

REAL POWER FOR REAL CHANGE
Christ, Christianity, and Controversy - Part 2
Acts 1:8a (TEV)
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“Nevertheless, I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.” John 16:7 (NKJV)

“But when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power.” Acts 1:8a (TEV)

*“Don’t destroy yourself by getting drunk, but let the Spirit fill your life.”
Ephesians 5:18 (CEV)*

The Holy Spirit and Power:

Judges 14:6; I Sam. 10:6; Isaiah 11:2; Eze. 3:14; Micah 3:8;
Matt. 12:28; Luke 1:35; Rom. 8:15; Gal. 5:5; 1 Thess. 1:5

Note to Self: I am no longer who I used to be!

How do you let the Spirit fill your life? (The Anointing)

1. DESIRE to be filled. (To Change)

*“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.”
Matthew 7:7 (NIV)*

2. REPENT of your sins.

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9 (NIV)

3. TRUST God to do what He says.

“This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of Him.” 1 John 5:14-15 (NIV)

*“Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;
In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.” Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)*

How do I know if I’m anointed?

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control...” Galatians 5:22-23 (NIV)

“Don’t you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and who was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourselves but to God; He bought you for a price. So use your bodies for God’s glory.” 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (TEV)