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The Power of the Gospel

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. —Romans 1:16 (NKJV)*

• We shouldn't be ashamed of the Gospel, it's the power of God unto salvation.

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, —Colossians 1:13

- This is what happens when we get born again.
- What is the power of darkness? The power of the enemy and the curse that's over the earth because of what Adam and Eve did.
- Satan's been defeated, but those who don't know the Lord are still under the influence of Satan.
- The darkness of this world is the power to blind your spiritual eyes.
- People are blind to the truth.
- But when we get born again, the power of the Gospel frees us from the power of darkness.
- We should see changes in our lives.

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. —Romans 12:2

- This world is under the power of darkness. With that, comes sickness and all the negatives in the world today.
- That's why he said to not be conformed to this world but to be transformed by renewing our minds
- If we've received the power of the Gospel, changes should be happening in our lives. There should be a hunger or a new motivation to know God within us

"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. —John 10:10

- The purpose of this Gospel is to give you life and life more abundantly.
- We should be pursuing to know God and to know what is available to us as His children.
- Religion has made God the thief, but God is not the thief.
- Since Adam and Eve, the enemy has been sowing doubt, and it's a huge weapon today against Christians.
- The power of the Gospel will take you from faith to faith not unbelief to unbelief.
- Any message that's stealing your faith is the enemy.

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. —Romans 8:11

- The power of the Gospel should touch not only your spirit and soul, but your body as well.
- The Gospel is a message that has come to set you free. Have you been introduced to the true Gospel?
- If there's been no change in your life, you may be saved, but you haven't heard the true Gospel.
- Things should be increasing in our lives continually. I'm still growing every day.

'I will deliver you from the Jewish people, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.'—Acts 26:17-18

This is what the Gospel will do:

- 1. It will open your eyes. It will open your spiritual eyes (although the blind certainly may see) to the possibilities God has for you and to His goodness.
- 2. It will turn you from darkness to light. Religion will leave you confused, but the Gospel will show you what to do. It will take you from fatalism to faith.
- **3.** It will free you from the power of Satan. The power of Satan is all is wrong in this world—the lies, deception and doubt. The Gospel will free you from that.
- **4.** It will open your eyes to live in the forgiveness of sins. When you live in the forgiveness of sins, you live guilt free.
- **5. It will help you receive your inheritance.** You have an inheritance that consists of every promise of God. It's for you—all of it! The power of the Gospel will help you receive it.

The power of the Gospel is real. If your life hasn't changed much since you were saved, there's more for you. There should be an increase of joy, peace, love, forgiveness and health in your life.