

**“Instruction For The  
Brethren”**

**The Coming of the Lord**  
**1 Thess. 5:14-22**



1) Church Instructions vs. 14-15

2) Personal Instructions vs. 16-18

3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20

4) Practical Instructions vs. 21-22



# **1) Church Instructions vs. 14-15**

- 1) Warn those who are Unruly**
- 2) Comfort the Fainthearted**
- 3) Uphold the Weak**



# **1) Church Instructions vs. 14-15** **(Cont.)**

**4) Be patient with ALL**

**5) See that no one renders Evil for**  
**Evil**



**2) Personal Instructions  
vs. 16-18**

**1) Rejoice ALWAYS**



## **2) Personal Instructions vs. 16-18 (Cont.)**

### **2) Pray without Ceasing**

**1) Focused Prayer**

**2) Fellowship Prayer**

### **3) In everything Give Thanks**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20**

**The Word of God has taken a  
backseat...**

- 1) To seeker friendly marketing and principles**
- 2) To human psychology**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

**The Word of God has taken a  
backseat...**

**3) To that which Tickles the Ears...**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20**

**1) Do not Quench the Spirit**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

**A. What is the Spirit Initiated  
WORK in the life of the  
believer?**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

- 1) The Spirit Illuminates the Word of God – 1 Cor. 2:12-14**
- 2) The Spirit Brings us closer to God – Rom. 8:15-16**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions** **vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

- 3) The Spirit Helps us know  
God's will – John 16:13**
- 4) The Spirit Gives us Strength to  
Live for God – Eph. 3:16**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

#### **B. How do we Quench the Spirit**

- 1) By not responding to His guidance**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

#### **B. How do we Quench the Spirit**

- 2) By choosing my will over His**
- 3) By living my life in a self-sufficient manner**



**3) Spiritual Instructions  
vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

**2) Do Not Despise Prophecies**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

- A. We can get caught up in much  
that is not the WORD**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions** **vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

**1) Worship**

**2) Spiritual Gifts**

**3) Fellowship/potlucks**

**4) Political and Social Issues...**



### **3) Spiritual Instructions** **vs. 19-20 (Cont.)**

**B. We must set the highest**  
**priority to the Teaching of**  
**God's Word**



## **4) Practical Instructions vs. 21-22**

- 1) Test all things**
- 2) Hold fast what is good**
- 3) Abstain from every form of  
Evil**



# Application Factor



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- 1) The Success of the Church  
depends on All



