increasing our sensitivity and attuning ourselves to the Holy Spirit in our lives

Catechism 672_

Before his Ascension Christ affirmed that the hour had not yet come for the glorious establishment of the messianic kingdom awaited by Israel⁵⁶² which, according to the prophets, was to bring all men the definitive order of justice, love and peace.⁵⁶³ According to the Lord, the present time is the time of the Spirit and of witness, but also a time still marked by "distress" and the trial of evil which does not spare the Church⁵⁶⁴ and ushers in the struggles of the last days. It is a time of waiting and watching.⁵⁶⁵

Catechism 2819

"The kingdom of God [is] righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit."

The end-time in which we live is the age of the outpouring of the Spirit.

Ever since Pentecost, a decisive battle has been joined between "the flesh" and the Spirit.

Only a pure soul can boldly say: "Thy kingdom come." One who has heard Paul say, "Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies," and has purified himself in action, thought and word will say to God: "Thy kingdom come!"

- I will pour out My Spirit in abundance on ALL people
- the charism of tongues is the absolute key to entering the nature of the Holy Spirit
 - Ephesians 6:18 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.
 - in the book of Revelations, John wrote... I was in the Spirit in the Lord's day
- allowing the Holy Spirit total control is NORMAL
- 1 Corinthians 12:1 Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters,
 I do not want you to be uninformed.
 - charisms are supernatural gifts under the dominion of the Holy Spirit
 - https://www.catholic.com/magazine/print-edition/the-seven-gifts-of-the-holy-spirit
 - https://siena.org/charisms-faq
 - https://mintools.com/spiritual-gifts-test.htm
 - there are various kinds of tongues given by the Holy Spirit
 (1 Cor 14:21-25)

- 1 Corinthians 14:1 Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts
 of the Spirit, especially prophecy.
 - earnestly desire these spiritual gifts / supernatural gifts of the Holy Spirit
 - when you say "I don't want the gift of tongues", you are in total contradiction to living the Word of God
 - you are also rejecting the work of the Holy Spirit in power in your life
- the charism of tongues is the gateway to the other charisms
- we need to have a Biblical mindset at the end times
 - Rhema = the **now** Word
 - it clears out the weeds and prepares the individual to hear the now Word of God
 - you become alive when you hear the now Word
- 1 Corinthians 14: 2 For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak
 to people but to God. Indeed, no one understands them; they utter
 mysteries by the Spirit.
- 1 Corinthians 14:4 Anyone who speaks in a tongue edifies themselves,
 - edifies / strengthens / renews / transforms oneself in the inner man
 - the inner man is more important than the outer man
 - the strength / transformation moves from the inner man towards the outer man
- 1 Corinthians 14:5 I would like every one of you to speak in tongues, but I would rather have you prophesy. The one who prophesies is greater than the one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the church may be edified.
 - speak the now Word to the world / prophesy
- 1 Corinthians 14:18 I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you.
- as you pray in tongues, you are being empowered by the Holy Spirit

- you are renewing yourself and the world
- it expands God's influence in our lives, family and in the world
- we join in the utterance of the Holy Spirit
- as we pray in tongues, we are allowing the Holy Spirit to burst through the prayer to God which leads to spiritual awakening / revival
- as we pray in tongues, we are also engaged in intercession as we are led by the Holy Spirit
- our prayer may be specific to one person if that is what the Holy Spirit desires
- while we pray in tongues we may also be praying in adoration, which may lead to contemplation / deep rest in Jesus
- we are the canoe and the Holy Spirit is the river
 - let the Holy Spirit move your canoe
 - you pray in tongues until God says you're done
 - it clears the weeds / hurts within us
 - at times, memories of others are brought up as we pray in tongues (we may be interceding for these)
 - at times, our old memories are brought up
 - continue praying in tongues as this happens
 - you are praying through these events which eventually leads to your healing
 - pray yourself through victory
- pray the Holy Spirit to enkindle you quietly in your mind
 - this is called mental prayer
 - you can continue to converse with someone as you pray a mental prayer
 - this tunes you into more power as you pray in the spirit in your mind
- Ephesians 3:16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being,
 - the inner man is also associated with the heart
 - He will strengthen you and it will flow from you to the rest of the world
- **pray:** Holy Spirit, teach me how to rest in tongues
 - Holy Spirit, take control. I want to know you in my experiences
 - the Holy Spirit wants us to grow deeper, wiser and become more compassionate
 - He wants to be the fruit that flows from you to the rest of the world
- the Holy Spirit is the interior master of interior prayer
 - He guarantees that you will move in your interior life
 - more in you and through you

- John 20:22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

- the Holy breath is the breath of life
- Jesus, the New Covenant, breathes life into the church
- Holy Spirit = holy breath

Exercise: breathe in... breathe out

- breathe in Jesus.... breath out praying in tongues
- the Holy Spirit is the one who makes us wise and brings us joy
- out of your inner man will flow rivers of living water
- ask the Father: Lord, do you have a now Word for me?

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