

## Being Reliable is Desirable

What we need to understand is that as sons, God works with us through our character, gifts, abilities, mannerisms and even our quirkiness. I know this for sure because, in the prophetic community, those who are at a level of oneness with Jesus prophecy differently to everyone else. Those who are young in the prophetic, and those who are still in religion at some level or another, prophesy in a more formal style. They haven't learnt to be themselves and let the Spirit speak through them how he wishes – they are wanting to be in control and sound authoritative.

That being said, the lovely thing about oneness and maturity in sonship, is that you are comfortable being yourself. You don't have to prove anything and you don't have to put up a facade of any kind.

Unfortunately, our religiosity and our immaturity causes problems in other areas because we don't understand our position as sons. Sons can be themselves while ever they operate in the Kingdom, and that goes for how they are led by the Spirit.

It's amazing that many still think the Old Covenant way (i.e. OT way) when they operate as sons. This superimposes legalism and religion on top of the Kingdom. For example: Those who believe they are led by the Spirit still have a rigid attitude towards that mode of operation. They can't do anything unless Holy Spirit tells them, and they have to pray about every decision before they can act. As a result of their attitude, they are unreliable as humans and a 'pain' to work with.

Let's have a look at it.

Should a Spirit-led person say any of these statements?

1. To the boss at work – “I'm late for work today because the Holy Spirit told me to do such and such on the way here.”
2. To their children – “No dinner tonight because the Holy Spirit didn't tell me to cook for you.”
3. To their friend – “I didn't do what I promised you because the Holy Spirit didn't tell me to do it.”
4. To their debtor – “I haven't paid my bill this month because the Holy Spirit didn't tell me to pay it.”

Sound ridiculous? Well, yes. They are ridiculous because we all have responsibilities that need to be met as human beings, spouses, citizens, fathers, employees, etc. We cannot renege on these.



Could it be that the excitement of, and the focus on, being Spirit-led is what causes us to be unreliable, and not the Spirit leading us away from our natural responsibilities? That's more probable.

Until we are perfectly Spirit-led, we must not abandon our duties.<sup>1</sup> Jesus even went so far as to say that we must lovingly go about life in the natural better than the ungodly do.<sup>2</sup>

When we are perfectly Spirit-led and relating to perfectly Spirit-led believers, there is the situation where organisation and responsibilities can be put aside. However, until then, we cannot be so spiritually minded that we ignore the natural things of life.

**IMPORTANT:** The need to act naturally where appropriate is not an excuse for failing to be Spirit-led.

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1 – 1 Corinthians 7:32-34

2 – Luke 6:32-35