

INSPIRED WORD

January 13, 2016

PRAYER

Lord, we give You permission to touch us, to use us, to work through us through the Charisms of the Holy Spirit - Words of Wisdom and Knowledge, Prophecy and Image, Tongues and Interpretation. Lord, we want to be malleable in Your hands. Come, Spirit of God, come! Come, Lord, and touch each and every heart here tonight. Come and fill this temple, Lord, with Your glory! Praise You, Lord!

SCRIPTURE / SENSE

Sirach 39: 16 – 21, 35: The works of God are all of them good; in its own time every need is supplied. At His word the waters become still as in a flask; He had but to speak and the reservoirs were made. He has but to command and His will is done; nothing can limit His achievement. The works of all mankind are present to Him; not a thing escapes His eye. His gaze spans all the ages; to Him there is nothing unexpected. No cause then to say: "What is the purpose of this?" Everything is chosen to satisfy a need. So now with full joy of heart proclaim and bless the name of the Holy One. My sense to that scripture is that He doesn't call us to do something that He hasn't already prepared, a place to receive that something. Everything is chosen to satisfy a need including every command.

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 46: 9 – 10: I am God, there is no other; I am God, there is none like Me. At the beginning I foretell the outcome; in advance, things not yet done. I say that My plan shall stand, I accomplish My every purpose.

PRAYER / SENSE

We want to go all in for the Lord. So we say, "Lord, here I am, use me! Lord, here I am, send me! Lord, tell me what to do, tell me where to go and I will do it. Lord, speak to me that I may hear Your voice and spread Your gospel. Lord, help me to go all in for You!" I think that the Lord is calling us individually as His people to do that! God knows that the Church needs it, the world needs it, and so many hurting people need to know as well. "Lord, we need the Gifts of Your Holy Spirit to give call to the proclamation - Healing, Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, Prophecy, and Tongues. Lord, we need those gifts to do Your evangelizing. We ask for them, Lord! We ask for hearts of love, for the ability to surrender, and we ask for openness to Your charisms. Touch us, Lord! Let us be expectant once again, expectant to see miracles both small and large, and expectant to be used in the proclamation of Your Kingdom. Lord, we ask You for these things. Glory to You, Lord! Spirit of God, come and touch us!

SCRIPTURE / EXHORTATION

As I was coming to church tonight, I heard God say, "Samuel." I didn't get a chance to look at it until just a few moments ago. It is about David and Goliath which was mentioned in the video we have just watched tonight. When David came down, he had been shepherding sheep. Saul said to him, "You cannot go up against this Philistine

(Goliath) and fight with him, for you are only a youth, while he has been a warrior from his youth.” But David said to Saul, “Your servant has been keeping his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth.” Saul said to David, “Go, and the Lord be with you.” **(Reference: 1 Samuel 17: 33 – 34, 37)** We might think that we have never had the stamina, the courage, or the strength to do something like evangelize, but start thinking about some of the things which we have done. Now going back to this Scripture: Then Saul dressed David in his own tunic. He put a coat of armor on David and a bronze helmet on his head. David fastened on his sword over the tunic and tried walking around, because he was not used to them. David said to Saul, “I cannot go in these because I am not used to them.” So David took it off. **(Verses 38 – 39)** God is just asking us to be who we are; just do what we are used to doing. We don’t have to put on something or act in a way that is not us.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2: 12 – 18: So then, my beloved, obedient as you have always been, not only when I am present but all the more now when I am absent, work out your salvation with fear and trembling. For God is the One Who, for His good purpose, works in you both to desire and to work. Do everything without grumbling or questioning, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine like lights in the world, as you hold on to the word of life, so that my boast for the day of Christ may be that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. But, even if I am poured out as a libation upon the sacrificial service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with all of you. In the same way you also should rejoice and share your joy with me.

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 29: 13 – 14: “When you search for Me, you will find Me. Yes, when you seek Me with all your heart, you will find Me with you”, says the Lord.

EXHORTATION

A statement was made in the video that we had watched earlier tonight: **“You have got to do the ridiculous to see the miraculous.”** Keep that statement in your hearts this whole week and see what the Lord does for you.