

## Partnership with the Holy Spirit.

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We can do a lot of things and have a lot of programs in church, but if we have no partnership with the Holy Spirit - all we have is an expression of our talents and abilities.

We are just showing people what we are capable of doing.

Ministry then, is just talent and ability.

It is no more about our talent and ability - with the partnership of the Holy Spirit, what we do becomes life transforming and spirit reviving.

If we are not careful, we can reduce the ministry to nothing but activity.

### **Mark 16:20**

If we don't have God speaking in us and through us while we preach, we don't have anything but talent and ability.

What is the purpose of the promised Holy Spirit?

The disciples were told to go to Jerusalem and wait for the Holy Spirit.

### **Acts 2:36-39**

2 main reasons God has promised us the Holy Spirit:

1. So that believers may bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

### **Galatians 5:22-23**

It is one fruit that is a collection of the expression and life of the Spirit becoming one.

You can't pick and choose which fruit you want and which you don't.

Light and darkness can't exist together.

When you put them together, the darkness will always be the one to go.

If we don't bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit, we won't be able to carry any character or integrity within us.

You can go to a conference and come back knowing what to do, but if you don't carry the character of Christ, everything you do will come from your flesh.

The devil has no right, authority or power to stand in the way of God - it is our flesh that stands in the way.

The Holy Spirit is the most powerful tool in defeating the

works of the flesh.

If Christ is not fully formed within you, there is no way you

can produce the fruit of the spirit.

Producing the fruit of the spirit is a process, not a one-time event.

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit (**Ephesians 4:30**).

When you carry the fruit in your life, God will look at you and see the spirit of David within you - someone with a heart after God's own heart.

His heart longed to do the Father's will

There is power in the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

God will set you apart to do things no one else has done.

2. The Holy Spirit was given to operate the gifts for ministry.

### ***1 Thessalonians 5v19***

It has to be the gift of God that accomplishes the works of God.

The Holy Spirit conditions our lives before operating His gifts in us for building His church.

The moment you think about how you can impress people, that is the end of it.

To learn new things is so easy, to study something new is so easy, but to unlearn what you have learnt is difficult.

Try to unlearn the flesh and let go of the pride.

If you can't let go of pride, then whatever you learn and pick up won't be a power house, it will be a killer house.

### ***Ephesian 4:7, 11-16***

God gives.

Stature has been given by God.

We need to become mature in the fruit and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

An immature person can't bring someone else to maturity.

All your works will be in vain if you don't partner with the Holy Spirit.

### ***Acts 1v8***

We are here to be Christ's witnesses, but instead we talk more about our programs and our ministries than Christ.

When the Holy Spirit comes upon you, it's not for goosebumps, it's because He wants to do a work in you, before He does a work through you.

### ***Acts 3v6***

The Bible doesn't ask you to pray for the sick, the Bible tells you to go out and heal the sick.

God expects something from of you.

### ***Acts 4v19-20, 31***

### ***Acts 10v44***

Only in partnership with the Holy Spirit can we accomplish the supernatural work of God.

Whatever ministry you are in, let it be supernatural.