

2024's Word of the Year Has a Spiritual Side

The Cambridge Dictionary awarded the word “manifest” to be the word of the year for 2024. They define manifest as “To show something clearly, through signs or actions,” “to appear or become clear,” “to use methods such as help you imagine achieving something you want, in the belief that doing so will make it more likely to happen,” or “easily noticed or obvious.”

Manifesting, according to modern society, is to place your own will and desires above anyone else's. In essence, it forces a person to have close contact with the demonic in order to gain by their own will and way what they desire most.

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In an interview with Charisma Media, Alan DiDio talked about how we may see more demonic manifestation in the coming year. However, he provides a wonderful caveat: What if the church grasped that word to see the manifestation of the Holy Spirit come to life?

Manifestation does not have to be rooted in demonic greed and selfishness. Manifestation is a principle that, like others, Satan took and twisted for his own evil purposes. Yet, true biblical manifestation does exist.

First Corinthians 12:7 reads: “But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to everyone for the common good.”

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God desires to manifest the presence of His Holy Spirit in our lives now and forever. As Bishop DiDio told Charisma, he believes this is the year that we can see the manifestation of all of God's promises that He has made to us come to pass. There's a reason that we pray for God to work "on earth as it is in heaven." This is because His promises are true and never failing.

Second Corinthians 1:20 reads: "For all the promises of God in Him are 'Yes' and in Him 'Amen' to the glory of God through us."

Everything that God intended for us, every bit of His heavenly glory that He desires to bring to earth, is a 'yes' promise in Him.

While manifesting is a term that the world knows by the evil forces that have twisted it, it does not have to be this way. When we trust the Lord with His plans, purposes and ultimate will for our lives, standing on His truth, then we are walking by faith and not by sight nor by our own strength.

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