

# Sons and Daughters with Power

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1 Cor. 4:20 **The Kingdom of God** does not consist in words but in **power**.

Paul said: 1 Cor 2:4-5 **my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the POWER of GOD.**

- Many people come to Faith by **seeing** healings and miracles.

JESUS is our example: Romans 1:3-4 **concerning HIS SON <sup>4</sup>who was DECLARED the SON of GOD with POWER** by the resurrection from the dead, **JESUS CHRIST our LORD.**

- JESUS is declared to be and has the testimony and the proof that HE is THE **SON of GOD with POWER**. He did no miracles until The HOLY SPIRIT came UPON HIM.
- He healed the sick / sight to the blind / raised the dead / cast out demons / calmed the wind / walked on water / multiplied food / turned water into wine / and . . .
- **We also** are either **CHILDREN of GOD** (Galatians 4:1) or **SONS of GOD with power** [mature ones] and also have been raised from the dead with CHRIST. (Ephesians 2:5-6 Romans 6:4)
- When we are BORN AGAIN we are considered CHILDREN. Because the SPIRIT OF GOD is in us to **teach** us, **lead** us and **show** us the “things of GOD.” We have No Excuse to remain babes unless we are “quenched\*” The HOLY SPIRIT (\*1Thes. 5:19) living in the wilderness and going around the same mountain again and again.

Paul Spoke to the Corinthian Church about this:

1 Cor 3:1-3 **And I could not speak to you as spiritual but as to INFANTS** in whom the **old carnal nature still predominates**. 2 I gave you **milk**, not solid food, and you were not able to receive it; even now you are not able. 3 For you are **still living out of your old nature of the flesh** with jealousy and strife among you, like unchanged men and women. Jealousy and strife are a sign of immaturity.

Hebrews 5:11-14 Concerning HIM we have much to say, and it is **hard to explain**, since **you have become DULL OF HEARING**. 12 For though by this time **you OUGHT TO BE TEACHERS**, you have need again for someone to **teach you** the elementary principles of the oracles of GOD, and you have come to **need milk and not solid food**. 13 For **everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for HE IS AN INFANT**. 14 But **solid food** is for the **MATURE**, who because of practice **have their senses trained to discern good and evil**.

- We all must evaluate our lives as to our maturity. Dull of hearing? Teaching others? Do I study the Scriptures?

**We also should have the same testimony. Our lives should DECLARE that we are “SONS & DAUGHTERS with POWER”**

How can this come about? It is answered by: **Who is in You and Who is Upon You.**

John 14:20 **In that day** (when Jesus comes to us (vs.18) and we are born again) **you will know that** (1) **I AM IN MY FATHER**, and (2) **YOU IN ME**, and (3) **I IN YOU.**

- There is no way our rational mind can see this as possible (1Cor2:14).  
**But it IS a Spiritual Truth.**

WE MUST BELIEVE THIS ENTIRELY, WITH NO DOUBT.

- We are in Jesus / Jesus is in the Father / therefore we are in The Father / and Jesus is in us. How awesome is that??
- Therefore: **I CAN DO ALL THINGS** through **HIM who strengthens me**. Philippians 4:13
- **For nothing will be impossible with God**. Luke 1:37

John 14:23 **If anyone loves Me, HE WILL KEEP MY WORD; and My Father will love him, and We (JESUS and our FATHER) will come to him (to us) and make our abode** (literal -> residence or mansion) **with him**.

- We become the RESIDENCE, the HOUSE, where The LORD GOD ALMIGHTY **lives** !!!
- This is who You were created to be ! The Temple of the MOST HIGH GOD!!!

1 Cor. 3:16 **DO YOU NOT KNOW** that **YOU ARE A TEMPLE OF GOD** and **The Spirit of God dwells in you?** See also: Eph.2:19-22; 1Pt.2:4-45

JESUS asks us a Good Question: John 14:10 **DO YOU NOT BELIEVE** that **I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me?** The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but **the Father abiding IN ME DOES HIS WORKS**.

- With the HOLY SPIRIT of The LORD GOD ALMIGHTY **in us**, makes it **possible** that **The words we say are not from our own initiative . . .** This is where prophecy, words of knowledge & wisdom come from
- The Father **abiding in us DOES HIS WORKS**, or **wants** to do HIS WORKS in and through us.

**11 BELIEVE ME that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; otherwise BELIEVE BECAUSE OF THE WORKS themselves.**

- Be a BELIEVER ! ! !
- The Signs and Wonders, or The Works, are Very important in bringing a person to Believe in JESUS. Arguments and debates rarely ever do.
- And JESUS says: **as the Father has sent Me, I also send you.** John 20:21 With The HOLY SPIRIT of GOD ALMIGHTY **in us and upon us!**

**12 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, THE WORKS THAT I DO, he WILL DO ALSO** Because it is The FATHER and The HOLY SPIRIT OF JESUS IN US. and greater than these he will do because I go to the Father. **13** Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, **so that the FATHER may be glorified in the Son.**

- THIS IS WHAT WE WERE CREATED FOR !

Matthew 10:7-8 **And as you go, proclaim, saying, The KINGDOM of Heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. Freely you received, freely give.**

Acts 1:4-8 He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of The FATHER, **5** John baptized with water, but **you shall be baptized in the Holy Spirit** not many days from now. **8** You shall receive

**POWER WHEN the HOLY SPIRIT has come UPON YOU; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the end of the earth.**

- The **POWER** of The **HOLY SPIRIT UPON** - which is the baptism of the HOLY SPIRIT - IS **NECESSARY** “TO BE HIS WITNESSES.”
- To baptize is to “immerse into” Luke put it this way: (24:49)  
And behold, I am sending forth the **promise** of My Father **upon you**; but you are to stay in the city until you are **\*CLOTHED WITH POWER** from on high. \*ἐνδύω **enduo** (en-doo'-o); in the sense of sinking into a garment; to invest with clothing

Like Aaron being soaked from head to foot in the anointing oil: **It is like the precious oil UPON the head, coming down upon Aaron's beard, running down upon the edge of his robes.** Psalm 133:2

Develop the mental picture, use your imagination, and see the ANOINTING of The **HOLY SPIRIT** coming down **UPON YOU**, covering you, soaking you every morning, that YOUR LIFE MAY “DECLARE that you ARE A SON OR DAUGHTER of the LORD GOD ALMIGHTY . . . **with POWER** !

And, that GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY and THE LORD JESUS CHRIST are “**IN YOU**” in the Person of THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Therefore:

- **I CAN DO ALL THINGS through HIM who** (is in me and) **strengthens me.**  
Philippians 4:13
- I can live victoriously over all sin – all addictions – all desires of the flesh .  
. . . I WILL SEE MIRACLES AND HEALINGS
- **GOD is for me, so who can stand against me?** Romans 8:31

- **Greater is HE** who is **in me** than he who is in the world. 1 John 4:4
- No weapon that is formed against me will prosper Isaiah 54:17
- **In all these things** we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. Romans 8:37
- **Be strong** in the LORD and **in the strength of His might**. Ephesians 6:10

This verse should encourage us:

1 Cor. 1:26-27 **Consider your calling**, there are not many **wise** according to the flesh, not many **mighty**, not many **noble**; <sup>27</sup>but **God has chosen the foolish** things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the **weak** things of the world to shame the things which are strong . .

Here are some examples:

**Moses:** “who am I? I cannot speak well. They will not believe me.” He thought his past sin of murder disqualified him before GOD and the people. **It is not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the LORD.** Zech. 4:6

**Jeremiah:** “I am just a youth, I don’t know how to speak.” He thought his age disqualified him. **The LORD said to me, Do not say, I am a youth, because everywhere I send you, you shall go, and all that I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, For I AM WITH YOU to deliver you, declares the LORD.**

**Gideon:** “My family is the least and I am the youngest, a nobody.” He thought he was **insignificant**. **It is not by your ability nor by your strength, but BY MY SPIRIT, says the LORD of hosts.** Zechariah 4:6

Another Truth:

1 Cor. 1:6-7 the testimony concerning Christ was confirmed in you, so that **you are not lacking in any gift**, waiting eagerly the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ

1 John 2:6 The one who says **HE abides in him** ought himself **to walk in the same manner as HE walked.**

He healed the sick / the lepers / sight to the blind / raised the dead / stopped the wind . . . turned water to wine . . . multiplied the bread & fishes

The FATHER is in YOU / The HOLY SPIRIT of JESUS is **IN YOU** / The Gifts of The SPIRIT are **IN You** . . . And the HOLY SPIRIT is **ON YOU**.

**BELIEVE IT Be a BELIEVER**

Follow the leading of The HOLY SPIRIT in you, listen to the still small voice and Obey it

As JESUS said to His disciples, He also says to us:

**And as you go, proclaim, saying, The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. Freely you received, freely give.** Matthew 10:7-8

Let it be DECLARED by the SIGNS and WONDERS that **WE ARE SONS & DAUGHTERS** of The MOST HIGH GOD, our FATHER and LORD JESUS CHRIST.

So, use your **imagination** to see GOD The FATHER and the HOLY SPIRIT OF JESUS **living, dwelling within YOU.**

See yourself as **the HOUSE OF GOD** here on earth. You Host His Presence.

YOU are HIS Voice to Declare HIS LOVE. HIS arms to impart CARE, CONCERN, ACCEPTANCE, and HEALING.

Say this every morning before you start your day:

I was crucified with Christ; **I am DEAD!** I no longer live, but **The HOLY SPIRIT** of **JESUS** and my **FATHER lives in me**; and the life which I now live in the flesh **I live by FAITH in the SON OF GOD**, who **LOVES ME** and **GAVE HIMSELF FOR ME**. Galatians 2:20 with addition

Expect to see Miracles every day

Look for Opportunities to Declare You are a Son or Daughter with Power

For the Glory of God our FATHER and LORD JESUS CHRIST

Consider this: **JESUS is The WORD of GOD.**

John 1:1 In the beginning was **The Word**, and The Word was with God, and **The Word was God**. JESUS is The WORD of GOD.

John 1:14 **The Word became flesh, and dwelt among us**

- JESUS spoke and the impossible happened.
- As a Believer, **JESUS, The WORD of GOD is NOW IN YOU !**
- Now As a Believer, **the Word becomes flesh and \*dwells IN US**  
\*to occupy as a mansion, or to reside as GOD did in the Tabernacle of old.
- **AND WE HAVE BECOME THE HOUSE OF GOD !**  
**it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me** Gal. 2:20



So, being the House of GOD, lets consider Jacob's Dream

1 Cor. 10:11 Now these things (in the O.T.) happened to them as an **example**, and they were written **for our instruction**, upon whom the ends of the ages have come.

Genesis 28:10-17 Then Jacob . . . <sup>11</sup>came to a certain place and spent the night there . . . <sup>12</sup>He had a dream, a **ladder** was set on the earth with its top reaching to heaven; and **the angels** of GOD were **ascending** and **descending** on it. <sup>13</sup>And **The LORD stood above it** and said, **I am the LORD**. . . <sup>15</sup>**I AM with you** and **will keep you** wherever you go . . . **I will not leave you** until I have done what I have **promised you**. <sup>16</sup>Then **Jacob awoke** and said, Surely **the LORD is in this place**, and I did not know it. <sup>17</sup>He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the **HOUSE OF GOD**, and this is the **gate of heaven**."

- The LORD GOD was there because Jacob was there.
- John 14:23 **If anyone loves Me . . . My Father** will love him, and **We** (JESUS and our FATHER) **will come to him and make our abode** (literal -> residence, **HOUSE**) **with him**.
- Romans 8:9 the **Spirit of God dwells in you**. (vs.10) **Christ is in you** (Vs.11) the **Spirit of Him** who raised JESUS from the dead **dwells in you**
- From this we can conclude that: *WE ARE THE HOUSE OF GOD.*

<sup>12</sup>**Truly, truly**, I say to you, **he who believes in Me, THE WORKS THAT I DO, he WILL DO ALSO** Because it is The FATHER and The HOLY SPIRIT OF JESUS IN US. and **GREATER** than these he will do, because I go to the Father. <sup>13</sup>Whatever you ask in MY NAME, that **I will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.**

## Meditate & Visualize That!

Genesis 28:17 **And this is the gate of heaven.**

- In the O.T. **The gate** was where the king or ruling authorities met the people, and their decisions were made known, and then carried out. [See: 2Samuel 19:8; Jeremiah 38:7-8]

Now as **The House of GOD** with an **Open Heaven** we **MEET** and **COMMUNE** with The LORD at **The Gate**. **The GATE is wherever we are.**

This speaks of the **IMPORTANCE** and **PRIORITY** of our **PRAYER** or **Communion** with The LORD. When we Pray **Your KINGDOM come**, We are Praying not only for it to come to this earth in it's fullness (Mt.25:31+) but to come **NOW** in it's fullness **in my life**. And then make it your desire and prayer that **Your will be done . . . .**

Luke 17:21 . . . **the Kingdom of God is within you.**

We **MUST** be Attentive, Listening and Obeying our **AUTHORITY**, to carry out **HIS WILL**. (Luke 6:46) Just as **JESUS DID**:

Mark 1:35 **Early morning**, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, and went to a **secluded place** and was **praying**

Luke 9:29-35 **And while He was praying**, the appearance of His face became **different**, and His clothing **white & gleaming**. (Moses face in the presence of The LORD shined. So will yours as YOU spend time in HIS PRESENCE) <sup>30</sup>**two men were talking with Him; Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, were speaking of His departure . . Now Peter and his companions saw HIS glory and the two men standing with Him.** <sup>35</sup>**Then a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is My Son, My Chosen One; LISTEN TO HIM!**

Principalities and powers also have “**gates**” where their decrees are given. The Question is → at which gate are we spending the most time???

Matthew 16:18-19 **And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. And I will give you the keys (authority) of the KINGDOM of Heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.**

In other words: their wisdom, authority and power **will not prevail** against The Church. Against The . . .

## Sons & Daughters with POWER !

**Greater is HE who is in you than he who is in the world.** 1 John 4:4-5

However, if we are still CHILDREN we may be spending more time at the WRONG GATE . . . <sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised up on the third day. <sup>22</sup>Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, God forbid Lord! This shall never happen to You. <sup>23</sup>But HE turned and said to Peter, **Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; for you are not setting your MIND on GOD's interests, but man's.**

Our mind can be a big stumbling block that keeps us from reaching maturity and becoming a “Son or Daughter with Power !

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Genesis 28:12 a **ladder** was set on the earth with its top reaching to heaven; and **the angels** of GOD were **ascending** and **descending** on it.

- They Are **ascending and descending UPON US** since we are **The HOUSE of GOD** and **HE DWELLS WITHIN US**.
- John 1:51 JESUS said, Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see the **heavens opened** and the **angels of GOD ascending and descending on the Son of Man**.

Matthew 3:16 After JESUS was **BAPTIZED** the **HEAVENS WERE OPENED**, and The **SPIRIT of GOD descending upon HIM**, and a voice out of the heavens said, **This is My Beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased**.

When YOU believed and were baptized **the heavens were opened over you** and The LORD declared, this is My Beloved Son or Daughter in whom I AM WELL PLEASED.

Where The **HOUSE of GOD** is, there is an **OPEN HEAVEN** with a **ladder** and **angels ascending and descending upon The SON of GOD in us**.

So, What Are Our Angels Doing? Psalm 91:9-13 For you have made the LORD The MOST HIGH, **your dwelling place**. <sup>10</sup>No evil will befall you, nor will any **plague** come near **your dwelling** (House). <sup>11</sup>For He will give **HIS ANGELS charge concerning you**, to guard you in all your ways. <sup>12</sup>They will bear you up in their hands, that you do not strike your foot against a stone. <sup>13</sup>You will tread upon the lion and cobra, the young lion and the serpent **you will trample down**. (see Romans 16:20)

- Hebrews 1:14 Are they not all **ministering spirits**, sent out **to render service** for the sake of those who will inherit salvation?
- Rev 22:8-9 The angel said to me, I am a fellow **servant of yours** and of your brethren the prophets and of those who **heed the words of this book**.

The Angels carry our Prayers to Heaven, before The Throne (see Rev. 5:8) and return to bring the answer to our Prayers or to carry out their assignment as seen in Genesis 19:1 to rescue Lot.

To quote Bill Johnson:

*"A lifestyle that does not Pray, believe and attempt the impossible, has a ladder with little traffic, and Guardian Angels with little to do."*

Genesis 28:13 **And The LORD stood above it and said, I am The LORD. . .**

- There was a day when The LORD introduced Himself to YOU!
- This introduction is not given to everyone. But to those to whom it is given it is a HUGE BLESSING, to say the least.

Matthew 16:16-17 **Simon Peter answered, "You are the CHRIST, the SON of the living GOD." <sup>17</sup>And JESUS said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My FATHER who is in heaven.**

Ephesians 1:17-18 **the GOD of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, the FATHER of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of HIM.**

The LORD GOD ALMIGHTY gives revelation and knowledge of HIMSELF to whom HE chooses -> Like Jacob:

**Genesis 28:18-22** **Then Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put at his head, set it up as a pillar, and poured oil on top of it. <sup>19</sup>And he called the name of that place Bethel. <sup>20</sup>Then Jacob made a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and keep me in this way that I am going, and give me bread to eat and clothing to put on, <sup>21</sup>so that I come back to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God.**

He was Chosen before the foundation of the earth. Ephesians 1:4

Isaiah 43:1 But now, thus says the LORD , who created you, O **Jacob**, and HE who formed you, O Israel: Fear not, for **I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; you are Mine.** put your name in

**Genesis 28:15 I AM with you and will keep you** wherever you go **I will not leave you** until I have done what I have **promised you**

- Matthew 28:20 **I am with you always,** to the end of the age
- Philippians 1:6 He who began a good work in you **will perfect it**

**I will keep you wherever you go**

- John 10:27-28 **My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me;** <sup>28</sup> and I give eternal life to them, and **they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand.**

**I have promised you**

- Acts 2:39 For the **promise is for you and your children** and for all who are far off, **as many as the Lord our God will call** to Himself.
- 2 Peter 3:13 **But according to His promise** we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

**Genesis 28;16 Then Jacob awoke** and said, Surely **the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it.**

- How many times has this happened to me?? To You??
- It is Very Easy to be totally oblivious to the presence of The LORD with us and IN US.
- On Many days hours can go by with my mind only focused on what I need to accomplish and then later realize the opportunities I missed to **DECLARE WITH MY LIFE THAT I AM A SON of GOD with POWER.**

- Romans 13:11 **knowing the time**, that it is already the hour for **you to awaken from sleep**; for now salvation is nearer to us than when we believed.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:6 so then **let us not sleep** as others do, but let us **be alert and sober**.
- Mark 13:35-37 **Therefore, be on the alert — for you do not know when the MASTER of the HOUSE** (get it?) **is coming**, whether in the evening, at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning <sup>36</sup> in case he should come suddenly **and find you asleep**. <sup>37</sup> What I say to you I say to all, **Be on the alert!**

**Genesis 28:17** He was afraid and said, "**How awesome is this place!**"

In this analogy he is speaking of YOU -> YOU are THE **AWESOME PLACE** where The **LORD GOD ALMIGHTY DWELLS**, where there is an **OPEN HEAVEN** and Angels ascending and descending . . . YOU ARE . . .

## **THE HOUSE OF GOD !**

**BELIEVE IT ! LIVE THE LIFE OF A BELIEVER**

Use your **imagination** to see the **HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD** The **FATHER** and **JESUS CHRIST living, dwelling, within YOU, THROUGHOUT THE DAY.**

Forget self. Take up your cross, you are dead  
For you have died and your life is hidden **with Christ IN GOD.**

Colossians 3:3 Romans 6:3-5

**Visualize it !**

The SPIRIT of HIM who **RAISED JESUS FROM THE DEAD DWELLS IN YOU** Romans 8:11

Therefore . . . RESURRECTION LIFE will flow from You

**Motivated by Love** to do what HE told His disciples to do:

**Proclaim The Kingdom of GOD by Healing the sick, raising the dead, cleansing the lepers, casting out demons. Freely you received, freely give. Comfort those who mourn, share with the poor, provide for the orphans and widows . . .** whatever the need is:

*DECLARE that You are a SON or DAUGHTER with  
POWER AND*

*Expect to see Miracles every day !*

*BELIEVE IT! Live the life of a BELIEVER*

*Declare it & Visualize it !*

The HOLY SPIRIT of JESUS CHRIST and THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY IS WITHIN ME ! Therefore . . . .

► The Power to live a Holy Life is within me



- ▶ The Power to live a life of Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-control is within me.
- ▶ The Gifts of The HOLY SPIRIT are within me.
- ▶ The SPIRIT of The LORD has anointed me to proclaim the Good News, to set the captives free, to give sight to the blind, to heal the broken hearted, to heal the sick and even to raise the dead should it be His will.
- ▶ **I CAN DO ALL THINGS** through **HIM who strengthens me**. Philippians 4:13
- ▶ **I CAN LIVE VICTORIOUSLY** over all sin – all addictions – all desires of the flesh . . . **I WILL SEE MIRACLES AND HEALINGS** 1 Cor. 15:57
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Ephesians 6:10

**Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our LORD JESUS CHRIST.** 1 Cor.15:57