

Ezekiel Ministry

A Ministry of Hope and Healing



“In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.”

John 1:4-5

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*God's rays of hope and healing.
Walk in God's way and you will find rest for
your soul.*

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Sharing the Light and Love of God to a Dark World

I started this newsletter in July 2003. God told me that I needed to start my ministry back that I had when we lived in Colorado. I did not know where it would lead or who I would reach. I told God that if this ministry could reach one person for Him it would be worth it. I know that we have reached more than one and I take no credit for this ministry. It all belongs to God and He has blessed us beyond our wildest dreams. Many times in these years God has led me to changes in the ministry. I have changed the name of this ministry more than once, but it was only after much prayer and soul searching. I feel in my spirit there is coming a time of change. I just don't know what yet. Please be in prayer for what God has for us in the future.

I know that God is telling us that we must be more committed to Him and the work he has for us. We need to grow stronger in the Lord. In order for us to grow stronger we need to allow the Holy Spirit into our lives and let Him direct us in how we can live more of the Spirit-filled life.

“Today you have proclaimed the Lord to be your God, and that you will walk in His ways and keep His commandments, and His judgments, and that you will obey His voice. Also today the Lord has proclaimed you to be His special people (peculiar people KJV), just as He promised you, that you should keep His commandments, and that He will set you high above all nations which He made, in praise, in name, and in honor, and that you may be a holy people to the Lord your God, just as He has spoken.”

(Deuteronomy 26:17-19)

In these scriptures in Deuteronomy God says that we are a special people, a peculiar people, not normal people. If we are to live in the Spirit, we cannot walk as normal people. We are people set aside for God's work. Peculiar people are out of the ordinary, curious.

“In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the council of His will, that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.” (Ephesians 1:11-14)

We can live the abundant life if we just put our trust in Jesus and let the Holy Spirit lead.



I enjoyed great sweetness in communion with my dear Savior. I think I never in my life felt such a entire weanedness from this world and so much resigned to God in everything. Oh, that I may always live to God!

David Brainerd

Our First Love

I know your works, your labor, your patience; and that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles and are not, and have found them liars; and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for My name sake and have not become weary. Nevertheless I have this against you, you have left your first love. (Revelation 2:2-4)

The church at Ephesus was a good church. They were doing all the right things, so they thought. But Jesus tells us that they left their first love. They had stopped being God Chasers. They were content. We read this scripture in Revelation and we see that doing good works is not enough. As we look back in the scripture and read Paul's epistle to the Ephesians, we see that Paul is laying out how we can be the Christian that God has in mind for us.

The Ephesians were trying to do it themselves as we do and we are too weak on our own to be the follower of God that we should be. We must have the Holy Spirit helping us in our daily walk with God. The Holy Spirit is our guide and the strength we need.

“How miserably the Church has failed in its high calling. How few there have been, like Paul, who have proven that absolute dependence upon the Holy Spirit does secure the continual presence and working of God in daily life. Is not the reason that there is so much prayer for power of the Holy Spirit, with so little results, because so few are ready to yield themselves absolutely to His control? They do not know the one secret of coming under the power, that unceasing dependence upon the work of the Holy Spirit will result in death to self-life and a counting upon God to do His perfect work. It is when the Church, when the believer, begins to understand this that there will be a hope for true revival of the Spirit in divine power.” (Andrew Murray)

Yes, unless we give it all to God and let Him control our lives, we will not see the power that God has in mind for us.

They are inquisitive, asking questions and investigating, not just accepting what is happening, but wanting to know why. Peculiar people are eager to acquire knowledge. They acquire knowledge by their own exertions, by ones own effort. They know what is going on in the world, but more than knowing what is happening in the world, they want to know more about God. The desire of their heart is to know God.

Living in the Spirit means that we have a thirst for knowledge. In Isaiah 33:6 it says, “Wisdom and knowledge will be the stability of your times, and the strength of your salvation; the fear of the Lord is His treasure.” Knowledge of God and His ways will give you the foundation that you need in these troubling times.

To live in the Spirit is to be God's peculiar people. The ones that have been called out of darkness into light and we are God's treasure.



The Holy Spirit

We are called to be committed Christians. Being a committed Christian can be a very difficult thing unless we have the Holy Spirit in our life. What does the Holy Spirit do?

- ◆ The sealing of the Holy Spirit. The believer has been sealed in Christ by the Holy Spirit of promise, the down payment of our inheritance. The Holy Spirit is the guarantee of what the believer can become in Christ, the divine assurance that every promise can be made true.
- ◆ The first great work that the Holy Spirit does is He opens our understanding to know what we have been called to by God and to what the exceeding greatness of God's power is to enable us to live worthy of that calling.
- ◆ The believer, brought near by the blood, lives in the Holy Place, lives through the Spirit a life-abiding access to God in Christ Jesus.
- ◆ The believer no longer lives to himself. He is linked by the Holy Spirit to the chief cornerstone who is Jesus Christ and linked to all believers.
- ◆ He knows the unsearchable riches of Christ and He lives for the Kingdom and the ingathering of the lost.
- ◆ The believer learns that it is only by the almighty power of God that he can live in the heavenly places.
- ◆ The believer bears the mark of the likeness of Jesus Christ. He walks worthy of his heavenly calling, in lowliness and meekness, maintaining the unity of the Spirit. He knows that he can do this because God strengthens him with his might in the inner man.
- ◆ The believer seeks above everything else never to grieve the Holy Spirit. It is only in a life of holiness that he can partake of all the blessings that God has for him. He cultivates a tender spirit.
- ◆ The more the believer knows the blessedness of the Spirit and the work He does, the more intense the desire to have more of God in his life.
- ◆ The believer is called to be a soldier and to be strong in the Lord and the power of His might.

- ◆ Armed with the sword of the Spirit he will battle the darkness and rescue men for Christ.
- ◆ The believer is called to a life of continual prayer. The Holy Spirit makes it possible for us to be true soldiers and prayer warriors.



There is no power like that of prevailing prayer—of Abraham pleading for Sodom, Jacob wrestling in the stillness of the night. Moses standing in the breach, Hannah intoxicated with sorrow; David heartbroken with remorse and grief, Jesus in sweat of blood. Add to this list from the record of the church your personal observation and experience, and always there is the cost of passion unto blood. Such prayer prevails. It turns ordinary mortals into men of power. It brings power. It brings fire. It brings rain. It brings life. It brings God.

Samuel Chadwick