

The Tsunami Blessing, Inside and Out, Part 70

If you desire to realize the currents of the breakthrough anointing the mind of Christ reproduces, then recognize "...beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost," Jude 20. The last nine include word of wisdom, word of knowledge, discerning of spirits, gift of faith, working of miracles, healings, prophecy, tongues, and the interpretation of tongues. The spiritual gifts Holy Spirit endorse to give you the advantage is the one that is most significant at that time. These usher you and your world into divine order, balance, wholeness, fullness, overflow, and excess because they validates the greater works of God.

This is what you can expect when you are a habitation of God through Holy Spirit where Jesus Christ remains resident in your heart by faith. Just think about it—100% of God in 100% of you? His abounding grace has a readiness to supply all that God is and all that God has: everything you need; the desires of your heart; and even the abundantly above all that you can imagine.

You have undeniably access by faith to receive God's wisdom, love, and power. With Holy Spirit as your subject matter expert on all occasions, you can host the mind of Christ all the time. He is as close as the air you breathe. Holy Spirit comes alongside of you to magnify the Lord so you can activate the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God. Now do not wander away where you cannot discern His whispers. Never be so distracted where you even disregard His shouts. His presence and power are well able to keep you from falling. Now transfer your trust so every trial of your faith turns in your favor to see the triumph of your faith.

At least twenty-seven traits display the divine nature of the Godhead. They are ever-present for you to discover. Throughout the Scriptures, you see each one exhibited in Abba Father, Jesus Christ, and Holy Spirit because all three operate as one. Each one is empowered to operate independently of the other. When employed collectively, they are interdependent. That is how you are filled with the fullness of God. The mind of Christ can flow through you fluently and fervently. That is the Tsunami Blessing, inside and out.

Jesus' Intimacy with Abba Father and Holy Spirit

John 1:32-33 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

³²John gave further evidence, saying, I have seen the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven, and it dwelt on Him [never to depart].

³³And I did not know Him *nor* recognize Him, but He Who sent me to baptize ^[a]in (with) water said to me, Upon Him Whom you shall see the Spirit descend and remain, that One is He Who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.

Footnotes:

- a. [John 1:33](#) See footnote on John 1:26.

John 3:33-35 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

³³Whoever receives His testimony has set his seal of approval to this: God is true. [That man has definitely certified, acknowledged, declared once and for all, and is himself assured that it is divine truth that God cannot lie].

³⁴For since He Whom God has sent speaks the words of God [proclaims God's own message], God does not give Him His Spirit sparingly *or* by measure, *but* boundless is the gift God makes of His Spirit!

³⁵The Father loves the Son and has given (entrusted, committed) everything into His hand.

John 5:30 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

³⁰I am able to do nothing from Myself [independently, of My own accord—but only as I am taught by God and as I get His orders]. Even as I hear, I judge [I decide as I am bidden to decide. As the voice comes to Me, so I give a decision], and My judgment is right (just, righteous), because I do not seek *or* consult My own will [I have no desire to do what is pleasing to Myself, My own aim, My own purpose] but only the will *and* pleasure of the Father Who sent Me.

John 14:30-31 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

³⁰I will not talk with you much more, for the prince (evil genius, ruler) of the world is coming. And he has no claim on Me. [He has nothing in common with Me; there is nothing in Me that belongs to him, and he has no power over Me.]

³¹But [^[a]satan is coming and] I do as the Father has commanded Me, so that the world may know (be convinced) that I love the Father and that I do only what the Father has instructed Me to do. [I act in full agreement with His orders.] Rise, let us go away from here.

Psalm 25:12-14 Living Bible (TLB)

¹²Where is the man who fears the Lord? God will teach him how to choose the best.

¹³He shall live within God's circle of blessing, and his children shall inherit the earth.

¹⁴Friendship with God is reserved for those who reverence him. With them alone he shares the secrets of his promises.

I Corinthians 2:9-16 "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things God hath prepared for them that love them. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit; for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea the deep things of God. 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. Now we have received, not the Spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. 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. 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. But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man. For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ."

The Spirit of God's Product Line

Character	Fruit	Power
Wisdom	Love	Word of wisdom
Understanding	Joy	Word of knowledge
Counsel	Peace	Discerning of spirits
Might	Long-suffering	Gift of Faith
Knowledge	Gentleness	Miracles
Reverence	Goodness	Healings
Righteousness	Faith	Tongues
Faithfulness	Meekness	Interpretation of Tongues
Glorious	Temperance	Prophecy

Supernatural Power of the Spirit

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit. For to one is given, by the Spirit, the word of wisdom; to another, the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another, the gifts of healing by the same

Spirit; to another, the working of miracles; to another, prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another, various kinds of tongues; to another, the interpretation of tongues. But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will. I Corinthians 12:7-11

Jesus teaches the disciples about the progression of intimacy as an habitation of God through Holy Spirit where Jesus Christ lives in your heart by faith.

In Greek With is *para* (par-ah') **Definition:** from beside, by the side of, by, beside

John 14:17 Living Bible (TLB)

¹⁷He is the Holy Spirit, the Spirit who leads into all truth. The world at large cannot receive him, for it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you do, for he lives with you now and someday shall be in you.

In Greek in is *en* **Definition:** in, on, at, by, with

John 14:19-20 Living Bible (TLB)

¹⁹In just a little while I will be gone from the world, but I will still be present with you. For I will live again—and you will too. ²⁰When I come back to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

John 4:10 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹⁰Jesus answered her, If you had only known *and* had recognized God's gift and Who this is that is saying to you, Give Me a drink, you would have asked Him [instead] and He would have given you living water.

John 4:13-14 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹³Jesus answered her, All who drink of this water will be thirsty again.

¹⁴But whoever takes a drink of the water that I will give him shall never, no never, be thirsty any more. But the water that I will give him shall become a spring of water welling up (flowing, bubbling) [continually] within him unto (into, for) eternal life.

In Greek Upon is *epi* (ep-ee') **Definition:** on, upon

Acts 1:8 Living Bible (TLB)

⁸But when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power *dunamis* (miraculous) power, might, strength to testify about me with great effect, to the people in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth, about my death and resurrection."

John 7:37-39 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

³⁷Now on the final and most important day of the Feast, Jesus stood, and He cried in a loud voice, If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink!

³⁸He who believes in Me [who cleaves to *and* trusts in *and* relies on Me] as the Scripture has said, From his innermost being shall flow [continuously] springs *and* rivers of living water.

³⁹But He was speaking here of the Spirit, Whom those who believed (trusted, had faith) in Him were afterward to receive. For the [Holy] Spirit had not yet been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified (raised to honor).

Luke 11:1-13 King James Version (KJV)

¹And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

²And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

³Give us day by day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

⁵And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

⁶For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

⁷And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.

⁸I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

⁹And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

¹⁰For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

¹¹If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

¹²Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

¹³If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

Acts 2:1-4 King James Version (KJV)

¹And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

²And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

³And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Ephesians 5:17-21 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁷Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

¹⁸And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

¹⁹Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

²⁰Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

²¹Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

Ephesians 5:18 Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

¹⁸Don't get drunk with wine, because it makes you lose control. Instead, keep on being filled with the Spirit —

Ephesians 5:18 The Passion Translation (TPT)

¹⁸And don't get drunk with wine, which is rebellion;^[a] instead be filled with the fullness of the Holy Spirit.^[b]

Footnotes:

- a. [Ephesians 5:18](#) The Aramaic can be translated "the wine of the prodigal." The Greek is "reckless living," or "debauchery."
- b. [Ephesians 5:18](#) Or "be inebriated in the Spirit's fullness."

Word of wisdom - The Spirit of God reveals the truth about future events.

The Spirit of God gave Noah the forthcoming plan of judgment and salvation. A Word of wisdom represents information God reveals about the truth to come. So a word of wisdom can be expected to manifest within a moment's time or even as far away as eternity. The two subsequent scriptures represent the word of wisdom that was given to Noah.

In Genesis 6:3, God gave His word 120 years before it was manifested. "And the Lord said, My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years."

In Genesis 6:17, God revealed how he was going to accomplish his plan and who would be the recipients of his salvation before it even took place. "And, behold, I, even I do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and everything that

is in the earth shall die. But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee."

You can't receive a word of wisdom by reading your horoscope, calling the psychic hotline, or going to a reader. These are all counterfeit works of the devil to get your attention on the wisdom of the world.

Word of knowledge - The Spirit of God reveals things about the past and/or current events.

Noah received "intelligence" from the Spirit of God disclosing the magnitude of the past and present moral decay in the earth. To give Noah a sense of what God was actually experiencing, he received a world view about current international affairs.

Genesis 6:13 is an example of a word of knowledge. "And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold, I will destroy them with the earth."

Discerning of spirits - The Spirit of God identifies the controlling spirit behind the situation, whether it is good or bad. A method to discern the difference between thoughts and intents of the heart.

Scripture confirms that man looks on the outward appearance, but God looks at the heart. Noah was able to discern the difference between the two because of the revealed knowledge given to him. The Spirit of God revealed that the people's motives were all wrong and that they had no intention of changing and walking upright before God.

There are two recorded scriptures that reveal the state of the heart. First, in Genesis 6:5 "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." Then in Genesis 6:11 states, "The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence."

Gift of Faith - Miraculous works that God does without the help of man.

God can and does perform miracles entirely by Himself. Because God is self-existing, he doesn't need to wait for a shipment to come in to do anything. God basically added the super to the natural bringing about feats that would give Him glory alone. However, man is the beneficiary of or the direct channel for the gift of faith by receiving it for himself or his own situation.

Some of the miraculous works in Noah's day that can be documented is when God opened and closed the windows of heaven. In Genesis 7:11 it says, "...and the windows of heaven were opened." Also Genesis 8:2 describes the reverse, "The fountains also of the deep and windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained."

Before that time, it never rained upon the earth. Vegetation was therefore watered by an irrigation method. Genesis 7:12 is another demonstration of the gift of faith. "And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights."

God closed the door of the ark, not Noah. God shuts a door that no man can open. In Genesis 7:16b it states, "...and the Lord shut him [Noah] in."

And lastly, God set a rainbow in the sky. Genesis 9:13 confirms this by saying, "I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth."

Miracles - Phenomenal feats of God with the help of man.

We can expect miracles when your situation calls for supernatural evidence. Miracles are needed to redeem the time and restore what has been lost. Originally, Noah was a preacher, not an animal trainer. However, all the animals entered the ark in peace with Noah selected as God's point of contact.

During this time, the inhabitants weren't redeemed from the curse of the law. The capability for the animals to be violent is clearly shown when God said that the serpent shall bruise her heel, but the woman's seed shall bruise his head, which He pronounced after the fall of man. While the serpent was cursed above the other animals, all were still cursed. Surely this indicates the struggle between mankind and beast. Moreover, there could have been severe altercations.

Genesis 7:14-15 illustrates that Noah mastered animal training. "They and every beast after its kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after its kind, every fowl after its kind, every bird of every sort. And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh wherein is the breath of life."

Secondly, no man or animal reproduced for over a whole year. Genesis 8:16-17 confirms this, "Go forth from the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee. Bring forth with thee every living thing this is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing upon the earth, that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth."

Healings - Repaired emotional, physical, and/or psychological state; restored from birth defects; divine cure; perfect condition; maintained health. Free from all demonic or oppressive power of the enemy.

Noah and all that were in the ark walked in divine health. There were no recorded incidents, accidents, or causalities during the journey. Genesis 7:23 confirms all that went in the ark, also came out. Life and health were sustained as the scripture declared, "And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark."

Remember, God ordered all those He preserved to replenish the earth, so the Lord kept them all perfectly. Although they were confined to a new environment, Noah's family and all the animals adjusted perfectly to their temporary dwelling place. As you know, just one casualty would have made any of the animals extinct.

As promised in III John 2, God desires that we walk in this truth, "Beloved, I wish above all things, that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." While this is the absolute truth, whatever condition your condition is in, Jesus Christ is the cure, for by His stripes you are healed.

Jesus Christ was stricken 39 times on his back. It has been said that there are 39 major categories of sicknesses and diseases documented in the earth. His precious blood covered them all. This includes even symptoms and hereditary problems. Since we are all God's creation, He is fully committed to recreate any failed or diminishing system, no matter what its nature, no matter how long you suffered with it or how severe it has become.

Prophecy - A word or message that helps to interpret the divine will and purpose of God. Prophecy is not predicting the future.

"But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort." I Corinthians 14:3. "but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe." I Corinthians 14:22

An example of God prophesying to Noah is: when God encouraged Noah by complimenting him for maintaining His righteousness in the face of a wicked and perverse world. Genesis 7:1 says, "...for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation."

An example of exhortation was found in the scriptures when God entreated Noah to prepare food for the inhabitants of the ark. Genesis 6:21 "And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them."

Ultimately, words of comfort can be cited when God extended an invitation for salvation to Noah and his household after 120 years. Genesis 7:1 "And the Lord said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark..."

Tongues - An approved form of communications with God. A piece of the spiritual armor that the enemy cannot penetrate. A method that allows the indwelling Spirit to pray. A way to spiritually grow and transform your results.

Speaking in tongues was introduced by Jesus Christ for the New Testament Church. First, Jesus Christ was baptized with the Holy Spirit to execute his earthly ministry and foretold of the Holy Spirit's being distributed in the earth to empower every believer to do greater works in the end times.

In the Old Testament, only those that God appointed were anointed by the Spirit of God to function. Such is the case with Noah. During those times, the Spirit of God came upon them but did not dwell within any man until Jesus Christ's earthly ministry. Now, in the New Testament Church, the Holy Spirit can indwell every willing man, woman, boy, or girl. Speaking in tongues is the evidence used to show that the Holy Spirit dwells in mankind and empowers him.

Noah did not speak in tongues as we know it today. However, he virtually received the same results because God was present to empower him for the mission. Noah walked with God so answers were revealed to him. Noah walked with God so he was constantly built up in His Spirit. Noah possessed all that was available to him under the old covenant.

I entreat you not to despise the operation of tongues in your life. In these last days, you will need every available resource God has to succeed.

Speaking in tongues advances you in the supernatural realm. You become a life-giving spirit.

Speaking in an unknown tongue: Form of communications ordered and accepted by God. "For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God;" I Corinthians. 14:2

God's foreign language to confuse the enemy. The devil cannot penetrate this language. "...for no man understandeth him...;" I Corinthians 14:2

Reveals answers by the Spirit. "...however, in the spirit he speaketh mysteries." I Corinthians 14:2

Fortifies spiritually. "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself..." I Corinthians 14:4

The Spirit's prayer language. An avenue for the Spirit to pray to God for you, using your faculties. "For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful." I Corinthians 14:14

The Spirit's endorsement of the believer, but also a sign for the unbeliever. "Wherefore, tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not..." I Corinthians 14:22

Jude 20-21 King James Version (KJV)

²⁰But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Jude 20-21 The Message (MSG)

²⁰⁻²¹ But you, dear friends, carefully build yourselves up in this most holy faith by praying in the Holy Spirit, staying right at the center of God's love, keeping your arms open and outstretched, ready for the mercy of our Master, Jesus Christ. This is the unending life, the *real* life!

Jude 20-21 Expanded Bible (EXB)

²⁰But [^Lyou] ·dear friends [beloved], ·use your most holy faith to build yourselves up [*or* build yourselves up on the foundation of your most holy faith; ·the whole body of true Christian doctrine and practice], praying ·in [in dependence on; *or* as directed by; *or* according to the will of] the Holy Spirit. ²¹Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of the Lord Jesus Christ ·to give you [that leads to] ·life forever [eternal life].

Interpretation of Tongues - This gift is equivalent to translating the foreign language of the Spirit of God. Inspired by God, the metamorphous reveals the fruit of the unknown tongue to establish clarity and understanding of the message. So therefore, interpretation is one method God uses to reveal His secrets.

Again, there was no interpretation of tongues as we know it today during Noah's time because Jesus introduced the baptism of the Holy Spirit. At the time, Noah did not have a need to interpret tongues because God was available to bring about clarity to every situation.

Interpretation of tongues, however, can be received during private and public worship. The scripture encourages us to, "Pray with the spirit. Pray with understanding. Sing with the spirit. Sing with understanding." (I Corinthians 14:15 referenced)

Jesus spoke of the Holy Spirit, the promise of the Father. Acts 1:4-5 "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 Spirit not many days hence."

Jesus baptizes with the Holy Spirit and with fire. "John [the Baptist] answered, "I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose; he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Luke 3:16

Ask for the baptism of the Holy Spirit by faith. "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" Luke 11:13

Receive the gift of the Holy Spirit by faith. "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Acts 2:38

Pray for interpretation. "Wherefore, let him that speaketh in an unknown tongue pray that he may interpret." I Corinthians 14:13

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind or [wisdom]." II Timothy 1:7

The scripture encourages us to desire and be zealous of spiritual gifts. Since these are all gifts, be open to receive the benefits of them all.

Speaking in tongues is an awesome experience in itself. Be open to the other supernatural evidences of the Holy Spirit to achieve the fullness of His power in the earth. "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 Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8

The noted demonstration of the Holy Spirit is essential to help perform the total restorative work in the lives of every believer. Moreover, the gift you can experience daily and one that ushers in the other gifts is "speaking in tongues" or commonly referred to as "praying in the Spirit."

We are to be an eyewitness of what Jesus Christ wants to do in the earth. To do that we must possess the same power, the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

With Jesus orchestrating the rule from heaven and the presence of the Holy Spirit in the earth, expect greater works because that is what He promises all the time.

Although God has chosen ministers to operate these gifts publicly, trust me, they all first manifested them privately. You can operate in any or all of them as the Spirit wills. Our function is to simply believe that we are His ambassador to glorify His name in the earth.

Noah's Secret To Success

Noah's father, Lamech, was recorded in Genesis 5:29 as having said, "And he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil our of hands, because of the ground which the Lord hath cursed." In the Hebrew language the name "Noah" is interpreted to simply mean "rest."

Psalm 37:7a entreats us to "Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for him..." Noah operated in a finished work because he already had the end of the story in mind.

The things we entrust to God should bring us to a point of repose. "For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God." Hebrew 4:3,9

Be still and know that God is going to respond as our God. The Holy Spirit is the Comforter who helps us to fully relax during times of stress, persecution, famine and the like. The approach we must choose to take in life is to be worry-free and doubtless.

In everything, learn how to place your total trust in Him. No other one, or thing, can be your source. In learning to trust God, all your other props will be removed.

Safe and Sound

Success is finding and keeping God as your eternal refuge. "When you go through the waters, I will be with you and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you..." Isaiah 42:2a

Life in the ark is the place God ordains for you. It is a place where God cares for everything. As far as Noah was concerned, the ark operated totally maintenance free. In fact, you may not know where you are going, except that you are going with God.

The spiritual ark is the place where we should abide to maintain security. When we are in the ark of safety, it obligates God to be our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble. Identical to Noah's results, God's supernatural power can virtually carry you to a new place even during the storms of life.

God will go out of His way to rescue all that belongs to Him. This illustrates to what extent God will go to bring about deliverance to His very own. It shows how God moved with precision to save. None perished that was in the Master's care.

"God is our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble." Psalm 46:1. "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my Refuge, and my Fortress, my God, in him will I trust." Psalm 91:1-2

Forty Days and Forty Nights

Genesis 7:12 declares, "And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights." The continuance of rain is indicative that there were no signs of relief during the trial. The number "40" in the Bible is often referred to as a time of testing. Until you are tested, you really don't know what or who you believe. Testing exposes the truth of what is in your heart, on your mind, and on your lips.

Deuteronomy 8:2 defines the purpose for the test as experienced by the children of Israel in the wilderness. "And thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or not." It is the word of the Lord in

you that is tried. God already knows what you know. It is the results of the test that reveal what you are sure of. Then you will know for yourself what you actually believe.

The testing of your faith helps to establish your value to God. Testing verifies your ability to perform under pressure. The product will not be shipped until it passes the performance test. It must first prove that it is an asset to the company before it is released to the public.

Testing produces endurance. After a test you should discover a new level of authenticity, bravery, security, and mastery. The Holy Spirit helps you triumph in all your tests. If you pass one test, you can pass them all with the Lord's help. God already knows the answers to your test. Go with God.

Source of Satisfaction

Genesis 7:11 states, "In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened."

The Spirit of God does not speak of Himself, but helps you make and keep your connection to God, your source of true satisfaction. The same day God becomes your satisfaction is the same day all the fountains of the great deep are going to break up. Your main water supply must spring up vehemently to cause your breakthrough. That's the same day that the windows of heaven will open up for you.

My Grace is Sufficient

God's grace demonstrates His bountifulness, liberality, generosity, abundance, and goodwill toward all mankind. Because God sees our worth and value to Him, His grace abounds toward us continuously.

Grace is a gift of God, so we learn to receive it by faith. We cannot earn grace. We cannot buy grace. Furthermore, grace always has an insurmountable surplus. Grace reflects the big-heartedness and the

openhandedness of God. We cannot add anything to it, because it is sufficient in supply and strength for every need.

Although Malachi 3:10-12 most often refer to tithes and offering, it also parallels God's grace:

1. God opens the windows of heaven:
 - a. Blessing will be poured out
 - b. Blessing too much for your storehouse
2. God rebukes the devourer for your sake:
 - a. Fruits of your ground won't be destroyed
 - b. Fruit on vine will not be aborted
3. God promises you:
 - a. Nations will call you blessed of the Lord
 - b. A land wherein you'll be satisfied

God's grace is eminent in "More Than Enough"

I am enough, more than enough. My grace is sufficient

For in your weakness, you can be strong

And in My strength, I'll carry you along

I am enough, more than enough My grace is sufficient for you.

If you wait upon Me your strength will be renewed

You'll mount up with wings as an eagle,

Run not be weary, walk not faint

If you wait upon Me your strength will be renewed.

All My grace abounds to you, My grace is sufficient

You'll have all sufficiency in all things

In all things, you'll abound to every good work.

All My grace abounds to you

My grace is sufficient for you.

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Noah had God's undivided attention, making him irresistible. This account of the flood reveals the value of one being favored. Favor with God and man is better than silver and gold. When you are preferred by one, he will make all his resources available to you.

What influences the results you receive from the Spirit is the coupling of one or more character, fruit, and power traits to bring about God's full restorative work in our lives.

You can receive greater results when you are open to God and all that He wants to do. The lack of character, fruit, and power will either keep you in the same place or cause spiritual demise.

The number "9" has great significance in understanding spiritual matters. God exhibits through His Spirit nine character traits, nine fruits, and nine gifts. The number nine means birthing, fullness, overflow, and judgment.

Galations 6:7 declares "Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." The kind of seed that has been planted, whether it is good or bad, will be judged the same. In the fullness of time, the seed will come into full maturation. The crop will only represent the type of seed that has been planted. Its overflow is produced by repetition, a reflection of the seed. You will always receive more than what was planted.

When it Rains, it Pours

Remember, God can simply do one thing in your life and everything changes. When the spiritual flood gates open, everything changes. Change. In a twinkling of an eye, you won't distinctly remember how you were before. The 22.5 ft. downpour caused the waters to flood. The momentum created from the former and latter rains together will cause the prevailing storm. The duration of a storm will ultimately produce a spiritual flood.

Believers and those in the world may experience some of the same things. However, the results for each will be different. The distinction is determined by your location -- if you are in the ark of safety or on dry land. The ark is the vehicle for your way of escape.

The same storm that covered your mountain with flood waters is the same storm that causes you to flow to the new place. The spiritual flood will take you to a new place of character, fruit, and power. You will receive:

Power -- "and the waters increased and bore up the ark," Genesis 7:17. "He must increase, but I must decrease." John 3:30. Preparation precedes power.

Promotion -- "and it [ark] was lifted up above," Genesis 7:17. Priorities precede promotion.

Perseverance -- "and the ark went upon the face of waters," Genesis 7:18. (Noah had the ability to move forward in the midst of a storm.) Although vehement, the storm provided the momentum to bring the ark to its new place quicker. Pursuance precedes perseverance.

Prevailed -- "and the waters prevailed exceeding upon the earth." Genesis 7:19. The flood covered the mountains and high hills. Trouble was drowned when the mountain and the high hills were covered. Perils precede prevail.

The End of a Thing

Let the temptations Noah faced serve as a warning to us during these evil times. I believe this information will prove beneficial to identify and understand our divine purpose as we usher in the return of Jesus Christ.

Comparing the lifestyles in Noah's day to that of this hour, you will agree that these are the end times. In Matthew 24:36-39, 42 Jesus Christ warns us, "But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Watch, therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come."

"Plan ahead: it wasn't raining when Noah built the ark." - Richard Cushing

The rainbow is symbolic of God's promise not to destroy the earth by flood a second time. However, we can expect a spiritual flood to be take place and for the world system to be destroyed.

Isaiah 59:19b declares, "When the enemy comes in, like a flood the Spirit of the Lord will raise up a standard against him." The Spirit of God in you is indeed the standard God has raised in the earth for the end of time.

The flood represents being baptized with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Let the Spirit of God flow through you and flood your life. You then can expect to overflow with God's character, fruit, and power as you develop in His image and His likeness.