

**THE ANGELIC CONFLICT**  
**Lesson 343 – July 1, 2012**

**/WELCOME TO BARAH MINISTRIES**

**Good Morning!**

**Let's Make a Mental Shift\**

In preparation for our study of the Word of God, your first shift is a mental shift. You have heard someone say in the past...I give you my word. In the human realm, that can be a powerful statement. I give you my word. God gives us His Word as well...He gives us the bible, the Word of God. His Word is a powerful spiritual statement and a powerful gift...we believers in Christ have been entrusted with God's Word. The Word pays big dividends. In Psalm 27, Verse 5, David says...

*/PSA 27:5*

*For in the day of trouble (pressure) He (the Lord) will conceal me in His tabernacle (the promises of His Word...which is a place of safety); in the secret place of His tent He will hide me (in a place where no one can approach, thus making me safe from evil); He will lift me up on a rock (He will get me out of harm's way through His loving care).\*

God's Word does not eliminate trouble in our lives. It gives us the mental strength to endure troubles. Thanks for coming to hear the truth, to equip your souls with the promises of the Rock...the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**/INVITATION TO RESTORATION**

**Make a Spiritual Shift\**

The second shift, before your study of the Word of God, is a spiritual shift. You assess your soul condition. <WHAT IS YOUR SOUL CONDITION?>

God wants you to be restored from your sinful condition whenever you commit personal sins, and He gives you the perfect provision through His promises. You make a spiritual shift by taking advantage of one of God's RESTORATION promises by admitting your personal sins to God the Father...a promise like First Corinthians, Chapter 11, Verse 31...

*/1CO 11:31*

*But if (2) we evaluate ourselves rightly (which we often don't), we would not be disciplined.\*

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**/SILENT REFLECTION**

Be Occupied with the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ\

Please take a few moments in silence, to fix the eyes of your soul on the Lord Jesus Christ, as He gets you ready to know His exact thinking...

**/OPENING SONG**

Destiny\

**/OPENING PRAYER**

Let us pray...\(0:30)

We're grateful Heavenly Father for the privilege of studying the absolute truth...the Word of God...

Help us to notice and to use the resources you put in place for our education...

We ask this through the power of God the Holy Spirit...in Christ's name...Amen.

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**Pastor Rory Clark\**

My name is Pastor Rory Clark. You're listening to lesson three hundred and forty-three of the Angelic Conflict series. Welcome to a ministry designed for serious students of the Word of God.

**/TODAY'S STUDY**

**The CREATOR Wants You to Know How He Educates You in the Classroom\**

We continue our study of the second of the twenty-one categories of doctrine that are part of the Angelic Conflict.

<ANGELIC CONFLICT 21 C's SLIDE>

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All twenty-one categories of doctrine begin with the letter C. We're studying the C called CREATOR.

Tick tock. What time is it on the CREATOR CLOCK? It's six o'clock.

<CREATOR CLOCK SLIDE>

The CREATOR is knowledgeable. God wants you to be knowledgeable, too, so He has put in place a classroom where you can be educated.

<RESIDENCE SLIDE>

What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

The classroom is a place where you can express your faith. When you come to a classroom of the Word of God, if you don't express your faith by placing your confidence in the objects of your faith, the teacher and his message, you are saying you know better than the teacher...that you have more merit than the teacher and the teacher's lesson. In the spiritual realm, that is a disaster! The Word of God, when taught accurately, is one area in your life where you don't get an opinion. When you hear the Word of God taught accurately, the only correct opinion is, "Yes."

/Positive Volition

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"I Believe"

Amen? Every time you say Amen...you're saying, "I Believe." You're saying, "Yes." Every "yes" said with your soul is an expression of faith. "Yes" is the only active work necessary in the Christian Way of Life. Look at Matthew, Chapter 18, Verses 1 to 3...

/MAT 18:1-3

*At that time the disciples came to Jesus and said, "Who then (which one of us) is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"//And He (the Lord Jesus Christ) called a child to Himself and set him (the child) before them,//and said,*

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*“Truly I say to you, unless you are converted (by faith alone) and become like (similar to) children (learning by means of faith), you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.”\*

This is a message that the Lord gave to all the disciples who were present, but the message was really addressed to Judas Iscariot, the lone disciple who refused to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

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You believers in Christ express your faith in the power of spiritual condition...in the power of the filling of the Spirit...in the power of the omnipotence of God, by using God’s restoration provision.

*/Point One*

REBOUND + I want to be in fellowship with God = *homologeo*

1JO 1:9

*If we believers in Christ admit (name or cite...homologeo) our known sins to God the Father, He is faithful (He always does the same thing) and He is righteous (free from sin Himself and thus completely qualified) to forget our known sins, and to cleanse us from our unknown sins as well.\*

What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

Your teacher begins the conditioning of your mind...the renovation of your thinking... God the Holy Spirit teaches the Word of God to your assigned Pastor for the purpose of RENEWING your mind.

*/JOH 16:13*

*“But when He, (God) the (Holy) Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth (of the Word of God); for He (God the Holy Spirit) will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.”\*

Here’s what is says in Titus, Chapter 3, Verse 5...

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*/Point Two*

RENEWING + I want to learn the Word of God = *anakainosis*

TIT 3:5

*He (the Lord Jesus Christ) saved us, (no) not (NEVER...ouk) on the basis of deeds which we have done in (self-)righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and (by) renewing (anakainosis) by (God) the Holy Spirit... \*

RENEWING means getting rid of your stinking thinking...and replacing it with biblical thinking.

*/anakainosis*

To give fresh life to  
To make new  
To cause to grow up  
To change to a new kind of life  
A complete and different change

PRO 23:7

For as he thinks within himself, so he is... \

EXAMPLE:

<CLIFF SPIER...

How does he think about the situation he is in?

“What is in my soul is what I am taking with me...everything else can be bought...I have insurance”>

What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

When you want to learn the Word of God...when you want RENEWING... you will seek and you will find a Pastor, not a church...look at Matthew, Chapter 7, Verses 7 and 8...

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/MAT 7:7-8

*“Ask, and it (a Pastor, for example) will be given to you; (keep on) seek(ing through daily biblical study, for example), and you will find (the truth); knock (use what you are learning), and it (a renewed mental attitude) will be opened to you.//For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.”\*

/MAT 7:9-10

*“Or what man (person) is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone (parents provide for children)?//Or if he (the son) asks for a fish, he (the parent) will not give him a snake, will he?”\*

/MAT 7:11

*“If (I) you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children (and you do), how much more will your (perfect God and) Father who is in heaven give what is (divine) good (gifts) to those who ask Him!”\*

God will get you a Pastor...

What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

The Pastor teaches the Word of God (*logos*) to you, as a member of a congregation

*/Point Three*

RECEPTION + When you teach the Word, I want to hear it = *logos*

2TI 2:15

*Be diligent (study) to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling (rightly dividing) the word of truth.\*

By the way, to call a congregation a local assembly is not exactly accurate, because some people are non-resident who are part of the assembly of believers. Better to call it a congregation.

<Non-Resident believer's Sunday>

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*/logos*

The Lord Jesus Christ is the LIVING Word...

The Bible is the WRITTEN Word...\

God gives us His written thoughts...the written Word...a contract...  
effective worship of God can happen in small groups...according to  
Matthew, Chapter 18, Verse 20...

*/MAT 18:20*

*“For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in  
their midst.”\*

Small congregations are able to garner God’s attention, believe it or not.  
Many phony Christians today can’t be comfortable unless they are a part of a  
“MegaChurch...” Interesting definition of a MegaChurch...

*/MegaChurch*

An independent church with a very large membership in regular attendance,  
focusing on an evangelical or conservative Christian theology and offering a  
variety of educational and social activities.\

Is there strength in numbers? Not where the Word of God is compromised.

The Pastors job is to communicate God’s exact thinking...here is my  
vision...here’s what I am doing when I am in perfect condition as a Pastor...  
You hear it every lesson in the closing prayer...

*/Pastor Rory Clark’s Vision*

...we pray that you continue to shape the messages from this pulpit that are  
an accurate reflection of your person, your thinking, your work, your  
reputation and your essence...\

That’s what I want for us, and that’s what I want from God...that He give  
me, moment by moment, the discernment that produces accuracy...so that  
you are not deceived.

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My job is to teach using the I-C-E Method...

/The I-C-E Method

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| I | Isagogics  | From the historical setting<br>Interpret the bible in the time it was written        |
| C | Categories | Hermeneutics...compare scripture with scripture<br>to check for internal consistency |
| E | Exegesis   | Check the original languages...syntax...<br>grammar...etymology\                     |

Truth, to be truth, cannot contradict...if there appears to be a contradiction, who is confused?

The Pastor's pulpit is the place you come to receive the communication of truth. In the Church Age, God does all His talking through Pastors. The Word of God illuminates...

/HEB 4:12

*For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.\*

/PSA 19:12

*Who (what person) can discern his (own) errors? Acquit me of hidden faults.\*

Unbelievers are predictable...they are all faults

/1CO 2:14

*But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.\*

How are you to behave when you are learning?

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As a congregation member, especially for those of you in the resident congregation, you are to do nothing that would be disturbing or distracting to those who are serious students of the Word of God.

What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

RECOGNITION happens when you comprehend the Word of God you have heard in the left lobe of your soul.

*/Point Four*

RECOGNITION + I am willing to understand what I have heard = *gnosis*

ROM 11:33

*Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and (gnosis) knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments (mandates) and unfathomable His ways!\*

*/HEB 5:14*

*But solid food (advanced doctrine) is for the mature, who because of practice (use...as if muscles in a gymnasium) have their senses trained to discern (divine) good (things honorable) and (things) evil.\*

The congregation gets insights from the Word of God which provide the opportunity for spiritual discernment.

What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

RETENTION happens when you believe what and you have understood and store it in your memory, whether you agree with it or not...you use your PISTEUO...you express, "I have faith"

*/Point Five*

RETENTION + I believe the Word of God is accurate = *epignosis*

ROM 10:2

*For I (Paul) testify about them (the Jews) that they have a zeal for God, but not in accordance with (epignosis) knowledge (the truth believed).\*

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What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

You remember the Word of God you have learned when you are under pressure, and you use it.

*/Point Six*

RECALL + I use the Word of God under pressure = *sophia*

JAM 3:17

*But the wisdom (sophia) from above is first pure, then peaceable (producing inner benefit), gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and (divine) good fruits, unwavering (impartial), without hypocrisy.\*

When you use recall, you are using the tried and true.

What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

The enabling power of God the Holy Spirit honors your positive volition by making the message of the Word of God perspicuous at every step of the intake...

*/Point Seven*

MESSAGE + God pours the power of His supernatural knowledge into me = pneumatikos

1CO 2:15

*But he who is in spiritual (condition...pneumatikos...has the spiritual discernment and) appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised (criticized) by no one.\*

What does it mean when something is made perspicuous?

*/Perspicuous*

Plain...distinct...intelligible...clear...lucid.\

What happens in the classroom can be compared to what happens in a restaurant

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/The Spiritual Restaurant

You come to the restaurant	REBOUND	(homologeo)
You are served a meal	RENEWING	(anakainosis)
You eat the meal	RECEPTION	(logos)
You taste the food	RECOGNITION	(gnosis)
You swallow the food	RETENTION	(epignosis)
You digest the food	RECALL	(sophia)
The food is converted to energy\	PHENOMENA	(pneumatikos)

Why did God do all of this for us?

JOH 17:22-23

*“The glory which You (God the Father) have given Me (the Lord Jesus Christ) I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; // I in(dwell) them and You in Me (the same in essence), that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know (by visible manifestation) that You sent Me, and (that you) loved them (believers in Christ), even as You have loved Me.”\*

For His glorification...you are being prepared for GLORY! What happens in the classroom of your RESIDENCE when you are getting a spiritual education?

Charles Spurgeon

Behold the superlative liberality of the Lord Jesus (Christ), for He has given us His all...He was not content until He had given us all that He had...He will do nothing halfway, He makes us sit with Him and share the feast. He will have His bride as rich as Himself, and He will not have a glory or a grace in which the bride of Christ (the Church Age believers) shall not share. He has not been content with less than making us joint-heirs with Himself, so that we might have equal possessions. There is not one room in His house the key of which He will withhold from His people. He gives them full liberty to take all that He has to be their own; He loves them to make free with His treasure, and to appropriate as much as they can possibly carry. The boundless fullness of His all-sufficiency is as free to the believer as the air he breathes.