

HOLY GHOST POWER – 4
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ACTS 1:8

We are living in the last days. Jesus is soon to come. Evil is increasing on every front and in every form. Manifesting itself in sin, sickness, strife, deception, mental anguish and many other forms. People are dying daily. Do they know Jesus? Did someone try to reach them? Do we know the main reason why we've been given Holy Ghost Power?

MATTHEW 9:35-10:1

Jesus is no less aware of human need today as He was when He dwelt among us. He gave them power to deal with demons and disease then, and He continues the same today.

MARK 16:12-20

The Gospel is about the resurrected Christ and believing in the power of the resurrection. Jesus makes it clear – believe and be saved, believe not and be damned. If you believe, cast out devils and heal the sick. How? By the power of His Name, and supernatural signs will follow.

ACTS 2:16-21

Pentecost was the beginning of the fulfillment of Joel's prophecy. People received Holy Ghost Power which resulted in prophecy, visions, dreams, wonders, and signs, all intended to reach the lost.

SALVATION IS A WORK OF THE SPIRIT – JOHN 16:7-11

- The Spirit draws men to Jesus.
- The Spirit convicts of sin – helps people see their need.
- The Spirit regenerates – recreates the human spirit.
- The Spirit empowers – anoints and imparts gifts.

MANIFESTATIONS OF THE SPIRIT – 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11

There are three categories of Spiritual Gifts.

1. Revelation (reveal something) - Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, and Discerning of Spirits.
2. Power (do something) – Faith, Gifts of Healings, and Working of Miracles.
3. Vocal (say something) – Prophecy, Tongues, and Interpretation of Tongues.

These manifestations help us witness for Jesus, cause the heart of the sinner to soften and repent, and minister to people's needs.

HOW AN ATHEIST AND HIS FAMILY CAME TO CHRIST

Testimony of Norvel Hayes, The Winds Of God Bring Revival. Pages 67-69 - This is why every believer needs to be Spirit filled and open to the ministry of the Spirit. He knows how to reach peoples' hearts. This manifestation of Special Faith enabled Him to move beyond His general faith. The unction of the Spirit was required!

REPENTANCE PRECEDES REVIVAL

2 CHRONICLES 7:14 – Complacency – spiritual sloth or laziness – with regard to sin or the things of God.

1 PETER 4:17 – If we want power with God, we must judge ourselves and repent of anything that displeases God.

REQUIREMENTS FOR REVIVAL

1. Spiritual hunger – to see God move and save souls. **PSALMS 63:1-4**
2. Persistent prayer – **JAMES 5:16 (AMPC)**
3. Commitment – **HEBREWS 6:12**
4. Yieldedness to the Spirit – **ROMANS 8:14, JOHN 16:13.**

- Remember when the Israelites tried to enter the promised land in their own strength. They utterly failed. We must yield to the Holy Spirit and follow His lead.