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Night worship service

God's hand is on me - I am the one. I am the one who will go the extra mile, who will step up and take responsibility for my family's atmosphere, I am the one who God will use to bring good news to the gentiles, I am the one who will make a difference, who will volunteer at my church, I am the one.

Believe it, do not doubt it, doubts your doubts.

How do we know if God's hand is on someone/thing?

- I. it becomes obvious by its fruits
- II. it defies logic and break the rules
- III. it comes with the striving (not done by own strength)
- IV. it is remarkable for its resilience - **keep bouncing back, the more afflicted the more grace God gives.**
- V. it becomes very fruitful when God's hand is on it
- VI. it does not come without a cost
- VII. it rattles the forces of hell
- VIII. it can be withdrawn **if we become around, believe we can do it on our own, take it for granted, rebel, become forgetful of Him, ungrateful...**
- IX. humble people, desperate people, open, transparent, ME !, **people who have been forgiven much are much to be grateful for..**

Deuteronomy 7:17-19 "Perhaps you will think to yourselves, 'How can we ever conquer these nations that are so much more powerful than we are?' But don't be afraid of them! Just remember what the LORD your God did to Pharaoh and to all the land of Egypt. Remember the great terrors the LORD your God sent against them. You saw it all with your own eyes! And remember the miraculous signs and wonders, and the strong hand and powerful arm with which he brought you out of Egypt. The LORD your God will use this same power against all the people you fear"

No force is stronger than God's **mighty** hand.

God's rescuing hand Joshua 4:23-14 "For the LORD your God dried up the river right before your eyes, and he kept it dry until you were all across, just as he did at the Red Sea when he dried it up until we had all crossed over. He did this so all the nations of the earth might know that the LORD's hand is powerful, and so you might fear the LORD your God forever."

For backsliders, come back to God 2 Chronicles 30:7-9 "Do not be like your ancestors and relatives who abandoned the LORD, the God of their ancestors, and became an object of derision, as you yourselves can see. Do not be stubborn, as they were, but submit yourselves to the LORD. Come to his Temple, which he has set apart as holy forever. Worship the LORD your God so that his fierce anger will turn away from you "For if you return to the LORD, your relatives and your children will be treated mercifully by their captors, and they will be able to return to this land. For the LORD your God is gracious and merciful. If you return to him, he will not continue to turn his face from you."

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Super natural provisions God will give you.

Our God's hand of protection is on all those who worship Him, even from dangers we are not aware off, or understand.

God's hand is on me, keeping me on the path, **safe**. And putting me back on the path - perhaps without me noticing. Praise You, thank You!

Proverbs 3:27 "Do not withhold good from those who deserve it when it's in your power to help them."

I am the one, live it. I am the one because He is the one. I am the one God's favour is upon.



Saturday 04 - How to be encouraged by the Holy Spirit

John chapters 14, 15 & 16

Isaiah 26:3 —>

Receive encouragement from the Holy Spirit. God will not do all the work, He works **with** us, we need to ask/ confess our need & want for His guidance, help...

The Holy Spirit is our advocate, one that is called along side, to partner with me. To be in a **partnership** and it is up to me to choose to receive Him, he will not force himself unto me.

partnership: the state of being a partner or partners. An association of two or more people as partners.

1 Cor 2: 8-9 —>

Holy Spirit dose not reveal himself physically. He is in me, with me.. but I cannot see him.

2 Cor 4:18 —>

Holy Spirit dose not speak our language, it is a new language - the Holy Spirit's language, his language. it's different. tongues.

He dose not think like us. the Holy Spirit is God.

You have to change your mindset - 'summit to his thinking' - faith.

Isaiah 64:4-7 —> receive encouragement

When you find yourself in a mess, or desperatly want/need Him:

1. Call on God's name passionately (passionate about asking for help)
2. Remember constantly (what he has already done and given you & others. Remember the good & the bad about your past, do not forget his grace, goodness, faithfulness...)
3. Wait patiently

Changing our thinking, changes our words & our actions (as a man thinks, so is he/ so dose he become)

A natural man prevents us from a natural death (such as a layer) but the Holy Spirit prevents us from spiritual (and eternal) death. It is why I come to Church, to encounter Jesus, to be changed, transformed, revived, renewed.

Saturday 11 - How to be educated by the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit educates us, equips us.

- Seek help in situations, **ask** the Holy Spirit to give you wisdom, to understand.

How will I know what is right and wrong? the Holy Spirit will teach me all things, Christ sent him for this (John chaps) the Holy Spirit will remind me of Jesus's teachings, that is what he dose !

the Holy Spirit is a partner, he will guide me, only according to what he hears by Jesus (who dose nothing according to His own will but according to the Will of the Father)

How can you understand the scriptures ? By **asking** the Holy Spirit to guide you in truth and understanding. **Invite Him** to sit, to come along side you.

2 Timo 2:15 —>

2 Timo 1:13-14 —>

If I don't understand a passage in the bible. What do I do? — ask the Holy Spirit. Yay, we're getting this now, in our sprit! it's sinking in peeps!

1 Cor 2:4-8 —>

Advocacy of the Holy Spirit is very different from that of a layer. Preaching & motivational speaking are Holy Spirit are VERY different things. Lives are changed.

The Holy Spirit dose not speak the wisdom of the world (psychologist, layer...) If you hear something from the world. Do not assume they are right because it sounds good. Check it in the bible.

It doesn't matter how good something looks, how happy it makes you, how much fun it is, how rich and successful you'll become, how deeply spiritual it appears, how sensible it seems, how popular or accepted it is -- and the list goes on. If something is contrary to the wisdom (or Word) of God, it will ultimately be detrimental and bring sorrow to your life.

1 Cor 1:20-21 —>

James 3:15 —>

1 John 4:19 —>

The advocate dose not speak the wisdom of the rulers

You don't need a degree in bible college to teach the wisdom of God, that dose not disqualify you from telling others about Jesus and your life's testimony

PRAY : Ephesians 1:17 —>

James 1:5 —>

Pray for wisdom, for God to help me. And he is faithful, He will give it to me. Draw His wisdom into your spirit, hallelujah.

2 Cor 1:3-4 —>

i don't share my troubles, I share my comfort

He dose not speak the wisdom of the immature

James 1:4-5 —>

You cannot simply walk into Church and suddenly have all the wisdom you want. You must seek, search, learn, wait — put in the hard work.

Eph 4:11-13 —>

John 16:8-11 —>

Holy Spirit, convicts the world of sin, tells people they need to believe in Jesus

Think like a believer (same page as the Holy Spirit)

1 John 4:5-6 —>

I am a believer - unbelievers don't 'get' me. I speak a new language to them, I am a stranger. "I am weird going to church on a Saturday night instead of going to a party" to them

John 10:5 —>

If you hear stuff that isn't quit right — that is the Holy Spirit living within you **telling you** this. Keeping me on the narrow path.

We need to [speak + acknowledge Jesus](#) (motivational speech vs [preaching](#); there is the difference) the Holy Spirit comes to my side, and helps me change. he changes people, lives & give life.

Saturday 18 - How to be equipped by the Holy Spirit.

I am not in church to be entertained, but to learn, be changed, transformed!

The Holy Spirit is my advocate, my councillor, he gives me encouragement when I am stressed, unsure, uneasy[...], he guides me though the scriptures to help me learn, he teaches me about Jesus in my day to day life, he informs me about the ways of God and he equips me when I feel powerless.

- Encourages
- Informs/teaches
- Equips

Is there people in you life, family, friends, colleague[...] that you don't know how to tell them about Jesus, that you are scared to tell about Jesus. Well, the Holy Spirit is here - because Jesus said so.

John 15: 26-27 —>

Fun fact: Did you know, the presence of Jesus inside you can prevent others from sinning?

We are in a **partnership** with the Holy Spirit, we must do the talking, the confessing, that it may be our of need of him/need of help, or the confessing about Jesus to others... Let the Holy Spirit speak though you. The Holy Spirit works though us, to reach others. Let him!

Fun fact: God works in us and we must work out what he has worked in us. Philippians 2:12.

Luke 12: 11-12 —>

1 Peter 4:11 —>

The Holy Spirit has put me in a pace (even it's it's the supermarket that day or the gas station) to talk about Jesus. He is here to help but I must speak, act, take responsibly.

The Holy Spirit is not something, he is someone. He points towards Jesus.

1 Cor 2: 1-5 —> this is Paul speaking! take attention to verse 3.

Face your fears - If it is too hard to talk about Jesus to the person(s) you have in mind, start with strangers - You'll never see them again !

Remember, the Holy Spirit is different, don't try to persuade people to follow Jesus.. The Holy Spirit never does that, he does not rely on persuasion! And if you do, they could as easily be persuaded **not to** follow Jesus.

The Holy Spirit gives testimonies, experiences - live changing! There is no persuasion needed at all! Why, as I am, created by God my Father, my Creator, why would it be so hard for me as a creation to not have any inclination towards my Creator, any curiosity? God is irresistible.

1 Peter 3:15 —> why do I preach about Jesus? I am not here to persuade, to give reasons or explanation about everything - I know Jesus and that's enough. Some things I don't understand or know but I know Jesus, He can change my life, He is my King, my Lord, my rescuer, my place of refuge, the saviour of my soul, He is life.

Romans 1:16 —> again, don't try to persuade, just tell! tell what you know, tell your testimonies. Tell them about Jesus. The Holy Spirit is here, here right now, with you. He will help you to lead them to Jesus, he does the work through them, again, it's a partnership - you talk, he does what you cannot do, but what God alone can.

The Holy Spirit also does not **rely** on fire, a bible college degree, passion or eloquence... You can tell people about Jesus, no matter what stage of your journey you are at.

Some questions like "are you happy with your relationship with Jesus" are enough to convict people, tell them, but you do you. (you can also tell yourself that!

"I come along with the advocate, he will give me the words"

Don't be a "I need to become/fit in this crowd type of person" in order to become 'better suited' to reach people, Jesus didn't do that.

1 Cor 1:23 —> 'the cross can be offensive to others'.

JOSHUA 1:8-9 —> Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do. This is my command— be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Acts 1:8 —> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Think, talk & act as a citizen of heaven, as a child of God. Like an apostle you are a 'sent one', sent by God

2 Cor 2:17 —>

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