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"Is. 64:4 "All our righteousnesses are as filthy rags..." But we will SHINE when we do ALL things for Christ alone!

Jesus said in Acts 2, 4,5 "And being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but WAIT for the promise of the Father, which, saith He, ye have heard of Me. For John truly baptized with water: but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence."

You need power to witness for Jesus: Jesus said, "But ye shall receive Power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." You must have the same experience as the disciples did in the upper room along with Mary, Jesus' mother. Read Acts 2. There may not be tongues of fire and wind but the experience will be the same, great joy! Than from reading on further in Acts 2:38 you will know that you need to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Hopefully, you will have obeyed and been baptized already by immersion in Jesus' Name. **Baptism** means to be submerged, be fully wet, engulf. Sprinkling is **not** baptism. It is vital to **obey** the Word of God!

After you receive the Holy Ghost you can now have a close, personal relationship with Jesus Christ! You may have thought you knew Him before! NOW, you can REALLY know Him!
You must know His Word to witness effectively. We are to know, study and meditate on His Word. II Timothy 2:15 "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth." Ps. 119:148 "Mine eyes prevent the night watches that I might meditate on His Word." The Christian that does not know, study, meditate, and apply the Word of God to their life is a Powerless Christian!
Also, we must be ever joyful and thankful in ALL things in our life, whether bad or good. You can't do this without the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Not always be thankful. We don't know if something is bad for us or not. We can't see the end from the beginning. Phil. 4:4 REJOICE in the Lord always: and again I say, REJOICE!"

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Without always keeping before you the Old Rugged Cross and being thankful for what He has done for us, you will lose your joy. Also, Neh. 8:10 "The joy of the Lord is your strength!" A joyless Christian is a Powerless Christian!
Eph. 5:20 "Giving thanks for ALL things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."
I Thess. 5:18 In "EVERY THING give thanks: for this is the Will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."
Heb. 13:15 "By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God **continually**, that is the fruit of our lips giving **thanks** to His Name."
Most importantly people want to hear what Jesus has done and is doing for you! Your testimony is vital and that will get people interested in Jesus and listening to **how** they can be saved and have this great joy you have! Don't focus on how great your church is. Focus on how grateful you are for what Jesus has done for you and is still doing for you, and how forgiveness is for everyone no matter what they have done! Song, Yes, I know, yes, I know... Jesus' blood can make the vilest sinner clean!

That means you and me, too! We were the vilest sinner before we got saved! If you, yourself don't have great joy, How can you get anyone else interested in what Jesus has for them! He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life! Jn 14:6 If you don't have great joy, seek God's face with all your heart until you have it! Remember what Jesus did for us! Visit the foot of the Cross, fervently! Get **EXCITED!** This is **eternity** we are talking about! Forever and ever!
It is vital to use Scriptures liberally to try and reach the lost! Search the Scriptures to see what God has to say about those things you want to convey. Get a Strong's Concordance and you can find the Scriptures easily. When you are out witnessing it is important to have tracts already printed out to present to the people. Something they can take and read in their own homes, letting the Scriptures speak to them as they read them. Verbally quoting Scriptures can be confusing to them or turn them off, like you are shoving it down their throat. Remember we are supposed to be meek and gentle impartly the Truth in love. Please use the King James Version Bible, not NKJ or any other Bible. The KJV is the only pure, unaltered Word of God.

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All my confusion Jesus understood
All I had to offer Him was brokenness and strife
But He made something beautiful of my life!*

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