

**THE MASTERCRAFT:**

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**TEXT ACTS 10:38**

**“And You Know That God Anointed Jesus of Nazareth With The Holy Spirit And With Power. Then Jesus Went Around Doing Good And Healing All Who Were Oppressed By The Devil, For God Was With Him. 39We Are Witnesses of All That He Did, Both In The Land of the Jews And In Jerusalem.”**

Brethren, the presence of the Holy Spirit is critical to anyone's ability to do anything significant.

**Even for God to create the world, He needed the presence of the Holy Spirit.**

It was only after the Holy Spirit had taken His place that God began to speak His words and give form to the earth.

**Genesis 1:1** “in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. **2** now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and **the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.**” <sup>3</sup> And God said, “let there be light,” there was light

**In Acts 10:38**, Jesus had the burning desire to do good. It was for this good that He even came to the world. Yet He could not start doing anything until the Holy Spirit had taken His place.

Jesus also learnt this lesson so quickly and when He wanted to handover to His Apostles, who would continue the work, He said to them: (Acts 1:4-5)

**“4”**Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift the Father promised, which you have heard Me discuss . **5**...in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

## **Why Is the Holy Spirit so Important?**

**John 16:13** “When the Spirit of truth comes, “He will guide you into all truth.” He will not speak on His own but will tell you what He has heard. “He will tell you about the future.”

### **John 3:34**

For the One whom God has sent (Jesus, You and Me) speaks the words of God, for God gives us the Spirit without limit.

## Isaiah 11:2

The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him--the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and power (strength), the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

## John 14:26

He brings all things to your remembrance.

## 1 Corinthians 2:10-13

But God hath revealed *His secrets* unto us by His Spirit: for the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.

So there are many things the Holy Spirit enables us to do.

**Why Did God also single out Power and ensured He Gave it to Jesus?**

**Luke 24:49, Jesus also said to His disciples:**

**49** "I am going to send you what my Father has promised (Holy Spirit); but stay in Jerusalem until you have been clothed with power from on high."

**Why is POWER so important?**

**As we ask God for the Holy Spirit, we must also ask God for Power.**

Because Power will make us fearless to do exploits for God. Power brings boldness and sound mind, We cannot not be timid when we have Power.

**Romans 8:15**

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery that returns you to fear.

The Spirit is capable of doing many things. BUT the singular thing we must have to LEAD and DO EXPLOIT (do visible good things in this world of wolves) is POWER.

**For example, Joshua 1:1-5 describes “Joshua Installed as Leader”**

**God said to Joshua:**

“As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. <sup>6</sup> Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.”

**Holy Spirit was with Joshua** “As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you.”

**However Joshua was told to envelop himself with POWER** “Be strong and courageous.”

**Why? Because he will do exploit:** “because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.”

**So, every righteous Christian will have the Holy Spirit but a select few of them will qualify to get the additional layer of POWER required to do great things/exploits.**

**I believe it is beneficial for each of us to crave to be in that ‘select number’.**

## **God hand-picks the people to give that additional layer of Power:**

**1. Joshua was not the only child of God then, yet God-hand picked him.**

**Joshua 1:7-**

<sup>7</sup> “Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, **that you may be successful wherever you go.** <sup>8</sup> Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. <sup>9</sup> Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”

**2. In Acts 2, Peter was hand picked**

**2** When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and

and came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven.

<sup>12</sup> Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

<sup>13</sup> Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”

**Brethren, All the Apostles have been filled with the Holy Ghost.**

<sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

“Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. <sup>15</sup> These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

**PETER RECEIVED ADDITIONAL LAYER OF POWER**

**41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand (3000) were added to their number that day.**

**3. Timothy was hand-picked**

**II Timothy 1: 5-6, Paul said to Timothy:**

**“5I have been ‘reminded’ of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am ‘persuaded’, now lives in you also.**

**6 For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you...”**

**Conclusion:**

**Receiving “Holy Spirit and Power” were last words Jesus left for us!**

**Acts 1:8 “You will receive POWER when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses .... to the ends of the earth. 9After He had said this, they watched as He was taken up, and a cloud hid Him from their sight.”**

**Brethren, let’s ask God for **additional layer of Power** to do great works for Him on earth. **GOD BLESS YOU!****