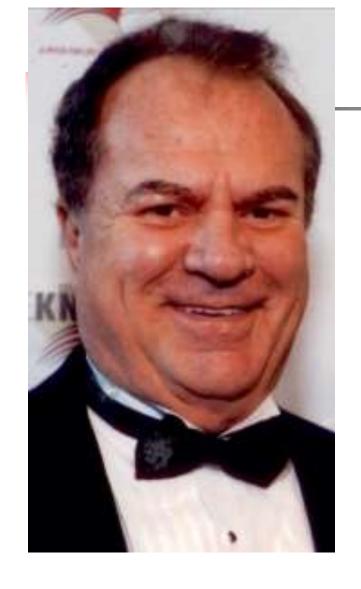


Full of Faith and the Holy Spirit



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Powered by the Spirit of God

40 They [Y]took his advice; and after calling the apostles in, they flogged them and ordered them not to [z]speak in the name of Jesus, and then released them. ⁴¹ So they went on their way from the presence of the [aa]Council, rejoicing that they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for *His* name. 42 And every day, in the temple and [ab] from house to house, they [ac]kept right on teaching and [ad] preaching Jesus as the [ae] Christ.

Acts 6:1-4 — Growing Pains

Now [a] at this time while the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint arose on the part of the **b**Hellenistic *Jews* against the *native* Hebrews, because their widows were being overlooked in the daily serving of food. 2 So the twelve summoned the [c]congregation of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable for us to neglect the word of God in order to serve tables. ³ Therefore, brethren, select from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may put in charge of this task. 4 But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the diministry of the word."

The First Church Committee

⁵ The statement found approval with the whole congregation; and they chose **Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit,** and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch. 6 And these they brought before the apostles; and after praying, they laid their hands on them.

7 The word of God kept on spreading; and the number of the disciples continued to increase greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

Qualities of Leadership

- Good reputation root is "martyr" what does it mean here?
 - We have seen and experienced the fact that these are good men
- Full of Wisdom what is wisdom?
 - Using Knowledge it the way that is best and right
- Full of the Holy Spirt How can you tell if someone is full of the Holy Spirit?

The Fruit of the Spirit

- Fruits of the Flesh (Galatians 5:19-21): immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, ¹¹ factions, ²¹ envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these
- Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23): But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control
- No mention of how well you know the Bible or how much you tithe or how often you go to church or how boldly you proclaim your faith.
- How much of Jesus do people see in you?



The Promise – The Mission – Acts 1:8

» but you will receive **POWER** when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses



Power Encounters

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

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