

Growing Strong in Spirit

We can learn a whole lot from Luke 1:15. Yochanan the Baptist was filled with the Spirit while he was yet in his mother's womb. Maybe that's why the baby leaped when Elizabeth walked into Miriam's presence. We communicate to our children when they are in the womb. The Spirit does. The Spirit in us is also in our children, even in the seed. It is so wonderful how the Spirit fills everything. If the mother is truly filled with the Spirit during conception and pregnancy, the child in her womb will also be filled with the Spirit.

After the proper time after the birth we take our children and dedicate them. From that time on the Spirit is upon them, training them, if we truly dedicate them. The training of our children starts with their dedication. When they are six years old they will be teachable. It's a wonderful thing how we have to *train* our children first so that they can be *taught*. A child can't be *taught* unless he is first *trained*. This is the first thing we learned about child training. Then after they are taught comes Bar Mitzvah. Then they become a man or a woman to carry out our Father's purpose.

The child in your womb has the same spirit, Holy Spirit as you. We are like Yochanan the Baptist.

I know that in Luke 2:40 the child, which was our Master Yahshua, grew and became strong in spirit. Modern versions leave that out. It says the same thing about Yochanan in Luke 1:80. Yahshua and Yochanan were trained as children and became strong in spirit. In Luke 2:40 Mary and Joseph filled their son with wisdom, poured wisdom into their son. The grace of God was upon him. It was the same way with Yochanan the Baptist.

Luke 2:52 — Yahshua continued to grow as a youth.

We can see that stature is maturity, growing up from infancy to childhood. He was trained. Our Master needed to be trained. He was a human being. He became strong in spirit. He had a human spirit. Also Yochanan the Baptist was a human being.

Yahshua was a boy, a human being. The Holy Spirit overshadowed Mary and planted in her womb a seed, a human seed. He was the second Adam and out of his side came the second Eve, the Body of Messiah, born of blood and water.

We have to raise our children like Yahshua was raised and bring them to maturity. They have to be trained so they can be taught during childhood. You can tell the children who have been trained that come in here. They are very attentive and don't get distracted.

You can't teach a child unless he is first trained. They have to be trained from infancy until they go to teaching. What we have been calling "training" is actually the time when they are being *taught*. From 6 to 13 years of age they are fully taught so that they can walk into the temple and debate with all the learned scholars. They understand the Proverbs and the Three Eternal Destinies of Man. They know more than all the people on the face of the earth. They are trained also to go out in the third, fourth generation.

Timothy was taught from childhood (2 Tim 3:15-17). He learned all about Greek civilization, about the world's philosophies, about Socrates and Aristotle, and was able to quote them, right? No!

We have to talk about this more. I can see that's the only way we fulfill our designated purpose in our life. We have to carry out those works that are preordained for us. We are not the Word of God, but we, that is Yahshua in us, are the Word of God to the world.

Our children are being taught in the Word of God, the Scriptures. We will see in time how our children are going to develop.

Yochanan the Baptizer was two months older than our Master. Our Master increased in all aspects in his developing human personality. In his spirit, soul, and body he had to develop. He grew in every way with grace. He had a developing personality.

1 Ths 5:23 — Our Body here is growing in stature, in favor of God, full of truth until it finally develops into the very Body the Godhead will dwell in for all eternity. It's amazing that Luke 2:52 and verse 40, which talks about our Master Yahshua, can be compared with Luke 1:80, which talks about Yochanan the Baptizer. It talks about two human beings. One was fallen,

one unfallen. Our Master had unfallen nature. Yochanan came from Adam's fallen nature but was filled with the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb.

The Holy Spirit overshadowed Mary and put a seed in her womb and caused her to be pregnant and start gestation.

Yahshua's humanity received the Spirit. The Word — Divine Spirit — was made flesh, or was made to dwell in flesh. He became one eternally in or with flesh and blood — unfallen humanity as the second man, the last Adam (Jn 1:14).

Yochanan the Baptizer was filled with the Spirit. There is a parallel here we must understand. We continually need to understand who we are and who Yahshua is. When we received the Holy Spirit He also overshadowed us, remember (Jn 1:12), and planted into us the spiritual seed of God and caused us to be born again.

The same thing happened when the Holy Spirit overshadowed Mary right in her ovulation period so she could become pregnant. It was like when God breathed into Adam. The same thing happened with Mary. The second man, the second Adam was born on earth. He was unfallen, never to fall. Heb 5:7-9; 10:5 — A human body was prepared *for* Him, the Word (Jn 1:14), as we also receive His Divine Spirit in us (Jn 1:12). Lk 1:35; Heb 10:5 — A human body was *prepared* in the womb of Miriam for the Word of God to dwell in — in the flesh or human nature. The Word was *made* flesh — *made* (#1096) — to cause to be in human nature — a body formed for Him to be one with human spirit (2 Pet 1:4; 1 Cor 6:17).

He is the last Adam, the Word of God. We are still living by the eternal Word of God to really know who we are. Mt 4:4 — We don't live apart from that. We are a developing Body waiting for the time when we will be the fullness of the Body for the Godhead to dwell in (1 Jn 3:2; Heb 1:3).

Our children will understand these things when they are 6, 7, 8, 9 years old. We don't understand. You see how little we are, how small, how underdeveloped?

Eph 4:15 — Speak the Word of God so that we will grow up in every aspect of our human personality. Then (verse 16), if each member of the Body does his part the fullness of the Body will come about, the Body will grow up in every way.

This has never been done. It has not been done in the first century. It was only a concept. And it is only a concept in Christianity. They know they can't do it.

It can only be done if there is perfect unity. Yes, there might be irritation, but no division. The oil covers the irritation. The good love covers.

Do you see Eph 4:11-15? Do you see what's going to happen in the last days? It's going to be amazing.

Those who are able to run with this need to run. This is not easily apprehended. The day will come when it's easily apprehended because of revelation and understanding. To *run* means you've got it and can go with it.

Hab 2:2,3 speaks of the end. It is put off to the end. It brings about the end. This is not going to happen in your time, Habakkuk. It's for the appointed time, the end time. Then something phenomenal is going to happen.

Ps 12:6 — This is talking about the seven sabbatical years. The Word became flesh so that we could become like the Word, the full expression of our Master. This will take 7 times 7 years, the time of the race.