



“... I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the men who are stagnant in spirit. Who say in their hearts, “The LORD will not do good or evil.” Zephaniah 1:12 NASB

Stagnant means “not flowing, not running in a current or stream. Motionless; still, not agitated.”¹ The Christian life was never intended to be lived in a sedentary fashion. Jesus said, “He that believes on Me, as the Scripture says, “Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.” (John 7:38).

Flowing water is full of life. It is dynamic in nature and so should the Christian life be dynamic in its living! To allow ourselves to stagnate in our faith is to ultimately die. Stagnation endangers our spiritual life and places us in a precarious position – “So then, because you are lukewarm and neither cold nor hot, I will spew you out of My mouth.” (Revelation 3:16).

Spiritual stagnation has only past experiences to remember. But a living faith regularly taps into the flow of God’s river of life. Fresh testimonies, fresh encounters, fresh and living joy permeate the believer’s life and tongue!

So – what of your spiritual life? Are you in danger of stagnation?

“Stir up the gift of God...” (2 Timothy 1:6).

Take some time today to pray in your spiritual prayer language. (1 Corinthians 14:14 – 15; Jude 20).

Ask the Lord for a fresh testimony!

¹ American Dictionary of the English Language. Noah Webster 1828

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