EMPOWERED TO SERVIC



Matthew 5:13-16

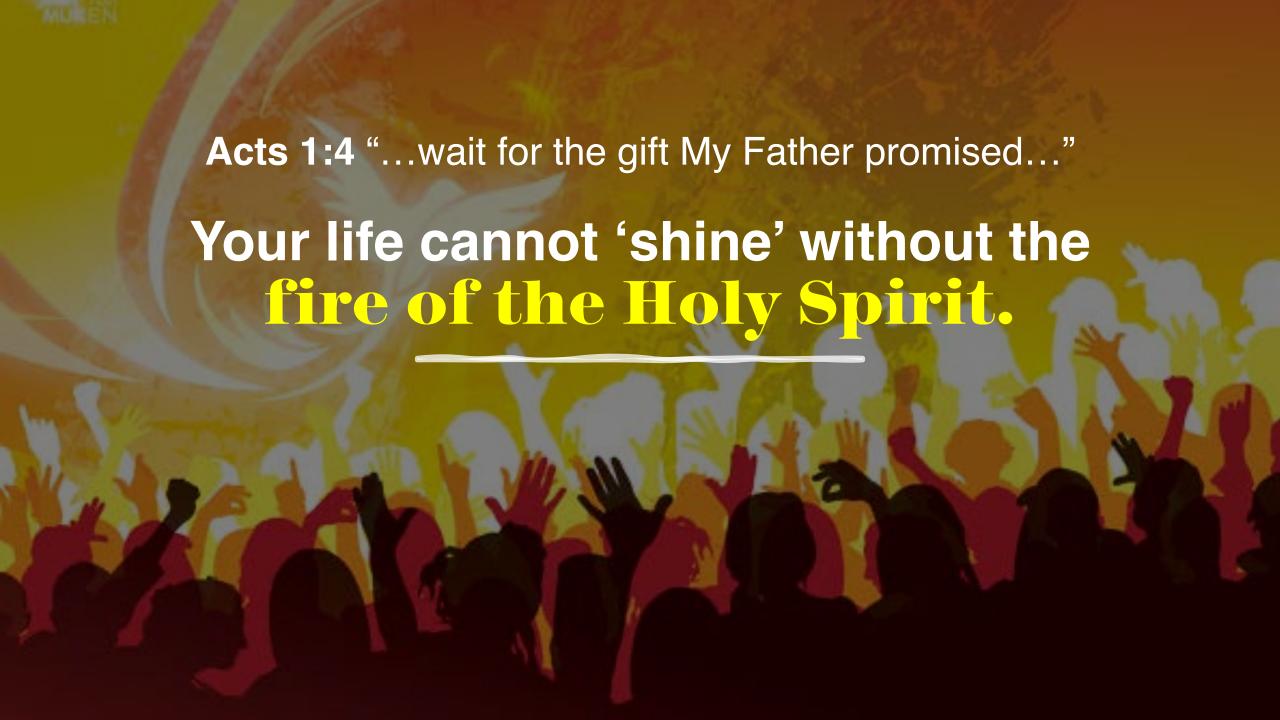
You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.



1. Empowered by the Holy Spirit

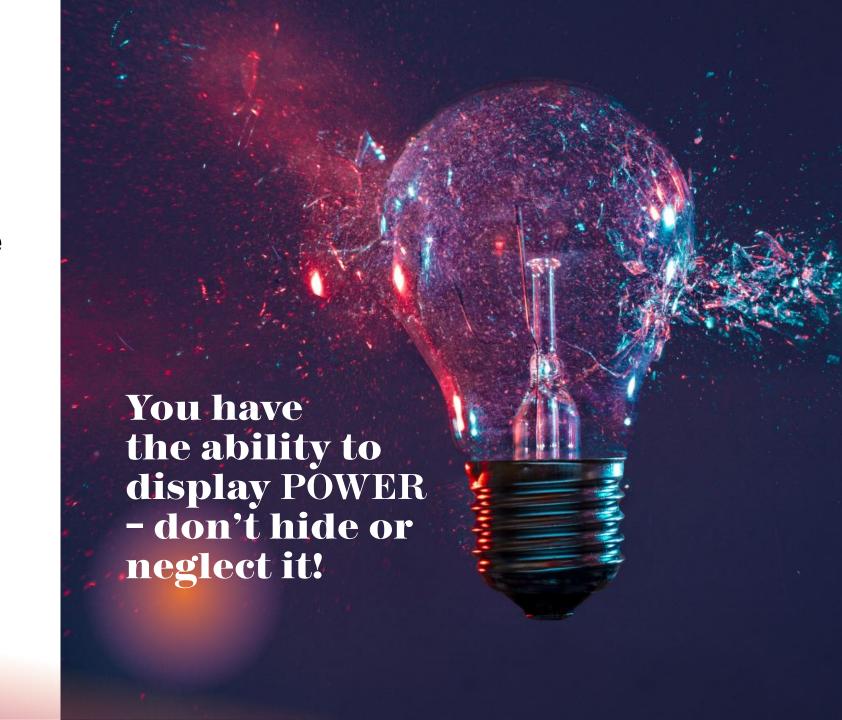


'Power' here is 'Dynamis'

a divine energy that
 would come upon and take
 possession of our lives.

The meaning includes words like

Power
Ability
Brilliance
Brightness



Zechariah 4:6 "... Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit," says the Lord Almighty.

- The lamps burned continuously as they were supplied with oil from a source man did not make.
- The work you are called to do will not require your own strength, but will be supplied by the Living Spirit of God.



2 Corinthians 12:9 ... My grace is sufficient for you, for My Power is made **perfect in weakness**.

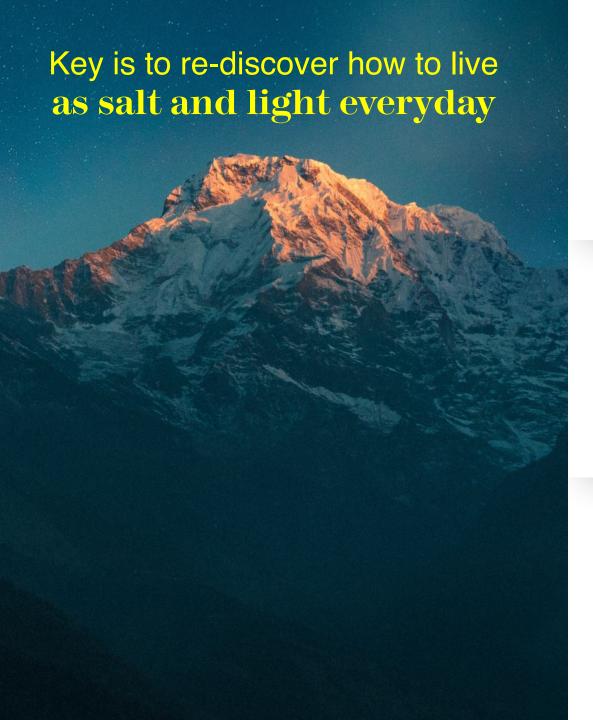
Spiritual Power – Creative Power

Redeeming Power – Enabling Power

Delivering Power – Power with brilliance burning like a fire in your bones



2. Empowered Lifestyle – Salt and Light



Matthew 5:14 You are the light of the world...

Greek expresses it that we are 'as luminaries' in the world like the sun and stars.

Philippians 2:14-15 Do everything without grumbling or arguing, ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, "children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation. Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky.

John 5:35 John was a lamp that burned and gave light, and you chose for a time to enjoy his light.

To burn like a lamp, shine out God's love, be a testimony for God costs something.

The two ingredients of Salt and Light

Both express the same function, yet there's a difference!

Salt operates INTERNALLY

Then what it comes in contact with is impacted and changed.

Light operates EXTERNALLY

Light radiates or removes darkness from every place it is released.





BOTH Salt and Light change their environments by their Presence.



You are purposely created by God to be salt and light... we are designed to influence and impact the people we mix with.





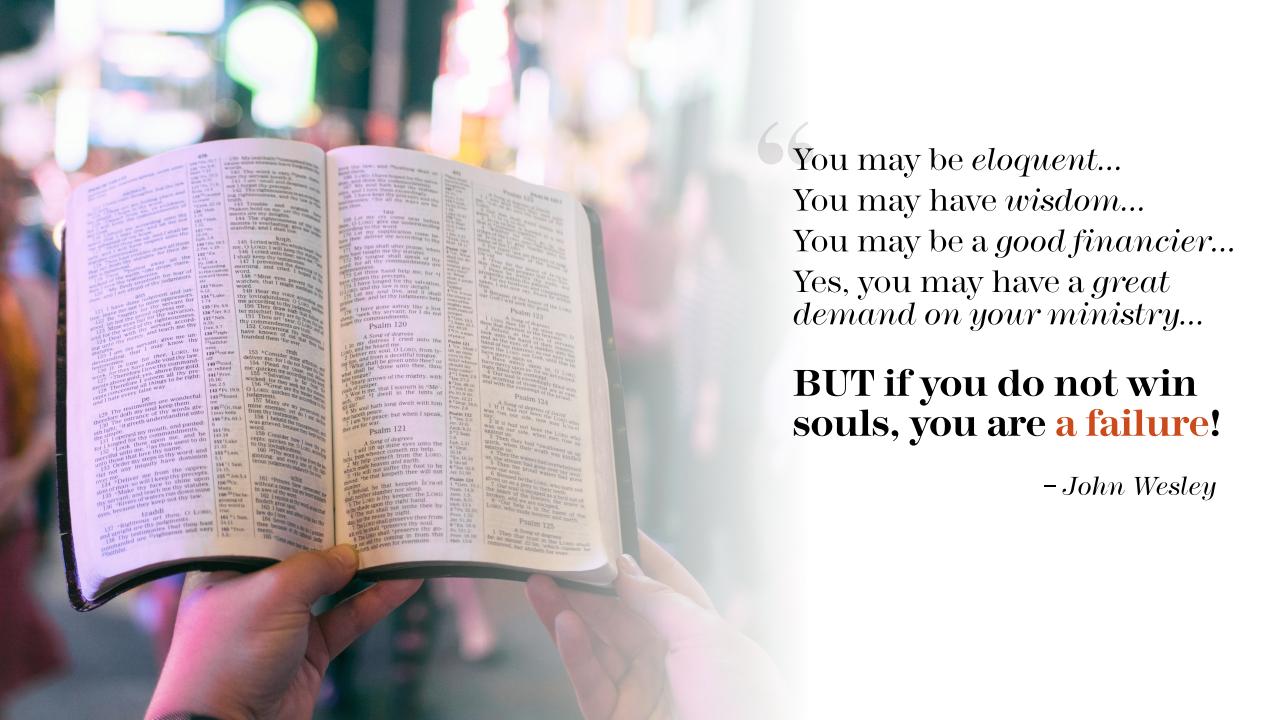
3. Empowered To Share (Proclaim) the Gospel

One of the first 'supernatural gifts' of the Holy Spirit is the Gift of God's great love



The miracle of the extent of His grace and mercy to those in rebellion.

The free flow of God's love to us not based on our performance, but on our FAITH in the atoning work of Jesus.





with a message about the Cross and the Blood of Jesus bringing deliverance, restoration and healing.