

The Power of Breakthrough

Part 2

“Press Into God”

Galatians 5

16 So I say, walk in the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. **17** For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other...

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. **24** Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. **25** Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

Last Week:

The Anointing

In Exodus 30 the Lord gave Moses specific instruction about the anointing oil.

It was sacred unto the Lord.

The Anointing Oil in the Old Testament is a foreshadowing of the Holy Spirit in the New Testament. It is representative of the Holy Spirit. To this day the Anointing oil is representative of the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Anointing is the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit in the life of a believer. It enables the believer to understand, apply, and administer spiritual truth. The Anointing is the power and presence of God at work in our lives and through us.

The Bible says:

The Anointing breaks of the Oppression of the Devil...

The Anointing Destroys the Yoke of Bondage...

The Anointing keeps the Pestilence away...

The Anointing leads us in Truth...

What is a Breakthrough:

1. A sudden, dramatic and important discovery or development.
2. A breakthrough could also be described as moving past a difficult or challenging place or season. Moving into a new spiritual place in your walk with God.
3. Perhaps my favorite description of a breakthrough is when something breaks and you get through.

It can mean many different things to different people but the reality of it is the same. We all are at different places in our walk with God. One person is praying they will be able to stay sober, another person is praying through a semester at school, another person is praying for a job. One person is praying for God's direction over their life, another is praying their spouse will be saved and the list goes on.

I have good news for you today...

God has a breakthrough for all these...

Spiritual breakthroughs happen in all shapes and sizes when we draw close to God and allow the Holy Spirit and the Anointing to work in our lives...

1. Breakthrough comes when we walk in the Spirit

Galatians 5:16

So I say, walk in the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

It's important to know that the Anointing of the Holy Spirit is something we are called to walk in...

It's needed so we don't fall back into the things we have been set free from...

“walk in the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.”

Can you think of anything more awesome than that?

Story: When I was filled with the Holy Spirit

This is where we experience fellowship with the Holy Spirit...
He really is an amazing friend...

2. Breakthrough comes when we keep in step with the Spirit
Vs. 25

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

God: "I have a plan for your life"
What it feels like:



When the word of God tells us "Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit." that communicates a clear picture that we are called to walk with the Holy Spirit and that we can get ahead of God and we can fall back behind.

Amos 3:3 NKJV

Can two walk together, unless they are agreed?

NLT

Can two people walk together
without agreeing on the direction?

To have true fellowship with God there is a calling to agree and that means I have to surrender Josh.

The Holy Spirit is a person

He is the 3rd person of the Trinity

He is Spirit and he can be agreed with and disagreed with.

He can be listened to and he can be ignored

It is possible to please Him and it is possible to grieve Him

Ephesians 4:30

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Grieve:

to make sorrowful

to affect with sadness, cause grief

to offend

to make one uneasy

If you want to experience Spiritual Breakthrough don't Grieve the Holy Spirit...

How could we grieve the Holy Spirit

1. By the way we talk

Vs. 29

Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.

2. By the things we do

25 Therefore, **putting away lying**, “*Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,*” for we are members of one another. **26** “**Be angry, and do not sin**”: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, **27** nor give place to the devil. **28** **Let him who stole steal no longer**, but rather let him labor, working with *his* hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need.

3. By allowing anything that would grieve his heart

The Movies we watch

The Music we listen to

By doing or allowing anything in our lives that Jesus wouldn't do.

This grieves the Holy Spirit

3. Breakthrough comes when we partake of the Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5 NIV

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Proverbs 18:10 NKJV

A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.

forbearance - NIV/ patience - NKJV/ long-suffering - KJV

forbearance: patient self control, restraint, the action of refraining from exercising a legal right.

Proverbs 29:18 NIV

Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint;
but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's instruction.

Just because you can doesn't mean you should
Where there is no revelation (vision), people cast off restraint
Your breakthrough may require some restraint, some forbearance,
some long-suffering.

There have been times the Lord has said to me, Josh you don't know
what I have right around the corner for you.

Abraham took Hagar right before his Breakthrough with Sara
Abraham had a word from God but His patience ran out one chapter
before Sara conceived and gave birth to Isaac

Some Breakthroughs take time...
God's timing is perfect...

Don't be afraid to ask God for a word...
God will speak to you if you are willing to hear whatever he has to
say...

One Word from God will give you the forbearance, patience, long-
suffering you need for restraint...

That patience is what you need to hold on for your Breakthrough...
You don't know what God has right around the corner from you...

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