

Church Matters: Concerning Power

Declaration of Power

1 Corinthians 2

¹ And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of [the very] God.

Excellency – [NT:5247](#) ὑπεροχή **huperoche** (hoop-er-okh-ay'); from [NT:5242](#); prominence, i.e. (figuratively) superiority (in rank or character):

KJV - authority, excellency.

...from – [NT:5242](#) ὑπερέχω **huperecho** (hoop-er-ekh'-o); from [NT:5228](#) and [NT:2192](#); to hold oneself above, i.e. (figuratively) to excel; participle (as adjective, or neuter as noun) superior, superiority: **KJV** - better, excellency, higher, pass, supreme.

Proverbs 17 How we speak is revealing...

⁷ Excellent speech becometh not a fool [wicked]: much less do lying lips a prince.

[OT:3499](#) יתֵר **yether** (yeh'-ther); from [OT:3498](#); properly, an overhanging, i.e. (by implication) an excess, superiority, remainder; also a small rope (as hanging free):

KJV - + abundant, cord, exceeding, excellency (-ent), what they leave, that hath left, plentifully, remnant, residue, rest, string, with.

Romans 16

¹⁷ Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.

¹⁸ For **they that are such serve not** our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by **good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple**.

2 Corinthians 3

¹² Seeing then that we have such hope, we use **great plainness of speech**:

Plainness of speech – [NT:3954](#) παρρησία **parrhesia** (par-rhay-see'-ah); from [NT:3956](#) and a derivative of [NT:4483](#); all out-spokenness, i.e. frankness, bluntness, publicity; by implication, assurance:

KJV - bold (X -ly, -ness, -ness of speech), confidence, ^x freely, ^x openly, ^x plainly (-ness).

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1 Corinthians 2

¹ And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of [the very] God.

2 Corinthians 10

¹⁰ For his letters, say they, are weighty and powerful; but his **bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible**.

Weak – [NT:772](#) ἀσθενής **asthenes** (as-then-ace'); from [NT:1](#) (as a negative particle) and the base of [NT:4599](#); strengthless (in various applications, literal, figurative and moral):

KJV - more feeble, impotent, sick, without strength, weak (-er, -ness, thing).

Contemptible – [NT:1848](#) ἐξουθενέω **exoutheneo** (ex-oo-then-eh'-o); a variation of [NT:1847](#) and meaning the same:

KJV - contemptible, despise, least esteemed, set at nought.

Declaring – [NT:2605](#) καταγγέλλω **kataggello** (kat-ang-gel'-lo); from [NT:2596](#) and the base of [NT:32](#); to proclaim, promulgate:

KJV - declare, preach, shew, speak of, teach.

Job 13 ...Job

¹⁷ **Hear diligently** [intelligently] my **speech**, and my **declaration** with your ears.

Job 21

² **Hear diligently my speech**, and let this be your consolations [comforts].

Job 33

¹ Wherefore, Job, I pray thee, **hear my speeches**, and **hearken [listen] to all my words**.

Psalms 19 ...The heavens and earth

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

² Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

³ **There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.**

2 Corinthians 11

⁶ But though I be **rude in speech**, yet not in knowledge; but we have been thoroughly made manifest [render apparent] among you in all things.

Rude – [NT:2399](#) ἰδιώτης **idiotes** (id-ee-o'-tace); from [NT:2398](#); a private person, i.e. (by implication) an ignoramus (compare "idiot"):

KJV - ignorant, rude, unlearned.

Knowledge – [NT:1108](#) γνῶσις **gnosis** (gno'-sis); from [NT:1097](#); knowing (the act), i.e. (by implication) knowledge: **KJV** - knowledge, science.

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1 Corinthians 2

¹ And I, brethren, when I came to you, came **not** with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of [the very] God.

Colossians 4

⁶ Let your **speech** be always **with grace, seasoned with salt**, that ye may **know how ye ought** to answer every man.

Testimony – [NT:3466](#) μυστήριον **musterion** (moos-tay'-ree-on); from a derivative of muo (to shut the mouth); a secret or "mystery" (through the idea of silence imposed by initiation into religious rites): **KJV** - mystery.

Psalm 19

⁷ The law [Torah] of the LORD [YahWeh – Yehovah – self existent] is perfect, **converting the soul**: the testimony of the LORD is **sure, making wise the simple**.

Converting – [OT:7725](#) שׁוּב **shuwb** (shoob); a primitive root; to turn back (hence, away) transitively or intransitively, literally or figuratively (not necessarily with the idea of return to the starting point); generally to retreat; often adverbial, again:

KJV - ([break, build, circumcise, dig, do anything, do evil, feed, lay down, lie down, lodge, make, rejoice, send, take, weep]) ^x again, (cause to) answer (+again), ^x in any case (wise), ^x at all, averse, bring (again, back, home again), call [to mind], carry again (back), cease, ^x certainly, come again (back), ^x consider, + continually, convert, deliver (again), + deny, draw back, fetch home again, ^x fro, get [oneself] (back) again, ^x give (again), go again (back, home), [go] out, hinder, let, [see] more, ^x needs, be past, ^x pay, pervert, pull in again, put (again, up again), recall, recompense, recover, refresh, relieve, render (again), requite, rescue, restore, retrieve, (cause to, make to) return, reverse, reward, + say nay, send back, set again, slide back, still, ^x surely...

Simple – [OT:6612](#) פְּתִי **pethiy** (peth-ee'); or **pethiy** (peh'-thee); or **petha'iy** (peth-aw-ee'); from [OT:6601](#); silly (i.e. seducible):

KJV - foolish, simple (-icity, one).

John 3

³¹ He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.

³² And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and **no man receiveth his testimony**.

³³ He that hath **received his testimony** hath set to his seal that **God is true**.

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Determination of Power

1 Corinthians 2

² For I determined not to know any thing among you, save [except] **Jesus Christ**, and **him crucified**.

Determined – [NT:2919](#) κρίνω **krino** (kree'-no); properly, to distinguish, i.e. decide (mentally or judicially); by implication, to try, condemn, punish: **KJV** - avenge, conclude, condemn, damn, decree, determine, esteem, judge, go to (sue at the) law, ordain, call in question, sentence to, think.

Galatians 6

¹⁴ But **God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross** of our Lord **Jesus Christ**, by whom **the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world**.

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Trepidation in Power

1 Corinthians 2

³ And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

Weakness – [NT:769](#) ἀσθένεια **astheneia** (as-then'-i-ah); from [NT:772](#); feebleness (of mind or body); by implication, malady; morally, frailty: **KJV** - disease, infirmity, sickness, weakness.

Fear – [NT:5401](#) φόβος **phobos** (fob'-os); from a primary phobomai (to be put in fear); alarm or fright: **KJV** - be afraid, + exceedingly, fear, terror.

Trembling – [NT:5156](#) τρόμος **tromos** (trom'-os); from [NT:5141](#); a "trembling", i.e. quaking with fear: **KJV** - + tremble (-ing).

2 Timothy 1

⁷ For **God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.**

Romans 8

¹⁵ For ye have **not received the spirit of bondage again to fear**; but ye have received the **Spirit of adoption**, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

Psalm 118 ...we boldly and openly say (Heb 13:6)

⁶ The LORD is on my side; **I will not fear: what can man do unto me?**

Philippians 2

¹² Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, **work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.**

Ephesians 6 ...toward masters

⁵ Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, **with fear and trembling**, in singleness of your heart, **as unto Christ**;

Ezra 9

⁴ Then were assembled unto me every one that **trembled at the words of the God** of Israel, because of the transgression of those that had been carried away; and I sat astonished until the evening sacrifice.

Psalm 2

¹¹ **Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.**

Psalm 55 ...pray in trouble

⁴ My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.

⁵ **Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath overwhelmed me.**

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Trepidation of Power (*cont*)

1 Corinthians 2 (*cont*)

³ And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

Psalm 119

¹²⁰ **My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid** of thy judgments.

Chasten me not in thine hot displeasure...

Acts 24 so do the lost fear yet a wrathful God

²⁴ And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ.

²⁵ And as **he reasoned** of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, **Felix trembled**, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

Devils believe in God and quake in fear of the wrathful God...

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Demonstration of Power

1 Corinthians 2

⁴ And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of *man's* wisdom, but in **demonstration of the Spirit and of power**:

Preaching – [NT:2782](#) κήρυγμα **kerugma** (kay'-roog-mah); from [NT:2784](#); a proclamation (especially of the gospel; by implication, the gospel itself): **KJV** - preaching.

...from – [NT:2784](#) κηρύσσω **kerusso** (kay-roos'-so); of uncertain affinity; to herald (as a public crier), especially divine truth (the gospel): **KJV** - preacher (-er), proclaim, publish.

Enticing – [NT:3981](#) πειθός **peithos** (pi-thos'); from [NT:3982](#); persuasive: **KJV** - enticing.

Demonstration – [NT:585](#) ἀπόδειξις **apodeixis** (ap-od'-ike-sis); from [NT:584](#); manifestation: **KJV** - demonstration.

...from – [NT:584](#) ἀποδείκνυμι **apodeiknumi** (ap-od-ike'-noo-mee); from [NT:575](#) and [NT:1166](#); to show off, i.e. exhibit, on display; figuratively, to demonstrate, i.e. accredit: **KJV** - (ap-) prove, set forth, shew.

Romans 10

²⁰ But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made **manifest** unto them that asked not after me.

Spirit – [NT:4151](#) πνεῦμα **pneuma** (pnyoo'-mah); from [NT:4154](#); a current of air, i.e. breath (blast) or a breeze; by analogy or figuratively, a spirit, i.e. (human) the rational soul, (by implication) vital principle, mental disposition, etc., or (superhuman) an angel, demon, or (divine) God, Christ's spirit, the Holy Spirit:

KJV - ghost, life, spirit (-ual, -ually), mind. Compare [NT:5590](#).

Power – [NT:1411](#) δύναμις **dunamis** (doo'-nam-is); from [NT:1410](#); force (literally or figuratively); specially, miraculous power (usually by implication, a miracle itself):

KJV - ability, abundance, meaning, might (-ily, -y, -y deed), (worker of) miracle (-s), power, strength, violence, mighty (wonderful) work.

...from – [NT:1410](#) δύναμαι **dunamai** (doo'-nam-ahee); of uncertain affinity; to be able or possible:

KJV - be able, can (do, + -not), could, may, might, be possible, be of power.

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Demonstration of Power (*cont*)

1 Corinthians 2 (*cont*)

⁴ And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of *man's* wisdom, but in **demonstration of the Spirit and of power**:

Romans 16

²⁵ Now to **Him** [...to *God only wise*] **that is of power to stablish you** according to my gospel, and the **preaching of Jesus Christ**, according to the **revelation of the mystery**, which was **kept secret since the world began**,

²⁶ But now is **made manifest**, and **by the scriptures** of the prophets, **according to the commandment** of the everlasting God, **made known to all** nations for the **obedience of faith**:

1 Corinthians 12

⁷ But the **manifestation of the Spirit** is given to every man [*the saints*] to profit withal.

2 Corinthians 5

¹¹ Knowing therefore the **terror** [fear] **of the Lord**, **we persuade men**; but we are made **manifest** [rendered apparent] **unto** [Very] **God**; and I trust also are made **manifest in your consciences**.

Consciences – [NT:4893](#) συνείδησις **suneidesis** (soon-i'-day-sis); from a prolonged form of [NT:4894](#); coperception, i.e. moral consciousness: **KJV** - conscience.

Its clear to God who we are...

...I trust its clear to you who we are!

Colossians 1

²⁵ Whereof I am **made a minister**, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;

²⁶ Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made **manifest to his saints**:

²⁷ To whom **God would make known** what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you**, the **hope of glory**:

Colossians 4

³ Withal praying also for us, **that God would open unto us a door of utterance**, to speak the **mystery of Christ**, for which I am also in bonds:

⁴ That I may **make it manifest**, as I ought to speak.

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Demonstration of Power (*cont*)

1 Corinthians 2 (*cont*)

⁴ And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of *man's* wisdom, but in **demonstration of the Spirit and of power**:

Titus 1

¹ Paul, a **servant of God**, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of **God's elect**, and the **acknowledging of the truth** which is after godliness;

² **In hope** of eternal life, which **God**, that cannot lie, **promised before the world began**;

³ But hath in **due times manifested His Word through preaching**, which is **committed unto me** according to the commandment of God our Saviour;

⁴ To Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.

1 Corinthians 2

⁵ That your **faith should not stand** in the **wisdom of men**, but in the **power of God**.

Faith – [NT:4102](#) πίστις **pistis** (pis'-tis); from [NT:3982](#); persuasion, i.e. credence; moral conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher), especially reliance upon Christ for salvation; abstractly, constancy in such profession; by extension, the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself:

KJV - assurance, belief, believe, faith, fidelity.

Stand – [NT:1510](#) εἰμί **eimi** (i-mee'); the first person singular present indicative; a prolonged form of a primary and defective verb; **I exist** (used only when emphatic): **KJV** - am, have been, ^x it is I, was.

2 Timothy 3 ...not in world's wisdom

⁵ Having a **form of godliness**, but **denying the power** thereof: from such **turn away**.

2 Samuel 22

³³ **God is my strength and power**: and he maketh my way **perfect**.

Psalm 62 ...we understand

¹¹ **God** hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that **power belongeth unto God**.

Matthew 22 ...it's in the scriptures

²⁹ Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, **not knowing the scriptures, NOR the power of God**.

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Demonstration of Power (*cont*)

1 Corinthians 2 (*cont*)

⁵ That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the **power of God**.

Romans 1

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the **gospel of Christ**: for **it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth**; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

Power known by those who know God!

Romans 13

¹ Let every soul be subject unto the higher **powers**. For **there is no power but of God**: the **powers that be are ordained of God**.

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Predestination of Power

1 Corinthians 2

⁶Howbeit we **spe**ak wisdom among them that are **perfect**: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the **princes of this world**, that come to nought:

Proverbs 23

⁹ **Speak not in the ears of a fool**: for he will despise the **wisdom** of thy words.

Perfect – [NT:5046](#) τέλειος **teleios** (tel'-i-os); from [NT:5056](#); **complete** (in various applications of labor, growth, mental and moral character, etc.); neuter (as noun, with [NT:3588](#)) completeness:

KJV - of full age, man, perfect.

...from – [NT:5056](#) τέλος **telos** (tel'-os); from a primary tello (to set out for a **definite point or goal**); properly, the point aimed at as a limit, i.e. (by implication) the **conclusion** of an act or state (termination [literally, figuratively or indefinitely], result [immediate, ultimate or prophetic], purpose); specifically, an impost or levy (as paid):

KJV - + continual, custom, end (-ing), finally, uttermost

Psalm 37

³⁰ The mouth of the **righteous speaketh wisdom**, and his tongue **talketh of judgment**.

Psalm 49

³ **My mouth shall speak of wisdom**; and the **meditation of my heart shall be of understanding**.

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Predestination of Power (*cont*)

1 Corinthians 2

⁷ But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which **God ordained before the world** unto **our glory**:

Mystery – [NT:3466](#) μυστήριον **musterion** (moos-tay'-ree-on); from a derivative of muo (to shut the mouth); a secret or "mystery" (through the idea of silence imposed by initiation into religious rites): **KJV** - mystery.

Hidden – [NT:613](#) ἀποκρύπτω **apokrupto** (ap-ok-roop'-to); from [NT:575](#) and [NT:2928](#); to conceal away (i.e. fully); figuratively, to keep secret: **KJV** - hide.

Ordained – [NT:4309](#) προορίζω **proorizo** (pro-or-id'-zo); from [NT:4253](#) and [NT:3724](#); to limit in advance, i.e. (figuratively) predetermine: **KJV** - determine before, ordain, predestinate.

Acts 13

⁴⁸ And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and **as many as were ordained** to eternal life **believed**.

Acts 2

⁴⁷ Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And **the Lord added** to the church daily **such as should be saved**.

Ephesians 2

¹⁰ For **we are his workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus **unto good works**, which God hath **before ordained** that **we should walk in them** [*good works*].

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Glorification of Power

1 Corinthians 2

⁸ Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the **Lord of glory**.

Princes – [NT:758](#) ἄρχων **archon** (ar'-khone); present participle of [NT:757](#); a first (in rank or power): **KJV** - chief (ruler), magistrate, prince, ruler.

World – [NT:165](#) αἰών **aion** (ahee-ohn'); from the same as [NT:104](#); properly, an age; by extension, perpetuity (also past); by implication, the world; specially (Jewish) a Messianic period (present or future):

KJV - age, course, eternal, (for) ever (-more), [n-] ever, (beginning of the while the) world (began, without end). Compare [NT:5550](#).

Crucified – [NT:4717](#) σταυρώ **stauroo** (stow-ro'-o); from [NT:4716](#); to impale on the cross; figuratively, to extinguish (subdue) passion or selfishness: **KJV** - crucify.

Glory – [NT:1391](#) δόξα **doxa** (dox'-ah); from the base of [NT:1380](#); glory (as very apparent), in a wide application (literal or figurative, objective or subjective): **KJV** - dignity, glory (-ious), honour, praise, worship.

Psalm 149

⁵ **Let the saints be joyful in glory:** let them sing aloud upon their beds.

1 Corinthians 6

¹⁹ What? know ye not that **your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost** which is in you, which ye have of God, and **ye are not your own?**

²⁰ For ye are **bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body,** and **in your spirit, which are God's.**

Revelation of Power

1 Corinthians 2

⁹ But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which **God hath prepared** for them that love him.

Written – [NT:1125](#) γράφω **grapho** (graf'-o); a primary verb; to "grave", especially to write; figuratively, to describe: **KJV** - describe, write (-ing),

Isaiah 64

⁴ For **since the beginning of the world** men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O **God, beside thee**, what he **hath prepared** for him that waiteth for him.

Waiteth – [OT:2442](#) יָחַךְ **chakah** (khaw-kaw'); a primitive root [apparently akin to [OT:2707](#) through the idea of piercing]; properly, to adhere to; hence, to await: **KJV** - long, tarry, wait. [Crucified pierced with Christ]

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Revelation of Power (*cont*)

1 Corinthians 2

¹⁰ But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

Revealed – [NT:601](#) ἀποκαλύπτω **apokalupto** (ap-ok-al-ooop'-to); from [NT:575](#) and [NT:2572](#); to take off the cover, i.e. disclose: **KJV** - reveal.

Searcheth – [NT:2045](#) ἐρευνάω **ereunao** (er-yoo-nah'-o) or eraunao (er-ouwnah'-o); apparently from [NT:2046](#) (through the idea of inquiry); to seek, i.e. (figuratively) to investigate: **KJV** - search.

Deep things – [NT:899](#) βάθος **bathos** (bath'-os); from the same as [NT:901](#); profundity, i.e. (by implication) extent; (figuratively) mystery: **KJV** - deep (-ness, things), depth.

¹¹ For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is **in him**? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

Knoweth – [NT:1492](#) εἶδω **eido** (i'-do); a primary verb; used only in certain past tenses, the others being borrowed from the equivalent [NT:3700](#) and [NT:3708](#); properly, to see (literally or figuratively); by implication (in the perf. only) to know:

KJV - be aware, behold, ^x can (+not tell), consider, (have) know (-ledge), look (on), perceive, see, be sure, tell, understand, wish, wot. Compare [NT:3700](#).

Spirit – [NT:4151](#) πνεῦμα **pneuma** (pnyoo'-mah); from [NT:4154](#); a current of air, i.e. breath (blast) or a breeze; by analogy or figuratively, a spirit, i.e. (human) the rational soul, (by implication) vital principle, mental disposition, etc., or (superhuman) an angel, demon, or (divine) God, Christ's spirit, the Holy Spirit:

KJV - ghost, life, spirit (-ual, -ually), mind. Compare [NT:5590](#).

Ecclesiastes 3

²⁰ All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.

²¹ **Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward** to the earth?

²² Wherefore I perceive that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?

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Salvation of Power

1 Corinthians 2

¹² Now we have received, not the **spirit of the world**, but the **Spirit which is of God**; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

John 4

²⁴ **God is a Spirit**: and they that **worship him** must worship him **in spirit and in truth**.

Romans 8

¹⁴ For as many as are **led by the Spirit of God**, they are the sons of **God**.

Romans 8

⁹ But **ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit**, if so be that the **Spirit of God** dwell in you. Now if any man have not the **Spirit of Christ**, he is none of his.

1 Thessalonians 4

⁸ He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but **God**, who hath also **given unto us his holy Spirit**.

Ephesians 1

¹⁶ Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;

¹⁷ That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the **spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him**:

2 Thessalonians 2

¹³ But we are bound to **give thanks alway to God** for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because **God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation** through **sanctification of the Spirit** and **belief of the truth**:

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Instruction of Power

1 Corinthians 2

¹³ Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the **Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.**

Teacheth – [NT:1318](#) διδάκτος **didaktos** (did-ak-tos'); from [NT:1321](#);
(subjectively) instructed, or (objectively) communicated by teaching:
KJV - taught, which ... teacheth.

Comparing – [NT:4793](#) συγκρίνω **sugkrino** (soong-kree'-no); from [NT:4862](#) and [NT:2919](#); to judge of one thing in connection with another, i.e. combine (spiritual ideas with appropriate expressions) or collate (one person with another by way of contrast or resemblance):
KJV - compare among (with).

Spiritual things – [NT:4152](#) πνευματικός **pneumatikos** (pnyoo-mat-ik-os'); from [NT:4151](#); non-carnal, i.e. (humanly) ethereal (as opposed to gross), or (daemoniacally) a spirit (concretely), or (divinely) supernatural, regenerate, religious: **KJV** - spiritual. Compare [NT:5591](#).

1 Corinthians 2

¹⁴ But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Natural – [NT:5591](#) ψυχικός **psuchikos** (psoo-khee-kos'); from [NT:5590](#);
sensitive, i.e. animate (in distinction on the one hand from [NT:4152](#), which is the higher or renovated nature; and on the other from [NT:5446](#), which is the lower or bestial nature): **KJV** - natural, sensual.

Receiveth – [NT:1209](#) δέχομαι **dechomai** (dekh'-om-ahee); middle voice of a primary verb; to receive (in various applications, literally or figuratively):
KJV - accept, receive, take. Compare [NT:2983](#).

Foolishness – [NT:3472](#) μωρία **morìa** (mo-ree'-ah); from [NT:3474](#); silliness, i.e. absurdity: **KJV** - foolishness.

...from – [NT:3474](#) μωρός **moros** (mo-ros'); probably from the base of [NT:3466](#); dull or stupid (as if shut up), i.e. heedless, (morally) blockhead, (apparently) absurd: **KJV** - fool (-ish, ^x-ishness).

Spiritually – [NT:4153](#) πνευματικῶς **pneumatikos** (pnyoo-mat-ik-ocē'); adverb from [NT:4152](#); non-physically, i.e. divinely, figuratively:
KJV - spiritually.

Discerned – [NT:350](#) ἀνακρίνω **anakrino** (an-ak-ree'-no); from [NT:303](#) and [NT:2919](#); properly, to scrutinize, i.e. (by implication) investigate, interrogate, determine:

KJV - ask, question, discern, examine, judge, search.

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Instruction of Power

1 Corinthians 2

¹⁵ But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

Spiritual – [NT:4152](#) πνευματικός **pneumatikos** (pnyoo-mat-ik-os'); from [NT:4151](#); non-carnal, i.e. (humanly) ethereal (as opposed to gross), or (daemoniacally) a spirit (concretely), or (divinely) supernatural, regenerate, religious: **KJV** - spiritual. Compare [NT:5591](#).

Judgeth – [NT:350](#) ἀνακρίνω **anakrino** (an-ak-ree'-no); from [NT:303](#) and [NT:2919](#); properly, to scrutinize, i.e. (by implication) investigate, interrogate, determine:

KJV - ask, question, discern, examine, judge, search.

Judged – [NT:350](#) ἀνακρίνω **anakrino** (an-ak-ree'-no); from [NT:303](#) and [NT:2919](#); properly, to scrutinize, i.e. (by implication) investigate, interrogate, determine:

KJV - ask, question, discern, examine, judge, search.

1 Corinthians 2

¹⁶ For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but **we have the mind of Christ**.

Mind – [NT:3563](#) νοῦς **nous** (nooce); probably from the base of [NT:1097](#); the intellect, i.e. mind (divine or human; in thought, feeling, or will); by implication meaning: **KJV** - mind, understanding. Compare [NT:5590](#).

Instruct – [NT:4822](#) συμβιβάζω **sumbibazo** (soom-bib-ad'-zo); from [NT:4862](#) and bibazo (to force; causative [by reduplication] of the base of [NT:939](#)); to drive together, i.e. unite (in association or affection), (mentally) to infer, show, teach: **KJV** - compact, assuredly gather, intrust, knit together, prove.

Have – [NT:2192](#) ἔχω **echo** (ekh'-o); including an alternate form **scheo** (skheh'-o); used in certain tenses only); a primary verb; to hold (used in very various applications, literally or figuratively, direct or remote; such as possessions; ability, continuity, relation, or condition):

KJV - be (able, ^x hold, possessed with), accompany, ⁺ begin to amend, can (⁺-not), ^x conceive, count, diseased, do ⁺ eat, ⁺ enjoy, ⁺ fear, following, have, hold, keep, ⁺ lack, ⁺ go to law, lie, ⁺ must needs, ⁺ of necessity, ⁺ need, next, ⁺ recover, ⁺ reign, ⁺ rest, ⁺ return, ^x sick, take for, ⁺ tremble, ⁺ uncircumcised, use.

Mind – [NT:3563](#) νοῦς **nous** (nooce); probably from the base of [NT:1097](#); the intellect, i.e. mind (divine or human; in thought, feeling, or will); by implication meaning: **KJV** - mind, understanding. Compare [NT:5590](#).

John 14

²⁶ But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

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2 Timothy 1

⁷ For **God** hath not given us the *spirit* of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

1 Corinthians 1

¹⁰ Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be **perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.**

1 John 4

¹ Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

² Hereby **know ye the Spirit of God**: Every spirit that confesseth that **Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God**:

³ And every spirit that **confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God**: and **this is that spirit of antichrist**, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now **already is it in the world.**

Ephesians 6

¹⁰ Finally, my brethren [church], **be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.**

...and so we should!

Knowing the power we have in us

To declare His testimony

Having the determination to preach the Gospel

Not in fear of what man can do to us

We demonstrate the fear of God

And the power of God over this world as he ordained from the beginning

That we glorify the Lord of Glory

Having Revelation

We are to preach the salvation of God

As we are Instructed by His Spirit so we bring instruction in the power of God

Building up the family of God of which we are to be an integral part.

It matters...it is a church matter...