

The Grace-Given Power to Change (Part 7)

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Scripture References:

- James 3:17
- Proverb 3:6
- Acts 9:6
- Acts 19:11, 12
- Luke 24:49
- Acts 1:4, 5
- Matthew 3:16, 17
- Matthew 4:1
- Philippians 4:11
- 1 Timothy 6:6

Summary:

Everyone has something about themselves they dislike and would like to change, yet most people try to transform themselves through their own efforts. Genuine and permanent transformation only happens with God's help. It's a process that begins when we stop resisting Him and begin yielding to the Holy Spirit. Following the Spirit's lead is critical to any positive change; we must let Him get ahead of us to point out the way to go in life.

Notes:

1. The Holy Spirit is the most misunderstood person in the Bible; however, we desperately need a relationship with Him.
2. Trusting the Holy Spirit enough to let Him lead us gives us success in whatever we do. Letting the Spirit get in front of us dramatically impacts our lives.
3. Jesus told His disciples to wait on the Holy Spirit to go before them, and to yield to Him.
4. Not even Jesus could do any miracles until He received the Holy Spirit. When He began His ministry, He first allowed the Holy Spirit to go ahead of Him to lead Him into the wilderness.
5. We can't possibly know how to live without the Spirit's presence in our lives.

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