

Victory!

The victorious Christian life was never supposed to be a mystery to us. Jesus declared,

"In this world you will have tribulation. But be of good cheer, for I have overcome the world."

Victory is not the lack of tribulation, quite the contrary! Victory brings success through every trial. The victorious life is not referring to the outward. Outward senses or circumstances have very little to do with it. Victory comes to us by the Holy Spirit! The victory of Christ is now available to us by grace through faith. We can all be influenced by the Spirit of God, but it is far better to be possessed by the Spirit! We can all add God to our lives and schedules but it is far better to make God our life and our schedule! Jesus put it this way,

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and everything else will be added unto you."

That is a person possessed! This special Thanksgiving Day be found living in grace! It is time for this church to be filled! Filled with what? Filled with the Spirit! Works are good; but the Grace of God is better! And this Grace comes to us only through the Spirit, not the mind, nor the senses! Truly victory comes through total possession. Acts 2:3 tells us how the outpouring of the Spirit began -- pillars of fire from heaven resting upon each believer. And this fire filled them! They were filled because they were possessed! And out of this fire which filled them came a speaking with words that they did not know through their minds, for the words came out of the Spirit. And these words were telling of the wonderful works of God.

Now is the season for the victorious church to be revealed. What will expose it? The outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Only those sold out and totally possessed are in a position to receive what God longingly desires to release upon all mankind. When His "approval" hits you, you will say and do and be completely different. For His approval, His grace is found only as we live in Him, never relying upon works. And what began with the mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit continues and will be duplicated to this generation by those who are totally possessed by Him. Let's give God thanks today!

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