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Scripture Study

The Law Of Miracles

The invisible nature of the spirit world does not mean it is not real. It does however control who understands it and has access to it. We can reach into the world of the spirit, touch truth, power and the supply found there and transfer the unseen into the seen world. The things we can see are temporary, what we do not see is eternal. The Bible doesn't say that the worlds were made from nothing, it says the worlds were made from something that we cannot see. The worlds were not made from an earthy substance. It came as God spoke words filled with faith. Faith is the substance and the evidence of things not yet seen. The worlds were made from the substance of God's faith. Knowing this makes it easy to believe that the creation [temporal things] will still respond to God's faith filled words spoken by His sons and daughters. When the natural world stands in the way of God's purpose and plans He will do what is necessary to bring it back into order. The things we see are temporal [subject to change] the Word of God is eternal [not subject to change] Jesus said "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (KJV)

✠ The Amplified Bible reads like this. "NOW FAITH is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses]."

2 Corinthians 4:18

While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: *for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. (KJV)

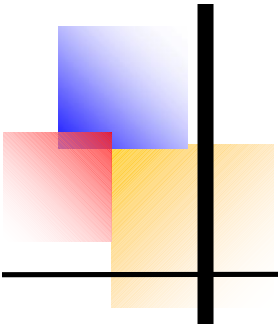
*for the things that are visible are temporal (brief and fleeting), but the things that are invisible are deathless and everlasting. (AMP)

Eternal 166 aionios (ahee-o'-nee-os); perpetual (also used of past time, or past and future as well):

Temporal 4340 proskairos (pros'-kahee-ros); for the occasion only, i.e. temporary:

Temporal - relating to, or limited by time. Of or relating to the material world; worldly. Lasting only for a time; not eternal; passing.

Perpetual - Lasting for eternity. Continuing or lasting for an indefinitely long time. Instituted to be in effect or have tenure for an unlimited duration. Continuing without interruption. Flowering throughout the growing season.



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Hebrews 11:3

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, *so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. (KJV)

*so that what we see was not made out of things which are visible. (AMP)

Mark 9:23

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. (KJV)

Mark 16:17-18

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

19 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen. (KJV)

✠ Jesus said the signs would follow the believer. When they preached the Word, the Lord confirmed the Word with signs following. God will not confirm man's tradition with signs following.

John 14:10-12

10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. (KJV)

Acts 5:12

And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. (KJV)

✠ We don't have to look far to see the mighty works done at the hands of the early church. All believers have been commissioned by Jesus to continue where He left off. The early church did a much better job of ministering in the power of God than the Church today.



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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. (KJV)

✠ The gospel of Christ is the power of God unto soteria [healing, safety, rescue]. Being born again is only one part of salvation. Soteria is deliverance from physical, moral and spiritual destruction. To be saved is to be set free [saved, delivered, redeemed] spirit, soul and body. Soteria covers every area of life not just your spirit man.

Salvation 4991 soteria (so-tay-ree'-ah); rescue or safety (physically or morally): deliver, health, salvation, save, saving.

1 Corinthians 4:20

For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power. (KJV)

1 Thessalonians 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; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake. (KJV)

Luke 4:32

And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with power. (KJV)

Luke 4:36

And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out. (KJV)

✠ In the church today there are endless theological discussions and debates over the Word of God. We need to ask, where is the power, the anointing that breaks yokes and the gifts of the Spirit? I long to see the prophets of God come forth, believes casting out devils, speaking in tongues, healing the sick, preaching the Word in authority and in demonstration of the power of God. Unfortunately as we look at churches today most of what we see is programs, social gatherings and the traditions of man. The power of God comes as we abide in Him and He abides in us. If there is no demonstration of power then you are not yet fully abiding. It's not that your any less a child of God, you are just not allowing the miracle working power of God to flow through you. It is time for a real move of God's power. Power that sets the captive free.



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Acts 2:22

Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: (KJV)

✠ Jesus was approved of God by miracles and wonders and signs. Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. The devil could find no place in Jesus. Jesus himself said "for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me." Jesus returned from the wilderness in the power of the Spirit. When we learn how to abide in the vine, and stand and pass the test then God will approve us by the works of Jesus. Jesus said it is the Father in me that does the works and it will be the Father in us that does the works. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead lives in us. Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Luke 4:13-14

13 And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season.

14 And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about. (KJV)

Mark 7:13

Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye. (KJV)

2 Timothy 3:5

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. (KJV)

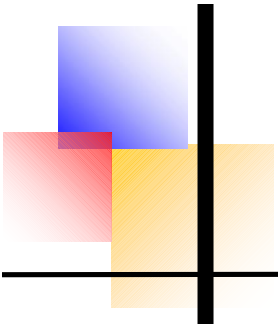
✠ We have replaced power with a form of godliness and our traditions have made the Word of God ineffective. Lets get honest and real with God and ourselves. I have set through countless empty, dry, fleshly designed church services. I long to see a real move of God's power.

1 Corinthians 3:13-15

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire. (KJV)



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‡ Unless the Lord builds the house, they that build labor in vain. There will be a lot of surprised pastors and church workers on the day of judgment. They will be saved but their work will be lost. Much of what goes on in the name of God today is nothing more than a lot of well meaning people going through the motions of Christianity. They are not led by the Spirit and what they preach is so watered down it's not even the milk of the Word. God used power, signs and wonders to spread the gospel in the early church. If we don't see these things in our lives today, it might be a good idea to get on our face before God and find out why.

The Law Of Dominion

Genesis 1:26-28

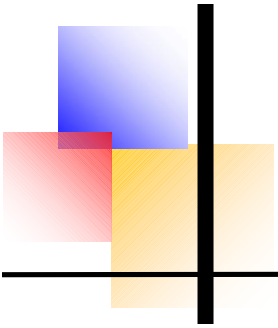
26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. (KJV)

‡ God's plan in the beginning was for man to rule [have dominion] over the earth and everything on the earth. God gave man final authority, man was the god of this world. God gave man the dominion and Man gave up his dominion to the devil. Man proved he couldn't handle complete dominion so God Himself had to come in the form of a man to reclaim what man had lost. The second man Adam [Jesus] came to redeem man back to his rightful place with God. It was God's will in the beginning for man to have dominion and it is God's will now. We can see Jesus exercise dominion in His earthly ministry. He calmed the sea, opened blind eyes, cast out devils and raised the dead. He commissioned the believer to do the works that He did. We are to walk in divine authority directed, ordained and led of God. It's the Father in us that does the works. The Hebrew word "radah" translated "dominion" means to rule over to tread down, prevail against and reign over. The Hebrew word "kabash" translated is to tread down, disregard, to conquer. With the radah God gave man the authority to govern all and with the kabash God gave man the authority to trample under foot anything that rebels or resists.

Dominion 7287 radah (raw-daw'); a primitive root; to tread down, i.e. subjugate; specifically, to crumble off: KJV-- (come to, make to) have dominion, prevail against, reign, (bear, make to) rule,- r, over), take.



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Subdue 3533 kabash (kaw-bash'); a primitive root; to tread down; hence, negatively, to disregard; positively, to conquer, subjugate, violate: KJV-- bring into bondage, force, keep under, subdue, bring into subjection.

Genesis 2:15

And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. (KJV)

Keep 8104 shamar (shaw-mar'); a primitive root; properly, to hedge about (as with thorns), i.e. guard; generally, to protect, attend to, etc.:

Dress 5647 `abad (aw-bad'); a primitive root; to work (in any sense); by implication, to serve, till, (causatively) enslave, etc.

✠ God created the garden and everything in it, He then commissioned man with dominion [radah] and told him to subdue [kabash], to keep [shamar] and dress [abad] the garden. In order to have dominion you must first be authorized, then be given something to rule over. To shamar requires responsibility and abad requires stewardship. Stewardship and responsibility come with any commission from God. Adam didn't use the dominion God gave him to shamar the garden. He let the thief come in and rob him of his dominion. When man lost his dominion he lost it all. God sent angels to drive man out of the garden. The believers dominion [authority] takes a different form than that of Adam's. Although the same rules and principles apply. Jesus has commissioned the believer to go in the power of His name and do the works He did. We are working in God's vineyard the fields are ripe for the harvest. With commission comes responsibility, with responsibility comes stewardship and faithfulness is required in a steward.

Luke 10:17-20

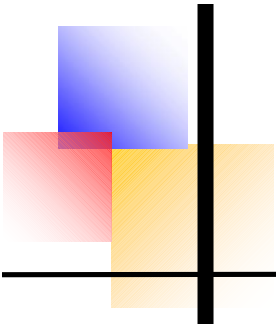
17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven. (KJV)

✠ Jesus said I saw satan fall from heaven and I have given you dominion to tread on him. Don't think this is a big deal. Being in the kingdom of God however is a big deal. To a believer casting out the devil should be just as normal as eating and breathing.



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John 1:12-13

12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. (KJV)

✠ We have been given power to become the sons of God. This is really too awesome to comprehend and the devil tries not to think about it. Remind the devil of who you are, shout it in his face. Nail your flesh to the cross of Jesus, walk in the Spirit, put on the whole armor of God and take the gospel which is the power of God unto soteria, set the captive free and when you find the devil cast him out! There is a price to pay to walk in this place with God. We must deny ourselves and pick up our cross and follow Him daily. Learn to be led by the Spirit, learn to let the Father that is in you do the works.

Ephesians 1:17-23

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:

18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all. (KJV)

✠ In order for the power to be restored to the church we must have a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of our understanding must be enlightened; that we may know what is the hope of his calling, and what is the riches of the glory of his inheritance in us. The head doesn't have one kind of authority and the body another. The head gives the commands to the body. It is the job of the body to do what the head says. Jesus said to go in His name. This commission gives us access to as much power and authority as is needed to get the job done. Most Christians do what Adam did. They are irresponsible and bad stewards. They replace the dominion Jesus gave them in His name with programs and a lot of fleshly works.



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Joel 1:10-15

10 The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: the new wine is dried up, the oil languisheth.

11 Be ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen; howl, O ye vinedressers, for the wheat and for the barley; because the harvest of the field is perished.

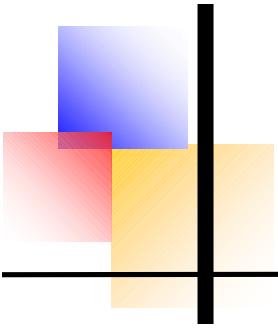
12 The vine is dried up, and the fig tree languisheth; the pomegranate tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree, even all the trees of the field, are withered: because joy is withered away from the sons of men.

13 Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God.

14 Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your God, and cry unto the LORD,

15 Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come. (KJV)

✠ Joel was seeing today. He said the harvest is rotting in the field. The new wine [anointing] is dried up. The oil has become weak and feeble and has lost it's strength and vigor, it remains unattended and neglected. Be ashamed you workers, gird yourselves, and be grieved and mourn. Come lie all night in sackcloth [repent] howl and weep you ministers of the altar. Sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and the inhabitants of the land into the house of the Lord and cry unto the Lord for the day of the Lord is at hand.



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Study Questions

1. How many things are possible to the believer?
2. How did God show His approval of Jesus?
3. What are the signs that follow the believer?
4. Comment on 1 Corinthians 3:13-15.
5. Expound on Ephesians 1:17-23.
6. Share any insight you received concerning the law of miracles.
7. Share any insight you received concerning the law of dominion.
8. What did God reveal to you as you studied?

Extra Blessing

(Study To Show Yourself Approved Unto God 2 Timothy 2:15)

1 Corinthians Chapter 15