Objective: to enable every believer to live the supernatural lifestyle that God intended.

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How Would I Live If I Believed I Am A Powerful Person?

Rom. 1:16; Hosea 10:3; 13:10; Rom. 5:17; Luke 10:19

Introduction

We are living in a time of great fear in the earth. Fear of the Corona virus, global economic meltdown, nuclear wars, climate change, uncontrolled crime, unrestrainable classroom misbehaviour, knife crime, data theft, fire-prone construction, mentally deranged released into the community, pestilence, famine, governmental collapse and earthquakes...all press hard on the mind and emotions of all earth-dwellers.

Every believer faces circumstances that are not changed by human effort. No matter how long it takes to discover that a miracle is needed, inevitably, we come to face to face with the truth that the John 10:10 life will not happen, unless we have continuous miracles.

The culture of our world is: self-effort, self-improvement, self-achievement, self-promotion, self-enlargement, and self-glorification. We live in the "selfie" generation. God's favour and grace and help and deliverance and blessing and increase and advancement can be largely ignored if we discover we are 'making some progress with the self-plan.' However, the 'world's plan for living' seems to be—it is designed by the Prince of the Power of the Air, Satan, to make you small, insignificant, weak, sick, poor, hated, and destroyed from the

inside out—No matter the great amount of fame and wealth that men and women possess, those very same men and women, every week, choose to take their own lives, out of the no-hope desperation of living that have found themselves living in. Self-magnification, is a lifestyle doomed to failure. You must surrender your own agenda, to His agenda. Jer. 29:11.

God has chosen to magnify His own sons and daughters above the life of this world and raise them up to live in His glory, His Presence, His Power and His goodness. Living from the inside out, they 'love life and see good days.'

The in-dwelling Christ is The Source for living. It is this, 'In-Dwelling Christ' that gives us a new **identity**. We are *not* merely believers struggling to make a life, by attending church services, paying tithes and begging God to do, what we struggle with.

Are you confident of who you are in Christ? How does that confidence direct your decisions for daily life? If you are confident in your ability to drive a car, you simply get into your car and drive it. The *instinctive confidence*, that you possess, is expressed in this unspoken notion: "I have learned how to drive, therefore I will drive, and thus I drive." You don't struggle or waver about driving—you can, you know you can, so you do! What about the more significant issues of life?

Over What Are We Meant to Rule or What is Meant to Rule Over Us? It is all to easy to slip into the weak, vulnerable, "victim-of-circumstances" mode of life and find ourselves submitting to things God never intended us to surrender to...

- Sin Rom. 6:12, 14; 8:13
- Sickness Corona virus -- Luke 10:20; Num. 8:19; Ps. 91:10 NKJV
- Poverty/Lack 2 Cor. 9:8

- Worry Col. 3:15
- Unjust, unprovoked attack Luke 23:34
- Ignorance Eph. 1:8
- Storms Matt. 8:23, 26
- Satanic harassment Luke 10:19,20

Resources For Your Powerful Life of Miracles

If you have a deep-settled conviction of what you possess, you live as though that is your reality—that is "your world," different, than this old world. You do not allow your five senses to define, limit, restrict, and provide the final judgment of who you are and what you can do in Christ. Circumstances, feelings, attacks, emotions, opinions, and Satan, are often **opposite** and **against**, who you are and what you can do. You cannot afford to let them become your confession, your possession and your inheritance. If you do, you will live not in the Promised Land, but in the destitute, desperate, horrible desert of Satanic grip and suffocation. You will never feel deeply comfortable living, 'where you were never meant to live.' You were meant to live out of the 'riches of grace' provided for you at the resurrection of Christ (1 Cor. 1:17; Eph. 3:8):

- The favour of God 2 Cor. 6:1,2
- The position you hold in relation to all earthly things Eph. 2:6
- The *clothing of power* that you wear Luke 24:49
- The *power of grace* released through humility and faith James 4:6; 2 Cor. 12:9; Rom. 5:1,2
- The *Jesus'-anointing* that you carry Acts 10:38; Col. 1:27; Eph. 3:20
- The gospel of power that you believe Rom. 1:16; 1 Cor. 1:18; 1 Thes. 1:5; 2 Tim. 3:5;
- The *inner strength* you possess by the Holy Spirit Rom. 15:13; Col. 1:11; 2 Tim. 1:7

- The *power of His Name* given to you Acts 3:16
- The faith that releases victory that you possess 1 John 5:4; 1
 Cor. 2:5; Acts 3:16
- The *kingdom you live in,* is a 'kingdom of power,' not a 'kingdom of weakness, sorrow, failing, and desperation 1 Cor. 4:20 What is your 'chosen address?' You choose...
- The powerful weapons that you use 2 Cor. 10:4, 5
- The *amazing armour* that you 'put on' every day Eph. 6:10-18; 1 Pet. 1:5

Recovering Your Identity and Power for Living

God intends that you grow in grace—that is you **increase** in the manifestation of His life in your every-day living. 2 Pet. 3:18. Stop rehearsing your failure, your weakness, your history and your lying feelings of inadequacy. **Discern** or recognise the source of the thoughts that have been going through your mind! They are not from God and you wouldn't knowingly sabotage your own success. Those 'fiery darts,' are well-camouflaged, to get you to believe they are the real *you* and they are *your reality*. They are life-destroying, identity-crushing lies!

Get back to cultivating your true identity—the identity He has chosen and written out in His Word, for you. God-consciousness, or the sense of His empowering Presence, must be continually cultivated through:

- Meditating in the Word of God 2 Pet. 1:3, 4; Phillip. 4:8;
 Philemon 6 NKJV; Josh. 1:7,8.
- Speaking in tongues Jude 20; Rom. 15:19; Eph. 3:16
- Obedience John 2:5
- Living a love-based life, not a self-focused life 2 Cor. 5:15; John 15:12

- Commanding things to change, not pleading with God Rev. 1:6;
 5:10; Ecc. 8:4 NKJV; Rom. 5:17; Acts 16:18; Matt. 8:8; Luke 7:7 using your 'command-ability,' you bring change to this world from your world!
- Cultivating a 'worship-atmosphere' in your inner life John 4:24;
 John 7:37-39; Phillip. 3:3; Heb. 12:28; Acts 16:25; 1 Pet. 2:9; Rom.
 15:11. You will naturally 'sing the blues' or you will sing praises to Him in your trials.
- Become a generous financial giver Luke 16:11; Luke 6:38; 1 Tim. 6:10
- Cleansing yourself from sin and walking in forgiveness with God and all others Matt. 6:14, 15; Mt. 18:21, 12

Your community, your family, your health, your nation, your circumstances, your finances, your energy levels, your sleep patterns, your mental health, your relationships, your perspective, your joy level, your peace level, and your quality of life, can radically begin to change, if you but set out to **cultivate** and **practice** these things until they are your instincts, your habits and your regular practice.

Stop acting like you are a worm and a maggot (Job 25:6) and be who He has made you and live as He made you in Christ! Phil. 3:10-12.