

MANIFESTATION OF GOD IN THE SANCTUARY

I. Ps 63:1-2

1. O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;

2. To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

A. This passage reveals the **spiritual hunger** & the **price** King David paid

In order to experience the **Manifest presence of God:**

1. **The Hunger:**

a. “my soul **thirsteth** for thee””my flesh **longeth** for thee”

2. David wanted more of God:

a. David said he was thirsty for the presence of God

b. David said he longed for the presence of God, and compared it to being naturally thirsty due to living in a dry land

B. Next David describes the **only thing that could satisfy** his longing & spiritual thirst

1. As well as revealing to us **how** he expected this longing & thirst to be satisfied

a. vs 2 “To see Thy **POWER and Thy GLORY**

(1) **POWER**: David longed & thirsted for the manifestation of God’s Power / anointing

(2) **GLORY**: David longed & thirsted for the Glory / k’bowd / the manifest presence of God / the weightiness of The Lord

2. Note **where** David expected to experience the Power & Glory:

a. “so as I have seen thee in the **SANCTUARY**

(1) When David went to Church / temple he expected a divine encounter with the Holy Spirit / power of God / presence / glory of God

C. There is only one thing that sets the Born Again believer apart from all Other religious people, religions & the unsaved

There is only one thing that sets our local churches apart from all other Religious temples, & churches, etc.

1. It is not the denomination, of fellowship the church may be a part of

2. it is not the building or the decorations:

a. rather it is the MANIFEST PRESENCE OF GOD

(1) Ex 33:14-16

14 And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.

15 And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.

16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.

(2) 16 For by what shall it be known that I and Your people have found favor in Your sight? Is it not in Your going with us so that we are distinguished, I and Your people, from all the other people upon the face of the earth? AMP

(a) The thing that separates us & distinguishes us from all other people of the world

(b) The thing that separates & distinguishes Spirit filled Christian Churches from all other churches / temples / moscs in the world is:

(1) The Power & The Glory of God

(2) The Manifest presence of God's power / anointing / Gifts Of The Holy Spirit / and glory / **k'bowd** weightiness of God's presence

D. Ps 63:2 “To see thy **power and thy glory**, so I have seen thee in the Sanctuary:

1. The power and glory of God is to manifest in the sanctuary:
 - a. **Sanctuary**: is you / the **Born Again Temple of God** (1 Cor 6:19)
 - (1) the world should see the power & glory of God resting upon our Individual life
 - b. The **Sanctuary** is also the **corporate gathering of the Local Church**
 - (1) The believer & unbeliever, the saint & the visitor should see and experience the supernatural when they come to our churches
 - (2) They should come and experience the power & the glory of God
 - (a) That would water their thirsty soul
 - (b) that should satisfy their longing heart
 - © their experience in our services should be different / it should be beyond attending a dead church & alive with the presence, power & glory of God
 - (d) God has not ordained that we have nice church services / rather they should be supernatural

II. The first thing that should happen is: everyone in the service should **experience the presence of God in the Praise and worship**

- A. Because we are to bring and release God’s power and glory in our corporate P&W
 1. Ps 22:3 But thou art holy, O thou that **inhabitest the praises** of Israel.
 - a. God still inhabits praise today, as much as He did in the Old Testament
 - b. If we would choose from going past being a spectator & become a Praiser & Worship with all of our heart:
 - (1) the presence of God will come / manifest / become tangible

2. Heb 13:15 Therefore by Him let us continually **offer the sacrifice of praise to God**, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.

a. As we Praise & Worship God with the fruit of our lips, just like in the Old Testament, the fire of God falls and consumes the sacrifice

(1) Only this time the fire is the power / glory / manifest presence of The Holy Spirit

(2) and we are the sacrifices that get consumed

(a) Heb 12:29 For our God is a consuming fire.

3. Critics might mock biblical praise & worship / a religious spirit might cause a person's pride to try to keep them non-responsive

a. but when The power falls / when the glory & presence of God manifests

(1) the hardest heart becomes broken

(2) the stiffest neck breaks & both saved & unsaved people bow their head & heart

(3) The religious spirit is dethroned from the hearts of people & they begin to weep in the presence of The Lord

B. It is not enough that the **Praise & worship Team** sang & played with perfection

1. What matters is: was the praise team anointed

a. Did they draw the congregation from the Gates of Thanksgiving, on to the Courts of Praise and into the Holy of Holies

b. did they usher in the manifest presence of God: His power & glory

2. Both the Praise team & the congregation **need not be concerned** about

a. what the **visitor thinks**

b. what will the **unsaved think**

(1) God does not have one form of praise & worship for the saints and another for the unsaved

(2) God does not have one form of praise & worship for church members and another for the visitors

(3) God is looking for heart felt praise & worship, a spiritual sacrifice
That He can consume with the FIRE OF THE HOLY GHOST

(4) Examples of biblical praise:

(a) Ps 150:4 Praise him with the **timbrel** and **dance**:

(b) Ps 47:1 O **clap your hands**, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

© Ps 47:5 **God is gone up with a shout**, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

6 **Sing praises** to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

(d) **King David** did not care what people thought of him, when it came to praising God:

(1) 2 Sam 6:14 And David danced before the Lord with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod.

15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

16 And as the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

(a) I does not matter what your position is in life / the church / on the job / in society

(1) We are to do as King David when it comes to praising God

(2) David took off his kingly garments & danced & shouted in The priestly garments / linen ephod, he wore under his kingly robe

(3) In Rom 5:17 & Rev 5:10 it tells us that Jesus has made the Born Again Believer a King to reign in life, who is to lay aside their Kingly robe & sing, dance, shout before the Lord in Praise & Worship wearing their linen ephod / priestly garment

(2) Even King David had to deal with critics:

(a) 2 Sam 6:20 Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal

(1) **Michal represented the old move of God** under Saul

(2) The move that never longed for / never thirsted for the power & the glory / never hungered for the manifest presence of God

(3) 1 Chron 13:3 And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for **we inquired not at it in the days of Saul.**

(a) King Saul led God's people without the ark / manifest Presence of God in their midst

(b) The priest & the congregation learned how to have temple Without the ark / manifest presence of God in their midst

© The first thing David did as King was to make a decision that he was not going to do what God had called him to do Without the ark / manifest presence of God in his midst

(b) 2 Sam 6:20 Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself!

(1) in other words Micahl said: David you made a fool of yourself in front of everyone in church today, shouting & dancing like that

© vs 21 And David said unto Michal, It was before the Lord, which chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the Lord, over Israel: therefore will I play before the Lord.

22 And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight: and of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them shall I be had in honour.

- (1) The visitor nor your spouse saved you, healed you, delivered you, called you, anointed you, blessed you:
- (d) 23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul **had no child** unto the day of her death.
 - (1) If we do not Praise & worship God & usher in His presence
 - (a) our life remains barren / never birthing our dreams & destiny
 - (e) Don't be concerned with visitors, who's here, what will they think
 - (1) Rather: get concerned about DOING YOUR PART TO usher in The manifest presence of God
 - (2) Be concerned about: **IS GOD IN THE HOUSE**

III. Ps 63:2 To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

A. Another way we each should be ushering in the power & glory of God

In our sanctuary is thru the **manifestation of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

1. **You are anointed of God & can flow in the Gifts of The Holy Spirit**

a. 1 John 2:27 But the **anointing** which you have received from Him abides in you

b. 1 John 2:20 But you have an **anointing** from the Holy One, and you know all things.

2. 1 Cor 12:7 But the **manifestation of the Spirit** is given to each one for the profit of all:

a. **“manifestation of the Spirit”** is speaking about every believer functioning in the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

(1) The manifestation of the power / anointing is to take place

(a) thru the Five Fold Ministry Gifts of Eph 4:11 in the pulpit & during ministry at the altar

(b) and through the Believer / Body of Christ in the sanctuary & in everyday life: home, work-place, etc.

B. Reason why Gifts do not manifest:

1. **Spiritual Ignorance**, having a traditional view instead of a biblical view of being used in the Gifts of The Spirit: not understanding that The Holy Spirit has anointed you & imparted spiritual Gifts into Your life

a. 1 Cor 12:1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be **ignorant**:

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:

8 for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit,

9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit,

10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

2. **Lack of spiritual hunger & desire to be used in the Gifts**

a. 1 Cor 12:31 31 But **covet** (desire) earnestly the **best gifts**:

(1) “**best gifts**: is the gift that would effectively minister to the need

(a) 1 Cor 12:31 But earnestly desire and zealously cultivate the greatest and best gifts and graces (the higher gifts and the choicest graces).

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(1) It is our personal responsibility to desire & cultivate the Gifts Of The Holy Spirit in our life, so we may be used of The Lord

3. Some classic books to read in regards to the Gifts of the Spirit:
 - a. Lester Sumrall: The Gifts and Ministries of The Holy Spirit
4. Another Hindrance:
 - a. **Reading from a bible that is not a translation**, but rather a interpretation and puts the manifestation of the power of God, Gifts of The Spirit, and other manifestation of the Holy Spirit in **PAST TENSE ONLY** .
 - (1) Because they put in a denominational view that is anti-manifestation Of the Holy Spirit today
5. Some pastors go as far as having a **special night for services** where The Gifts can manifest / but such things are **quenched in Sunday** morning service in fear of:
 - a. offending visitors / or carnal minded believers who attend on Sunday
 - (1) forbidding praying & worship In the Spirit / tongues
 - (2) Hoping brother or sister so and so does not go off in tongues & Interpretation
 - (3) and sure enough don't want anyone flowing in a prophetic anointing
 - b. This actually produces **two different types of believers** within the same Local church:
 - (1) causing one of the groups to be conservative and lean toward being anti manifestation of the Spirit in their services and life...while the other group hungers for more of God in the services
 - (2) this causes the church to turn to programs, instead of the Life of The Holy Spirit touching the congregation
 - (3) Sad to say: a lot of this is done in the name of **MONEY**:
 - (a) They believe they can build a larger financial base, by practicing this modern philosophy of a special night where the minority of the congregation who wants the things of the Spirit will come
 - (b) but the majority if the church will get in on an abbreviated & controlled service....but get their offering

IV. One of the greatest hindrances to the manifestation of the Spirit is:
Failure to have a **BIBLICAL UNDERSTANDING OF ONE OF THE
FOUNDATIONAL MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

A. John 16:8 And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

9 of sin, because they do not believe in Me;

10 of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more;

11 of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

1. Leadership has done everything possible to make everyone comfortable

In church from:

a. compromised preaching

b. to quenching the Holy Spirit

(1) Resulting in stopping the Holy Spirit from fulfilling His ministry in
The heart of people

B. We have worked hard on making sure people:

1. feel loved, welcomed, comfortable

a. many have quenched the Spirit so no one is offended

2. But have we worked on allowing the Holy Spirit to bring: **CONVICTION**
INTO THE HEARTS OF EVERYONE ATTENDING OUR SERVICES

a. I did not say put a guilt trip on them

b. I did not say preach or prophesy condemnation

c. But: I did say: **CONVICTION**

(1) **Def Convict**: admonish, reprove, convince

3. The Holy Spirit's ministry is to bring **conviction in three realms**:

a. **sin**

b. **righteousness**

c. **judgment**

4. When we do not allow the Manifestation of The Holy Spirit in our Services

- a. **SIN**: People will become comfortable in church and not be convicted of living in a
- b. **Righteousness**: People will pick up a religious spirit instead of walking in biblical righteousness
- c. **Judgment**: People will not be convicted about living in defeat, when Jesus has already provided the victory & Satan has already been defeated

C. **Conviction & Tongues and Prophecy:**

1. 1 Cor 14:39 Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and **do not forbid to speak with tongues.**
 - a. I can take you into “so called Spirit Filled churches” that forbid:
 - (1) speaking in tongues & singing in the Spirit on Sunday morning, so the guests & non- Spirit filled church members are not offended
 - (2) The next verse does not say forbid tongues: rather it says:
1 Cor 14:40 **Let all things be done decently and in order.**
2. We need not be concerned about our visitors and the Manifestation of The Holy Spirit: including speaking in **TONGUES**:
 - a. 1 Cor 14:22 Therefore **tongues are for a sign,** not to those who believe but to **unbelievers;**
 - (1) I refuse to have two different congregations in our midst: one pro Manifestation of The Spirit, the other anti- or non interested in the Manifestation of the Spirit
 - (2) It is not church leaderships job to worry about if the visitor is offended because of tongues, the job of leadership is to train the people how to move in the Gifts decently & in order
 - (3) and understand that **TONGUES IS A SIGN FOR THE**

UNBELIEVER

- (a) **it is a sign that there is something supernatural going on here**
3. We need not be concerned about our visitors and the manifestation of The Holy Spirit: including **PROPHECY**
- a. 1 Cor 14:24 But if all **prophecy, and an unbeliever or an uninformed** person comes in,
- (1) speaking of the unsaved & non- Spirit filled believer
- b. vs 24 he is **convinced** by all, he is **convicted** by all.
- (1) Yes we understand that prophecy with edify, comfort & exhort The Christian (1 Cor 14:3)
- (2) But at the same time Prophecy will convince & convict:
- (a) the unbeliever / lost
- (b) the uninformed: the Christian who lacks teaching in regards to the things of The Spirit or / and is not Spirit Filled
- (3) the day the church forbids tongues & prophecy from manifesting
- (a) The day the church selects guests ministries speaking in the church based upon: they will not prophesy, or move in the Gifts....so our visitors who do not understand are not offended
- (b) is the day we tell The Holy Spirit we can do ministry without your help
- c. vs 25 **LOOK AT THE CONVICTING POWER OF PROPHECY:**
And thus the **secrets of his heart are revealed;** and so, falling down on his face, he will worship God and report that God is truly among you.
- (1) It does not matter if it is : church Sunday or Wednesday
Men's meeting, Women's Conference, Leadership Training,
Camp meeting, Revival services, or counseling in the Pastor's office
- (a) we must be open to & allow the Holy Spirit's manifestation through His presence & Gifts freely flowing in our midst

4. 2 Chron 20:20 Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be **established**;
believe his prophets, so shall ye **prosper**.

a. It is the devil that tries to get us to think that the prophetic is offensive to the unsaved & uninformed:

b. Biblically balanced, submitted to authority, trained prophetic ministry establishes & prospers people

(1) **Def Establish**: to build up. support, to render firm

(2) **Def Prosper**: to push forward

(a) I believe that today, more than any other day: people need to be established & pushed forward.....and that requires the help of the supernatural, power, glory...which includes the prophetic

5. Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.

8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord God hath spoken, who can but prophesy?

a. A lack of the manifestation of Prophetic Ministry....especially that of the Five Fold Ministry Office of the Prophet (Eph 4:11)

b. hinders what God is desiring to release & do in our midst

c. vs 8 teaches us that when God speaks from His throne....it releases a prophetic anointing & manifestation upon the earth

D. Keys of spiritual preparation for the Five Ministry Gifts and the Spirit Filled Believer in our congregations:

1. 2 Tim 1:6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

a. It is our personal responsibility to stir up the Gift of the Holy Spirit in our life, in our church services, and even in the market place

(1) **Def STIR**: to rekindle, to revive, to flourish

2. How do you stir up the Gifts of The Holy Spirit:

- a. Read scripture that deals with the manifestation of the Gifts of the Spirit
- b. Read teaching books
- c. Get on your face before God, seek...pray over the Gifts of the Spirit manifesting in your life

V. Holy Spirit's presence and manifestation through the **Preaching of The Word & Witnessing**

A. How did we ever come to the place where we can Preach The Word & witness.....and no one comes under conviction?

1. 2 Tim 3:16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for **reproof**, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, NKJV

a. **Def REPROOF:** conviction

(1) 2 Tim 3:16 every Writing [is] God-breathed, and profitable for teaching, for **conviction**, for setting aright, for instruction that [is] in righteousness, (Youngs Trans)

(2) 2 Tim 3:16 Every Scripture is God-breathed (given by His inspiration) and profitable for instruction, for reproof and **conviction of sin**, for correction of error and discipline in obedience, [and] for training in righteousness (in holy living, in conformity to God's will in thought, purpose, action), Amp Trans

(a) It may come as a surprise to you....but the scriptures are not just for teaching us how to get blessed.....(though that truth is in scripture)

(b) When we can read, study, preach, teach the scripture and never come under conviction.....

(1) we are then handling the Word of God without the presence of God

(2) we are handling the Word of God without the ministry of the Holy

Spirit's anointing and revelation knowledge

2. God has called us to Preach, teach, witness the Word of God with
CONVICTION:

- a. **Conviction:** in believing what the Word of God states is truth
- b. **Conviction:** that pricks our heart when we are not living according to the truths and principles of the Word of God

B. How did we come to the place where we can Preach The Word and Witness without seeing a manifestation of the Gifts of the Spirit during our message or at the altar

1. 1 Thess 1:5 For our gospel **came not unto you in word only**, but also in **power**, and in the **Holy Ghost**, and in much assurance;

- a. 1 Thess 1:5 For our [preaching of the] glad tidings (the Gospel) came to you **not only in word**, but also in [its own inherent] **power** and **in the Holy Spirit** and with **great conviction** and **absolute certainty** [on our part]. AMP

(1) **Def POWER:** dunamis: dynamite....miraculous power

2. If we do not preach the Word of God with love (Eph 4:15), and with **boldness**, and certainty / **authority**.....there will be no manifestation Of power or conviction:

a. Mark 1:21 And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught.

22 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had **authority**, and not as the scribes.

3. The reason Jesus was able to preach the Word with authority is found in:

a. John 8:28 I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

b. John 8:38 I speak that which I have seen with my Father:

(1) Jesus preached & taught by **REVELATION**

(a) Jesus did not get His messages:

(1) on line via the internet

(2) from the monthly magazine of His favorite preacher

(3) or latest book He read

(a) these things have their place....

(2) We need to get our **message from the THRONE of God**

(a) allow the **Holy Spirit to put a word in our mouth**

(b) get a **revelation directly from the Spirit of God**

© then...then...then... the other resources come into play of helping

You develop your message

(a) **If we are not preaching by REVELATION:**

(b) we are only sharing **information**, which will **not carry an anointing of spiritual authority**

4. **REVELATION** was one of the powerful keys to Paul's ministry:

a. Eph 3:3 how that by **revelation** He made known to me the mystery..”

5. Paul encouraged every believer to pray for the spirit of revelation to

Come into their life:

a. Eph 1:17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and **revelation** in the knowledge of Him,

(1) **not just head knowledge....revelation knowledge**

18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power

(1) **revelation brings insight to:**

(a) knowing the hope of our calling

(b) riches of our inheritance

© greatness of God's power toward us

C. When we Preach The Word of God and witness: **four things** are to occur:

1. A **REVELATION** from God goes forth

a. spiritual darkness flees / & the believer now lives & walks in light

(1) Eph 1:17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the **spirit (Spirit – reference to the Holy Spirit) of wisdom and revelation** in the knowledge of Him,

(A) Note the results of the “**spirit of wisdom and revelation** in Verses 18-20

18 the **eyes of your understanding being enlightened**; that you may **know what is the hope of His calling**, what are the **riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints**,

19 and what is the **exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe**, according to the working of His mighty power

2. **Faith** comes into the heart of the hearer

a. Rom 10:17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the **word** of God. NKJV

(1) **Def Word**: rhema ... a God breathe word.....revelation

(a) faith does not come by preaching / teaching head knowledge...or Passing on information.....

(b) faith comes from hearing what God is speaking through the voice of The Holy Spirit and by preaching, teaching, prophesying revelation

b. Deut 8:3 that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every **word** that **proceeds from the mouth of the LORD**.

© Matt 4:4 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every **word** that **proceeds from the mouth of God**.'"

(d) Isa 55:11 So shall **my word** be that **goeth forth out of my mouth**: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

- (1) These verses are not speaking of a “WORD” that comes forth through book knowledge / head knowledge
- (2) rather faith comes.....God’s purposes are accomplished when a God breathed word / a **RHEMA** word goes forth from the mouth Of God
 - (a) through: preaching & teaching revelation & the Holy Spirit speaking to you through the Prophetic & personal study of scripture

3. Truth of God’s word **sets the captive free**

- a. John 8:32 And you shall **know the truth**, and the **truth** shall make you free."

4. **IMPARTATION** comes into the life of the hearer of The Word

- a. a **spiritual transfer** occurs in the heart of the hearer of the Word

- (1) 2 Tim 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same **commit** thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. KJV

- (2) 2 Tim 2:2 And the [instructions] which you have heard from me along with many witnesses, transmit and entrust [as a **deposit**] to reliable and faithful men who will be competent and qualified to teach others also. AMP

- b. **IMPARTATION** also comes when flowing in the anointing

- (1) Rom 1:11 For I long to see you, that I may **impart** to you some spiritual gift, so that you may be established — NKJV

VI. **Which brings** us to the Altar Call and the manifest presence of God:

A. **Learn to get the entire congregation involved in the altar call:**

- 1. have the congregation stand to their feet and invite them to enter into:
 - a. praise or worship (based upon what you message was)
 - b. intercession
- 2. take a mid week service and teach your people how to be participators

during altar calls and not spectators by helping to usher in the presence of the Holy Spirit thru:

- a. praise, worship, intercession
3. The person who is ministering at the altar must understand that you cannot simply ignore the balance of the congregation who has not responded to the altar call
- a. They are then simply waiting for you to finish & become bored with the service
 - b. and this releases a battle of spiritual warfare that will hinder the flow of the presence of God / manifestation of the Holy Spirit
4. Another key in helping the congregation getting involved in the Altar call, and avoiding the altar call from being dragged out:
- a. **AVOID THE SUPER STAR MENTALITY**
 - (1) You operate in this type of mindset, by the minister being the only one ministering at the altar
 - (a) we understand that when we have guest ministries in the church, that we make an exception...but it should not be the norm in our regular services
 - (2) Of course we cannot allow everyone & anyone to minister at the Altar (for a variety of reasons)
 - (3) Instead: **train altar workers** to minister with you at the altar

B. Prepare for your altar call, just like you have prepared for preaching
And teaching the Word of God:

1. Have **music** / songs pre-selected for your altar call
2. meet with your praise team / sound man: and inform them of the “cue” that you will give them so they may get into position at the close of Your message
 - a. this helps keep a “flow” in your service

C. Be precise with the invitation portion of your altar call:

1. or in other words: give the altar based upon what you preached:
do not give a generic invitation to the altar call....minister on:
 - a. what you preached / taught
 - b. or prophetic word that was spoken

**D. Expect the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to manifest during the ministry
Time of your Altar Call”**

1. 2 Tim 1:6 Therefore I remind you to **stir up the gift of God** which is in
you
 - a. Go into your services: “**PRAYED UP**”
 - b. **Be sensitive** to the voice & leading of the Holy Spirit
 - c. **Lay hands** on the people