

Power for many reasons:

- 1- To show off to others.
- 2- For destruction of others.
- 3- To satisfy his inner ego.
- 4- To promote progress and a better world.

That's why we have the Atomic Bomb, The H, Bomb. Ballistic Missiles, Rocket ships. Vanguards, and Satellites.

Russia sent up a Sputnik and outstripped the U.S. Then The U.S. I could have done that too I just did want to.

Throughout the ministry of Jesus the Disciples were calling on Him to make a display of Power. Assert yourself they urged. Show your power.

When they came in from their evangelistic tour they were intoxicated with the thought that they had power over devils. Jesus had to correct that view.

Here one of the last things they said: WILT THOU AT THIS TIME RESTORE THE KINGDOM OF ISRAEL.

IT IS NOT FOR YOU TO KNOW THE TIMES AND SEASONS WHICH THE FATHER HATH PUT IN HIS OWN POWER.

They wanted Him to use his power to correct things. Bring a heaven on earth. Use his power and give the power to overthrow the Roman Empire. Set up a heaven on earth. Disregard all law. All seasons. Run rough shod over every pattern of development and reason. Regardless of what was the results. Just disregard everyone, and everything for their interest. By sheer power restore the Kingdom.

God has a time and season for all men. He hath appointed a time in the which he will judge the quick and the dead.

Things must run their course. Have their season. Both men and nations.

We get impatient when things don't rush through to suit us. Men rise and fall. Nations rise and fall. Everything has its course to run. AND GOD IS BEHIND AND IS ORDERING IT ALL.

YOU WILL HAVE YOUR CHANCE. FOR YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER. AFTER THE H.G. IS COME UPON YOU.

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The Sculpture cuts slow, and byt plan. The spring brings the beauty to the Univers slowly. The builde doesnt put the roof on the house first, The pattern folbws slowly.

Man cannot create- thus he tries to controll.

The lust for power may be legitimate as it is natur
Power may be beneficial as well as baneful.

Jesus seems at first to be yielding to their cry for the demonatration of power.

Ye shall receive power after that the H.G.

But he qualifies it and hurries to tell them what it is for and how they are te use it.

He says ye shall receive power. Not ye shall have power as a possession of your own. It will net be generatd from with in.

IT WILL COME FROM A SOURCE SOMEWHERE WITHOUT.

It will be given to be used for a spific purpose. You will be given this power to use as God appoints you that you might bring to pass Gods will, promote his Kingdom and serve to develop his pattern for th whole world.

WHAT KIND OF POWER IS THIS.

Not Physical.

L^like Samson who carried the gates of Gaza, and slew 1000 philistines.

This power will have nothing to do with phys|cal poweress.

He had told Peter to put up his sword.

I send you fourth as lambs among wolves.

The meek shall inherit the earth.

If they smite you on one cheek tubn the other

NOT POWER OF LOGIC.

Argument and debate never save a soul yet.

Not the power of eloquence, Eloquence may electrif

It may thrill for the moment.

But it has no regenerative power.

*Argument
never save a soul*

1 Not power of Rank;

As in military service.

Where you give orders and men obey them because of your rank.

The Centurian said I am a man under authority, I say to this man go and he goeth etc.

Not Positional power.

Like that of certain connections and affiliations that gives prestige and influence.

IT WAS SPIRITUAL POWER: THE POWER OF FAITH.

Not to work miracles, and exploit for your own advantage.

But the power to submit your life to God and Be witnesses for Christ in the earth.

Power to witness:

1-A witness is one who testifies to a fact.

2- One who gives evidence or proff of an event.

3- One who is an eyewitness and has personal knowle

First of all that is our purpose for power.

To all men- to all the world.

Give evidence that Christ lives in you.

That he did rise from the dead. That he is the Son of God. That His Gospel is the hope of the world.

In a word it is the power to propogate this Message to the ends of the earth.

Give evidence of the validity of this message.

IN the final analysis it is not what you do and say but what you are that proves that power.

It was not the works of Jesus, Not what he did and said that was in the final test. But what he was.

I FIND NO FAULT IN HIM.

He was faultless.

The fruits of your ministry will tell what you are.

Noise is not power. Machinery running is no guarant

It is the finished product that counts.

Preparation for power;

Three and one half years of ministry.

Forty days of interpretation of the gospel in the light of the resurrection.

He had spoken often of the "Things of the Kingdom.

They were prepared for this Power, By training-
By promise, By Moral cleanliness. By a building up
of Faith. By proper attitude toward the use of it.

It had been promised but they still prayed and watched and waited.

Like Elija who prayed for the rain after God had told him it would rain.

Peter said Silver and Gold have I none. But such as I have Give I thee. IN the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk..

WE have silver and Gold But we lack that power.

We buy Crutches for the cripple and write apologetics for Christianity.

We cannot control this power This power must control us.

We cannot use this power- This power must use us.

There has been such an abuse of the so called power of God until we are tempted to slip away from such preaching and search for it But there is still a power in the Holy Ghost that we can receive and be used by it to bring relief and salvation to this suffering world.

then as Luke puts it the day came.

When the day of Pentecost was fully come. This indicated that all the foregoing ages had waited and hoped and expected this day.

It was at a time appointed. Upon a people selected, for an object purposed.

But they were all ready, in one place, of one mind at the right time:

Then it happened.

The Outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

The fulfilment of all the prophecies of the Old Testament at the feet of one man

Many opinions differ as to what happened exactly. PETER GIVES HIS ANALYSIS AND I AM GOING TO TAKE HIS WORD.

~~Hexham~~ It had been a long time since Siniah, with the thunder and wind and fire and voice of God.

Many were the prophecies of that day, and what they were to expect.

This looks like that I believe This is that

Peter heard the rushing might wind.

He saw the cloven tongues of fire.

He heard the speaking with ~~tongues~~ other tongues.

He saw the physical manifestations, He felt the surgeing of the Power of God.

He remembered that Jesus had said Out of your heart will flow rivers of water. He felt that.

He saw the servants, the handmaidens, the whole crowd under the spirit, so he said

This looks what Joel, David, and Isiah said.

I believe this is what Jesus promised.

Then He stood up and said:

Men and brethren, This is not what you think it is.

These people are not drunk.

This is just a fulfillment of Prophecy, This is the Promise of the Father.

THIS IS THAT, WHICH WAS SPOKEN OF BY THE PROPHET JOEL

Peter

What is this power.

Power to witness for Christ in a hostile world.

Power to live like Christ in a world that nailed our Savior to a Cross.

Power to build a spiritual Kingdom in a world that is dominated by Satan.

Power to Build a church on ~~the~~ Rock, where the Gates of Hell shall not prevail against it.

Power not only to bring lost men to heaven, but power to bring heaven down to men.

Power to fulfill that last Great commission, to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.

Power to preach where sin is blackest.

Power to sing when the night is dark^{est}

Power to shout when Hell is raging.

Power to be sweet when others are bitter.

Power to smile when others frown.

Power to do right when it is easier to do wrong.

Power to be a ~~kernel~~ ^{popcorn} saving leaven in a world that is corrupt.

Power to be salt in an earth that is decaying.

Power to be a light in a world that's as dark as hell itself.

Power to keep alive the torch of truth and lift it high in a world where night has fallen.

Power to perpetuate all that Jesus began ^{both} to do and to teach until he comes again.

~~Power to put in practice every thing that the Great Commission involved.~~

~~For said He these signs shall follow them that believe:~~

In my name shall they cast out devils, they shall speak with new tongues/ They shall take up serpents and if they drink any deadly ~~poison~~ thing it shall not hurt them. They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

Before Pentecost the Disciples were faint and fearful, weak and vacillating, leaving their Savior to die alone on a cross between two thieves.

Like a mighty army moves the church of God.
 Brothers we are treading where the saints have trod
 We are not divided, all one body we
 One in hope and doctrine, One in Charity.

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At the sign of triumph Satand hosts doth flee
 On then Christians soldiers, on to vectomy
 Hells foundations quiver, At the shout of praise
 Brothers lift your voices, Loud your anthems raise

THE COMFORTER HAS COME.

Oh spread the tideings round, Wherever man is found
 Wherever human hearts and human woes abound
 Let every christian tongue proclaim the joyful sound
 The Comforter has come.

The long, long night is past, The morning breaks atla
 And husked the dreadful wail and fury of the blast
 As ore the golden hills the day advances fast
 The Comforter has come

Lo the great king of kings, with healing in his wing
 To every captibe soul a full deliverance brings
 And through the vacant sells The song of triumph rir
 The Comforter has come.

Oh, boundless love divine, How shall this tongue of
 To wondering mortals, the matchless grace divine
 T at I a child of hell, Should in his image shine.
 THE COMFORTER HAS COME.