

FRESH OIL HOLY FIRE NEW WINE

Living The Vibrant Holy Spirit – Filled Life

LESSON 3 – IGNITED BY HOLY FIRE

“Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. ³ Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. ⁴ And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit.” Acts 2:2-4a (NLT)

If your power seems to come and go, to surge sometimes and fade at other times, then it's time to reconnect. Spirit-filled people explode with the holy dynamite of God's *dunamis* power!

THE SAME SPIRIT

To start and sustain a fire, you need *fuel*, *heat*, and *oxygen*. Simply having two of these ingredients is not enough. You can have fuel and oxygen, but without a sustainable source of heat, the fire will not catch and burn.

1. The same is true for the Holy fire within us - which is why Jesus sent His Spirit to **ignite** God's power in our lives.
2. It's no coincidence that the gift of the **Holy Spirit** appeared incendiary when it first descended upon believers.
“Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. ⁴ And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit.” Acts 2:3-4a (NLT)
3. After Christ rose from the dead, He once again promised them this gift and commanded them not to leave Jerusalem until they received it. Jesus explained that you will receive **power** when the Holy Spirit comes upon you.
“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.” Acts 1:8 (NLT)
4. **Receiving** the gift of the Holy Spirit and His indwelling presence at Pentecost, these early believers discovered that the Spirit's impact changed the way they related to God and to everyone around them.

Quote ~ *“Spirit filled souls are ablaze for God. They love with a love that glows. They serve with a faith that kindles. They serve with a devotion that consumes. They hate sin with fierceness that burns. They rejoice with a joy that radiates. Love is perfected in the fire of God.” ~ Samuel Chadwick*

TRUTH OF THE SPIRIT

In order to more fully understand the kind of spiritual power dwelling within us, Paul refers to **three** different distinct types or expressions of power.

*“I pray that you will continually experience the immeasurable greatness of God's **power** (dunamis) made available to you through faith. Then your lives will be an advertisement of this immense **power** (dunamis) as it works through you! This is the mighty **power** (kratos) that was released when God raised Christ from the dead and exalted him to the place of highest honor and supreme authority in the heavenly realm! And*

now he is exalted as first above every ruler, authority, government, and realm of **power** (*exusia*) in existence! He is gloriously enthroned over every name that is ever praised, not only in this age, but in the age that is coming!" **Ephesians 1:19-21 (TPT) (emphasis added)**

1. The **first** expression of power **Dunamis** power *explodes* with miraculous and unlimited force. This is the vested and inherent power of God in us through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit - the same Spirit that exploded with life to resurrect the dead body of Jesus in the tomb.

A. *Dunamis* is **positional** power that is based on inherent proximity and location. Because of whom you are in Christ, and because Christ is in you, you have *unimaginable, indescribable, unfathomable, heavenly* power - not just holy fire, but holy **dynamite**!

WALKING BY FAITH

While the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead is our source of *dunamis* power, God's Word also tells us that our spiritual power derives from the essence of the **Gospel**.

"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." **1 Corinthians 1:18 (NIV)**

1. The **second** expression of power: **Kratos** power is the *exhibition* or *expression* of that divine power within, often in the form of *visible* dominion and rule.
 - A. *Kratos* power explodes with *dunamis* power, allowing you to **take action** and *experience* visible results. Or consider it this way: If *dunamis* power is living water, then *kratos* is bursting forth out of those rivers of living water within you! *Dunamis* is your source and *kratos* enables you to *draw on it* in order to bring *life from death, order from chaos, and light from darkness*.
 - B. When you exercise *kratos* power, you are *standing strong* and *not budging* an inch for the enemy. You *refuse* to surrender your territory, and you never retreat.
2. The **third** expression of power: **Exusia** power is consider as the **impact** and *influence* of your power source.
 - A. If *dunamis* is the source itself, and *kratos* is the focused expression of the source's power, then *exusia* **reflects** the extent of the power source's *reach*.
 - B. *Exusia* is the **covering** of the Holy Spirit you have because you are saved.
 - C. You can extend *exusia* power to **defeat** the enemy and his assaults. **(Luke 10:19 KJV)**

LED BY THE SPIRIT

Recognizing your ability to access the **fullness** of your power through the Spirit allows you to *multiply your gifts, harvest your blessings, overcome your obstacles, and conquer anything* the enemy throws at you.

A. Now you not only have *dunamis* power within you, but you can ignite it (*kratos*) and express it (*exusia*). You are in a unique position to be both connected to God's power and be **filled** by it. To be *charged* by it and *conduit* of it.

You were filled with the Spirit, because you have the *power* of the same Spirit that raise Jesus from the dead sustaining you, then you are no longer bound by your weakness, mistakes, struggles, and challenges you have the power to overcome them all! You can do all things through Christ who strengthens you.

"I can do all this through him who gives me strength." **Philippians 4:13 (NIV)**