



Bible study: Don't Fear Your Power

“What could be the benefit of understanding Gods word”

Using prayer and Holy Spirit to understand the Bible. Catholics from work believe it's dangerous to read the word on their own, they trust the “educated” priest. You cannot be taught the Holy Spirit. Or buy it. They're scared they will misinterpret it. Most Christians do not read their Bible out of sheer laziness, or a lack of will to. Some use it as a motivational self help book or poetry. Some read their bibles the most through verses in hallmark cards. Some don't read their bibles at all because they don't believe in it to be true. Lost in translation or everybody interprets it differently.

What I'm presenting today is we use our POWER in the Holy Spirit to read the scriptures and TRUST we will understand the Lord.

As KEM says “saved by grace through faith” what does that mean?

It's a gift given when you believe fully, usually after a personal encounter.

4 Pillars of KEM

1. Maturing Disciples
2. Advancing the Kingdom
3. Remembering our Roots
4. Restoring Authority

“Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”... **“You will receive POWER when the Holy Spirit comes up on you”** Acts 1:4-5, 7

What power is Christ referring to?

“his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms,” Ephesians 1:19-20

The power to RAISE from the dead.

Again in Roman's 8:11

“The Spirit of God, **who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you.** And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you”

God freely gives us this power. By grace through faith. Again in Matthew 10:8 the word instructs us to use this power to: “Heal the sick, raise the dead, cure those with leprosy, and cast out demons. Give as freely as you have received!”

As FREELY you have received. Alright I understand it’s scary to try and use that power to raise the dead. Or heal the sick. Anybody ever prayed real hard and what they prayed for didn’t come to pass? Anybody else use at the end of your prayers “but let your will be done” not because you believe that but as a cop out? As a “if this doesn’t come to pass it’s because Yahweh didn’t want it” true but I see it was a lack of trust in the power of prayer. The lack of faith that Yahweh loves us and also listens to our prayers, that as a human with the power of the Holy Spirit we can intercede.

What I present today is this: we use our Holy Spirit power to just simply understand the word. Use our power to not be scared we are misinterpreting the scriptures. Leaning into the Spirit as we read to download what God is saying into us.

I know a lot of Christians that live in true **fear**. Fear of God, fear of change, fear of lack, fear of abundance, fear of the world ending, fear of love, fear they will lose your salvation. Let me tell you now. If you read the word through the Holy Spirit there's no way you can come out fearful.

Understanding Bible to the truest extent will not give you fear but peace. We can use the peace to live in a crazy world, remaining joyful.

- **Matthew 5:9** "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God"
- **Psalms 29:11** "The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace"
- **John 14:27** "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid"
- **Psalms 23:1-4** "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me."

- **Fruits of the Spirit:** “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.”
Galatians 5:22-23 NKJV

Spread joy and happiness to others without trying by your energy. Like Peter’s shadow, people will feel the power of the Spirit by just you walking by. You won’t need to say or do anything, but simply your presence being in the Lord will be enough.

Attract like-minded people

Although spending time with people who need the Lord in their lives is critical to the Christian experience, one can remain strong with the good support system of a righteous community. You are who you spend time with. Use the power of the Holy Spirit to discern who among you is true, and be sure to fellowship with them. As scripture says in proverbs 27:17: “iron sharpens iron”

1. Expand (Disciples making Disciples)
2. Heal the church
3. Heal the world
4. Spread the good news with evangelical power without being a street preacher.