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#### REALITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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### THE PLACE OF HIS PRESENCE

For every new experience in God there is a higher revelation to discover. A desire for a new experience in God always leads to a discovery of a higher revelation of Him. Every Divine truth you understand and grow in, gives you access to a greater dimension and deposit of God's glory.

Moses' earnest desire was to see the face of God and experience the fullness of His glory.

"I beseech thee, show me your glory..." was his heart cry. And God said to Moses, "There is a place by me ..."

Get this revelation today: The revelation of God's glory is tied to a place THE PLACE OF HIS PRESENCE. What Moses needed in order to enjoy more of God's glory was a deeper encounter of the presence of God.

Moses' prayer, and indeed our prayer today ought to be, "Bring me to the place in your presence where I can enjoy more of your glory." There is a mystery behind the place of God's presence.

# GOD'S PRESENCE IN THE PLACE OF DEVOTION

The revelation of God's presence began through places. God made provision for People to encounter His presence in specific

places. Adam and Eve encountered God's presence in Eden. To be sent out of Eden was to be cut off from the presence and glory of God. After God sent Cain away from His place of Divine encounter, he also lost God's presence. Cain cried out "...from thy face shall I be hid" (Genesis 3:14b).

Abraham's encounter of God's presence was tied to the places where he built altars unto God. Genesis 13:3-4 says, "And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning ... unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first."

Repeatedly, we see the saints of old return to specific places where they encountered God, for a fresh release of God's presence and glory. When Abraham sought Divine

help and intervention for Lot, he knew where to go.

And Abraham got up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the Lord. Genesis 18:27

Deliverance came for Lot.

And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow... (Vs 29).

That was Abraham's place of devotion. We will notice that God brought several of His revelation of God's presence and glory to other servants to certain places to encounter the Revelation of His presence and glory. After such encounters, they were able to carry that places, passing some on to other people after them. Jacob encountered God at Bethel; Moses encountered God at a certain place called Horeb, a place the Bible called the mountain of God (Exodus 3:1-5).

Jacob enjoyed repeated encounters of the presence and glory of God by getting to the place called Bethel. "He lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, ...". It was at Bethel that Jacob saw the glory of God (Genesis 28:11-19). Many years later, when Jacob needed a fresh encounter with God, He gave him a Divine instruction.

And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.

My candid advice is, do not abandon your place of devotion.

#### GOD'S PRESENCE IN SANCTUARIES

In the Bible, we also see that after men encountered the presence and glory of God, He moved them to build sanctuaries and places of worship where others could partake of a concentrated dimension of His presence and glory.

Jacob vowed to build God an altar and a house.

And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee. Genesis 28:22

God later reminded Jacob to do so.

And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother. Genesis 35:1

God commanded Moses to build him a sanctuary.

And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. Exodus 25:8

The sanctuary was for all men to seek and encounter God's glorious presence.

And it came to pass, that everyone which sought the Lord went out unto the tabernacle ... Exodus 33:7b

The church, the sanctuary, the House of God, is the place of God's presence. One of the errors of this generation is to take the place of God's presence for granted. Despising God's House will disqualify us from experiencing God's glory. It will limit us from enjoying greater levels of God's miracles.

#### GOD'S PRESENCE IN THE PERSON OF JESUS

Jesus Christ came to physically reveal and communicate the presence of God to man. In John 1:18 the Bible says, No man hath seen God at any time: the only begotten son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him". The presence of God has come to us in the person of Jesus Christ.

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature. Colossians 1:15

The Bible also tells us that Jesus Christ is "... the brightness of God's glory, and the express image of His person ..." (Hebrews 1:3). He is Emmanuel, God with us. To receive Jesus is to receive the presence of God.

### GOD'S PRESENCE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Before Jesus left this world physically and bodily, He revealed to us the person of the Holy Spirit, Who will come to be with us forever, revealing and imparting to us the continuous fullness of God's presence.

As we seek God in the place of daily devotion; in the

place of the sanctuary of God's house; and by receiving the person of Jesus by faith, we also need to enter into THIS FINAL DIMENSION of the presence and glory of God, through the Holy Spirit.

This book brings to you a revelation of how to know the person and presence of the Holy Spirit in your daily life. As you read, there will come moments where you will need to pause and speak to the Holy Spirit. Do not hold back, release your heart to Him and see Him take you into higher dimensions of God'sglory.

Welcome to a closer fellowship and intimacy with the Holy Spirit. He is the One to reveal to you the place of God's presence.



From The Moment Jesus
Ascended, Every Move Of
God On Earth Became
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# THE PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - 1

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for hedwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: John 14:16-18a

The ascending of the Lord Jesus Christ to heaven officially ushered in the "era of the Holy Spirit." From the moment Jesus ascended, every move of God on earth became dependent on the Ministry of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, to encounter any move of God now, you must necessarily give the Holy Spirit His rightful place in your life. Jesus has been glorified, and the Holy Spirit has beengiven to us by God as our helper.

#### **HEISAPERSON**

Everything we will ever know of God is fully dependent on what God reveals to us of Himself. God wants us to know Him personally and intimately, so He has given us revelations of Divine truth about His person and God head.

#### In John 1:18 the Bible clearly declares:

No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him.

Jesus is the living Word of God; and out of the living Word came the written Word. God has revealed Himself to us through the Word of God "... the only begotten son which is in the bosom of the Father (as the Word), He hath declared Him". As we read God's Word, we "... must believe that He is..." He is Who He reveals Himself to be through His Word. Believe what God says to us about Himself in His Word. Do not doubt. Believe!

#### HE IS A MEMBER OF THE TRINITY

God has revealed Himself as a Triune person. He has revealed Himself as a trinity - Father, Son and Spirit. Several passages in the Bible reveal God as a trinity - a three person Divine Godhead (yet one). Let us consider several of such passages:

Come ye near unto me, hear ye this;... and now THE LORD GOD (the Father) AND HIS SPIRIT (the

Holy Spirit) hath sent me (The Son i.e. Jesus Christ). Isaiah 48:16,emphasis, mine.

During the baptism of Jesus (the Son), the heavens opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God (the Holy Spirit) descending like a dove upon Him.

And lo a voice from heaven (the Father) saying, 'This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased.

Matthew 3:16-17

Just like the Father and the Son are Divine persons, the Holy Spirit is a person. He possesses all attributes of Divinity. Jesus, the Son, placed the Holy Spirit as equal in the Trinity:

... baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19

Peter refers to the Holy Spirit as God. Just as the Father is known as God the Father, and Jesus is known as God the Son; we need to recognize the Holy Spirit as God the Holy Spirit.

But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, ...thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God. Acts 5:3,4

Paul refers to Him as Lord.

The Lord is that spirit... 2 Corinthians 3:17

As God the Father and Son are omnipresent, the Holy Spirit is omnipresent.

Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. Psalm 139:7-10

#### He is omniscient.

OLORD, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my down sitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether. Psalm 139:1-4

He is omnipotent Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts. Zechariah 4:6

#### He is eternal.

How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? Hebrews 9:14

#### JESUS ADDRESSED HIM AS A PERSON

Jesus referred to and related with the Holy Spirit as a person, to reveal to us that He is a Divine personality. He is not a thing, feeling or force.

He shall give you another comforter, (one like myself), that He may abide with you for ever. John 14:16

Note the personal pronoun HE, in John 14:16.

Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him: John 14:17

The Bible also attributes to the Holy Spirit, qualities and functions only a person can carry out:



JUST LIKE THE FATHER AND THE SON ARE DIVINE PERSONS, THE HOLY SPIRIT IS A PERSON. HE POSSESSES ALL ATTRIBUTES OF DIVINITY.



#### 1. KNOWLEDGE

He shall TEACH you all things. John 14:26

#### 2. MEMORY

He shall REMIND you all things. John 11:26

#### 3. SPEECH

He shall TESTIFY and bear witness of me. John 15:26-27

#### 4. MENTALITY

Romans 8:27 tells us of the mind of the Spirit:

And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the MIND OF THE SPIRIT, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

#### 5. EMOTIONS

Romans 15:30 tells us of the love of the Spirit:

Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the LOVE OF THE SPIRIT, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me;

Nehemiah 9:20 tells us of His character as the good Spirit:

Thou gavest also thy GOOD SPIRIT to instruct them, and with heldest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst.

1Corinthians 2:10 tells us He searches and reveals all things:

But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for THE SPIRIT SEARCHETH ALL THINGS, yea, the deep things of God.

Beloved, the Holy Spirit is a real Divine personality. He is here to help you personally. Recognize and receive Him as a person.

Now, say with me,

The Holy Spirit is a person.

He is not a wind. He blows like the wind.

He is not a river. He flows like the river.

He is not fire. He purifies like fire.

All these symbols are expressions of the effect of His manifestations but He Himself is a person.



Until You Know The Holy Spirit, You Cannot Know The Father. Until You Know The Holy Spirit, You Cannot Know The Son.



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# THE PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - 2

#### WHO IS A PERSON?

A person is anyone, a living being, with a personal existence - a unique, distinct personal existence. A person is a living being with a distinct identity.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth and the earth was without form and void and darkness was upon the face of the deep and the spirit of God moved on the face of the waters and God said... Genesis 1:1-3

In the beginning, God created... 'God' here refers to the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. When it was time to break down the revelation of God in His peculiar Personalities, the first Personality of God revealed to man is neither the Father nor the Son, but the Holy

Spirit. Why? It is because, until you know the Holy Spirit, you cannot know the Father. Until you know the Holy Spirit, you cannot know the Son.

Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19

The Lord Jesus asked the disciples to baptize in the Name of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. What did He mean by that? He meant that if we must experience His move, we must understand Him in the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.



THE HOLY GHOST IS A PERSON. HE CAN OPERATE AWAY FROM THE FATHER. HE CAN OPERATE AWAY FROM THE SON, AND YET BE COMPLETE, FULL, INTACT, CONSISTENT, PRECISE, DEFINITE, AND HOLISTIC.



To baptize means to mix, to immerse, and to rub into. And every move of God has always been ushered in by the Holy Spirit. Before the Father revealed Himself, the Spirit ushered Him in. They are distinct persons, Living Beings, with a distinct personal existence.

Take for instance, your mind is not a person, because you cannot remove your mind from you. Your mind depends on you to exist. But the Holy Ghost is a person. He can operate away from the Father. He can operate away from the Son, and yet be complete, full, intact, consistent,

precise, definite, and holistic.

When Jesus was baptized in the river, the heavens were opened and He saw the Holy Ghost descending on Him bodily like a dove, and the Father spoke from heaven. So you see, the Holy Spirit descended like a dove on the Son, and the Father spoke. These were three distinct persons.

When you look at the sun, you see different things. The sun is circular, radiates heat and shades light. The sun shines; but the light is not the sun. The sun is hot; but the heat is not the sun. Though these qualities are manifested in the sun, they are distinct.

Light is not heat. Heat is not light; and light is not round in shape, neither is heat round in shape. Heat is not yellow in colour. Wherever you sense heat, is it the sun? No! Wherever you see light, is it the sun? No! Now, if what God created can exist differently and yet be the same; what about the Creator Himself?

Water, for example, can exist in three different forms - ice block, liquid, and vapour. The ice is not the liquid and the liquid is not the vapour. But they are all manifestations of water. If the water that God created can exist as a trinity, how much more the Creator?

Man, fallen as he is, was created as spirit, soul, and body. How much more the God that created him?

#### SPEAK TO THE HOLY SPIRIT AS A PERSON

The Holy Spirit is our personal helper from God. One of the meanings implied by the word 'comforter' is HELPER. A helper is onethat comes to aid, support and assist by contributing to the fulfillment of a purpose, the supply of a need, or the furtherance of an effort.

#### The Holy Spirit is:

- God's help to us in the form of a person;
- God's help to us contained in a person;
- God's help conveyed to us personally.

Jesus told us, "...the world cannot receive Him, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know him: for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you" (John 14:17).

Child of God, when you became born again, your body became the temple of the Holy Spirit. He now dwells in you, daily bearing witness and ministering help to your spirit. We do not need to see Him. We know Him through the revelation of God's Word that we hear, know and believe. As we believe we begin to experience and enjoy His fellowship.

What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost WHICH IS IN YOU, which ye have of God...?1Corinthians 6:19

Now, begin to recognize and speak to Him as a person. He is with you and in you, ministering help to you. We have received the Spirit of the Father, the Spirit of Christ. He is also the Spirit of adoption into sonship, by whose help we are able to know and call God, Abba, Father (Romans 8:15).

See how personally the Apostles recognized and related with Him: "For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us..." (Acts 15:25). They made Him a part of their daily life and decision making. Begin to speak to the Holy Spirit as a person from today.

Jesus says, "He that believes in me, as the scripture says, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." What is this water? Who was He referring to? The Holy Spirit, of course.

#### Say with me:

In the Name of Jesus.

I believe the Holy Spirit is a person.

#### HE IS YOUR HELPER

When Jesus was about to be glorified, He told His disciples He was not leaving them stranded. So, He asked them, "When I was with you, did you lack anything?"

They said, "Nothing."

Then He said to them, "I have replaced Myself with another like me. Do not complain that you were troubled; that you were harassed.

Did anybody harass you when I was here with you?"

They said, "No."

The disciples did not lack anything. They did not lack food, shelter, clothing, transportation, provision, protection or promotion. They did not lack anything. So I declare to you, that as you embrace the Holy Spirit as a person, you will not lack anything in the Name of Jesus.

Before the need arises, your supply will be waiting for you.

#### **Declare Now:**

In the Name of Jesus, I will not lack anything.

I believe the Holy Spirit is my helper.

I believe He can help me.

I receive the help of the Holy Spirit.

If only you can embrace the Holy Spirit, you can receive the help you need, which has been packaged in Him for you. As Jesus said, "I will not leave you comfortless. I will not leave you exposed to harassment. I will not leave you at the mercy of travails. I will not leave you in the jaws of the wicked. I will send you another Comforter. He has not yet come, because I have not yet been glorified. But the moment I leave, He will come" (paraphrased).

Where do you need the help of the Holy Spirit? Is it in your career, finances, marriage? Why are you sweating and struggling? Call on the help of the Spirit. Who helped Jesus? It was the Holy Spirit. So why are you helpless?

Jesus' earthly father died early. So Jesus took over the father's business. That was why they called Him the carpenter. For thirty years, he did not do anything. He could not preach one sermon. How else can a person be helpless?

Though He was the Son of God in the flesh, He needed the help of God to be manifested to the world. And that help of God was contained in a person - the person of the Holy Spirit.

After the Holy Spirit came upon Jesus, His life calling, destiny and Ministry began. The helper came and destiny manifested with a glorious eruption. Luke 3:22-23 says, "...The Holy Ghost descended...bodily...upon Him. And Jesus himself began..."

Beloved, recognize and receive the Holy Spirit as your helper today and see everything in your life change for good.



When You Understand Your Need, You Will Make The Sacrifice That Is Necessary To Get There.



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# IF ANY MAN THIRST

In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified. John 7:37-39

To the sentence, "If any man thirst, let him come to me and drink." Is there any area of your life where you need a supply of grace? Have you noticed any limitation in your destiny? Jesus said, "Come unto me and drink." The water of the Spirit is too necessary to be excused. Is there anything in your life you have noticed needs the hand of God to complete?

Jesus says, "If any man thirst..." Now, thirst is a need nothing else can supply. "If any man thirst..." means, "Until you notice you have come to your end, I have no business with you; keep on struggling." And many have struggled from year to year.

I will like you to know that until you are helpless, you are not qualified for help. His strength is only made perfect in your weakness. The sooner you recognize that you need help, the closer you are to His visitation.

"If any man thirst..." means, "If they are satisfied with themselves, let them go." Mary said, "He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He hath sent away empty" (Luke 1:53).

"If any man thirst..." means, "If you have discovered that what is in front of you is beyond your ability, then come to me." God is a God of principles. Until you come to Him in humility, hunger and thirst, you cannot drink of His help. Coming qualifies you to drink.

That you have a need you cannot meet does not mean there is something wrong with you; it rather means you are qualified for higher intervention. You will break into success without struggle when you recognize that 'by strength shall no man prevail'. When connection fails you, heaven will bail you out.

Do not make the same mistake you have been making all your life - the mistake of thinking you can make it on your own. You need to talk to God. About what? About

your helplessness; about your emptiness. You need to say, "Lord, help me to see my emptiness. Help me to see my limitation. Deliver me from the pride of personal accomplishment. Help me to see and receive the Holy Spirit as my helper."

#### YOUR THIRST ATTRACTS HIS HELP

It is your thirst that qualifies you for the refreshing of the Spirit.

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them.... Isajah 41:17

God is saying, "Until I see you desperate with thirst for my help, I will not take your need serious."

In Isaiah 44:3a, God also says, "For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed..."

Acknowledge your dryness and come to God with a humble and thirsty heart.

"If any man thirst, let him come to me and drink," means, "Until you come, you have not proven to me that you are thirsty."

You say, "Lord, when will you help me?"

The Lord says, "When last did you come to Me for help? Your coming is what signals to Me that you are ready for help."

Friend, you need help, without which each new year of your life will be like the previous year. You need help so that levels can change on time. When you understand your need, you will make the sacrifice that is necessary to get there. You will begin to do whatever you need to do. If you need to fast, for instance, you will begin to fast. You should not be forced to fast. If there is nothing in front of you worth setting food aside for, you will not fast.

And when you set out to seek God, you have to believe Him. Fasting is nothing if you are not ready to believe the Scriptures. Fasting will take you nowhere, if you are not ready to believe the Scriptures.

#### AS SCRIPTURE HAD SAID

Jesus said, "If you are really thirsty, come." He did not say you should complain; He said, come. He said, "If you are thirsty, come and drink. Out of your belly will flow rivers of living water". The Bible says, "These spake He of the Holy Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive" (John 7:39).

You have to understand that the move of the Holy Spirit is the birthright of every believer. Note the phrase, "they that believe on Him should receive." It is your birthright. It is not something you beg and lament for:"O God, please pity me and give me." Relax! You are a son, not a slave.

You need to understand, however, that there is a connection between the teaching and the visitation. The

Bible says, "...as the scripture hath said". So you see, what prepares you to encounter the move of the Holy Spirit is knowledge of what the Scripture has said. If you do not have a good knowledge of what the Scripture has said, you may not embrace the experience. Your ignorance of what the Scripture has said is your disqualification.

How do I introduce you into the move of the Holy Ghost? By showing you what the Scripture has said. If you can understand and believe what the Scripture says, then you can embrace the Holy Spirit. God will never work outside His Word that is, the Scriptures. The speaking of God always precedes the workings of God. Until you know what He has said, you are not qualified to experience what He can do.

The phrase, "As the scripture hath said..." implies that you have to begin to learn from the examples in the Word of God. How big is your destiny? Others also had a big one and yet fulfilled it. What battle confronts you that others have not fought? The person that helped them has officially been commissioned to help you. You are not helpless. The dream is not bigger than you. The goal is not bigger than you. YOU ARE NOT HELPLESS!

THE SPEAKING OF GOD ALWAYS PRECEDES THE WORKINGS OF GOD. UNTIL YOU KNOW WHAT HE HAS SAID, YOU ARE NOT QUALIFIED TO EXPERIENCE WHAT HE CAN DO.



The Holy Spirit helped others and can help you too. Noah built an ark with the help of the Holy Ghost. Tell me, how do you talk to lions? How do you talk to sheep? How do you talk to cows? How do you tell the snake not to bite anyone while in the ark? Someone helped Noah.

The world was already corrupt and full of pollution. God said He was going to destroy the earth; but by the help of the Holy Ghost, Noah organized animals into the ark. None of them fought.

How can you tell me your family cannot enjoy peace? Honestly, the problem is that no one has gone to receive help from the Holy Ghost.

#### PRAY A LITTLE:

Lord, I have come to receive help.

Destiny becomes easy with your help Lord.

I have come to receive help Lord.

I am here for your help Lord.

I am reading this book because I need your help Lord.

 $My \, certificates \, cannot \, help \, me \, Lord.$ 

My ability cannot help me.

My strength cannot help me.

Send help.

Holy Spirit, I recognize You are my helper.

If you pray like this every morning, you will not find yourself stranded and at the mercy of man's help. The help of the Holy Spirit is your advantage in life.

... This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel saying Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts. Zechariah 4:6

Do you remember the story of Israel in the wilderness? They had some needs, one of which was meat. God said to Moses, "I will give this people meat for one month." Anyone would think, "From where will He get the meat? Even if you bring all the fishes from the sea, this people will not be satisfied."

God caused the wind of the Holy Ghost to blow in that lonely wilderness. That was all. There was enough meat and to spare for everyone. Imagine if Moses were to go around looking for meat for each of those three million people. How would he accomplish that? (Numbers 11:18-23, 31)

Now think about it, everyone is looking up to you in your family. Your little cousin is looking up to you. Your younger brother is looking up to you. Your parents are looking up to you.

And, sometimes, you begin to ask them, "Where do you people think I get the money from?" Get it from the Holy Ghost! Stop embarrassing your calling. When God makes you the head, rise up and be a responsible head. Stop telling stories.

## THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS YOUR ADVANTAGE IN LIFE.

Do you not know you are not a mere man? The reason why we keep explaining our failure to our generation is that we have abandoned our help. But we are back for help now. No wonder David said, "I will lift up mine eyes to the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth."

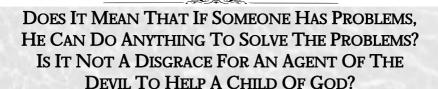
Recognise the Holy Spirit as a person today and begin to enjoy His help.

Say to yourself:
I can handle this thing.
I am not helpless.
I have the Holy Spirit as my helper.
I am not hopeless.

How can a believer in Christ say that it was a problem in his life that made him visit a cultist or a witch doctor? And if he is reprimanded, he says, "What did you want me to do?"Does it mean that if someone has problems, he can do anything to solve the problems? Is it not a disgrace for an agent of the devil to help a child of God?

I decree that, as you encounter the Holy Spirit, you are the one that will begin to help your family. You are the one that will help your friends. You are the one that will help your neighbours. You are the one that will help your colleagues. Whatever question there is in your office, you will have an answer for them. Any calamity in the neighbourhood where you live, you will have a solution for them. I mandate you to be a solution provider. I mandate you to be a help provider. I mandate you to be a light provider.

The Bible tells us that "the earnest expectation of all creation waiteth in travail for the manifestations of the sons of God." (Romans 8:19). The people have seen the sons of Satan. They have seen the sons of darkness. They have seen what witches can do. They have seen what wizards can do. Creation is now crying, "Where are the sons of God? Where are those that would manifest in the Name of God?" No wonder the Bible says, "Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord."



I declare, beloved, that whatever witches did, you will undo it by power. You will undo it by fire. Where people saw the finger of Satan, you will show them the finger of God!

The help of the Holy Spirit has come; it is time for your glorious manifestation.



To Encounter The Move Of God, You Will Need To Recognize The Holy Spirit. You Need To Know The Person Of The Holy Spirit.  $C \mid H \mid A \mid P \mid T \mid E \mid R$ 

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### GET TO KNOW HIM

Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me. Isaiah 48:16

od is a God of power. He is omnipotent. His power moves in different dimensions to accomplish His will on earth. Men, at different times, have encountered the awesome move of God. However, every great move of God is ushered in by the Holy Spirit. To encounter the move of God, you will need to recognize the Holy Spirit. You need to know the person of the Holy Spirit.

Who sent Jesus to earth? Everyone says it is the Father. That is correct. But then, in Isaiah 48:16, the Word says it was the Holy Spirit that sent Him. Jesus Himself says,

"the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me." The Bible says that Joseph discovered that Mary was pregnant with a child 'of the Holy Ghost'.

What an awesome revelation of God. The Father accomplishes His works through the person of the Holy Spirit.

#### PERSONAL PRESENCE

In the preceding chapters, we have seen that the Holy Spirit has a personal existence. He has a personal identity. He has a personal distinction. Also, he has a personal presence recognizable throughout Scripture. Do you know the presence of the Holy Spirit?

The presence of the Holy Spirit guarantees total release and freedom. If you really want to experience the release of God, the supplies of God, the freedom of God, and the dominion of God, you must recognize the Holy Spirit.

Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. 2Corinthians 3:17

You see here again that the Holy Spirit is given personal reference. He is referred to as Lord.

He is a person. No one ignores Him and experiences God's glory. No one ignores His presence and enjoys the favour of God. Until you recognize Him, you are not ready for His blessings. The Father refers to Him as a person. The Son refers to Him as a person. Who are you

to ignore Him and think you can make it?

IF YOU REALLY WANT TO EXPERIENCE THE RELEASE OF GOD, THE SUPPLIES OF GOD, THE FREEDOM OF GOD, AND THE DOMINION OF GOD, YOU MUST RECOGNIZE THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Those who ignore Him, and resist the Holy Spirit, are resisted by the Father.

My spirit will not strive with man for that he also is flesh... Genesis 6:3

But they rebelled, and vexed his Holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them. Isaiah 63:10

In Genesis, the Father says His Spirit would no longer strive with man forever. In Isaiah, He says because they vexed His Holy Spirit, He became their enemy and fought against them.

#### **INFORMATION**

Several things are important to note here. The first is that INFORMATION about the Holy Spirit is important. You should begin to desire and study the Word of God on the Holy Spirit.

Get to know the Word of God on the Spirit and you will attract the revelation of His presence. In the nineteenth

chapter of Acts, the Apostle Paul met certain believers who had not yet received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. They were disciples, yet they had not experienced the manifestation of the presence of the Holy Spirit.

He said unto them, Have you received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, we have not so much as HEARD WHETHER THERE BE ANY HOLYGHOST. Acts 19:22

These believers did not encounter the person of the Holy Spirit because they lacked the information of God's Word concerning the Holy Spirit.

#### **RECOGNITION**

Information about the Holy Spirit should lead you to the second thing, RECOGNITION.

Have you ever been introduced to someone, and then three weeks later, the same person met you and did not even act as if he had ever known you before? How did you feel? You must have said, "Don't mind him. He is full of pride. He is acting as though he didn't know me. We met in the supermarket and he put his face elsewhere as if he didn't know me." It is possible that he did not recollect your face, anyway. Forgetting you simply showed he did not recognize you and you did not excuse him for that. You accused him.

Now, imagine the One that created you. God formed man of the dust. That was the Father's part. He was the

performer. The Son had done His part when He said, "Let us make man..." He was the announcer. It was the Holy Ghost, the breath of God, that activated and quickened life into man. He is the activator. The reason why there are many people with unfulfilled dreams is that they have refused to recognize the activator, the Holy Spirit. He is the Spirit that gives life (2 Corinthians 3:6). It is the Spirit that quickens (John 6:63).

Information must bring you to recognition. You must recognize the Holy Spirit as your greatest helper, guide, and teacher. Who helps you to pray? The Holy Spirit. Who is the One that brings healing? The Holy Spirit. This is because healing is His gift. Recognize Him!

There are believers who can close their eyes and count all the colours of suits they have, but they do not know many Scriptures about the Holy Spirit. There are believers who can recite the names of all the players in a particular football club from the inception of the club.

They know everything else but ignore that which will help their destiny. It is time to Recognize the person of the Holy Spirit consciously.

#### PRAY A LITTLE:

Say:

In the Name of Jesus, I will rise in the spirit; I recognize the Holy Spirit today;

I will shine in the spirit;

Holy Spirit you are here with me;

I will matter in the spirit;

Holy Spirit you are my helper;

I refuse to be empty and shallow in the things of God;

I want to know You more each day;

Reveal your presence to me.

#### **REFERENCE**

After you gain knowledge of the Holy Spirit and recognize Him in all you do, you must begin to refer to Him. Initiate a relationship with Him. Mention things to Him.

Discuss with Him. Talk to Him. Make reference to Him. Mention Him in your words. That is how we know whom you are close to. The person you are close to, you make mention often.

Learn to say, "Well, I believe, by the help of the Holy Spirit, that I will make it." Say, "I trust the Lord that the Holy Spirit will help me and see me through. Well, I do not know how, but I know my helper is here." Refer to Him. Do not treat Him like a nobody or nothing. Do not ignore Him. Do not sideline Him. Think on Him, talk to Him and talk about Him often.

God The Father refers to Him often:

My spirit shall not always strive with man. Genesis 6:3

I will pour my spirit upon thy seed. Isaiah 44:3

As for me, this is my covenant with them, saith the LORD; my spirit is... upon thee... Isaiah 59:21

Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord God. Ezekiel 39:29

Jesus, the Son, also refers to Him often:

The spirit of your Father speaketh in you. Matthew 10:20

I cast out devils by the spirit of God. Matthew 12:28

The spirit of the Lord is upon me. Luke 4:18

That which is born of the Spirit is spirit. John 3:6

He is the spirit that quickeneth. John 6:63

When the comforter will come, even the Spirit of truth. John 15:6

Go... Teach... baptize in the name of the Father,...Son and the Holy Ghost. Matthew 28:19

But ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Acts 1:5

Ye shall receive the power after the Holy Ghost is come upon you. Acts 1:8

Jesus referred often to the Holy Spirit and so should you.

Men that were mightily used of God referred often to the Holy Spirit. They knew and recognized the person and the presence of the Holy Spirit.

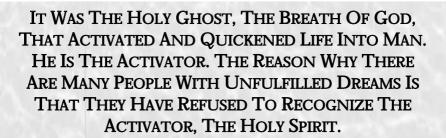
The Bible tells us that when Samuel poured the oil on David, he assured David that it was not just mere oil that came upon him; it was the Spirit of God that had come on him from that day forward. David was going to do exploits in destiny because he had received what it would take to accomplish such feats. No one who ignores the Holy Spirit matters in destiny, because He is the helper of destiny.

David Valued, celebrated and referred often to the Holy Spirit:

Take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Psalm 51:11

Thou sendest forth thy Spirit, they are created. Psalm 104:30

Whither shall I go from thy Spirit. Psalm 139:7



#### **RELATIONSHIP**

Reference to the Holy Spirit should lead you to relationship. Relate with Him. Spend time with Him. Involve Him in whatever you are doing. Invite Him into whatever you are doing. Invite Him to teach, lead and direct you. Interact with Him. Make Him a part of what you are doing. Say to Him, "Holy Spirit, help me fast today. Let it not just be a hunger strike. Usher me into the things that eyes cannot see. You are the invisible helper of my life, yet, you are so real to me. O Holy Spirit, saturate me today." Say to Him, "Holy Ghost, I receive your help."

Let your life portray more of the help of the Holy Ghost and less of your abilities. The more you try to show you can, the less of His help you receive. When did Sampson really lose help? It was when he said, "I will go out and shake myself as I used to." The Bible says, his helper departed from him. The more you promote "I", the less you have of Him.

The Apostles were in such a continuous and intimate relationship with Him. You too must learn to relate with the Holy Ghost.

We are witnesses of these things, and so is also the Holy Ghost. Acts 5:33

They depended on and followed His constant instruction and direction.

Then the Holy Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot. Acts 8:29

They looked for and only used men full of the Holy Spirit.

Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch. Acts 6:3,5

They carefully sought, received and followed the mind of the Spirit on all issues.

It seemed good to the Holy Ghost and to us. Acts 15:28

Beloved begin to relate and fellowship with the Holy Spirit from today.

The communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen. 2Corinthians 13:14

THERE ARE BELIEVERS WHO CAN CLOSE THEIR EYES AND COUNT ALL THE COLOURS OF SUITS THEY HAVE, BUT THEY DO NOT KNOW MANY SCRIPTURES ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT.



Next, you also have to learn to rest and depend on the Holy Ghost. Learn to trust and obey Him. He is God, so faithful and powerful He cannot fail. He is ever dependable and available. When you have come to know His abilities, potentials and capabilities, rest on Him. Stop panicking.

When you say, "I don't just know where the money will come from," you are refusing to recognize and announce the Holy Spirit as your helper. Such statements show lack of dependence on Him. Be bold to declare your confidence and dependence on the Holy Spirit. Men who depend on the Spirit do not talk defeat. Rest on Him. Let Him know that you are expecting Him to see you through. Let Him know that you are depending on Him.

Let Him know that you are looking up to Him. Depend on Him always, for all things.

#### THE WORLD CANNOT RECEIVE HIM

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for hedwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

John 14:16-17

Jesus clearly said that the world cannot receive the Holy Spirit. Why? Because "it seeth him not". The world cannot receive Him because they cannot see Him. Another word for see in John 14:16-17 is 'recognize.'

The world does not recognize Him. They disobey and resist His conviction. They follow their lust, self-will and do their things without Him. They never mention Him. They never ask Him to lead them. They live their lives contrary to His will and Word. They rather depend on their connections. They boast in their own flesh. They talk about how much they trust their ability. They talk about how much they trust themselves. They never recognize the Holy Ghost.

Oh! But the believer is different. The Bible says we know Him. The Holy Spirit is with us. We are not looking for Him. He dwells in us. And He dwells in us because we are born again.

Your body is His temple. Is it not interesting that the Bible did not say your body is the temple of the Father? The Bible did not say your body is the temple of the Son. What did it say? It says, your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit (1Corinthians 6:19).

Why do you not know Him then? Why do you not mention Him? Why do you not refer to Him? Your body is His temple. He dwells in you. So every defeated believer is simply a victim of ignoring the Holy Spirit. It is not a problem of lacking the Holy Spirit, but that of ignoring Him. It is not the problem of not having the

Holy Spirit. The believer has the Holy Spirit but he keeps ignoring Him.

### MEN WHO DEPEND ON THE SPIRIT DO NOT TALK DEFEAT.

You need to listen to how Job talked about the Holy Spirit; then you will know why he was able to recover. Job, without a Bible, knew the Holy Spirit and mentioned Him regularly. He said, "The spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life" (Job 33:4). He said again, "Thy visitation hath given me strength." And again, "By his spirit he had garnished the heavens" (Job 26:13).

Now, who told him all that? Who taught him? There was no preacher, no sermon, no church service, and no Bible to read. It was by personal fellowship, inspiration and revelation. We have Bibles, yet we do not recognize the Holy Spirit. That is why we struggle. It is not that we do not have the Holy Spirit. We have Him, but we rarely mention Him. We rarely talk about Him, or refer to Him.

After being anointed with oil, David said, "...the spirit of God that came upon me from that day forward..." (1Samuel16:13). In Psalm 51, David prayed: "Take not thy spirit from me." In other words, "I can lose anything else, but please do not take away your Spirit from me." He referred to the Spirit constantly.

In Psalm 104:30 David said, "Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth." That was why Goliath could not defeat him. That was why he fought many major battles and did not lose any. That was why his life ended in stardom and greatness.

What can we say about how the apostles mentioned the Holy Spirit? They did that always.

Can you make it without referring to Him? No way! You must refer to Him because that is how people relate. Think about how a husband and a wife get joined to each other. They talk to each other. They make vows. Their words are first joined; then their spirits. And then their bodies are joined. Begin to talk to the Holy Spirit. Talk about Him often in your daily involvements.

How do two friends become close? They talk to each other often. If one person keeps talking and the other one never replies, that relationship will be strained. If one party says, "What do you want me to say? You like talking; I don't like talking," such a person is ailing in the basic demands of relationship. Everyone that is not the talking type at the age of maturity must have suffered depression, isolation or rejection as a child. They were not born that way. All children are born happy and expressive but we learn withdrawal and depression as we grow.

To become close to the Holy Spirit, you must talk to Him. That is how you become close.

You talk to Him. You make Him a part of your life. You no longer live your life alone. That way, He will show up anytime any trouble arises in your life. In such times, you simply pray a prayer of invitation, and any devil that comes against you will realize that you have some invisible help ushered by the Holy Ghost.

Wake up beloved! You have been stranded for too long because of ignoring the Holy Spirit. The world cannot receive Him, but we are no longer of the world: The Holy Spirit lives in us now. Let us fellowship with Him.



The First Thing That Hinders
The Operation Of The Holy
Spirit Is Lack Of Information,
Awareness, And Interaction.
Then Of Course, Lack Of
Partnership And Intimacy.

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# WELCOME THE MOVE OF THE SPIRIT

And behold I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high. Luke 24:49

Jesus commanded the disciples to "Tarry until He comes." And they obeyed. They could not preach one sermon without the Holy Spirit. So, think about it: How can you go far without Him? The disciples waited until, suddenly, there was a sound from heaven and they were all filled. From that point onward, every few chapters of the Book of Acts, we read, "And Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit said..." "And Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit said..."

Other people thought they had talked about the Holy Spirit, until Paul came. Paul shows us that intimacy is in

levels. Others talked about being led. They talked about the Spirit's teaching. They talked about the Spirit's guidance. But when Paul came he said, "Have you heard of the fruits of the Spirit? Have you heard of the gifts of the Spirit?" He said, "for the spirit himself maketh intercession for us with groaning..."



WITCHES ARE MESSING UP IN YOUR FAMILY BECAUSE FIRE HAS NOT YET FALLEN. SICKNESS IS HARASSING YOUR DESTINY BECAUSE FIRE HAS NOT YET FALLEN.



What if there were no Paul? He was a believer like you, but by interaction, the Spirit said to him, "Nobody has recognized me this much before. So come now, let me show you some things." He said to him, "There are diversities of administration, but the same Lord. There are diversities of operation, but the same God and there are diversities of gift but the same Spirit. To one is given by the Spirit..." and He Began to list them.

Right from the Book of Acts chapter one, anytime they heard that somebody repented, they sent the apostles to go and minister the Holy Ghost to them. But Paul, in the nineteenth chapter of Acts, when he met some believers, asked, "Have you received the Holy Spirit since you believed?" It was his opening sermon to any believer; his opening discussion. Before he asks you how you are; before he asks you how your day is; before he asks you about your family, his first question is: "Have you

received the Holy Spirit since you believed?" And they said, "We have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."

It implies that the first thing that hinders the operation of the Holy Spirit is lack of information, awareness, and interaction. Then of course, lack of partnership and intimacy. When people stop referring to Him, His knowledge starts fading from their spirits. His knowledge starts disappearing. And God must look for an apostle like Paul whose major assignment would be to usher the church into another revival of the move of the Holy Spirit.

One would think the church had learnt lessons from the Spirit's great move only through the Apostle Paul. They did not. For hundreds of years, the church forgot the Holy Spirit again, until one man named William Seymour began to pray in a place called Azusa. He began to pray: "We have lost the gift of tongues; we have lost the gift of healing; we have lost the gift of power; we have lost the gift of help; we have lost the gift of faith; we have lost the gift of working of miracles; we have lost the gift of discernment of spirits."

He prayed for three hours a day, for more than three and a half years. But nothing happened. He increased it to six hours a day for another two years. After five and a half years, the Holy Ghost fell. Fire fell. Flames fell. Fire Brigade saw fire on top of a building and when they arrived there, they saw nothing. Fire Brigade went there the same night many times to quench the fire they saw

from afar; but whenever they got to the building, there was no fire. They saw liquid flames, liquid glory.

Witches are messing up in your family because fire has not yet fallen. Sickness is harassing your destiny because fire has not yet fallen. When fire falls, beloved, you do not need to tell demons to leave. They leave on their own. I challenge you to make demands on the Holy Spirit. I challenge you to become dissatisfied with the kind of speaking in tongues that still permits witches to press you, and sickness to live in your body.

There is a kind of tongue that, when you speak it, witches boycott your house from afar. There is a kind of tongue that, when you speak it, growths and tumours will disappear completely. There is a kind of tongue that, when you speak it, no devil can dare your life.

Los Angeles airport once had to create a special entrance and exit for Kathryn Kuhlman. She would not enter the same place others entered because, not once or twice, the

airport was in standstill. I am not talking about service; I am talking about an abiding tangible presence of the Holy Spirit.

Charles Finney was to have a program in a town. He visited a factory and factory officials had to close down the factory and gather workers for the service. The powerful presence of the Holy Spirit took over the factory and people were falling under conviction and power.

In five years, John G. Lake established over six hundred and fifty churches in South Africa. He was a moving tornado. God is not telling you to establish the same number of churches; He is just telling you to occupy your territory; dominate your family; subdue the witches in your village. Satan and his agents have no right to oppress and intimidate you. That insult will stop this time. That harassment will stop this time. That harassment will stop this time.

John Wesley was on horseback and traveled thousands of miles around the country, in over fifty years. He preached more than fifty thousand sermons, wrote more than three thousand songs, and more than one thousand poems. He woke up every day at 4 AM. By the time he was eighty-five, he complained that he saw himself waking up by 5.30 AM; that they should pray for him. He studied and wrote for more than fifteen hours daily. You need that fire.

In the time of the American depression, a man by the name, Oral Roberts built a University from the scratch. During economic depression, he built a university without a church. He went on TV and announced to Americans: "The Lord has called me to build a Christian University, and the Lord said I should tell people to give." He commanded money from everywhere. They that do know their God, shall wax strong and do exploits.

This is the word of the Lord unto Zerubabel saying, Not by might, not by power, but by my Spirit, saith the LORD of hosts. Zechariah 4:6

John G. Lake prayed for a woman with an open wound on the stomach, brought from the hospital in an ambulance. Her stomach wound had remained open and could not be stitched. He prayed for the woman before the crowd, and the wound closed up like a zip.

Do not just relax as a Christian. Do not take things easy. The fire of God is contagious. Fire can be contacted. Fire can rub off. As you are reading this book, fire will possess your spirit; fire will possess your body; God's fire will possess your mind; fire will possess your destiny; you will become a flame of fire. Wherever you go, you will carry the fire. You will transmit the fire. The glory will follow you everywhere.

If you are satisfied with attending church, singing choruses and going back home with malaria, then this is not the book for you. But if you are determined that your face will shine, such that no wizard can look at your face; such that no witch can look into your eyes; then I invite you to a mountain of fire. I invite you to a mountain of power. I invite you to a mountain of glory. I invite you to a mountain of revelation. *Drop this book for a moment and open your mouth and pray in tongues now.* 

No matter what profession you find yourself, when you experience the move of the Holy Spirit, everything in your life will assume a different dimension. I am talking about business men and women who will enter their business premises and customers will rush there, yet they would not know what is pulling them there.

I am talking about men and women who will enter their offices and all of a sudden, the glory of God will fill the place and people will begin to repent. I am talking about men and women who will pack into estates and from that day, witches will start packing out; wizards will start packing out.

I am talking about a mother who will bring a child home from school and whatever the devil did to the child at school, by her merely looking at the child, that thing leaves immediately.

I am talking about glory carriers, fire carriers, Rhema carriers, Shekinah carriers; people that enter somewhere and heaven enters with them. "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

Make demands on the Holy Ghost today. Make demands on His great power. Come out of shallow Christianity. Come out of empty religion. Come out of complaining Christianity. Come out of powerless Christianity. Refuse to be a victim of affliction. Refuse to be a victim of torment. Sickness has no right to harass and torture your body. So, rebel against every kind of corruption.

Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost. Fire cannot co-exist with sickness. Therefore, make demands on the fire of the Holy Spirit to possess that temple - your body. Draw down the fire of the Spirit. Welcome the Holy Ghost into your life.

Jesus cried out and said... if any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. John 7:37-38

As you read this book, open your mouth and welcome the Holy Spirit; invite Him in a new measure, and in a new dimension. Tell God you want the rivers. Tell Him, you do not just want a cup. Tell Him you do not just want a little flow. Tell Him you want the rivers of the Spirit.

Welcome to a fresh move of the Holy Spirit.



It Is Only What You Pursue That You Are Qualified To Possess.



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# DESIRE THE HOLY SPIRIT

Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Psalm 37:4

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit will only be experienced by those who hunger and thirst for Him. Luke 11:13 says, "...your heavenly Father shall give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him." Delight in the blessing of the Holy Spirit enough to desire Him with all your heart.

As powerful and mighty as the Holy Spirit is, He only responds to your heart desires. Whatever you initiate a desire for, that is what God grants to you. Until you desire the baptism of the Holy Spirit, you will not get it. Until you desire to speak in new tongues, you will not get it. Until you desire to manifest the gifts of the Holy

Spirit, you will not get it. Until You desire to do 'exploits' in the anointing, you will not get it. He responds to your desires. The Holy Spirit does not fall upon people that are passionless and lazy in spirit.

In Luke 24:49 Jesus told His disciples that though the Holy Spirit was the promise of the Father, and He was going to send Him down, they still needed to pay the price of tarrying. He said, "...but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high."

In life, there is the law of pursuit. It is only what you pursue that you are qualified to possess. Jesus said, "Seek and you shall find." What He means in essence is, "Until I find you seeking, you are not qualified to receive anything from Me."

Jesus repeated this instruction in Acts 1:4:

And being assembled with together with them commanded them that they should... wait for the promise of the Father...

The Holy Spirit is the promise of the Father, but confirm your desire for Him by waiting in passionate prayers until you receive. The Apostles and disciples took this instruction seriously and passionately because the Bible records: "these all continued with one accord in prayer and supplications...." (Acts 1:14).

How much does your heart desire the Holy Spirit? How many times have you sat down and panted in prayer after the gifts of the Spirit? How much have you desired His anointing? When last did you say, "Lord, I must have the gift of the Spirit. Healing must take place Through my life. The gift of faith is one of the gifts that must flow through me." The Lord would say, "For desiring it, I will grant it."

Through desire a man having separated himself seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom. Proverbs 18:1

Note the words, "Through desire!" The key that triggers the release of your blessing is desire. And the truth is that you can make yourself desire anything you want. You can! That is why there is such a sin as covetousness. It means desire is self-inspired. It is self-generated and self-motivated. It is your responsibility to desire the Holy Spirit, to desire greater manifestations of His presence, and greater releases of His power in your life. It is your responsibility to say, "Holy Spirit, if You could turnaround a chaotic world and bring peace, beauty and colour, add colour to my destiny" (Genesis 1:1-31).

Through desire, men pursue and possess. We have the promise of God, that if we will desire Him, we will have Him. In the twenty-ninth chapter of Jeremiah, the Bible charges us to engage passionate desire and search for new realms in God.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil to give you AN EXPECTED END. Jeremiah 29:11

God is saying by implication, "I want to give You a blessed end but you must expect it, and desire it before you can end up there." That is why it is called expected end, not accidental end, not surprised end. You should get there and not be surprised. When people see you there, they should say, "You have always wanted to be here." You know, when the desire possesses your heart enough, the mouth will speak; for out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks. You cannot hide a real desire for too long. When you really desire to get marred, for instance, you cannot help it. You talk about it.



DESIRE IS SELF-INSPIRED. IT IS SELF-GENERATED AND SELF-MOTIVATED. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO DESIRE THE HOLY SPIRIT, TO DESIRE GREATER MANIFESTATIONS OF HIS PRESENCE, AND GREATER RELEASES OF HIS POWER IN YOUR LIFE.



Imagine how much the Holy Ghost sees that you have little or no desire for Him! In your daily life, you never speak about Him. He is never in your vocabulary. No! You desire your uncle; that is why you are always referring to him. And oftentimes, the arm of flesh fails you. You desire your friend more than you desire the Holy Ghost, so you are isolated from Divine help.

Bow your head for a minute and say, "Holy Ghost, I desire you."

Benny Hinn would never have arrived where he is today, if over thirty years ago, he did not learn to say, "Good Morning, Holy Spirit." Simple greeting! In essence, he was saying, "I can't see you, but I know you are here with me. Jesus said, 'You shall be in me and dwell in me.' So I believe. Jesus cannot lie. I know you are here with me now. Holy Spirit, you are my friend."

Paul Yongi Cho fell sick and fainted more than eight times in one day and became bedridden for three and a half years, until he made one discovery: "Holy Spirit, you are my Senior Partner." Today, he pastors the largest congregation on earth - more than one million people.

If you start desiring the Holy Ghost today, your world will be shocked at where you will be few months from now. Your friends will never be able to explain your exploits. Now you struggle so much because you do not have what it takes. If running with men wearies you the way it does, how would you run with horses? If paying for a one room apartment is so impossible for your faith to carry, how will you attempt a flat? You see, you struggle so much because you have a desire for everything else but not for the Holy Ghost. Turn to the Holy Spirit now, He is your helper.

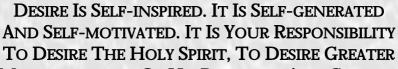
Your present condition - your helplessness, struggle, suffering, etc. - should provoke you to desire Him. There are desires you have that are provoked by negative conditions. For instance, hunger compels you to desire food. When you fast, you simply counter that desire with

self-denial. That is why fasting is rewarded. No good thing dwells in your flesh. You need more than the natural to go places in life. That limitation should provoke in you a desire for the help of the Holy Spirit.

Where is your desire? What is the proof of your desire for Him? What is the end you expect?

God will grant you only the end you expect. If you do not expect it, you will never get there.

What is your desire? To keep struggling in defeat? You need the Holy Spirit. If His wind could blow quails into the wilderness for the children of Israel, can He not blow money to your doorstep? But to get His power and His wonders, you must desire Him. He is the same yesterday, today and forever.



MANIFESTATIONS OF HIS PRESENCE, AND GREATER RELEASES OF HIS POWER IN YOUR LIFE.



#### THE ERA OF THE SPIRIT

This is the era of the Holy Ghost.

Before the Son was manifest, men talked about the Father as if the Son did not exist; yet He did. He existed with the Father right before the beginning of time and

creation. He is "THE WORD" that was with God in the beginning (John 1:1-2). He is the brightness of the Father's glory, the express image of His person. (Hebrews 1:3). In fact, the Father severally spoke of the coming of the Son through the mouth of the prophets, to prepare the hearts of men for His coming.

When the era of the Son came, all attention shifted to Him. But some were still hanging on to the Father. So, the Son said, "Without Me, no man can see God." The Father they were looking for was now revealed in the Son. So He said, "If you see me, you see the Father." (John 14:9).

The phrase, "If you see me," does not only mean, "If you look at me," as we would suppose. It also means by inference, "If you recognize me." You know, a personal assistant can say, "If you want to see my boss, see me first." That implies a demand for the recognition of his position. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life; no man comes to the Father, except by me." That was His dispensation.

Nevertheless, when Jesus was about leaving, He began to prepare the way for the coming of the Holy Spirit. He told us that another Comforter would come. Jesus was introducing to us the dispensation and era of the Holy Spirit. Observe the seriousness and passion with which the Son announces the dispensation of the Holy Spirit.

I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another comforter that He may abide with you forever. John 14:16

#### I will not leave you comfortless. John 14:18

The comforter which is the Holy Ghost whom the Father will send in my name. He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance. John 14:26

I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the comforter will not come unto you: but if I depart, I will send Him unto you. John 16:7



YOU NEED MORE THAN THE NATURAL TO GO PLACES IN LIFE. THAT LIMITATION SHOULD PROVOKE IN YOU A DESIRE FOR THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.



What a glorious way to herald the era of the Holy Spirit. How then can we ignore the Holy Spirit and succeed. Just as they recognized and depended on Jesus the Son, during His dispensation, we need to recognize and depend on the Holy Spirit. Jesus said the Comforter will receive of what is His and show it to us. That implies that without the Comforter, we cannot have access to anything that Jesus has promised.

Healing is difficult because people do not recognize the Holy Ghost. This is the era of the Holy Ghost. Beloved, desire the Holy Ghost. Go after the virtues of the Spirit. Go after the flow and the manifestation of the Spirit. You must desire Him before you can encounter Him.

#### **SEARCH**

Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29:12-13

It is not possible to seek the Holy Ghost and not find Him. Scripture cannot be broken. When you seek healing, you will find it. When you seek the anointing, you will find it. When you seek the Holy Ghost, you will find Him.

#### Desire Him.

Free your mind from vain things and fill your mind with the things of the Spirit. The Bible says, "You shall seek me and find me." He did not use the words "Maybe," "If possible," and "If you try." It is automatic. If you seek Him, you will find Him. "...they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit..." (Romans 8:5b).



WHEN YOU SEEK HEALING, YOU WILL FIND IT.
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To search is to desire and press after with intensity. The level of your desire determines the speed with which you find. Someone cannot be looking for a job, for instance, and yet does nothing to show his desire. If he sleeps every

day, wakes up, has his bath by 10 AM, eats and sits in the living room to entertain himself for weeks or months, he is not looking for a job. Everyone will see he is not seriously looking for something to do.

You know, people can tell when your desire is genuine. Why then do you think you can deceive God? You never pray, study or read any book on the Holy Spirit. How can you say you desire Him?

You have to search. Engage and organize yourself to search. Start marking every Scripture in the Bible that talks about the Holy Spirit. Find something and write beside it, maybe an 'S', so that any time you open that page, you can see it immediately. On top of the 'S' you may make a yellow mark. You may also use a red pen to underline some key words in the verse. Not that you had not read the verse before. The fact is, you are searching. Deep calleth unto deep.

Organize yourself and go on an intelligent search. Start studying the miracles of Jesus. Say to Him, "Lord, I want this kind of miracles to happen in my life." Start to study the Holy Spirit in Acts of the Apostles. Begin to meditate and see yourself being carried as the Spirit carried Philip. Convince yourself that He can carry you from where you are now to where He wants you to be. He might not carry you physically, but He is going to carry you in the spirit. Before long, you will find yourself in another realm of life. Leave your chair and Table and enter through the pages of the Bible, into a world of Divine

realities. By the time you are back, your environment would have been transformed.

RELATING WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT MUST BE BY FAITH AND NOT BY THE FIVE SENSES. SOMETIMES YOU WILL FEEL HIS TOUCH, BUT NOT ALL THE TIME. HE CAN BE FELT BUT HE MUST NOT BE FELT. SO FORGET ABOUT YOUR FIVE SENSES.

It may appear that nothing is happening now but one day you will certainly see a change. And with one word or thought in prayer you will be able to change situations. If you have been fellowshipping with Him deeply, instantly you will know it is the Holy Ghost that did it and you will acknowledge Him. The more you attribute the result to Him, the more He will trust you with greater manifestations. You will not attribute His grace and provision to luck. You will come to that point where luck is flushed out of your mentality and vocabulary. If anyone looks at the happenings around you and calls it luck, you get offended because they are trampling on the glory of the Holy Spirit.

#### **ENGAGE BY FAITH**

Without faith it is impossible to please him... Hebrews 11:6

Desiring the Holy Spirit and relating with Him must be engaged in by faith, not by human or physical senses.

The sense of the flesh should be forgotten. So, you do not have to wait to see the Holy Spirit. You do not have to hear the tongues before you believe and speak forth. It is by faith that you begin to speak in new tongues and to mutter the way babies do. No one really understands what children speak. But I discover that children have a way of understanding fellow children. This is because they are close to each other in that speech level. A child is not ashamed or shy to begin speaking. And he is not intimidated by the fact that he cannot speak well.

When the Holy Ghost came on the apostles, they began to speak as the Spirit gave them utterance. They did not hear to speak. They began to speak. Relieve yourself of your five senses. Relating with the Holy Spirit must be by faith and not by the five senses. Sometimes you will feel His touch, but not all the time. He can be felt but He must not be felt. So forget about your five senses.

"Walk by faith,...for without faith, it is impossible to please Him. For he who comes to God must believe." Believe what? Believe in the Holy Spirit. Believe the reality of what you desire. The Word says it and you believe it. As you see in the book, you believe in your heart and the manifestation will come later. That faith pleases Him. And when He is pleased, He surprises you.

#### Lift your hand and say:

I receive the faith of God to walk with the Holy Ghost; not by my physical senses, but by faith. The Holy Spirit is here with me. I know that by faith.

I do not need to see Him with my physical eyes. I believe the Word of God.

Beloved, Elijah saw the rocks rent, but God was not there. He saw the thundering, but God was not there. He saw fire break out all over the mountain, but God was not there. And then he heard a still small voice. Now, where did he hear the still small voice? Inside of him. That was why he wrapped his mantle around his head to shut out outside distractions. He carried his mantle and covered his ears, his head and eyes. Why? Because any noise from outside could distract him from hearing the still small voice inside.

It was a still small voice, not the rending of the rocks, the thundering and fire. Walk by faith not by your five senses. The guidance of the Holy Spirit comes like simple impressions of grace in your spirit man.

Why do people say the Holy Spirit is complicated? It is because they insist on walking with their five senses. They say, "How can He be a person when I cannot see Him?" But you have to believe! The Divine life is about believing the information you receive from God's Word. If you do believe human information, how much more should you believe Divine, eternal information? How much more should you believe the very truth of God?

The Scripture says, "Eye hath not seen;" so forget your eyes. "Ear hath not heard;" so forget your ears; "neither has the heart of any man perceived," so forget your thoughts. He says, "For my ways are higher than your

ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts."

To go higher, you must leave your lower realm. The things your eyes have not seen have already been prepared a long time. That means, the Holy Spirit never gives you an inspiration in your heart unless the thing has already existed before that time. But the Bible says, "they are revealed to us." How? By the Spirit.

But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God

knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him:

neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things... 1Corinthians 2:10-15

Forget your eyes; forget your ears; forget your physical senses. Enter the realm of the spirit. Talk about things that eyes cannot see. Say, "O Lord, thank you for my car." When people ask, "Where is the car?" just say, "Relax

not seen and ears had not heard.



## THE GUIDANCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES LIKE SIMPLE IMPRESSIONS OF GRACE IN YOUR SPIRIT MAN.

I can recall when our Ministry began. I would get in the hall and begin to shout to my wife and two children as if I was shouting to the whole city. We printed one thousand five hundred handbills and could not share them out, because by the time I looked at the handbills, I did not want anyone else to see them. We were holding an eight-day programme, "Power From on High." I was both the host and the guest. Then the mercy of God fell on us and we grew to five. I just kept preaching and shouting. One day, we grew to about thirteen people and while I was ministering, I said, "I am talking to people that are all over here." I am sure they thought the thing had started affecting my brain. But no, those were things eyes had

Your sight will limit you. Your feeling and sense of hearing will limit you. Your sense of thought will limit you. Your sense of taste will limit you. God has said, "My thoughts are higher..." So to rise higher, forget your thoughts and receive His thoughts. Once God can see a thing and says it is there, you do not need to see it. You just believe and know it is there. Relate with the Holy Ghost by faith. He is your teacher by faith.

Say:

In the Name Jesus, I receive grace to walk by faith.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him:

neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. 1 Corinthians 2:14-15

Why cannot the natural man receive the things of God? Is it because such things do not exist?

No, they exist. So why can he not receive them? Because they can only be spiritually perceived, spiritually discerned and spiritually received. The natural man has refused to enter into the spirit realm. He insists on working with what his eyes can see, what his ears can hear, and what his pockets can feel. The rest is foolishness to him. They do not appeal to his spirit. So he cannot receive the things of God even though they are in existence.

Healing is in existence, but you must forget the pain in your body and claim your healing. Breakthrough and deliverance are in existence. Stop making Satan bigger than he is.

Say:

I am not al*one.*The Holy Ghost is with me.
He dwells in me.

He lives in me.

The spiritual man tries all things, examines all things, investigates all things, inquires into all things, questions all things and discerns all things... 1 Corinthians 2:15 (Amplified Bible)



YOUR SIGHT WILL LIMIT YOU. YOUR FEELING AND SENSE OF HEARING WILL LIMIT YOU. YOUR SENSE OF THOUGHT WILL LIMIT YOU. YOUR SENSE OF TASTE WILL LIMIT YOU.



The spiritual man does not wait and wonder when his expectations will enter his hand. No, he rather enters into the blessing; because he is a man of the spirit. He examines it, inquires into it, and investigates it. He makes demands on it and presses into it.

That is the heart that is searching; not the heart that is relaxing or complaining: "Lord I am still waiting on you." You are not waiting on Him; He is waiting on you. He is waiting on you to grow to the next level; to mature in the spirit to the next realm; to develop capacity to receive the next deposits. That is what He is waiting on you for. It is not the new bottle that waits for the new wine; the new wine waits for the new bottle. As soon as you change, there will be a pouring in. And I see you on a daily basis, drinking into new realms of grace, in the mighty Name of Jesus.

God is a Spirit, so you cannot relate with Him by sight. Long before you ever knew Him or desired Him, He came for you; He longed for you. Desire Him; seek Him.

David said, "One thing have I desired of the Lord and that will I seek after: that I may dwell..." Jesus says, "If any man thirst, let him come..." He did not say, "Let him wait until I come." He says, "Come for it. Step out. Stretch yourself. Come out of your comfort zone.

Take the risk." Obey God passionately and see Him bless you abundantly. Stop waiting until everything is secure. Take the risk. Be like Peter and step out on the water.

The question is, "Do you earnestly desire Him?"



The Holy Ghost Can Stand Your Weakness But He Cannot Stand Your Pride. He Cannot Stand That Feeling Of, "i Am Okay By Myself."  $C \mid H \mid A \mid P \mid T \mid E \mid R$ 

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## HOW TO HUNGER AFTER THE HOLY SPIRIT

As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God. Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: Psalm 42:1,7a

avid described the longing, panting and yearning of the man who desires God. He compares it to the panting of the hart after water. He says, "Deep calleth unto deep." How much do you desire, yearn and hunger for the Holy Spirit? If you need Him, you must show you hunger and thirst for Him.

The following are ways you can show or express your desire for God's Spirit in your life:

#### 1. Thirst for Him sincerely and desperately.

Thirst for Him. Develop dissatisfaction for your present level in the Spirit until He gives you a higher level. Want more of Him, more of His grace, more of His glory. He said, "I will pour water on the thirsty land;" not on any land; not on every land - on the thirty land (Isaiah 44:3). He said, "I will cause rivers in the desert. I will pour water upon him that is thirsty and floods upon the dry ground." Now, what is that water? He says, "I will pour my spirit upon thy seed and my blessing upon thy offspring."

Thirst after Him. Thirst is a sign that you are in need. Show Him that you are in need of Him, and cannot do without Him. See what the Bibles says:

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Matthew 5:6

As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me...for without me ye can do nothing. John 15:4-5

It was a desperate Jacob that said, "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me. (Genesis 32:26).

#### 2. Seek Him Selflessly and Humbly.

You see, the tendency is that, as a human being, once you indicate a sign of need and there is no immediate response to that need, you feel ashamed. Actually, the truth is that you feel proud. You act as though you are no

longer in need, to protect your ego. Before you ask for anything; you want to be sure that the response will be positive and on time. Once it is going to look disgraceful, you withdraw. You are not withdrawing because you are not in need, but rather because of your ego. You do not want to appear in need because it belittles you.

Now, the Holy Ghost says to you, "Humble yourself before Me, and I will lift you. Don't come before Me acting as if you don't need anything. Tell Me you need Me." He is waiting to hear you confess your emptiness and helplessness. Your humility attracts God's mercy. That was why, in the Bible, the Publican went home justified and the Pharisee went home condemned. The Holy Ghost can stand your weakness but He cannot stand your pride.

He cannot stand that feeling of, "I am okay by myself." Beware! "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble" (James 4:6).

In I Samuel 2:3, the Bible says, "Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed."

Pride corrupts, pollutes and destroys.

Until you realize you are nothing, God cannot make something out of you. When Jesus was to be baptized, He did not mind the fact that He was God. He did not mind the fact that He was sinless from birth. He humbled Himself, joined the queue to be baptized by John. He did not need baptism but He needed to comply with Scripture. When John saw Him, he said, "I am the one that needs you to baptize me." But Jesus said, "No. Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness."

Jesus knew it was the price He had to pay. He knew if He must be exalted above, He must humble Himself. The Bible says Jesus went down praying and the heavens opened and the Spirit descended upon Him like a dove (Matthew 3:13-16; Luke 3:21).

#### 3. Seek God Obediently.

Jesus said the Holy Spirit "...will guide us into all truth." Obedience to the Holy Spirit's teaching, leading and guidance, ushers you into deeper depth of God's fullness. The Holy Spirit will speak to you through the Word of God, your pastor and your spirit. Do not argue Divine instructions, follow His leading and you will enjoy His anointing. He will wake you up to pray, stir your heart to study God's Word, and move you to fast. Obey His leading.

Most times, when you are in a service, the preacher says, "Place your hand where you are sick," but you say, "I will not. Why should I? For what reason? If he can't heal me like this, let him leave it. Must he command people around? Is it not prayer he will pray while it is God's place to heal?" Such attitude of stubbornness, resistance and disobedience to the Holy Ghost will disqualify you from

receiving, and consequently, the move of the Spirit will be stiffed in your life.

That attitude almost cost Naaman his miracle.

Elisha sent a messenger to him saying...Go and wash in Jordan seven times... 2Kings 5:10

Naaman's argument and resistance almost derailed his miracle.

But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, BEHOLD, I THOUGHT, he will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and strike his hand over my place, and recover the leper. 2Kings 5:11

Beware of self-will, anger, stubbornness and refusal to yield to Divine guidance. In verse 13, Naaman's servant spoke wisely to him, "My father, if the man of God had bid thee do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much rather then, when he said to you, wash and be clean?" Be open to obey the leading of the Holy Spirit in your heart per time.

My prayer for you, is that from this moment on, you will not resist the Holy Ghost. You will not strive to prove any point before Him.

Lift your hand and tell Him: Holy Spirit, I need you.

Telling Him you need Him shows humility. If you are lying on your bed praying and you hear Him whisper to you, "Why not kneel down to pray?" without thinking, make a change. You do not need to start arguing within yourself:

"What is there? Whether I lie down or kneel down, is there any difference?" Once you start arguing with Him, He keeps quiet and leaves you alone, because He will not strive with you.

If the Holy Ghost says to you, "Why are you moving out with such haste? You have not read your Bible," and you say, "I don't have the time," He keeps quiet. On the other hand, if you realize what He is talking about and you say, "Oh, I am sorry, Holy Spirit," and you get your Bible and begin to read, He is happy. You might not be able to read ten chapters but you can read a few verses. Show Him your thirst. Show Him your hunger. Show Him there is a lack in your life that He alone can satisfy. If you link up with Him properly, you will enjoy a new realm of grace. And I know that you are about to break into that new realm of grace now.

#### 4. Pursue after Him Exclusively.

Press after the Holy Ghost. Give Him your attention exclusively. He said, "When the poor and the needy are thirsty and there is none to satisfy them..." recognize and seek Him as your only helper. Let Him know that you are pursuing after Him because only He can satisfy you. He only can make your destiny what it should be. Let Him

know you cannot go to work without Him; your job is nothing without Him.

Let Him know that, as a student, even though you are reading hard, without Him, your mind cannot help you. As a business man, let Him know that you are not depending on your investments. Never think you have food stored up for rainy days. No! Give Him the central position in your life. Let Him know that nothing else can replace Him. Anything that becomes your confidence and ground for assurance and boasting will cut you off from His help and grace.

In Philippians 3:3, Paul reminds us to worship God in the spirit, rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

#### Read again Isaiah 41:17:

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them. I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

When you assert that there is someone else who is your helper, supplier or satisfier, you are driving the Holy Ghost farther away from you. In Jeremiah 17:5-6 God's Word declares:

Thus saith the Lord, cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departed from the Lord. For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places... blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. For he shall be like as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green...neither shall cease from yielding fruits.

No man is your helper except the Holy Spirit. Look only to God and not to any human being. Do not look to your own skill or strength. Keep your eyes on God only. The Holy Spirit wants you to pursue after Him exclusively. Remember the race is not to the swift. So the swift will have to cry out and say, "Lord, without you I can do nothing."

The battle is not to the strong. So the strong will have to cry out and say, "Lord, without you, my strength is vain." Favour is not to men of might; riches are not to men of power.

In fact, you will have to understand that the more talented you are, the more you will likely be disqualified from the help of the Holy Spirit.

The more skillful you are, the more you are likely to be disqualified from the help of the Holy Spirit if you do not consciously depend on Him. That is why He picks the weak things to shame the strong; because the weak readily admit their weakness. They readily admit their dependence. They readily admit that they cannot make it without Him.



# WHEN YOU ASSERT THAT THERE IS SOMEONE ELSE WHO IS YOUR HELPER, SUPPLIER OR SATISFIER, YOU ARE DRIVING THE HOLY GHOST FARTHER AWAY FROM YOU.



Now, take ten seconds and tell Him that without Him, nothing else can work in your life. I know you have a business. I know you have a job. But tell Him that without Him, that job cannot take you anywhere. Tell Him that nothing in your life can satisfy like Him. Tell Him there is nothing you desire that compares with Him. Nothing, nowhere. No one.

When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek. Psalm 27:8

#### 5. Press into deeper depths of His manifestation.

Pant after new depths of the move of the Holy Spirit. The revelation of God is in depths. You cannot exhaust all of His fullness.

In Ezekiel 47:1-5, Ezekiel talked about how God took him through the water of the Spirit. He said, the water was at his ankle. God led him on. It was at the knee. The Lord led him on. And it was at the loins. God shows us through Ezekiel's experience that it is absolutely important that we are constantly hungry for more of the Spirit.

Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to

swim in, a river that could not be passed over. Ezekiel 47:6

Whatever realm of blessings you have experienced in the Holy Spirit, realize that there are deeper depths. There is so much more you are yet to see, experience and know.

...for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea the deep things of God. 1 Corinthians 2:10

There are deeper depths in God. Where you are now is too shallow.

Beloved, before the first breakthrough and miracle happened in your life, see how often you observed three and five-day fasts. But I want you to know that what is ahead is better than where you are. The breakthrough ahead is higher than what you have seen so far. The promotion ahead of you is far greater than where you are. Forget what is behind you and press on. Stretch on. Push on. That was how Paul kept growing.

This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before. I press towards the mark for the prize of the high calling of God... Philippians 3:13-14

That was how Jesus kept growing. Early in the morning, He arose and left the house to a solitary place, where there were no comforts and pleasures for the flesh (Mark 1:35). You cannot pamper your flesh and keep growing in the spirit. Arrival mentality is an enemy of your higher

place in God. As long as we are in this world there is so much more to learn, discover and encounter in God. Do not lose your hunger for more of God's Spirit and glory.



THE MORE TALENTED YOU ARE, THE MORE YOU WILL LIKELY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. THE MORE SKILLFUL YOU ARE, THE MORE YOU ARE LIKELY TO BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IF YOU DO NOT CONSCIOUSLY DEPEND ON HIM.



Elijah could not pray in his house. He had to go to the mountain top to subject the flesh to the discipline of the spirit. "He went up to the top of Carmel: and cast himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees and prayed."

Paul said, "I do not fight as one that beateth the air, but I pummel my body. I subject my Body. I put it under pressure" (1Corinthians 9:26-27). He wrote to Timothy, "Endure hardness as a good soldier of Christ" (II Timothy 2:3).

Child of God, do not let the pleasures of life, the deceit of temporary success, blind you from seeing the greater things God has in store for you. Pay the price. If you will have to close your kitchen, close it. If you will have to give out your phone(s), give them out. If you will have to give out your shoes and cloths, give them out. If you have to end up not taking a salary, do it. Whatever He says to

you, do it! Press in for new depths. See your emptiness and dryness. See the new depths you are yet to explore in the river of the Spirit.

How can you keep saying, "I am so busy." put an end to those busy schedules. Close some activities and be with God. If you die today, life will continue. That business will continue. Stop endangering your destiny. How come you do not have the time to pray or commune with God. That is no life.

You always have several excuses why you cannot spend time with God: "The man said I should come very early." Is the man your God? Is he the owner of your life? He gives you an appointment on a Sunday and you accept to go and meet him? Then you get to church later and sing, "There is nothing I desire compared to you."

You know, for some people, their boss is their God. They attend church and leave their phone on. They say their boss can call at anytime. And once he calls, they must go. According to them, if they do not do that, the man can take away the job. And I ask them, "Are you not glad, at least, that he cannot take your life?" I do not care what your boss is. I know that, one day, he will be 'former' and even he will have no recognition anywhere.

A former Governor once needed a place in our state, and they could not give it to him. So you see; the only person that does not have tenure is the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. He has neither beginning nor ending. He is the same from everlasting to everlasting. Thy throne O

God is forever and ever; thy scepter is the right scepter. How dare you give man the honour you ought to give only to God. He said, "If I be a Father, where is my honour?"

Your panting is manifested in your devotion, dedication and honour to Him. Let go of everything else and give Him priority of place. Show Him you need Him more than you need anything else.

6. Grow in faith to manifest His works through you.

Then said they unto Him; what shall we do, that we might work the works of God? John 6:28

Push for the works of the Holy Spirit through you. Push to work His works through you. Go for evangelism, join a church department. Let God work through you. Be an active worker in your department. Do not just be a bench warmer. It is not going to be convenient; but push. Other issues will try to distract you, but push.

God wants to work His works through you. Ephesians 2:10 says, "We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Pay the price to work the works of God.

ARRIVAL MENTALITY IS AN ENEMY OF YOUR HIGHER PLACE IN GOD. AS LONG AS WE ARE IN THIS WORLD THERE IS SO MUCH MORE TO LEARN, DISCOVER AND ENCOUNTER IN GOD.



Paul said, "...in fasting often, beaten by the Jews; beaten with rods, more than three times; shipwrecked, more than three times; imprisoned often." He said, "...but none of these things moved me, neither count I my life dear unto myself so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus..." (Acts 20:24).

You have got to push. Do not yield to comfort. Do not yield to flesh. Do not yield to human sentiments and sympathy. Put yourself under Divine pressure. Push. There is a higher level. There is a new depth for you to encounter in the river of the Spirit. You have been called and ordained to work the works of God. Let there be productivity in your destiny. Let God use you to add grace to His Church; to add increase to His work. That is productivity. Jesus said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also: and greater works than these shall he do..." (John 14:12).

Do not just be a receiver; become a contributor. Push for new depths. Push for new dimensions. The Bible says in Luke 1:8, "The child was in the wilderness until his showing forth to Israel..." What was He doing there? He was pushing in the spirit, pushing in prayer, pushing in fasting, pushing in tarrying, pushing in seeking God, pushing in waiting on the Lord God. He was pushing in desiring after the Lord.

Child of God, the power of the Holy Spirit comes upon us to empower us to do the works of God.

For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure. Philippians 2:13

You have to get to that point where you are convinced that if you can seek God, you will receive the power of the Spirit for exploits. You Will overtake those that thought they are better than you are. Rise up in faith and begin to do something for God. Do it by faith.

He therefore that manifested to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Galatians 3:5

You can do all things by faith in God. Seek the face of God, knowing that His hand of power is already on you. He knows the right person to bring. He knows the right person to connect you to. And when God brings His own connection, that connection will last in your life. Do not doubt the power of God or frustrate the grace of God. Have faith in God.

The door a man opens for you, another man can close it. But the door God opens for you, no one can close it. Keep pushing. Tarry in His presence. David said, "One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple. For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock" (Psalms 27:4-5).

People may think you do not have any connections; but by the time trouble comes, they will know that there is a God in heaven who is exalted over the affairs of men. They will know that if God be for you, no power can be against you.

The manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. 1 Corinthians 12:7

YOU HAVE BEEN CALLED AND ORDAINED TO WORK THE WORKS OF GOD. LET THERE BE PRODUCTIVITY IN YOUR DESTINY. LET GOD USE YOU TO ADD GRACE TO HIS CHURCH; TO ADD INCREASE TO HIS WORK.

Turn to the Lord; forget human connections. If God must use a man, He will use whosoever He wills: He uses whosoever is available and yielded. Turn to God and let Him do it His own way; so that He can be glorified in your testimony. Press after Him. Do not be tired. Do not be weary. Keep pushing. Keep stretching yourself. David said, "A day in your court is better than a thousand elsewhere. I will rather be a door keeper in your house than to dwell in the tent of wickedness." And God rewarded him, and made him a king. He said, "Promotion does not come from the east or from the west; it cometh from above."

There is a dimension of the works of the Holy Spirit you were born to manifest. Your body is His temple. I

challenge you to desire the Holy Spirit. I challenge you to push for His manifestation through you. Have faith in God, and do the works of God. Desire Him. Thirst after Him. Long for Him.



Reality Is Not Necessarily Physicality. When You Are Sufficiently Flooded With Information, About Anything, You Grasp The Reality Of It.



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## THE REALITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - 1

any people wonder how the Holy Spirit can become real to them. Well, reality does not necessarily mean physicality. Something must not necessarily be physically visible and tangible for it to be real. Something can be totally real even though it is not physically visible or perceived. Take for example, electricity is not physically visible, but it is as real as anything else. The wind is not physically visible, yet it is real.

Reality is in levels. And the reality you perceive per time is dependent on several factors, two of which are: the information at your disposal, and your encounters and experiences.

#### **INFORMATION**

Adequate information, imparts reality. When you have sufficient knowledge about a thing, it becomes very real to you. A thing that appears abstract to another person can be very real to you. Why? Because you have secured adequate information concerning that thing. I am sure you may not have visited or seen Mount Everest yet, but if you offered geography, you would have heard of Mount Everest repeatedly. Without needing to see it, you know it, and it has become real to you. So reality is not necessarily physicality. When you are sufficiently flooded with information, about anything, you grasp the reality of it.

The same holds true with the things of the Spirit. Information imparts reality. No one has ever seen God in the physical appearance of the fullness of His Divinity. When God wanted to communicate to us the reality of His existence, He sent us adequate information.

No man hath ever seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him. John 1:18

Through the information declared to us by God the Son, Jesus, the living Word, who came in the flesh as a man; we now know God with certainty and reality.

#### **ENCOUNTERS AND EXPERIENCES**

This is another realm of reality. If you were born after the Second World War, you probably have only heard stories

or seen movies of the war. Eye witnesses narrated their war experiences to you. They had experienced it and are therefore in a position to give you information. Those that have experienced it want you to believe in the reality, without needing to see it. Every encounter and experience in God equips us with another dimension of reality.

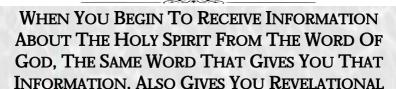
In the same way, you can know the Holy Spirit further by receiving Divine encounters and experiences in Him, and He will become so real to you. When you begin to receive information about the Holy Spirit from the Word of God, the same Word that gives you that information, also gives you revelational encounters and experiences. God's Word is revelatory and creative. When God speaks, it becomes and we can see what the Word births and creates.

Beloved, God's Word creates Divine experiences and realities. John 1:14 says, "the word became...and we believed..." Every Word you keep receiving and feeding on will become a clear, perceivable and receivable reality. As you receive the information of God's Word on the Holy Spirit, you will receive encounters and experiences with the Holy Spirit. Welcome to the reality of the Holy Spirit. Let the journey begin.

#### YOU NEED INTRODUCTION

And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. Acts 19:1-2

The information of the Word comes by hearing. Someone has to speak on the Holy Spirit for others to hear. To know the Holy Spirit deeper than you have known Him so far, you have to begin to hear the Word on the Holy Spirit. I have discovered that anytime I hear a message or read a book on a particular topic, it inspires me to study the whole Bible on that topic. It kindles a fire in me to study the whole Bible on that topic. And that is how my depth in the Word has increased.



**ENCOUNTERS AND EXPERIENCES.** 

Paul came to Ephesus and raised the topic of the Holy Spirit with some believers. They had gone from being converts to becoming disciples and yet no one had introduced the topic of the Holy Spirit to them. You will never know about Biology until one day a Biology teacher enters your class for the first time and writes "Biology" on the board. Then he asks: What is Biology? And goes ahead to tell you what Biology is: the study of living things.

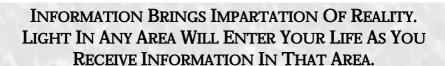
When you hear that, you have added some new information to your knowledge. Information brings impartation of reality. Light in any area will enter your life as you receive information in that area. This book has been sent by God to you, to give you Divine information and encounters in the Holy Spirit.

Paul asked the disciples in Ephesus, "Have you received the Holy Spirit since you believed?" They said they had not so much as heard. So, what hindered their receiving was the lack of hearing. When you begin to hear God's Word on the Holy Spirit, you will begin to experience His reality. You will begin to experience and encounter Him.

And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. Acts 19:3-6

The first thing they needed to hear was that there is a person called the Holy Ghost. He is not a dove, wind or fire. He is a person. What kind of a person is He? He is a Divine-person. He is a member of the Trinity - God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. He is mentioned severally in the Bible. The truth is, you have

never seen God the Father, neither the Son, but you have received more information about them than about the Holy Spirit. That is why they are so real to you, and the Holy Spirit seems abstract. Do you know that even sinners who do not go to church talk about God. They say, "Thank God;" "Thank you Jesus". So you see, we have heard more about God the Father and God the Son; but we have not heard much about the Holy Spirit. And that is why you have not received Him beyond the level you have experienced Him so far. Once you begin to hear more, you will begin to experience Him more.





#### ...HEARING, AND HEARING...

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Note the phrase, "When they heard these..." The people did not have to fast for forty days to receive the Holy Spirit. They did not go to the mountain or forest to pray. Today people are getting possessed with devils because of strange and demonic practices. These disciples did not need to go to a certain stream or riverside to hold a tarry.

Many people have done that and returned possessed with water spirits. I bind every strange spirit trying to manipulate your life, home or environment in Jesus' Name.

These people do not know how God operates through His Word. The Bible says, "When they heard these..." Not much sermon was needed. They just needed a seed of the Word.

The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple. Psalm 119:130

You do not need a whole seminar series to receive the Holy Spirit. What you have read so far is enough to explode you into a world of revelation knowledge. All that the people of Ephesus heard was the baptism of John unto repentance; and that John had said that someone else was coming after him, Who would baptize with the Holy Ghost and power. They were amazed: "What! So Jesus came to baptize us with the Holy Ghost and power?" Paul never told them the Holy Ghost is gentle as a dove, blows like the wind, purifies like fire, and saturates like wine. There was no time for all that. They HEARD there is a Holy Ghost and they received Him as a Divine reality, by faith.

Beloved, faith and reality come by "...hearing, and hearing..." So keep on receiving the Word on the Holy Spirit. Study your Bible and mark Scriptures on the Holy Spirit. Read about His impact in the lives of men. Several

great men in the faith have shared truths with us through their books. Keep on hearing the Word about the Holy Spirit.



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### THE REALITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT -2

### **HEALWAYS SHOWS UP**

The preaching of God's Word on the Holy Spirit always provokes the manifestation and visitation of His person and presence. The Holy Spirit always shows up whenever we talk about Him. Paul had spoken to them about the Holy Spirit, and laid hands on them. The Holy Spirit took over from there. That means, the Holy Ghost was waiting to come upon them. But because they did not hear of Him, they could not receive Him. When they finally heard of Him, they were ready to receive Him. Hearing prepares you to receive.

I tell you, as you are reading this book, you can be baptized in the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. It is that easy. You must realize

that the person we are talking about is waiting to come upon you. He is in a hurry to come upon you. Do not let anyone tell you that it is difficult to receive the Holy Spirit. The entrance of God's Word makes the baptism of the Holy Spirit possible.

When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. Acts 19:5-6

Paul laid his hands on them and the Holy Ghost came upon them, and they spoke in tongues. No one would have known that the Holy Ghost had come upon these people if they had just kept quiet and said nothing. Even they themselves would not have known that the Holy Ghost had come upon them. You see beloved, you just need to say, "Holy Spirit, I receive you; and right now, by faith, I begin to speak in tongues." Then you begin to speak in other tongues in Jesus' Name. This is the key to enjoying every other move of the Spirit.

Whenever you talk about the Holy Spirit, He shows up. People want to experience His reality; but they do not want to fellowship with Him. They do not press to hear words about Him. They are not excited to read and study passages on Him. They do not sing songs about Him. You know, when we sing songs about the Holy Spirit, we see greater manifestations of Him. Anytime you talk about Him, He shows up to demonstrate His presence

and power. The Holy Spirit is God; He inhabits our praise and worship.

Just as Jesus answers anytime we call Him, so does the Holy Ghost. Each time we read that someone said, "Jesus, Son of David!" we see that He always stopped for such a person. He would not just stop when no one has called Him. "Jesus, have mercy upon me!" Immediately, He would leave every other person and respond to the one that called.

### THE SPIRIT PERFECTS DESTINIES

Do you know why Peter denied Jesus in front of a little girl even when he had been with Jesus for three and a half years? He did not have the Holy Spirit to enable him become what he was meant to be. Jesus had shown them what they were meant to be; but the Holy Spirit had to come to make them become what they were meant to be. Later Peter stood up in the same place he betrayed Jesus and said, "That same Jesus which you people crucified, God has made Him both Lord and Christ and we are witnesses of these things." The Bible says, the people saw his boldness. (Acts 2:32, 4:13).

WHEN WE SING SONGS ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE SEE GREATER MANIFESTATIONS OF HIM. ANYTIME YOU TALK ABOUT HIM, HE SHOWS UP TO DEMONSTRATE HIS PRESENCE AND POWER.



You say, "I want to serve God. I want to please God. I want to... I want to..." It will never become a reality until you begin to celebrate the Holy Spirit in your life. You want to be anointed? You want to see miracles? It will not happen until you receive the enabler. He is the One that enables performance.

Churches that celebrate the Holy Spirit see miracles. They celebrate the works of the Spirit so they see more of the demonstrations of God. When you call Him, He steps in to reveal Himself. When you celebrate what He has done, you move Him to do more in your life.

### TONGUES - THE TRIGGER POINT

While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. Acts 10:44

When Peter began to speak about the Holy Ghost, the person He was speaking of, immediately revealed Himself. The atmosphere became changed, and inviting. In fact, the Holy Spirit could not wait for Peter to finish the sermon. It is possible to receive the gift of the Spirit while a message is going on in the church. It is possible to receive healing while the sermon is on. You must not wait till the end of the message. It is possible to receive financial breakthrough while the message is going on.

Jesus said, "All that I see my Father do, that do I". You see, miracles are possible when you see that God has already done them. What you see Him do in your spirit by faith is

what He will do in the physical. If you do not see Him do it in the spirit, you will never see Him do it in the physical.

# CHURCHES THAT CELEBRATE THE HOLY SPIRIT SEE MIRACLES. THEY CELEBRATE THE WORKS OF THE SPIRIT SO THEY SEE MORE OF THE DEMONSTRATIONS OF GOD.

"While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on them." Every time we talk or teach about the Holy Spirit, His reality becomes more manifested and revealed.

People begin to experience His demonstration in a greater dimension than before. The Holy Spirit always reveals Himself to those who will give diligence to hear the Word.

While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Acts 10:44-46

The Holy Spirit filled them to overflow through new tongues. The blessing of speaking in tongues is for all those who believe.

This signs shall follow them that believe, in my name they shall speak with new tongues. Mark 16:17

How did they know that the Holy Ghost had fallen on them? "They heard them speak." I tell you, until you begin to speak much in tongues, you will not experience much of the works of the Holy Spirit in your life. The major trigger that releases His performances is tongues. You must speak much in tongues. It ushers in His other works and demonstrations. Charge the atmosphere with tongues. Make it a lifestyle. That is how you will create the atmosphere of the Holy Spirit in your life. That is how you will carry His tangible presence.

## THE HOLY SPIRIT ALWAYS REVEALS HIMSELF TO THOSE WHO WILL GIVE DILIGENCE TO HEAR THE WORD.

I like you to know that anytime the Holy Spirit releases His demonstrated manifestation, tongues is always the starting point.

They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues... Acts 2:4

We see that the Holy Spirit coming on the Gentiles was not Peter's plan. It was the Holy Spirit's plan. That is how much He waits to manifest His demonstration in your life. While you did not even know Him, He started planning how to reveal Himself to you. He started arranging a platform that will reveal His reality in your life. At a time you did not even know there was any person like the Holy Ghost, He organized the avenue through which you would be introduced to Him.

### FROM RELIGION TO REALITY

There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band, A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God always. He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius. Acts 10:1-3

Cornelius prayed to God often. But even though he prayed to God always, he did not know anything about the Holy Spirit.

Information is what sets the pace for manifestation. He had heard about God the Father; he had heard about the works of Jesus.

But he had not heard about the Holy Spirit. And the Bible says, he had been praying always.

Someone can be praying always but has not yet experienced the Holy Spirit. Someone can be very religious, yet has not known the Holy Spirit. It is not enough to attend church. Open your heart and begin to hunger for and desire the Holy Spirit.

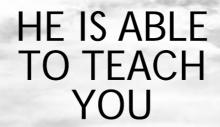
You see, we often get impressed by a show of religion. Many have not encountered the reality of the Spirit; they get impressed with, and settle for religion.

Give more effort and time to know the Holy Spirit. Then He will lead you into glory. He will lead you into prayer, study, worship, and Ministry. That is when your effort will produce results. The arm of flesh will fail you.

# SOMEONE CAN BE PRAYING ALWAYS BUT HAS NOT YET EXPERIENCED THE HOLY SPIRIT. SOMEONE CAN BE VERY RELIGIOUS, YET HAS NOT KNOWN THE HOLY SPIRIT.

God records that the man Cornelius prayed much, but he did not know the Holy Spirit. You see beloved, it does not matter what you do, information is what prepares you for visitation. Begin now to cry out to the Holy Spirit to fill you and reveal Himself to you more. The Holy Spirit wants to invade and flood your life.

Begin now. Say: Holy Spirit I welcome you.



Even If You Have A Title, You Must Know That It Does Not Mean You Are Spiritually Mature. Many People That Claim To Be Pastors Are Still Babies In The Spirit.

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### HE IS ABLE TO TEACH YOU

We need to understand the nature and operation of the Holy Spirit as our Teacher and welcome Him into our lives. The Bible calls the Holy Spirit 'Teacher.' Why? Because He is more interested in passing Divine information to you than mere excitement.

Today, so many wrong practices are being carried out by churches, in the name of being led by the Spirit. Even genuine men of God see other people do things and they copy such practices without searching to confirm what the Bible says about such practices. We need the Ministry of the Holy Spirit as our Teacher, to truly discern truth from error.

### Note the following:

In John 14:17, He is called the Spirit of truth... In Verse 26 the Bible says, "He shall teach you all things and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

Notice what the Holy Spirit teaches and brings to our remembrance: ONLY THOSE THINGS THAT JESUS (THE LIVING WORD) HAS SPOKEN TO US. That means the Holy Spirit never leads people into things that the Word of God has not already spoken about. Any so called 'leading of the Spirit' that cannot be found in what the Word of God teaches us to do, is false, demonic and occultic.

Any so called 'prophetic action' or 'spiritual activity' that is contrary to what Jesus, the Apostles, and the church in the New Testament practiced is not from the Holy Spirit.

Today some pastors shave people's hair and even bath women. All these are demonic manifestations. Christians are told to bring stone, fruits, eggs, razor blade, etc. to church.

They sweep the sand in their sitting room to Use for some kind of spiritual assignment. And they all claim to be led by the Spirit. What manner of Christianity is that? People are instructed to stand naked at midnight and pray and so on. Where does the Bible teach such practices? All these are doctrines of devils.

Any teaching, instruction or practice carried out in the name of being led by the Holy Spirit, that is not found in the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Apostles in the New Testament of the Bible, is false, satanic, demonic and not of the Holy Spirit.

In John 15:26, Jesus said that the Holy Spirit "Shall testify of Him". That means if Jesus never taught it and practiced it, the Holy Spirit will never instruct or lead anyone to do it. The Holy Spirit only leads and guides us into the truth of God's Word. He will never lead us differently and separate from the Word of God.

How be it when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will show you things to come. John 16:13

As we saw in the last chapter, Cornelius did a lot of religious things but he was still not saved, neither was he enjoying the leading of the Holy Spirit. God needed to organize help for him.

And the help was by way of sound teaching and information; not blind revelations or prophecies. There are people who claim they Have been born again for many years, but they do not know how to pray. They do not know how to study the Scriptures. All they do is follow false prophecies and demonic assignments.

You need to be a believer with adequate Word information. It is sad to say, but a lot of people have been

ordained into Ministry and have been given titles, who were never properly taught God's Word. Even if you have a title, you must know that it does not mean you are spiritually mature. Many people that claim to be pastors are still babies in the spirit. Title means nothing. Nicodemus was a teacher of the law, yet he had no knowledge of the truth and the life of the Spirit.

Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things? John 3:10

This is the spiritual state of a lot of pastors and Christian churches; and the church is being hijacked by false prophets, false pastors, demonic spiritual activities and spiritism. Any prophecy that is not in line with the light of God's Word is of the devil.

If they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them. Isaiah 8:20

Beloved, we must stop this pursuit of titles. You can be making more impact as a "Brother" than many people that have titles. Title does not give Ministry. I believe that a time does come for people to be properly ordained into certain offices; but that does not happen at the beginning. Your anointing must be tested before it can be promoted.

I know that there are people reading this book who could be pastors. What I teach here does not in any way cast aspersions on the call of God upon their lives. My emphasis is on the need to discern and follow the truth of the Spirit and the right procedure for all spiritual manifestations.

When Elijah called Elisha, what was Elisha's title or status? Servant. It was after he was tested as servant that he received the mantle. But there are people that say they have been called, so they declare themselves as pastors or even Apostles from day one. No! It is wrong. Jesus was announced the child of the Holy Ghost from birth; but He was not declared the Son of God until the age thirty when God said, "This is my Beloved Son." Jesus went through training.

In the same vein, as the anointing is growing in your life, just remain humble and teachable in the presence of God. Keep serving faithfully. It will show. No one can cover the real anointing.

One way or the other, it will manifest. Do not be in a hurry or get pressurized by anyone. Just be faithful to God. Be faithful under the right pastoral cover and leadership. Today people just get their friends to make them Bishops. I have seen a Bishop with a church in a primary school. The members were not up to forty. When they wanted to announce him, they called him the Bishop of the Church worldwide. Worldwide, but he is in a primary school. God will not disgrace you like that. I do not hate Bishops. I love them. I respect them. Many people are Bishops indeed, but we need to rescue the coming generations from this title craze, because juju priests and witch doctors now wear clerical collars and

answer Reverend Doctor. They still mix their witchcraft practices with Christianity. We need the Holy Ghost, not witchcraft and spiritism. He shall lead us into all truth.

O God send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead us: Psalm 43:30

Now, how did God redirect Cornelius? That is the same way God is going to redirect your life. When you know the ways of God, you cannot be deceived by manipulations. You cannot open up to anyone that comes to you without the Word. You must judge a message before you can receive its revelation. No one should give you a revelation whose message you have not heard repeatedly. You must know their message before you receive the revelation. That is the Bible pattern.

Everyone God sent His prophets to, recognized the prophets. Elijah did not need to introduce himself to the widow of Zarephath. The widow knew him. His Ministry was not by some corner. That was why God did not send An unknown prophet. He had to send a man with a Ministry that had been proven.

When Elisha passed by the house of that woman in 2Kings 4:8-9, she said to her husband, "I perceive that this is an holy man of God." She checked and discerned his spirit and Ministry first. To understand the nature and move of the Holy Spirit, you must get to understand the procedures for His manifestation in your life.

#### THE SPIRIT AND THE WORD

Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made enquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate, And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there. While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee. Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them. Acts 10:17-20

In the above Scripture, who sent the people? Who organized Cornelius' vision? Who organized Peter's vision? Who wanted them to meet? Who wanted Cornelius to experience the Holy Ghost? The answer to all these questions is, "the Holy Ghost." Now you can see why the Holy Ghost could not wait for Peter to finish before He fell on the people.

Before you finish reading this book, you will experience the power of the Holy Ghost. You will experience the gifts of the Holy Spirit. You will experience the anointing of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Ghost is in a hurry to invade your life. He wants to flood your life. You do not need to beg the Holy Ghost to reveal Himself to you. It is His will to reveal things to you. So stop thinking that it is difficult. Relax.

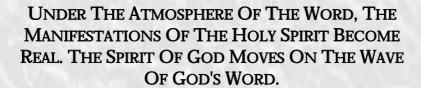
Just keep studying the Word on the manifestations of the Spirit; and you will not even know when it starts. Keep studying the Word. Keep feeding on the Word. Keep

meditating on the Word. The Bible says, "While Peter yet spake..." You see, under the atmosphere of the Word, the manifestations of the Holy Spirit become real. The Spirit of God moves on the wave of God's Word.

Where there is no Word, there can be no revelation of the Spirit. The Holy Spirit only reveals Himself after the Word. When you stay on the Word, you experience the reality of the Spirit.

Job 11:7 says, "Canst thou by searching find out God? Canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?" It tells you that blind searching will lead you to error. That you are sincere does not mean you are correct. You can be sincerely deceived. You have to know the Word. No one can know God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit by just thinking that they can experiment on spiritual things. Any level of visitation or manifestation has to be connected to and rooted in the Word.

After the Word is in place, God will shower you with timely visitations connected to the Word.



### **STAY IN THE WORD**

Do you know why Jesus could use Peter and John in the third chapter of Acts? They could say to the lame man, "Look on us;" yet they were not taking God's glory. God knew their heart, that despite the miracles, they would return all the praise to Him. You see, God tests a man's Ministry and character before He releases some manifestations. Some people would take the glory to themselves. They would turn themselves into some form of 'small Jesus'.

I do not care how anointed you are, if you do not stay in the Word, you will get into trouble. You will fall into spiritual error.

Sampson was a Nazarene, and the Nazarene vow forbids the touching of anything dead. To have killed a lion was a good feat. But to have come back and examined the carcass of the lion and even eat the honey therein was against his consecration. The anointing remained in his life for some time, but he soon began to go down. You need the Word to be in tune with the Spirit.

My prayer for you is that you should not come to a point where the Word of God can no longer rebuke and correct your life. You need the Word to stay in the anointing. No one has ever had the manifestations of the Holy Spirit without giving priority to the Word of God.

### **RECEIVE HIM NOW**

John 1:18 says, "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him." It means it is God that always reveals Himself to man. When you say, "Holy Spirit, reveal Yourself to me," He will; because it is His intention to do so. He is more interested in revealing Himself to you than you are ready to know Him.

You must be convinced that it is the will of the Father, the will of Jesus, the will of the Holy Spirit that you experience the reality of the Holy Spirit. He wants you to swim in that richness of fellowship.

Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? James 4:5

Can you see how much the Holy Spirit cares for you? He desires to be intimate with you. You can sense Him flood your life. He is never far away. He is so close to you. I want you to get the message. You are not far from the Holy Spirit.

No one is better privileged than you. The same precious Blood of Jesus washed all of us. If you study the Word, you will know what others have known. The Holy Ghost does not discriminate.

It was out of great love that God sent His Spirit to live inside of you. It was to show you how much He cares for you. He did not wait for you to know the Bible. The moment you were born again, the Spirit of sonship came into you, to show you that the Holy Spirit is your portion. You do not need to struggle. He is your birthright as a believer.

Now Say this in faith:
I have the Holy Spirit.
Holy Spirit, You live within me.
Please Lord, reveal Yourself to me.
I want to know you.
Holy Spirit, you are real to me.
You are not far away.
You live in me.
My body is your temple, Precious Holy Spirit.
I recognize and receive you now.