

## NEW ACTS #2 ACTS 1:6-8 "NEW POWER"

CAN'T DO THIS WITHOUT THAT – can't drive without a driver's license, can't collect 200 till you pass go, you can't get on a plane without TSA, can't go into sbux w/o mask

- THINGS THAT R JUST REQUIRED – that includes empowering for witnessing

**MP: Jesus commanded His disciples to be filled with new power before they attempted to advance The Kingdom.**

**KINGDOM** – expectation golden age of Israel ushered in (POLITICAL) – AFTER CRUCI

- **NOT NOT YET – stay focused – YOU'RE ON MISSION – PPL NOT POLITICS**

N.T. Wright "Jesus's resurrection is the beginning of God's new project not to snatch people away from earth to heaven but to colonize earth with the life of heaven."

- **MISSION POSSIBLE – IF - with the empowering of the Holy Spirit**

Grow Up, get an education, find a soul mate, get married, have kids, raise a family,

prepare for retirement, involved in a community – **THREAD THAT TIES WITN**

**KINGDOM CONNECTS THEM GIVES PURPOSE – INFLUENCE FOR THE GOSPEL**

### **NEW POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**KINGDOM WORK TAKES KINGDOM POWER – DUNAMIS:** dynamic, dynamo, dynamite

– God's supernatural strength that brings miraculous empowering and influence.

- God has called you to **MIRACLE** – your life – Miracle - not just a single event

**Q: Your life is a running miracle empowered by God.**

- o **Is your witness a stick of dynamite or a dud?**

**UR TESLA** – connected to a constant power source – **NOT JUST STORAGE**

### **PENTECOST ESTABLISHED A NEW EXPERIENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**HOW THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS IN YOUR LIFE...**

- **WITH YOU** – work of the Spirit was evident – but would be changing

John 14:17 but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

- **IN YOU** – NT REALITY (Holy of Holies > Follower of Christ)

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on *them*, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 6:19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?

- **UPON YOU** – NEW EXPERIENCE OF GOD'S SPIRIT – **DO THE WORK**

**2 VIEWS – indwelling and baptism simultaneous – indwelling and baptism subsequent**

**(BOTH AGREE NEEDS TO BE CONTINUAL)**

**MEANS CONTINUALLY SATURATED BY THE SPIRIT**

- **John's Baptism – repentance and preparation / JESUS Baptize HS**

- o Synonyms Baptism: Endued, Filled – **SATURATE – IMMERSED**

To be baptized in the Spirit means to actively live under the influence of God's Spirit at all times.

- BAPTISM MATTERS ENOUGH JESUS SAY "WAIT - WHATEVER YOU DO....."

### **NEW POWER FOR A NEW PURPOSE**

PURPOSE FOR THE BAPTISM - Advancement of the Kingdom - **U WILL TESTIFY**

- Why has the kingdom not been advancing to the extent it should - BAPTISM? Iran and China have fastest GROWING CHURCHES - THEY HAVE NOTHING BUT GOD CONVERSELY AMERICAN CHRISTIANITY GREATEST INFRASTRUCTURE **STAGNANT** 3/2020 Barna - surveyed state of church in America - only - 25% americans practicing Christians down from 40% in 2000 - church attendance down 33% in 30 years

- CHRISTIANITY COUNTRY Heart problem - **CULTURE CHANGED SOWHAT**

How many of us are so excited about Jesus Christ that we can't keep it to ourselves?

**WE NEED THE AWAKENING - FRIEND ELECTRICAL CARDIOVERSION**

- **REPENTANCE (humble themselves) AND RENEWED RELIANCE**