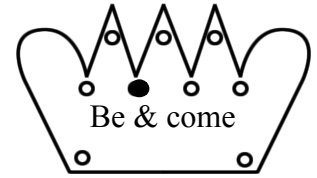


# Truly Great When Christ Comes Again

## 5.8 Full of Power



Bible Verse: Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

**Proclaim:** *When we are filled with the Holy Spirit, we have mighty strength.*

Truth: God's will is that we be Spirit-filled so as to become strong disciples with the power to be the Lord's witnesses to the uttermost parts of the earth.



**Scripture Reference: Acts 2**

Lesson: (1) **To intimately know God's presence** – *How wonderful it is that the Lord Most High should come in person to be among men, reconciling us to God. The Lord wants us to know and experience Him. Once, while in Galilee, "Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, 'If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.' "*

*This is referring to the baptism of man by God's spirit. In this way, those who believe can experience God's intimate presence with them. (John 7: 37-39)*

(2) **Great joy and strength in the Spirit** – *On the day of Pentecost, "suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they (the Lord's disciples) were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them, and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Thereafter, the Holy Spirit also filled the gentiles, enabling them to speak in tongues and praise God. They were endued with love and boldness in testifying of the Lord's resurrection, and worked mighty miracles. Many sold their lands or houses and distributed to the poor. (Acts 2:1-4, 2:43-47, 4:32-35, 10:44-46)*

(3) **Confess to God and be cleansed totally** – *The Bible reveals: everyone must repent and turn to God. To repent include confessing all our wrongs and be cleansed. We must confess our anger, bitterness, hatred, etc. Otherwise, how can the Holy Spirit fill us more fully? Other examples : gossiping, telling lies. (1 John 1:9)*

(4) **To affirm and proclaim God's words** – *When Satan tempted Adam and Eve, he subtly caused them to agree with his words. They fell into the deception and departed from God's will. God's words are our weapons against deceptions. Thus we must declare God's words and teach the next generation so that they can teach others. According to Revelation 12:11 we can overcome our enemies with the words of our faith. We are to speak only edifying words, not filthy language. (Genesis 3:3-6, Isaiah 59:21, Ephesians 4:29)*

(5) **To experience the Lord's resurrection power** – *The unconditional love of the Lord God is powerful. " God's love always protects, always trusts, always hopes and always perseveres." Only His love can touch hearts and remove hatred. Therefore, the one who has God's love is the one who is strongest. The Lord God moved mightily with His great love, raising the Lord Jesus from the dead. Today, He wants to fill us with His love, enabling us to be full of power. (Ephesians 1:19-21)*

**Conclusion:** What we always say, we will become. Hence we should not speak carelessly but as God is working in our hearts, let us speak and proclaim God's truths so that others can know God.

**Prayer/Invitation:** Pray that today's truths will be written on our hearts in Lord Jesus' name