

John Newlin Ministries, Inc.

- realizing the power of a life in Christ-

Don't Live the Life of a Powerless Christian!

You all know I frequently talk about the fullness of who Jesus is and all we are in him. Why do I do that? Because there are so many Christians I encounter who don't know much if any of that. There are many people who sincerely believe in Jesus Christ, who absolutely would declare he is the son of God and savior of the world. They go to church on Sundays, fellowship with others there, and help in projects at church such as feeding the homeless or raising money for some worthy effort. And in all this they have no victory in life, no evidence that their faith counts for anything. They just don't have the power Jesus spoke about before he left earth and do not really know Jesus in the sense he intended. Very likely they have not been born again. Very likely they do not know the Holy Spirit and have missed a third of the Trinity.

You might describe such people as powerless Christians – I think that is an accurate term. They go through life not knowing there is so much more to the Christian faith, not knowing they can have a personal relationship with Jesus, not knowing that they can be really and clearly guided by the Spirit of God and have his help in discerning truth from falsehood, deciding which way to go, even understanding what is to come.

Events happen, and they attribute them to fate, or luck, or sometimes to being caused by the devil or being a gift from God. But they don't really know. They more or less meander through life.

When illness happens, they go to the doctor, seek help through surgery or prescription drugs or whatever. When other bad things in life happen, they to the best of their abilities press on, persevere. Often that's what others in their church groups do for them - they pray for them to persevere, to endure.

The concept of victory over such bad things just doesn't exist. The idea that Jesus overcame sickness and disease and pain and by his stripes we are healed is either not known or just another feel good slogan from the Bible, along with the one about God providing all our needs and such. The thought that they might be more than a conqueror in Christ Jesus never enters their minds. Or that God has available for them the same power he used to raise Jesus from the dead. Or that there is real, demonstrable power in prayer, that God truly answers prayer not just in a vague hope way but really, actually. Living a victorious life in Christ is just another slogan to these powerless Christians, if that is the word to describe them.

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And, stepping back, if the devil ever sees a need to attack this type of person – financially or physically or emotionally or in relationships with others or whatever – there is no chance this person will recognize where the attack is coming from and absolutely no chance he has any idea how to confront such an attack and win, as the Bible and Jesus have shown us.

That is where we are today with a huge number of people who call themselves Christians. They are not ready to meet what is coming on the world, all the events that surround and lead up to the return of Jesus. They look at the world through a veil – they just don't see because they really can't see. They are lost yet they think they are saved and set for eternity.

For all of you who truly know Jesus and have accepted him as your Lord, this must be a heavy burden. You must see this if you truly look at where much of the Christian community is. Even many leaders. It is your responsibility as a believer to go forward in all Christ calls you to, and that includes the assignments he gives out in the gospels. Telling people the fullness of Jesus is much more than just telling them he is the son of God and that he took our sins so we could be forgiven and have eternal life. Pray for them to receive the Lord as their savior and Lord, pray for them to be baptized with the Holy Spirit, talk to them about God's love and what they can do in Christ, how they can protect themselves against attacks from the evil side, how they can be healed, and so much more.

Tell them he is coming soon! If you are not sure of some of these things yourselves, pray for more wisdom and discernment. Read and study what God told us in his word. Download our list "Who we are in Jesus" from the web site or request a copy from us. Request our CD "The Believer's Authority" over the web site or by calling or writing. Or get our many other CDs that focus on Jesus and all he did and does, and on his return. Watch our videos on these subjects on our web site.

STAYING A BRANCH - AND NOT BEING TOSSED IN THE FIRE!

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." – John 15:5 (NIV)

Nothing happens without God, without Jesus. No healing, no raising of the dead, no prophesy, no revelation. Everything must align with the will of God, with the name of Jesus. We must pray and act and minister in that way, in line with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Otherwise we can do nothing.

May you live in the blessings of God always.

John

PS - As always, our unending thanks to those of you who support this ministry with your gifts, prayers, and efforts. Because of you we are able to go on in all God has called us to.

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