

If We Do Not Have Power

And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all. —Acts 4:33

If we haven't the power, let us confess it and ask God to give us the power He first gave the disciples. If those who come to the Lord will be filled as they were on the day of Pentecost, we will have streams of living water rushing through us and flowing to the very ends of the earth. Jesus Christ was baptized in the Holy Ghost. But He did not have all power until He had finished His course. He could have turned away from the cross, but He went all the way, and cried out, "It is finished." His last act was going down into death.

But God Almighty raised Him up, and when He came up all power was given Him—all power! He sent His disciples out in His name and said that those who believed on Him should cast out devils, speak in new tongues, lay hands on the sick, and if they drank any deadly thing (accidentally, of course) it would not hurt them. He said to the disciples, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father" (John 14:12).

When Pentecost came they were all in the upper room, waiting. They were all saved, pure, and in one accord—no divisions, no controversy. They did not know how the "promise of the Father" was going to come, but they were waiting for it. Suddenly, the Spirit, as a cyclone, came and filled the whole building. A great tidal wave of power was turned upon them, and they were all filled with living water.

Lord, fill me with the same power as You did those
early disciples so that Your tidal wave of power
may sweep over me. Amen.