

THE MASTERCRAFT:

“YOU HAVE THE SPIRIT OF BOLDNESS AND A SOUND MIND”

OCT 18, 2020

Last Sunday, Oct 11, We Were Reminded That:

“IF YOU ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT, YOU ARE NOT UNDER LAW”

GAL 5:18

AND SO, NO ONE CAN SET A LIMIT ON YOU.

TODAY, OCT 18TH,

**WE ARE REMINDED THAT WE HAVE THE SPIRIT OF BOLDNESS AND A
SOUND MIND (SELF CONTROL), AND SO WE MUST NOT ON OUR OWN SET
A LIMIT ON OURSELVES.**

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Text: Romans 8:28-30 and 2 Timothy 1:7

Romans 8: “²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose (i.e. those on the path that God has created for them).

²⁹ For those God foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His son, ³⁰ and those He predestined, He also called; those He called, He also justified; those He justified, He also glorified.”

Bible tells us that the path we should be on is that one that the foundation has already been laid (which is Jesus) (1 Corinthians 3:11)

So we only conform to build on that foundation. By conforming, we are on the right path to being glorified.

Since we truly love God and commit to the path and foundation already laid, God must work for our good. Knowing this reality should make us bold, confident and firm wherever we go and in whatever we do. **Reason bible emphasized that.....**

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“God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of boldness, and of a sound mind.” (2 Timothy 1:7)

Those who realize this act boldly and confidently. And know that “if God be for us, no one can be against us? (Romans 8:31)

For instance,

Peter before he received the holy spirit was timid, not bold and intimidated by even a little servant girl. But after he received the Holy Spirit he became so bold as to withstand a crowd and instantly win 3,000 people to Christ.

Luke 22, gives account of how Peter, as ordinary person, was easily intimidated and Acts 2 gives account of how Peter after receiving the Holy Spirit became very bold and sound minded enough to confidently address a crowd

Luke 22: ⁵⁴ Then seizing Jesus, they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest. Peter followed at a distance. ⁵⁵ And when some there had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and had sat down together, Peter sat down with them. ⁵⁶ A servant girl saw him seated there in the firelight. She looked closely at him and said, "This man was with him."

⁵⁷ But he denied it. "Woman, I don't know him," he said.

⁵⁸ A little later someone else saw him and said, "You also are one of them."

"Man, I am not!" Peter replied.

⁵⁹ About an hour later another asserted, "Certainly this fellow was with him, for he is a Galilean."

⁶⁰ Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed.

Peter receives the Holy Spirit of Boldness and Sound Mind

In Acts 2: ³ ...tongues of fire separated and came to rest on each of the disciples. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Thereafter, Peter displays a stunning boldness and sound-mind

In Acts 2, that same Peter became confident and bold to speak to a crowd:

¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning!

³⁸ Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”

⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized with the Holy Spirit, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Timid Peter – became filled with Holy Spirit – became bold Peter who could speak to a crowd and convert over 3,000 people

The Holy Spirit gives us Boldness and Sound mind.

This is the boldness and sound mind with right faith in God should display.

How Does boldness differ from sound mind?

Boldness is our outwards display of ability while Sound-mind or self-control is our natural tendency we have to counter in order to flame our gift into fire and present a good outward display. Examples:

- For Moses it was the timidity of not being eloquent (God gave him signs)
- For Joshua, God commanded him early to “be strong and very courageous”
- For Timothy it was toward quiet timidity. **In 2 Timothy 4:12 Paul admonished him:** “Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.”

What is in us that makes us feel incomplete, inadequate or incompetent? The Holy Spirit gives us the ability to control that feeling.

Bottom line is that the Holy Spirit removes our timidity and gives us Boldness and the ability to Counter our negative natural tendencies.

Let's go and flame our gifts into fire, Let's be Bold and have a Sound-mind

God Bless You!