

## “IGNORING THE DIRECTIONS”

### 1 CORINTHIANS 14:20-25

There was nothing wrong with this gift of tongues for it was, after all, from God Himself to His church. What was erroneous was how they were exercising this gift. And for the most part, it was all wrong.

### THE FALLOUT FROM TONGUES

#### ① A Lack of W \_\_\_\_\_ (14:20)

Their immaturity was creating evil. Instead of hitting the \_\_\_\_\_ weights with each other, they were indulging in \_\_\_\_\_ abuses against each other.

#### ② A Lack of W \_\_\_\_\_ (14:21)

God was graciously sending a warning to His people through a foreigner (i.e. Babylon). Sadly, she would not hear of it.

#### ③ A Lack of W \_\_\_\_\_ (14:22)

Instead of using it to reach unbelievers, they were using it puff up themselves within their own assembly of believers.

*Sign* → over \_\_\_ times in Matthew through Acts;  
less than \_\_\_ times in the next 21 books!

#### ④ A Lack of W \_\_\_\_\_ (14:23-24)

Speaking forth the word brings about con \_\_\_\_\_;  
speaking in tongues brought about con \_\_\_\_\_.

#### ⑤ A Lack of W \_\_\_\_\_ (14:25)

Speaking forth the Word hit the target of the heart; speaking in tongues was not.

### CONCLUSION

God has equipped His church with every good work, yet something sneaks in the back door and nuzzles its way into the heart. It's called \_\_\_\_\_. Here are some insights to deal with it.

① It's more than a \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 16:24)

② There are only \_\_\_\_\_ great commands  
(Mt. 22:37,39)

③ A major opponent is the \_\_\_\_\_ (Gal. 5:17)

④ There are only \_\_\_\_\_ choices (2 Cor. 5:15)

⑤ A major deterrent is \_\_\_\_\_ (Phil. 2:3-4)

⑥ A valuable resource is \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Cor. 4:8-9)

⑦ \_\_\_\_\_ surrender leads to \_\_\_\_\_ security  
(Mt. 16:25)

⑧ Live in light of \_\_\_\_\_ (Col. 3:1-2)

⑨ Inch closer to the state of \_\_\_\_\_  
(1 Tim. 6:6-8)

⑩ Long for the \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven (Jn 12:43)