

Mission Possible

Matthew 28:19-20

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. NKJV

- We are secret agents for the Kingdom
- Your Mission, should you accept it
- Is to make disciples
- We only succeed when we put our life where others will not
- Die to self, take up our cross and follow

Matthew 16:24

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. NKJV

- Jesus spent 3 years with 12 men that in turn changed the world
- He taught them to live like He did – Disciple
- We can not live like Jesus without the Holy Spirit

Luke 14:33

33 So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple. NKJV

Matthew 4:18-22

18 And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. 19 Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." 20 They immediately left their nets and followed Him. 21 Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, 22 and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. NKJV

- Immediately left what they new
- Left their comfort zone
- Will you live life outside your comfort zone?
- Will you live your life on mission?

Matthew 8:18-22

18 And when Jesus saw great multitudes about Him, He gave a command to depart to the other side. 19 Then a certain scribe came and said to Him, "Teacher, I will follow You wherever You go." 20 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." 21 Then another of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." 22 But Jesus said to him, "Follow Me, and let the dead bury their own dead." NKJV

- What's my excuse?
- Will I be a disciple?
- Will I make disciples?
- Living life with Jesus and others

Mark 10:29-30

29 So Jesus answered and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel's, 30 who shall not receive a hundredfold now in this time — houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions — and in the age to come, eternal life. NKJV

- When we give him our life he gives us more
- What's better more or less?
- Will I lay my life down?
- Will I trust him?

Promise of the Spirit – To empower us to be witnesses

Acts 1:8

8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." NKJV

Acts 1:4

4 And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; NKJV

Acts 2:38-39

38 Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." NKJV

- 3 Baptisms
- Repent – Baptism of salvation – into The Body
- Be Baptized – Water baptism – Jesus' example
- Receive the Gift of the "*Holy Spirit*"
 - *He doesn't force he must be received*
- Has my life changed?

Acts 8:14-17

14 Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, 15 who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. 16 For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 17 Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. NKJV

Notice:

It doesn't say they sent Peter and John who gave them the right hand of Christian Fellowship because they had everything they needed.

They needed Holy Spirit POWER

They had already been baptized in Jesus Name and Water

Acts 19:1-3

1 And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul, having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus. And finding some disciples 2 he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed? "So they said to him, "We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit." 3 And he said to them, "Into what then were you baptized? "So they said, "Into John's baptism." 4 Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." 5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 6 And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. 7 Now the men were about twelve in all. NKJV

- They were Disciples – Baptism of Salvation
- John's baptism – prepare for the one who is coming
- Baptized by Paul – Water
- Laid hands on them – Holy Spirit

Three Witnesses in the Earth

1 John 5:7-8 NKJV

7 For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. 8 And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

- Father
- The Word – Son
- Holy Spirit
- Blood – Salvation in Jesus name
- Water – Baptism of Water
 - New Covenant = Circumcision
- Spirit – Holy Spirit = Power

Luke 24:49

49 Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." NKJV

- Power to be witnesses
- Power to live a holy life
- Jesus will build His Church – Matthew 16:18

To make our Mission Possible God has delivered Spiritual Gifts to us through the Holy Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:1

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: NKJV

- Manifestation
- Motivational
- Ministry

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 (9 Gifts)

4 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. 6 And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. NKJV

- Gifts – Charismata – enablement of the Holy Spirit to supernaturally flow through the life of “Any Believer” for the edification of others
- Activities – Energema – Energy
- Same Spirit – Holy Spirit
- Same Lord – Jesus
- Same God – Father

1 Corinthians 12:7

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: NKJV

- It is a gift given to “each one”
- Released in Ministries for others
- To profit all
- He is the “Owner” of the gift
- It is not mine
- I don’t have a special gift from God
- Jesus flowed in “ALL” of them

1 Corinthians 14:26

26 How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification. NKJV

Manifestation gifts

1 Corinthians 12:8-11

8 for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills. NKJV

- We don't just receive one gift for the rest of our lives
- The Holy Spirit releases them as "He Wills"
- The Holy Spirit empowers us to minister to all
- Expect Holy Spirit to move through you

The Discerning gifts:

Word of Wisdom, Word of knowledge, Discerning of spirits

The Declarative gifts:

Prophecy (Encouragement), Different kinds of tongues, Interpretation of tongues

The Dynamic gifts:

Gift of faith (confidence), Gifts of healings, Working of Miracles

Word of Wisdom -- A Word refers to "a supernaturally imparted fragment," Wisdom from God

Word of Knowledge -- A supernaturally inspired utterance of facts.

Discerning of Spirits -- This is a supernatural ability to discern a person's spiritual character and the source of his actions and messages, such as from the Holy Spirit, demon spirits, the human spirit or from the flesh.

Prophecy -- A supernaturally inspired utterance from God. A genuine prophetic utterance never contradicts; neither is equal to, the written Word of God. Prophecies are to be judged – Encouragement (1 Cor. 14:29, 1 Thess. 5:20-21).

Different Kinds of Tongues -- A supernaturally imparted utterance in an unlearned language. Public and Private

Interpretation of Tongues -- This is the supernatural interpretation of a message in tongues into the understandable language of the hearers. It is not a "translation" but an interpretation.

Faith -- A supernatural impartation of assurance in God.

Gifts of Healings -- Supernaturally ministering health to the sick.

Working of Miracles -- A supernatural intervention of natural laws. The Greek describes it as "works of power" and implies instantaneous results.

Motivational Gifts

Romans 12:4-5

4 For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, 5 so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. NKJV

- Not one of us can do the job alone
- We need each other
- God needs you to be you
- Don't try to be someone else – empty shoes
- The Body of Christ needs you!

Romans 12:6-8 NKJV (7 Gifts)

6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; 7 or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; 8 he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

- Develop the gift in you
 - Helps, Admin. – 1 Corinthians 12:28
- Get involved in ministry or small group
- If you're called to lead – help us lead
- Reach out to others – everywhere

Romans 12:9-11(Compassion – showing mercy)

9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. 10 Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; 11 not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; NKJV

Ministry Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:27-31

27 Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually. 28 And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? 30 Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? 31 But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way. NKJV

Ephesians 4:11-13

11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, 13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ. NKJV

- All of the Spiritual gifts are given for us to have a successful Mission – Go Ye...

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