

Open Mouth, Insert Jesus

The Promise – The Mission

- but you will receive <u>POWER</u> when the Holy Spirit has come upon you;
- and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."



Power Encounters

The Holy Spirit will give you the ability to tell what you have experienced - with miraculous results!!!!



EBOLA VIRUS

How does it spread?

When someone who is not infected comes in contact with someone who is



The Spirit is All-Sufficient

- ³ I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling, 4 and my [b] message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 so that your faith would not [c]rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.
- **1** *Corinthians 2:3-5*



Main Ingredient – Acts 4:8ff

8 Then Peter, [c]filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "[d]Rulers and elders of the people, 9 if we are [e]on trial today for a benefit done to a sick man, [f] as to how this man has been made well, 10 let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that [9] by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—[h]by [i]this name this man stands here before you in good health. 11 [1] He is the STONE WHICH WAS REJECTED by you, the builders, but which became the chief corner stone. 12 And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved!!!!!!!"



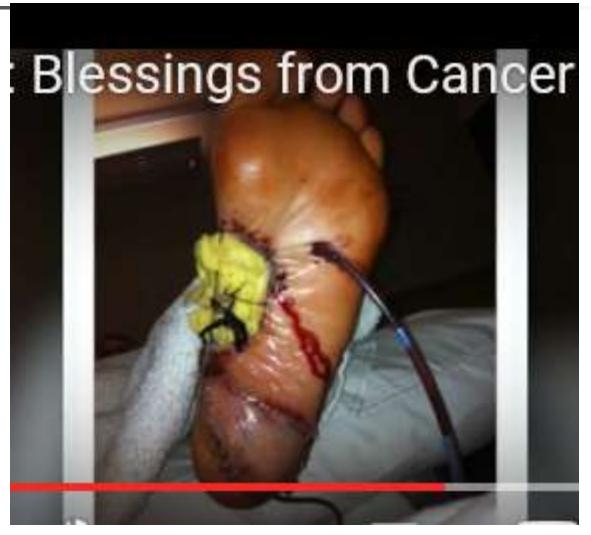
Acts 4:15-18 – Wait, WHAT?

¹⁵ But when they had ordered them to leave the Council, they began to confer with one another, ¹⁶ saying, "What shall we do with these men? For the fact that a noteworthy [m]miracle has taken place through them is apparent to all who live in Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. ¹⁷ But so that it will not spread any further among the people, let us warn them to speak no longer to any man in this name." 18 And when they had summoned them, they commanded them not to speak or teach at all [n]in the name of Jesus.

Our Only Strategy

¹⁹ But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge; 20 for we cannot stop speaking about what we have seen and heard." 21 When they had threatened them further, they let them go (finding no basis on which to punish them) on account of the people, because they were all glorifying God for what had happened; ²² for the man was more than **forty years old** on whom this omiracle of healing had been performed.

God Is Always Faithful!!



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Someone Needs to Hear from You

And He opened the book and found the place where it was written,

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,
Because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to
the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to
the captives, And recovery of sight to the blind,
To set free those who are oppressed, ¹⁹ To proclaim
the favorable year of the Lord."

²⁰ And He closed the ^[g]book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. ²¹ And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your ^[h]hearing." Luke 4

Outrageously Amazing Message!!

- deeply loved by God,
- fully accepted by God,
- completely and permanently forgiven by God,
- lavishly blessed by God,
- and eternally, perfectly embraced by God as his child; a child who brings Him unspeakable JOY