

TEACHING #2: ACTS 2:16-21 WHY WE NEED GOD'S SPIRIT

The Church - God's Empowered People

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TELL YOU A SECRET – JESUS REVOLUTION REG PPL POWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Down the road – model mold/man follow – **SYMBOL MVMT DOVE - SCRIP**

Zechariah 4:6 Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the LORD of hosts.

NOT LEGACY JESUS REV. GOD'S CHURCH – EVERY JESUS REVOLUTION POWER SPIRIT

Islam powered Sword, Buddhism nirvana – CHRISTIANITY POW BY GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT

FROM DAY 1 - Joel 2:28 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. ²⁹ Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

- **YOU ALL NEED TO WAIT** – UR NOT READY AS IS,

They had been trained up and coached up but now they needed to be powered up.

MP: Every time there is a Jesus revolution a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit is being unleashed through God's people upon the world. ALL THE TIME?

- Stretches time: unempowered, made no difference were no different
 - o MESSAGE IN THE WAITING – **YOU NEED TO BE POWERED UP**

Tagline for our church – **powered by the Holy Spirit** – MORE THAN HAT/SHIRT – LIFE

WE NEED THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT IN OUR COMMUNITY

Who wants to be part of a community of Jesus followers not walking in the power of God's Spirit?

THE FIRST THING FOR THE CHURCH

Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

To be my witnesses means radiating the King and His kingdom in and through your life.

Always the thing for church – CONT EMPOWERING – SUN SOLAR PANEL SCREEN

- **KINGDOM HEAVEN HAS COME – WE ARE HIS HEAVENLY COMMUNITY**

If we are a heavenly community, why do we seem so earthly and fleshly?

We are all full of something. It's either the Spirit or the flesh.

Ephesians 5:18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, ²⁰ giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ. NOT FILLED

UNEMPOWERED: Hatred, discord, sexual immorality, jealousy, impurity debauchery, fits of rage, dissension, factions, envy, conceit **EMPOWERED:** Love joy peace patience kindness goodness, faithfulness gentleness self-control – **U STARTED IN SPIRIT WHY?**

SPIRIT-FILLED COMMUNITY IS A UNITED/EMPOWERED COMMUNITY – **POURED ALL**

- The culture is shaped by GOD'S SPIRIT – **FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT – CONQUER**
- **THROUGH GOD'S SPIRIT WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS** - dependent

ROOM IS FULL OF CONQUERORS – TRUTH IS THERE IS CHALLENGE

- Society today – OBSESS / FIXATED / CONSUMED DIFFICULTY

BEAR BURDENS – STRENGTHENED We need to confess but we also need to conquer.

Don't deny the pain neither do we deny the power.

2 Corinthians 4:8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair;
9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed.

When we live as conquerors together, the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

“Individually, we are one drop. Together, we are an ocean.” — Ryunosuke Satoro

WE NEED THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT TO ATTRACT THE WORLD TO THE GOSPEL

We are a transformed community that attracts the lost to Jesus. MOTH to FLAME

WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DIFFERENT – city set on hill, salt of earth, light of world

Titus 2:14 Who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

- IF PPL HAVEN'T HEARD THE GOSPEL – CONCLUSIONS BASED ON OUR LIVES

PPLGOD Counterculture – REAL SM ACCOUNT - Fulfillment, Money, Sex, forgiveness,

Connect Transcendent, Family – MARKETPLACE OF IDEAS

SEE THE GOSPEL REALLY WORKS!

- Identity, Meaning, Value and Destiny – THAT'S HOW WE LIVE

The purpose of being a counterculture is not to attack it is to attract.

Our lifestyle with power declares that the gospel works. It has the power to transform lives, satisfy the soul and enable us to respond to life's greatest challenges.

- Who wants to believe in a gospel that doesn't work? WHAT DOES WORLD SEE?

Marriages that work, businesses run well, employees faithful, hard-working honest

THE WORLD DOESN'T HAVE THE ANSWERS – CHRISTIANS DO....

- HA IRONSIDE....

FRESH FILLING OF THE SPIRIT – CONTINUAL EMPOWERING CONNECT TO

CONTINUAL DEPENDENCE – WE DON'T JUST ASSUME IT WE ASK – MORE OF US/HIM

- JUDICIAL MINDSET FOR THE ATONEMENT – Judge has forgiven us – NOT ALL

ALMIGHTY CREATOR HAS INDWELT US - DWELLING PLACE OF GOD

illustration of cup being filled to overflowing

renewed community of God's people, a transformation of people's lives, a unity that transcended outward differences, mission to reach lost souls

blessing to the church or in conflict with the culture