

***The Power of the Holy Spirit***

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*Hello! This is Dorothy -*

Have you ever realized that you are a vessel, if you are a child of God, for the work of God, the Holy Spirit; God, the Comforter; God, the Life-giving Agent? Who is the Holy Spirit? What is His work? It is always to uplift the Lord Jesus Christ. When our Lord was here on earth, He was in one place. How wonderful, but today, He can be in multiple places through the life of the believer. Have you ever thought of that? You are working where you are in that situation, which might seem to be hard and dreary. I don't care where you are; I don't care where that place is. If you carry Christ, you are carrying the King of kings and the Lord of lords and every day is awesome in what He wants to bring to pass, if you let Him keep freshly filling you – freshly coming on you. Multiple times a day, pray, "Lord, cleanse; fill afresh; let it be You, Lord; the world needs to meet You, not me." You know, people might give you a compliment and say, "Ohhh, you are so wonderful!" Hey, if they are seeing anything, it is the indwelling Christ! Give the glory where the glory is working: that it might be Him. Then, always ask that other person, "You know, you have the same Lord and He can do a multiplied work through you. Have you realized that this is a normal existence of being a Christian?"

In **Acts 1:8**, we read - **But ye shall receive power from the Holy Spirit.** Have you thought it was not just Paul in prison, in the dungeon, when the earthquake came and suddenly, the jailer came to Christ? These are tremendous stories! Peter was in prison and, at night, somebody shook him out of his sleep. He was ushered out by angels and the doors opened. Here he was outside, preaching again the next day! God wants to do his own unique work through you, but we have a problem. If we have one little tiny speck of pride, we cash in on what the work of the Spirit is. We want to give ourselves some title or some name of some prominence; we feel we are doing the work, and nobody else understands what we are doing. Before we know it, we are sick – sick by the trap that Satan put us in — and we are out of understanding that the authority and the power belongs to Jesus Christ alone.

Where do you begin to speak to other people about the Lord Jesus Christ? When I was a little girl in England, they used to have many, many what we called *fish-and-chip shops*.. Those were the places where you could go down and, in a big, big vat of hot fat, people would put in these lovely fresh potatoes. When they hit the hot fat, they would sizzle away. We, as children, thought it was great fun to watch how these chips (French fries to some) were being cooked. Also, the same would happen with a piece of fish, which would have a batter around it. The trouble is you can't go fishing for fresh fish, if you go and buy a packet

of fish and chips. You do not want something that is cooked and passed over. By the time you get it home, it is never as great and as warm and exciting as when you saw it being made right there in the fish-and-chip shop. Oh, no. Instead, you need to go out and catch a fish and when it is fresh and exciting, then you make your own fish dinner at home as you cook your fish. You see, we have the idea that if the world outside came into where we worship on a Sunday, then they have a chance to be saved. No, we do not go fishing in the fish-and-chip shop; we go out where the fish are biting. “Oh, but,” you say, “that might not be very nice out there. I am not too sure I would like to be out there.” Don’t you realize that the Holy Spirit will train you?

When I was a young Christian, I was working in London as a nurse. I was traveling into very many rough, difficult areas because of the work I was doing in the district of delivering babies. I met people all over the place, who looked so desperate; they had no answer for life. With what monies I had, I would buy some tracts. When I would speak to people, I would share Christ. I found that I would not just happen to do it; I would find that I wanted to do it more and more and more. I wanted to go where the fish were biting! I wanted to see miracles happen. I remember, even as a young lady, going into this rough area of London, and there was a man climbing on a bridge! He was about to jump off the bridge and commit suicide. I just “happened” to be passing at that moment. Before I knew it, the man received Jesus and I told him of a

mission he could go to. Now that is normal; I don't write a book about that incident. That's normal. Sometimes one forgets about these timings. What about your life? What has been unusual in the heavenlies about your life that the angels are rejoicing about? "Well," you say, "I have not done certain things, but I have gone through some very rough times." Have you ever realized that God often uses the rough time to give you the opportunity to reach people also in those rough times that you can minister the resurrection power of Jesus Christ! As you witness to them, you begin to see the overflow taking place, not through you, but by the indwelling Holy Spirit.

Do send for some of those tracts, *Hope for the Hopeless*. I believe they will be a tool for you to reach others.

*In Jesus' Name. Amen.*