

## #2 The Active Operation Of The Power Of God

2Cor 13:4 For though he was crucified through weakness, (Speaking of Jesus) yet he liveth by the power of God. (The word "Power" is the word "Doo-nam-is" it is the word for the power of God) For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you. (We are now in Christ and you and I are now to live by the power of God. It is the way you are to live and everything you do is to see the power of God's manifestation. How are we going to be able to do that? Well, you have to realize when you got born again you got a spirit of power when you got the Spirit of Jesus Christ)

2Tim 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, (We have the Spirit of power) and of love, and of a sound mind. (You got this when we received Jesus Christ as personal Lord and Savior)

1Cor 1:24 But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, (When you receive Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior what happened? You got a brand new spirit, the Spirit of Jesus Christ and since you got the Spirit of Jesus Christ and he is the power of God you also got the power of God. You have a spirit of power that has come to dwell on the inside of you. Now how is this going to be manifest in you experientially? You have a spirit of power but that does not mean but you have the power of God resident in you and operating in you. It is going to come through the word of God. As you receive the word of God it brings power resident within you)

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: (That is the word of God that comes forth) for it is (The gospel is) the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; (God's word is the power of God that will produce salvation it is for every single person who believes)

Acts 20:32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able (The word "Able" is a form of the word "Doo-nam-is" it is "Doo-nam-ahee" which refers to having power, which has the power) to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. (God's word has the power resident in it that will bring forth your inheritance, it will build you up, it will strengthen you and it will give you) an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. (Now it is important that we understand what is happening when we hear the word of God)

James 1:21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able (Same as the word power) to save your souls. (The word receive is a word "Dekh-om-ahee" means "Having a ready reception" of what is offered to you, a passive reception. You are to be ready to receive what is coming to you) with meekness (Which speaks of the teachableness and a lowliness of mind and a submission of yieldedness)

unto the Lord. And you are to receive this with meekness to what?) **the engrafted word**, (The word "Engrafted" is "Implanted", the implanted word. This word is being implanted in you and remember the word is the power of God implanted in you. Where is this word being implanted? This word is being implanted in you in the inner man)

**Eph 3:16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might** (The word "Might is "Doo-nam-is") **to be strengthened with power by his Spirit in the inner man**; (So where does the power of God come to reside? In the inner man which is the hidden man of the heart that we talked about. It is the inner man, the inward man, the hidden man of the heart as it says over in 1 Peter. Now the Holy Spirit is involved in taking this word to hear and implanting it in you in fact he is more than just implanting it in you he is writing it and putting it and you)

**Heb 8:10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:** (God takes his word which is his laws and puts them in your mind and writes them in your heart. The opposite is said in Hebrews 10:16 which declares)

**Heb 10:16 ....I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;** (You put these two together and he takes his word and puts it and writes it in your heart, he puts it and writes it in your mind. This is by the work of the Holy Spirit as we see in 2 Corinthians 3:3)

**2Cor 3:3 Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the spirit of the living God;** (That is the Holy Spirit) **not in tables of stone**, (That is in the Old Testament) **but in fleshy tables of the heart.** (God's word is taken and it is written in your heart. As we get the word in us it produces the power of God that is resident within us. It is important that they get the word in us, as the word of God is the power of God and that is what we have our faith in and that God is going to perform in our life)

**1Cor 2:4-5 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: 5. That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.** (Your faith stands in the power of God which is from the word of God which gets written in your heart and written in your mind. Now as you are hearing God's word what is happening? The Holy Spirit is taking this word and he is not only writing it in your heart and mind but he is also bringing you knowledge, revelation knowledge of the word)

**2Pet 1:2-4 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you (How?) through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, 2. According as his divine power ("Doo-nam-is" again) hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him** (Therefore God's word which brings revelation knowledge by the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit is writing this in your

heart and mind bringing revelation to you, revelation knowledge and it is the divine power of God that will give you all the things that you have need of in your life. That is why we have to get the word in us, it is the power of God it is going to bring forth the promises in our life) **that hath called us to glory and virtue: 4. Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises:** (That we possess) **that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.** (It is very important that we know the scriptures, if we do not know the scriptures we are not going to know the power of God because the power God is resident in the word)

**Matt 22:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err,** (They were led astray. Why?) **not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.** (When you know the scriptures you also are going to know the power of God because the power of God is resident in the word and as you hear and do the word it is going to produce after its own kind. Now it is important that we understand That you and I have a responsibility to take God's word and we are to be clothing ourselves with the power of God as you will see. In Luke 24:49 is a highly misunderstood scripture which we will explain to you. It is a very important key to understand this)

**Luke 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.** (The promise of the Father is the Holy Spirit. They or to wait in Jerusalem for the day of Pentecost and the Holy Spirit was going to be poured out. And it says) **until ye be endued with power from on high.** (This makes you think just by looking at that, that this means when the Holy Spirit came to them that it means they got the power of God. If having the Holy Spirit come to dwell in us produced the power of God in us and now we are dynamos with power operating in our life then we should all be doing mighty great works and the power of God should be functioning in us continually but obviously is not doing that in all Christians is it. What is this really saying? Tell me where you are going to know this is we have to look up things in the Greek. When we look this up where it says) **be endued** (The word "Be endued" is this word "En-doo-o". In this particular program if you see in the lower window you see the number it is key to Strong's Concordance you will see the Greek word and then you will see that particular word of what the meaning of it is. This particular word is "En-doo-o" and the meaning of it is "To sink into clothing" or to be clothed with something. Also this particular program has the ability to show you the tense, voice, and mood of the verb which is extremely important to understand what is being said. There are 7 tenses, 3 voices, there are 5 moods in the Greek that are very expressive and shows exactly what is being said. Here see that is the voice "To sink into clothing" is the middle voice and this is significant because there are 3 voices, active, middle, and passive. The active voice the subject is doing the action, in the passive voice the subject is being acted upon by somebody else, in the middle voice the subject is doing the action for his own benefit he is acting upon for himself, that is the middle voice so that is very important. So this is talking about "To be clothing yourself" you are doing something to clothe yourself, so this is you actively involved in this) **with power** (Which is "Doo-nam-is")

**from on high.** (There is another thing that is very important here. The mood is the subjunctive mood, there are 5 moods as we mentioned. The mood of reality, if this was just a reality statement of fact, is the indicative mood which is the predominant mood used throughout the New Testament. Whenever you see the subjunctive mood you have to take notice because the subjunctive mood in the Greek expresses things that are contrary to fact, that are conditional upon conditions being met. In other words conditions have to be met so this is why you would translate something like this) **until you might they endued or clothing yourself** (Because we are talking about it in the middle voice, that you might clothe yourself) **with power from on high** (Which means it is conditional of you doing something so you clothe yourself) **with power from on high.** (And this is after the Holy Spirit comes upon you. So the point is this, when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you receive the Holy Spirit to dwell in you, you have the Holy Spirit in you and now you have the responsibility to clothe yourself) **with power from on high.** (And it is conditional dependent upon whether you do it. That is why it is in the subjunctive mood. And this brings us to another scripture that we want to bring to you, ones that we bought this morning but they are important to look at and to you who were here this morning it is good for you to see it again. Acts 1:8 another highly misunderstood scripture)

**Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you:** (Now the Holy Spirit comes upon you, that is you receiving the Holy Spirit to come, now he comes to dwell in you. Now it says) **ye shall receive power,** (Notice what it does not say, it does not say you have received power) **after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you:** (If that was the case then the power of God would have come into you when you got the Holy Spirit. Instead it says) **after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: ye shall receive power,** (That is future tense, that means that follows that right? Now another thing that is important, of course this word power is "Doo-nam-is" is the word "Receive". There are two main words for receive in the Greek, one word is "Dekh-om-ahee" as we already saw in James 1:21 which is where you receive with meekness the engrafted word which was able to save your souls. The word receive, there is a passive reception, a ready reception that is offered to you. There is another word and it is the word "Lam-ban-o" for "Receive" in the Greek and this particular word is the opposite instead of a passive receptive where you wait for something to come to you, instead it is an active reception that you actively take hold of something and that is the word that is used here. I put the cursor over it and you see it is the word "Lam-ban-o" which means "To take or take hold of". You shall take hold of power after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you. This means the Holy Ghost comes upon you, and after that you are supposed to do something. You shall take hold of the power. And how are we going to take hold of the power? As it said we are to clothe ourselves with power from on high, it is coming from God and you are to clothe yourself with It. How are we going to do this? Well we go over to Ephesians 6:11 which is talking about the armor of God)

**Eph 6:11 Put on the whole armour of God,** (You have to learn to look up words. It says "Put on" notice this word in the lower window, we have seen this before where it talked about clothing

being "Endued" translated "En-doo-o" meaning "Clothe yourself with power from on high" in Luke 24, here it is "En-doo-o" "Sink into clothing" and it also happens to be with the same tense, voice and mood. It happens to be the middle voice which means you are to put on or clothe yourself with the whole armor of God. It also happens to be in the imperative mood which is a mood of a command, it is not an option, it is not a nice little suggestion. No, you are commanded to clothe yourself for your own benefit which is the middle voice) **the whole armour of God,** (What is going to be the result?) **that ye may be able** (Or have the "Power" "Doo-nam-is") **to stand against the wiles of the devil.** (So you and I are going to clothe ourselves with the power of God so that we will be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. How do you do this? By putting on the whole armor of God)

**Eph 6:13-18 Wherefore take** ("Taking up" "An-al-am-ban-o") **the whole armor of God that ye may be able** (Have power) **that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.** (The evil day is the day when the enemy shows up and standing. Standing steadfast, actively walking in the ways of the word of God, it is an active word not a passive word actively standing as you are walking victory over the enemy. When we talk about the parts of the armor of God the armor of God involves the word. All the parts of the armor of God are the word. How do we put on the armor of God which has been clothed with the power of God through the word? It is through that word coming to dwell in you that produces power within you because the word has the power of God in it) **14. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth,** (The truth is the word of God) **and having on the breastplate of righteousness;** (That is the word in your heart, the breastplate covers the heart) **15. And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;** (That is the word directing your steps) **16. Above all, taking the shield of faith,** (That is the word that you hold up) **wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.** (All the attacks of the enemy) **17. And take the helmet of salvation,** (Which is the word in your mind, the helmet covers the area of the head which is the seat of the mind) **and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:** (This is the word "Rhema" which means that which is spoken, the spoken word of God. So you are to get the word in you, through the word in your heart, the word your mouth the word directing your steps, the word through your mouth that you are going to speak things into being as you are bringing the promises into being you are going to speak against the enemy, it is written to quench the fiery darts of the wicked one and you are also going to speak against the enemy with the sword of the Spirit this rhema the spoken word to smite the enemy and destroy his works. It is very important that you understand you are to get the word in you and you are actually clothing yourself with the power of God. And what happens? The power of God comes and resides on the inside of you, a very important point. Now we covered many other things this morning but this is just a summary of some of the things we talked about. We also mentioned about the scriptural requirements to manifest the power of God in your life. You are going to have to believe in the power of God you cannot be doubting. If you doubt God is not going to be able to manifest himself. We looked at the scripture over in Matthew 9:27 and following)

**Matt 9:27-29** And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, Thou son of David, have mercy on us. 28. And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? ("Doo-nam-ah-ee" that I have the "Power" to do this. Do you believe that I have the power to do this) **They said unto him, Yea, Lord.** (That meant their faith was in operation) 29. **Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.** (Their faith was receiving the power of God coming forth through Jesus who had the power of God resident in him and it went into them and of course they were healed and made whole. This shows the fact that you need to believe in the power of God. If you do not believe if you are in unbelief that will stop the Lord from accomplishing anything)

**Matt 13:58** And he did not many mighty works there (This is the word "Doo-nam-is" powerful works. Why?) **because of their unbelief.** (If unbelief stops Jesus from doing the works it will also stop you from being able to do the works. Another thing we must realize is that the power of God is not of yourself, the power of God is coming from him)

**2Cor 4:7** But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, (That is the power of God that is resident in you and I, we are the earthen vessels) **that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.** (It is dwelling in us but it is not of us it is of God. You must understand the power of God is not of yourself, you can do nothing of yourself. Jesus did nothing of himself. The power of God is all him accomplishing this work in us. Another thing that we pointed out is that we must understand the cross of Jesus Christ if you were going to operate in the power of God)

**1Cor 1:18** For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. (By the way we pointed out this morning the word "Saved" is not talking about the fact that it is an already accomplished work because this is a word which is in the present tense which denotes continually, repeated action verb and it is also a passive voice indicating that somebody else is doing the work to us that is why it is translated "Unto us which are being saved. YLT translates it correctly from the Greek. It says) **YLT "and to us those being saved it is the power of God"**. (You have to understand salvation is a working process, that is why it talks about in Philippians 2 we are working out our salvation with fear and trembling as we are being obedient unto him in all areas of our life. So you and I, who are being saved, the preaching of the cross is the power of God. What is all about the cross? Not only is the cross what Jesus did for us but you have to understand the cross is speaking of what you and I must do in our life to have the power of God resident in us and functioning in us)

**Phil 3:18-19** For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: (What is the cross? The cross is the place where something is put to death. What is supposed to be put to death in our life? All the deeds of the

body, also carnal minded attitudes. He goes on and says) **19. Whose end is destruction,** (Because their) **whose God is their belly,** (What is directing them? Their body is, it is run by their flesh) **and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.** (Are they out there minding the things of God? No, they have their mind on the earthly things)

**Col 3:1-3** If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **2. Set your affection** (Or your mind) **on things above, not on things on the earth.** (Because) **3. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.** (You have to get your mind on the things above. So it is important that you realize that you and I must crucify the flesh and see the cross of Christ at work in our life because it is the power of God for us because we crucify the flesh, we walk in line with the word, then we are going to see the power of God manifest in our life through the word)

**Gal 5:24** **And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.** (God wants you to crucify the flesh. Now another thing that is very important is if you are going to see the power of God work through the word in you, you are going to have to be sure that you keep the word in you. Remember that when the word is sown in you what happens?)

**Mark 4:15** ....**Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.** (In your heart is produced the power of God, satan is coming to try to take the word out of your heart. How can you take the word out of your heart? If you do not do it and carry it out in your life. If you do not act upon the word and do what it says he will take the word out of your heart in the time of temptation you will fall away and you will not bring forth fruit in your life. You must overcome the temptations of the enemy if we do not then we are not going to see the power of God be manifest in us. We also must be a true disciple of the Lord. Those that are true disciples are the ones that continue in the word)

**John 8:31-32** Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, **If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;** (What is going to be the result?) **32. And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.** (The truth is the word of God and it will make you free when the power of God is in operation in your life. But if you are not continuing in the word you will never be a disciple of the Lord. Those that are disciples are the ones that are walking in his ways and they are bringing forth much fruit in their life. They are also bearing their cross and crucifying the flesh)

**Luke 14:26--27** **If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.** (Now the word life, this is not talking about your bios it is talking about the word life. There are different words for life. Bios is your general life, "Dzo-ay" is the life of God, "Psoo-khay" which is the word here, it is talking about "A soul realm directed life". It says if you) **hate not his father, and**

mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life (Soul realm directed life you) **cannot be his disciple**. (Now what does this mean? This does not mean that you are supposed to literally hate your father and mother. Why? Because we are supposed to love. The commandment is to love every person. What happens to us if you put anything before the Lord? Then you have not put him first place in your life. And this is what it is referring to the fact that you are not going to put anything before the Lord. The) **mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters**, (Anything) **27. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple**. (Because what are we going to do? We are not going to let anything come before following the Lord. We are going to crucify the flesh, we are going to turn away from all the things that would lead us contrary to the word. Otherwise, we cannot be a disciple of the Lord. It is necessary for us to be a disciple if we are going to see the power of God bring forth fruit through the word)

**Luke 14:33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple**. (This is talking about the guy, he had all these possessions, he had all kinds of things in his life, he was looking at all these other things as a source. No, we have to look to the Lord as our total source. You have to forsake all, if you do not forsake all you are not going to see the power of God be in operation in your life. Another thing that we looked at and several other things but one thing is important you have to know your spiritual weapons. Your spiritual weapons as it says in 2 Corinthians 10:4)

**2Cor 10:4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty** (The word here is "Doo-nat-os" a form of the word "Doo-nam-is" meaning "Powerful") **through God to the pulling down of strong holds**; (You have to know but God's weapons, his spiritual weapons they are powerful they will destroy every work of the enemy in your life. The powerful weapons of course come from what? The word of God, is the power of God and as you get the word in your heart and in your mind it produces the power resident within you. It is important that you realize the power of God is to be resident in you and it is also to be manifest out of you. Scripture in Ephesians 6 is very important. When we talked about the armor of God being put on the verse preceding verse 11 says)

**Eph 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might**. (Now you have to look up words in order to see what is being said. When it says) **be strong in the Lord**, (It is a Greek word "En-doo-nam-o-o". "Doo-nam-o-o" from the word "Doo-nam-is" meaning "Power" "En" is a prefix meaning "In" it means "To have power within" or power resident on the inside of you) **my brethren be empowered within, in the Lord**. (By the way when it tells us to be) **empowered within, in the Lord** (It is not a suggestion, it is not a nice idea, it is actually an imperative mood, it is a command. You and I are commanded to be) **empowered within, in the Lord** (Also it happens to be present tense, the present tense in the Greek means a continuous, repeated action of the verb. So it means to continually be empowered operating in the power of

God resident within you. It is also in the passive voice. What does that mean? We cannot make it happen, you cannot do it in your own ability somebody else is doing it. Who is doing it? God is doing it. How is God doing it? Through his word because the word is God. Through the word resident in you it is producing the power of God yet it is a command but you must get the word in you because you have a part to play in clothing yourself with the power of God by getting the word on the inside of you. God wants us to get to the place where we have the word abiding in us and we have become full of the power of God. Now we are going to move on and we have talked about some of the things that we talked about this morning. We are going to move on and talk about a couple of other words tonight in the time we have. One of these particular words is the word "En-er-gace" or "En-erg-eh'-o" in the Greek which refers to the active, effective operation of the power of God. You and I are going to put this into active effective operation. As we look at these scriptures you will see what this is talking about)

**Col 2:12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.** (When it talks about the operation this is a form of the word "En-erg'-ay-mah" which refers to an "Active operative working". Otherwise, God's active, operative power is releasing the power of God through faith, it is through his faith to accomplish the work of raising him from the dead. The point is in order to see the power of God work it has to be actively operated through your faith. Your faith is going to put the power of God that is resident in you into operation and it is going to be through the word)

**Heb 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful,** (Now when we put the cursor over the word "Powerful" it is not the word "Doo-nam-is" it is the word "En-er-gace" which refers again to this active, operative operation. The word of God is alive, it is actively operative in order to bring forth the power of God and the promises of God into manifestation in your life. Remember God's word has power in it and it is alive, it is a living thing and it will actively operate in your life to bring forth what it says. Otherwise, it is like a seed, the seed in us has the power in it and that seed will actively operate in order to produce a plant to bring forth whatever it is to harvest in due time whatever you planted. In like manner God's word will produce after its own kind, it will produce the promise of God in your life because it is not only a living thing also it is active, operative within itself to produce after its own kind. This is an important point, if we are going to see the power of God at work 1st Thessalonians 2:13 you and I need to believe God's word and act upon it)

**1Thess 2:13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God** (Now "Receive" is the word "Pa-ra-lam-ban-o" meaning when you "Took hold of" the word of God) **which ye heard of us, ye received** (And this is the other word for "Received" "Dekh-om-ahee" which means you have "A ready reception" for) **it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh** (This word "Effectually worketh" is all one Greek word translated those two in the King James version) **effectually worketh** (Or is

actively, operative, it is the word “En-erg-eh'-o” which we get our word energize from. “En-erg-eh'-o”) **which effectually worketh also in you that believe.** (In other words what this says is) **"You had a ready reception for the word that came to you, you took hold of it as the word of God and it will effectively operate, actively operate in you effectually when you believe it.** (And if you believe God's word you are going to do what he says, you are going to carry it out in your life, you are going to be a doer of that word. Believing is not just mentally ascending to something, not just agreeing. When you believe something you are going to do it and you are going to carry that word out in your life. This is why when it says believe it is in the present tense. It is not just an attitude, present tense means continuous, repeated action. It is a contentousness and it is also the active voice not a passive believing but it is an actively believing. How do you show forth that you believe? You act upon the word you are a doer of the word in order to see the power of God come into manifestation. So believing God's word is going to put it into operation. So if you truly believe God's word you are going to do his word and it will actively work and operate effectively in you and you will manifest the power of God. Now over in Philippians 2 in seeing salvation be worked out in our life. We see in verse 12-13 another use of this word)

**Phil 2:12-13 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed,** (That you have always obeyed. That is a testimony we want that we always obey) **not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence,** (It is easy to obey someone that is watching over your shoulder but how about when you are all by yourself? Now we find out if we are really a believer or not don't we? Whether we are obeying or not) **work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.** (Now this particular word "Workout" by the way is in the present tense denoting continuous, repeated action and it also is in an imperative mood which means it is not a suggestion. You have been commanded to work out continually your) **salvation with fear and trembling.** (How is this working? You have a part to play. What is your part? Obey, obedience to the word) **13. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.** (Because how is this being accomplished? Through God. Now in here it says) **For it is God which worketh** (This word "Worketh" is “En-erg-eh'-o”) **in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.** (Also the word "Do" is “En-erg-eh'-o” to. Why they did not translate it the same is beyond me. Young's literal translation translates it as) **"For God it is who is working in you both to will and to work** (And "Work" down here showing the fact that it is the same word. So it says) **"It is God which is actively operative working in you both to will and to do, actively operating, of his good pleasure".** (This is what this is talking about. How is he actively operating in you to will and actively operating in his good pleasure to accomplish his work? When you obey, that is what the other part says. When you obey the word of God by working out your own salvation by doing what the word says. This means God cannot accomplish his work unless you do what he says and you and I are commanded to be obedient. Many people just want to let God do whatever he wants to do in their life. A nice little attitude but it is really throwing all the responsibility on God when instead the responsibility is on us to do what he says which allows him to do the work

because you cannot do the work yourself God is the one who does the work in you through the word of God. Now when God is doing this work through the word he is going to accomplish his will in your life and you can be confident of that)

**Eph 1:11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh** (“En-erg-eh'-o” who is actively and operatively working) **all things after the counsel of his own will:** (Otherwise, when you are doing his word that of course is his will, God is at work working) **all things after the counsel of his own will:** (As you are being obedient doing his word. In other words, as you do the word which is the will of God, God is working all things after the counsel of his own will. God's will, will go into operation through you doing the word to accomplish what he purposes in your life, he has a purpose for you. He will lead you, he will guide you, and he will accomplish all these things. Your job is to get the word in you and hear and do the word so that he can accomplish his purposes in your life. He will lead you by his Spirit to accomplish this. Now another thing that we see is the fact that you and I must realize that the enemy can work. Over in Romans 7:5 Everything working is not necessarily God, also the devil can work and actively operate in your life)

**Rom 7:5 For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work** (“En-erg-eh'-o”) **in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.** (That is why we cannot walk in the flesh. If you think walking in the flesh nothing will happen. Oh no, the enemy is going to work actively and be in operation) **in our members to** (And he will) **bring forth fruit unto death.** (Through sin that is operative through walking in the ways of the flesh)

**Eph 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince** (That is the ruler) **of the power** (Of the authority) **of the air, (And that is satan) the spirit that now worketh** (Or is actively operative, “En-erg-eh'-o”) **in the children of disobedience:** (Well, what else does that tell you? If he is actively working in the children of disobedience then what will happen if you disobey? The devil will actively work in you. This is why you cannot afford to disobey. If you disobey, you sin and you let the devil have place and he will actively work in you to bring destruction in your life. In fact we even see over in 2 Thessalonians 2:7 talking about the end times)

**2Thess 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work:** (It is already actively in operation, satan has already been working. What is the word iniquity? It is the word "An-om-ee-ah" in the Greek which is "Lawlessness" it does not mean "Iniquity" a "Wickedness" it means "Lawlessness" if you notice. "An-om-ee-ah" "No-mos" means "Law" "Ah" is a prefix meaning "Not". "An-om-ee-ah" means "Lawlessness") **For the mystery of lawlessness doth already work, is already actively operating** (And this is why the devil works real hard to keep you away from the word of God. Because when you do the word of God you are walking according to his laws, the laws of the word of God. But when you do not do the word of God you are walking

according to the way of lawlessness. In fact we even see a scripture over in Matthew 24:12 speaking of the end times of what is going to happen in the end)

**Matt 24:12 And because iniquity** (Which again is the word "An-om-ee-ah" lawlessness) **shall abound**, (That means people are not doing the word) **the love of many shall wax cold**. (They are going to be in trouble in the last days. Who is the love? The love is agape. Who is it talking about? Who has the agape love? Not the world, the church, born-again believers have agape love. So the love of who? Many, many believers this is talking about) **shall wax cold**. (Why? Because of lawlessness abounding in them. Why? Because they are not doing the word of God. This is why you have to understand that either God is working in you through the word or if you are walking in sin or walking in the flesh or walking contrary to the word in lawlessness, the devil is working in you to work destruction in your life. That is why you and I must be hearers and doers of the word. Now it is our responsibility to put this in operation. We see scripture over the Ephesians 3:20 that is very revealing)

**Eph 3:20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power** (That is the word "Doo-nam-is") **that worketh in us**, (The word "Worketh" again is "En-erg-eh'-o" which is actively put into operation. Now it is important that we look up this verb because we have to find out what this is talking about. It happens to be present tense which means that it is "Continually actively working" in us. It also happens to be in the middle voice. What is the middle voice? Meaning the person is doing the action for his own benefit. Remember the active voice the subject is doing the action, the passive voice he is being acted on by someone else, the middle voice he is doing the action for himself. So according to the power that is put into active operation for our own benefit in us. Who puts the power of God in active operation benefit? You and I do? How? When we do what the word of God says. The word of God is the power of God that is going to be resident in us through the word written in our heart and written in our mind. It is very important. So it is the responsibility of all Christians to continually put the power of God in active operation for your own benefit. You know you cannot sit there and say I am waiting for God to do this. That mentality has been prevalent in the body of Christ and they are wondering why nothing is happening. No, you have the responsibility to put the power of God in operation for your own benefit to see it accomplish what he purposes. We see another scripture that is also revealing, it is over in Philemon 6)

**Phlm 1:6 That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus**. (Now the word "Communication" is "Koy-nohn-ee-ah" in the Greek which means "Fellowship or the participation of something". The participation or the fellowship of your faith) **becomes effectual** ("En-er-gace" here is that word again, actively operative putting it into active operation) **by** (Or in) **the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus**. (Acknowledging is not the best word. I will tell you why. It is the Greek word "Ep-ig-no-sis" and we have studied this word in the past when we

talked about the knowledge of God. It means precise, and correct knowledge. So what this means is that) **"The fellowship or the participation of your faith may become actively operative in the full knowledge as Young's says that the precise, correct knowledge of God** (This is why you have to get the word exactly in you so you know what the word says) **of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.** (Which is all the things that belong to you in Christ Jesus, the promises of God. So what this is talking about is that faith is to be active and operative in the precise, correct knowledge of God and you are going to put this in operation with your faith as you act upon the word, you do the word, you speak the word, you are communicating your faith, so that the promises will come into operation. See the power of God is not operative in your life until your faith is in operation. With your faith you are going to put the power of God into operation to bring all the promises into being. We see another scripture over and James 5:6 about this active operation, the power of God)

**Jas 5:16 The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.** (The word effectual and fervent is all one Greek word. Notice I put the cursor over effectual and nothing comes up in the lower window, put it over fervent then it comes up indicating it is one Greek word for those two English words translated in the King James. "En-erg-eh'-o" again) **effectual and fervent** (Refers to the active operative) **prayer of a righteous man availeth much.** (Or "Mighty force" this word means as you will find later when we talked about the Spirit of Might in manifestation, much mighty force. This also tells us that the way you are going to see the power of God come into operation is you are going to have to learn actively effectively prayer in line with God's word because prayer releases the power of God. Now when we talked about the armor of God this morning we talked about how we are to clothe ourselves with the power of God through the word in our heart, and our mind, and our mouth directing our steps. What do we do with it? Praying with all manner of prayer, all kinds of prayer. In other words, prayer is what you do to release the power of God resident within you so it is manifested out of you in your life. See the power of God is to be resident within you but then you are going to release it out of you through prayer putting it in operation so it brings the promise of God to pass. If the power of God is not operative, not resident within you actively put in operation it is not going to work for you, it is not going to produce anything at all. You can have the word in you and be one of those that have a lot of knowledge of things but you have not put the power of God into active operation to bring the promise into being and this is what it is talking about here. Another scripture that we see that is also important regarding this word is when we talk about the gifts of the Spirit. When we talk about 1 Corinthians 12:9-10 it says in the listing of the gifts in the Spirit there are nine gifts of the Spirit one of them is the working of miracles)

**1Cor 12:9-10 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; 10. To another the working of miracles;** ("Working" is this word "En-erg-ay-mah" a form of "En-erg-eh'-o" which means the "Active effective operation") **of miracles;** (The word "Miracles" is Doo-nam-is" meaning "Power". This is a gift of the Spirit that is actively operating

to release the power of God by the Holy Spirit. And usually these are instantaneous types of miracles to bring forth a healing or a deliverance for some miraculous work that occurs. This is something in the gifts of the Spirit you must understand, you do not put this in operation by your faith instead it is the Holy Spirit who is initiating this, otherwise you cannot do this at your own will, the Holy Spirit wills to do these things as it says in verse 11)

**1Cor 12:11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.** (He is the one who puts these things into operation as we see this back in verse 7)

**1Cor 12:7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.** (It is going to profit other people. God is going to use you in the gifts of the Spirit to minister the power of God and to work miracles or powerful works in people's lives but it is as the Spirit of God that wills, you cannot start it or stop it whenever you want, but that is different from the power of God. The power of God through the word can be put in operation at any time in your life. In fact, you are expected to operate in the power of God at all times in your life)

**Col 1:29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.** (When we look at this word "Striving" it is the word "Ag-o-nid'-zom-ahee" and this particular word means "To contend with adversaries". And this particular word when you look it up and see other uses of it, you find that it is translated "Fight" one of the places is "Fight the good fight of faith" 1st Timothy 6:12, another place where it is laboring further which means "To contend with an adversary in prayer" in Colossians 4:12. So he is talking about labor, he is talking about in spiritual warfare prayer) **I also labour, striving** (Or contending with the adversaries) **according to his working**, (That is God's active operative working) **which worketh in me** (Is actively operative, same word "En-erg-eh'-o") **in me mightily.** (This is going to work in you continually, as you enter the spiritual warfare. By the way it is important to realize it is a present tense, it is to continually be working in your life and also for your own benefit because it is a middle voice, meaning that you are going to fight the good fight of faith and you are going to contend with the adversaries in warfare prayer according to his working his active operation which is actively operating in you continually for your benefit mightily. So who puts it in operation? You do through acting on the word in spiritual warfare but the thing you have to realize is that the power of God has to be resident in you first through the word and then you actively put it in operation with your faith contending with the adversary as you are doing word. Who is working in you? Remember if you are working God is working. That is why it says) **according to his working** (God is doing the working as you are doing the working for your own benefit as you were putting it in operation. The point being is you have to get yourself in operation and when you get yourself working God is working through you at the same time. Now, another word that we are going to look at just briefly tonight we will not have time to go

through it all is a particular word that also involves the power of God but is a different Greek word. We go back to Ephesians 6:10 remember where it said be strong in the Lord?)

**Eph 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord,** (This particular word is from "Doo-nam-is" is "En-doo-nam-o" which means "To have Power within". Have a power within continually) **in the Lord** (Remember it was in the present tense but then it goes on and says) **and in the power of his might.** (This word power is a different word it is the Greek word "Krat-os". It is different from "Doo-nam-is". "Doo-nam-is" refers to the power of God generally, "Krat-os" refers to the power of God that is being manifested and released out of a person. This is talking about inwardly empowered or having the power of God resident within you through the word) **be strong in the Lord** (This is talking about the power of God being manifest out of you, being released out of you) **of his might.** (And this word is "Is-khoos" meaning "Mighty Force" or this is the Spirit of Might operating through you. So when you are putting on the whole armor of God you were going to through the word be inwardly empowered with the power of God resident within you and then that power is going to be manifest out of you through your faith with mighty force. Remember when Jesus was going forth and the woman with the issue of blood came and virtue went out of him he was looking around to see who touched him, do you remember that story? The word "Virtue" is the word "Doo-nam-is" it means that "Power" went out of him)

**Mark 5:30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue** ("Virtue" it is the word "Doo-nam-is" it means "Power") **had gone out of him,** (And Jesus did not even know the fact of who did it but who knew power went out of him. Now why would power go out of him? Because power was resident in him. Why was power resident in him? Because he had the word in him. Remember he did not operate as God he could do nothing of himself and he had to get the word in him and dwell in him as you will see in a moment that produced the power of God manifest in him, resident in him that could be released out of him. In the same manner you are going to get the word in you so the power of God is resident in you and this woman with her faith took hold of it and tapped into it and the power of God went out of him and into her body and she was healed. Same thing with the blind man, he said according to your faith. Do you believe that I have the power to make you whole to open up your eyes? He said yea Lord, according to your faith be it unto you. Their faith took hold of the power of God that was resident in him that brought forth the healing and restoration. The point we are bringing to you is this, Jesus had the power of God resident in him through the word. What are you going to do? You are going to get the power of God resident in you through the word as well. Jesus manifested the power of God every place he went as he was speaking forth and releasing the power of God to accomplish the works of God. What are you going to do? Same thing because you and I are to live by the power of God but you are not going to be able to manifest the power of God if the power of God is not resident in you and it is only going to be resident in you if the word is in you. But if you do not do the word the devil will take the word out, you could be one of those like we talked about this morning, ever learning but never coming to the knowledge of the truth to be free because they

did not do the word and the devil takes the word out of the heart of a person. So when we talk about this word "Krat-os" let's talk about it for a couple of minutes. "Krat-os" and we will look at a scripture over here in Luke 1:80. This is the word that means a "Manifested power")

**Luke 1:80 And the child grew,** (This is talking about John the Baptist) **and waxed strong** (This is a form of the word "Krat-os", "Krat-ah-yo-o") **in spirit,** (Now this word really means "Strength" because of a manifested power. He waxed, he had a manifested power) **in spirit,** (This is what he had manifested in him. The same thing was said about Jesus. Remember Jesus did not operate as God he operated as a man and he had to get the word in him like everybody else)

**Luke 2:40 And the child grew, and waxed** (Same word "Krat-ah-yo-o". He became) **strong in** (Manifested power in) **spirit,** (Being) **filled with wisdom:** (How do you get wisdom? By the word you hear and do and carry it out in your life. What happens if you hear and do the word? The power of God is going to be resident in you and it is going to be manifested out of you in your life as you are carrying out the word of God. So It is important that we understand the power of God is not only to be resident in you but it is to be manifested out of you in mighty force, that is what God is wanting to bring forth in the body of Christ. We see over in Mark 6:2 it talks about the fact here about how he had this wisdom)

**Mark 6:2 ....and what wisdom is this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands?** (When he laid hands what did he do? He released what was in him out of him and it talks about the mighty works which is the word "Doo-nam-is". When you lay hands on someone you are going to release power that is a resident within you to flow out of you into a person to manifest a healing or a deliverance or a victory in their life. Now the key is you have to have power resident in you and you also have to understand how to release this power and out of you to see it manifest out of you to accomplish the work of the Lord. We also see talking about this particular word "Krat-os" which is an active manifest power in Acts 19:20)

**Acts 19:20 So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.** (The word mightily is actually two words, "Kat-ah" and "Krat-os". "Kat-ah" and then down here below is "Krat-os" which refers to this manifest mighty power, great power that is being manifest and so he is talking about) **So powerfully grew the word of God and prevailed.** (Or powerfully as Young's brings it out) **YLT "So powerfully was the word of God increasing and prevailing".** (In other words this thing was being manifest out of people and it was doing mighty works and prevailing over all of the enemies it was prevailing over them, it was manifesting great mighty force and the healing's were occurring, people were being delivered, people were being set free, they were destroying the works of the enemy every place they were going. See the power of God was mightily manifested in the early church and they saw the glory of God be manifest because remember the kingdom which is the rule and the reign of God that we just got done talking about the authority. When you put that in operation acting on the word it brings the power of God into operation.

Then what happens? The glory, that is why it talks about the kingdom, the power, and the glory which is what prayer will produce. So it talks about how the word of God grew in manifested great power and prevailed over all of what was going on with the enemies and destroying them)

**Eph 1:19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,** (Now again you have to look up words to find out what is really being said here. First word "Power" is "Doo-nam-is") **the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe,** (What happens? The power of God comes to us who believe and it becomes resident within us) **according to the working** ("En-erg-eh'-o" that we have been talking about, the act of operation, putting into operation) **of his mighty** (This is "Is-khoos" and this is "Krat-os" it uses all three of these words as well. "Doo-nam-is", "Krat-os", and "Is-khoos". And the word "Mighty" is actually in the genitive which means it is a modifier of power. This is why Young's translates it) **the power of his might** (Mighty "Is-khoos" means "Mighty Force") **power.** (Here this word is "Krat-os" which is a "Manifested power" that is why it says) **according to the working** (Active operation) **of his mighty power.** (Manifested power of mighty force coming forth out of him, literally is what this says. So he is praying for them at Ephesus, remember this is a prayer he is praying. He is praying for them that Father of glory)

**Eph 1:17-19 ....may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: 18. The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, 19. And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe,** (To us-ward. What happens when it comes to dwell in us the active operation) **of his mighty power** (Manifested power of his mighty force which is going to be released out of us. In other words, God wants us, the church to come to the place of essentially being almost like a spiritual dynamo, a power that is resident in us that will flow out of us that will bring forth great mighty works of God, a mighty forceful power manifested, that is what he purposes. Look at another prayer he prayed for the church at Ephesus)

**Eph 3:16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened** ("Krat-ah-yo-o" form of the word "Krat-os" which is manifesting power) **with might** ("Power" "Doo-nam-is" why they translated it might it is not a good translation. It should have been translated "Power") **by his Spirit in the inner man;** (What he is saying here when you unravel this he is praying granting them that they would be manifesting power that means releasing it out of them with power in the inner man. Because where is the power of God resident? In the inner man, in the heart. Through what? The word of God in your heart produces the power resident within and it is to be manifested out of us which is why they use the word "Krat-ah-yo-o" a form of that instead of the word "Doo-nam-is" here. So what they are saying is he is praying for them that the power of God by the Spirit would be in their inner man and the manifestation of the power of God would be flowing out of them to accomplish the mighty works of the Lord. This is

what they were praying for the church and what he expects to be coming forth. We see another place over in Colossians 1:9 Look what he says)

Col 1:9-11 For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge (That is knowledge) of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; (So we get knowledge, understanding and wisdom. How does that come? Through the word. You get revelation knowledge, you do the word producing spiritual understanding, you continue to hear and do the word it gives you wisdom through the word actively operative in your life) 10. That (What is going to be the result of the word from knowledge, understanding and wisdom?) That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, (So you will walk in his ways) being fruitful in every good work, (You will produce the fruit from the word in your life) and increasing in the knowledge of God; (As you continue to gain the knowledge of God and act upon it you will) increase in knowledge. (And then what does he say?) 11. Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, (Now let's unravel this for a moment. The word strengthened here is "En-doo-nam-o-o" which means "Empowered" with all "Doo-nam-is" power) according to his glorious (That is glory and it is in the genitive) power, (And here we have "Krat-os" again not "Doo-nam-is". What he is saying is you are to be empowered with all power according to the manifest power of all of his glory. That is what it literally says and that is why Young's translated it correctly and this is in the genitive and the Greek without taking the time to show you this tonight. So again he is talking about knowledge, understanding, wisdom enables you to) walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing being fruitful in every good work increasing in the knowledge of God being empowered with all power according to the manifestation of his power of his glory. (Because what happens? When the power is resident in you and then it is manifested out of you what happens? The glory of God comes into manifestation. The glory of God will be manifest when the power of God manifests out of you. It is the result of the manifest power of God and this is what Paul is praying for them. There are three prayers that he prayed in Ephesus, and also here in Colossi. The point being he wants the power of God resident in you. Paul did not just pray to go through the motions, and these things are not just written in the word of God just fill up pages you know. Oh no, this is for the body of Christ. God wants the body of Christ having the power of God resident in them, he wants it manifested out of them with mighty force, he wants the glory of God flowing forth in the church that was his purpose all along. Why has it not happened? Because the church has not done what he said. The church has not gotten the word in them, the church has not done the word and kept the word in them because the devil takes it out and they wonder why they are not seeing any fruit. The church also has not put on the whole armor of God and done what was necessary praying with all prayer to manifest the power of God with mighty force to see the glory of God be brought forth. Everybody wants to see the glory of God. I hear people say this all the time, "We a waiting for the glory of God". They have it backwards. You know what God is waiting for? God is waiting for you to get the power of God resident in you and start walking in the power of God doing the word manifesting the power of God with mighty force so that his

glory can be manifested. It is totally backwards of what everybody is praying. "Oh we are waiting for the glory cloud to come flying down here". God is waiting for the power of God to get manifest in the church and then start walking in it and doing it and releasing it putting it into operation so the glory of God will show up and as it is coming in the corporate body of Christ what is going to happen? The glory of God is going to manifest mightily in the church and in the world, the glory of God will be so powerful. Remember what it said in Acts where it talked about the word grew so mightily and prevailed. And what does it say about the early church? The glory was so great but the end-time church's glory is going to be greater than the former and it is going to be manifested mightily. This is what God wants to bring forth in our life. A couple of other scriptures before we conclude will also tell you about this. Hebrews 4:14 is an interesting scripture. Another way that you put the power of God in operation is through speaking the word)

**Heb 4:14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God,** (What does that mean? He is up there at the right hand of the Father, you are a priest and you go through the high priest to the Father meaning Jesus is doing something with what you bring through him) **let us hold fast our profession.** (The word profession is the word that means also "Confession" . It is translated that sometimes. it is "Hom-ol-og-ee-ah" which means "To speak the same thing" . Now it says to hold fast what we are speaking forth. The word "Hold fast" is "Krat-ah-yo-o" meaning "To have power" that is what it says) **let us** (Manifest power literally is what this is saying) **let us manifest power** (Because the word profession is actually in the genitive it would mean) **let us manifest the power of our confession,** (Let us see the manifestation, the power of God through our confession. Which means what? When you speak God's word what happens? That releases the manifest power of God in order to accomplish it. Jesus takes it and confesses it before the Father, confesses it before the angels they go forth to accomplish it. This is why you need to be speaking God's. The power of God is resident in the word and you actually release the manifestation of the power of God when you confess what he says. That is why we have to speak God's word, do not speak what you want, that is why we encourage you to not ever pray about your problem, you are wasting your time, pray the answer which is the word. God is going to perform the word and it is going to come to pass in our life)

So what we have talked about tonight is more about the power of God. The power of God is to be resident within you which is the "Doo-nam-is" through the word of God in you. You have a general Spirit of power that you got when you were born again but you get specific power so to speak through the word in you. The more the word is in you the more the power of God is resident in you and you must guard the word so the devil does not take it out, you must also put the power of God into operation actively operating with your faith by doing what the word says which allows the power of God to manifest out of you. Now remember how we put the power of God on, we clothe ourselves through putting on the whole armor of God the word in us and then as we pray with all manner of prayer speak forth the word or do what he says we are releasing the power of God manifest out of us with mighty force. And what happens? The glory of God

shows up and it brings forth the promise of God or the purposes of God in our life. And God accomplishes his works and does his works through us. So the reason why this is an especially important message is not only is it the word but also it is really correcting the body of Christ it has been totally off in what they are looking for, they are all waiting for this mighty outpouring of the glory of God sitting around not realizing that you need to get in the word and get the word in you and get full of the power God and then actively put it in operation in your life by doing it and praying it and bringing it releasing it into manifestation so God's glory can be manifest. God is waiting on the body of Christ to get full of the power of God and that is exactly what happened in the book of Acts. What happened to Stephen?

**Acts 6:8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.** (You could be empty, you can be a quarter full or half full or three quarters full, these guys were full of faith and power. You are only full of power in the measure that the word is in you. That is why you get yourself in the word of God, get the word abiding in you and guard the word. Why does the devil come after you when you hear the word? Remember it says affliction and persecution arises for the word's sake. Why? He knows he has to get the word out of you because that is the power of God resident in you and it will produce after its kind. It will manifest the power of God and see the glory of God show up, that is why he comes after the word. How does he get the word out? If you do not do it. If you do not do what the word says it gets taken out whether you realize it or not. You may have some knowledge of stuff head and knowledge in a sense that I know something but the word got taken out of your heart because you did not do it, they did not guard it, you did not keep it, and that is why people are wondering why God has not accomplish something because they allowed the enemy to take it out. So it is very important that you see that God wants you to be inwardly empowered and manifesting the power of God out of you with mighty force which is going to bring the glory of God into manifestation. You will destroy every work of the enemy, you will see every promise of God come to pass, you will see God manifest himself greatly in your life, you will see God just doing great things in you and through you and if he is not doing it why not? Because we have not done what the word says so we can do it. Remember we have to obey so that God can work to will and to do or work of his good pleasure. He cannot do it without us cooperating with him. God is waiting for the body of Christ to come in line with his word and that is where you and I are at at this point. It is time to be a hearer and a doer of the word of God)