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# CONCEPTS OF FAITH

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# Understanding the Invisible Things of God

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## THE SPIRIT WORLD

is invisible, but a very real world. The kingdom of God today is an invisible kingdom that is within every believer. So we are going to talk about *how to understand the invisible things of God*. Let's begin in II Corinthians 4:17-18:

*"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen..."*

Then Romans 1:20 gives us more light on the subject:

*"For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead..."*

One way to look at things that are not seen is by FAITH. If God said it, just believe it, regardless of what it seems to be like in the natural.

But there is another way to fully understand the invisible things of God. Paul says, "The invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made."

I believe this is something we have missed down through the years. For instance, God created this universe with faith-filled words. You can't see His faith. It is a spiritual force released in words. Yet you can see the results of His faith in the things he created.

Notice again in verse 20, "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead." Man was created in the image of God so he could understand the Godhead.

He is spirit, soul, and body. An EXACT duplication of God's kind. The spirit relates to God, who is a Spirit. The body relates to Jesus, who was the physical manifestation of God upon the earth.

The soul is made up of the will, mind, and emotions. Then the soul relates to the Holy Spirit, who is our Comforter.

So you have an *exact duplication* of God's kind, revealing a type of the Godhead in the creation of mankind.

The earth itself was created by God with faith-filled words. Hebrews 1:3 states that God is "...*upholding all things by the WORD of his POWER.*" Notice it is not by the *power of His word*, but by the WORD of His POWER.

He's telling you where His power is released: in His Word!

God's Word is pre-programmed. It is filled with the SUBSTANCE OF THINGS that God has given you.

God's Word holds everything in obedience to what he said. The sun and the moon stay in orbit because of His Word.

## Your World is Also Framed by Your Words

The worlds are framed by the Word of God. Then from that you can see that *your world is also framed by your words*. Your words set the cornerstones of your life.

The things you continually confess get into your spirit, for faith cometh by hearing. Whether you're hearing what is right or wrong, you'll have faith in what you hear if you continue to hear it.

For example, suppose someone were to tell you, "I heard Charles Capps got mauled by a lion!" and you said, "I don't know whether to believe it or not."

**You are continually changed by what you hear, because hearing causes faith to come.**

But if ten people told you the same thing, you'd believe it. And you really don't have any more information than you did before, just more of the same. But if ten people said the same thing, you would believe it, even though it was not true.

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*"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."* Hebrews 11:1

The substance of what you desire is in the promise itself, whether it is a promise of healing, health, life, prosperity, blessing, joy, or peace.

Let's go back to what Paul said: "the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made."

Here are some illustrations that will help to reveal kingdom principles.

Take, for instance, a blueprint. Have you ever had somebody show you a blueprint and say, "Look! This is our new building"? But it's not a building. It's only a piece of paper!

What are they doing? They are looking at the invisible things and



CALLING THINGS THAT ARE NOT AS THOUGH THEY WERE. But those papers are the blueprints for the building. If the construction workers will follow the blueprints, they will clearly understand how to build the building.

But the *substance* of that photo is dots. The way the dots are **arranged** is what makes the photo.

Let's say there are 3,000 dots in a photo. Do you realize that with those 3,000 dots you can produce a photo of somebody being blessed, or a newborn baby, or someone buying a new car?

But with the same number of dots you can also produce a photograph of a train wreck that killed a hundred people, or someone dying of cancer. They are the same dots; the only difference is that they have been rearranged.

Remember Hebrews 11:1, "*Faith is the substance of things,*" God's Word is filled with faith. Let's say it this way: Faith is a substance, or DOTS, of all the things God has given to us. God's Word has all the dots arranged properly. But many people are busy rearranging the dots, and they develop the wrong image. Then they live it out in everyday life.

Remember, faith comes by hearing. If you hear the words of the devil, and all the negative things, then you will have faith in them instead of God's Word. By saying what the devil said, YOU rearrange the dots with the authority of your words. The devil knows that Jesus said:

*"...That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith."*  
Mark 11:23

**God's Word of promise is our blueprint.**

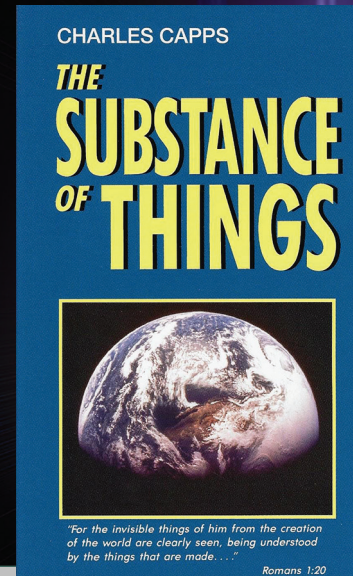
The blueprint is the *image*. It is the thing that is capable of causing it to all come together.

Somebody made the blueprint out of marks and designs so you can clearly understand that whole building by the blueprint. God's Word of promise is our blueprint. Let that image be imprinted on your spirit and you will live out the reality of that promise in your life.

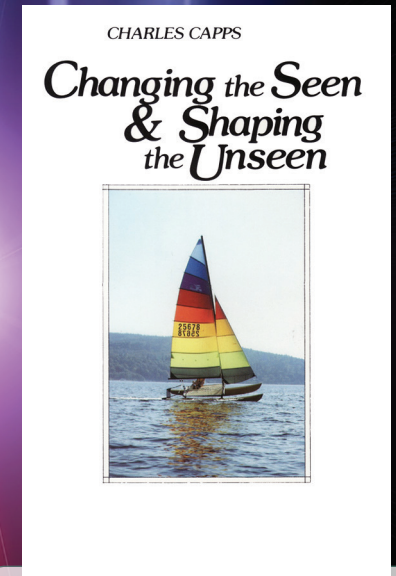
## What Image is Imprinted on Your Spirit

Have you ever noticed a photograph in the newspaper? If you get a magnifying glass and begin to examine it, that photograph is made up of a series of DOTS. Those dots are the substance of that photo, just a series of dots. Some of them are dark, and some of them are lighter, but the photo is just a series of dots.

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**Satan gains his power by operating on your words.**

Satan gains his power by operating on your words. Your words mixed with God's Words place a demand on the kingdom within.

When you voice what the devil said, you are tampering with the dots. God's Word is pre-programmed. The dots (faith) are in the right order to bring about blessing.

But you have authority to choose the words you speak! The WORDS YOU SPEAK *will produce faith* which is the SUBSTANCE (dots) OF THINGS.

The words you speak may not produce Bible faith. They may produce faith in the devil, or faith in bankruptcy.

Let me say it another way. Your television screen is made up of a series of dots. There are about 750,000 dots<sup>1</sup> on a TV screen that form lines. That's all the dots there are on that screen. But they have a camera that will rearrange those dots with different intensity of light, and those 750,000 dots create everything that you see on that screen. They are rearranged to reflect what the camera is exposed to.

Several years ago the LORD said to me, "*The human spirit (or heart) is like the film in a camera.*" He said, "*Whatever you continually expose it to, it creates or duplicates, that same image. What you*

*continually expose your ears to will also create that very image in you."*

That's why confession of God's Word is so important to a Christian living a victorious life. If you continue to expose the human spirit to things that are contrary to the Word of God, you will not be able to walk in victory.

If you talk sickness and disease, then you'll never walk in health. If you continually talk poverty and lack, you'll never walk in abundance. If you talk fear, you'll walk in fear. *Those words are going to produce after their kind.*

**God's Word is Pre-Programmed**

God's Word is pre-programmed. It is filled with the SUBSTANCE OF THINGS that God has given you. Faith is that substance. The Word is pre-programmed to duplicate the promise in your life. Unless you think you have a better idea, and rearrange the dots.

God's Word is pre-programmed. Your human spirit is designed by God to produce whatever demand is placed on it with the Word, which in this case we call the seed. Your spirit will search the wisdom of God day and night to find the way to cause the promise of God to be manifest in your physical body, or in your business... if you don't rearrange the dots.

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# The Holy Spirit— the Key to Miracles

By Annette Capps

II Corinthians 13:14 *“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.”*

Jude 1:20 refers to praying in the Holy Spirit. The Complete Jewish Bible translates it this way:

*“But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith, and pray in union with the Ruach HaKodesh.”* CJB

Here is something that both Paul and Jude make mention of—*Union and communion* with the Holy Spirit!

Manifestations of the Spirit (such as the gifts of healing, working of miracles and discerning of spirits etc.) occur as the result of one thing—*recognizing and being open to the full ministry of the Holy Spirit*. We who have received the baptism of the Spirit and spoken in tongues often associate the Holy Spirit only with speaking in other tongues. However, I am convinced from the scriptures that if we acknowledge the person of the Holy Spirit and the fullness of His ministry today, we will see the miracles, signs, wonders and manifestations of God’s glory.

The key to the supernatural in Jesus’ ministry was His relationship with the Holy Spirit. Although Jesus Himself was the Word made flesh, no miracles took place, no healings took place until He, Jesus the Word, was joined with the Spirit at His baptism by John the Baptist. As soon as He was anointed with the Holy Spirit, then immediately Jesus’ life and ministry was marked by the supernatural.

Let’s look at the evidence in the book of Luke:

*“And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, ‘You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.’”* Luke 3:22 NKJV

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me...”* Luke 4:18 NKJV

*“And He began to say to them, ‘Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.’”* Luke 4:21 NKJV

After Jesus was baptized and the Holy Spirit joined with him, anointing Him with power, He proclaimed the change in the synagogue, marking the beginning of miracles. You will

also notice that before He ascended to heaven, He gave his disciples explicit instructions to stay in Jerusalem until they received the Holy Spirit, Who is the source of this power.

*“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you...”* Acts 1:8 NKJV

We can expect the miraculous when we are filled with and controlled by the Holy Spirit and become one with the moving and workings of the Spirit. The supernatural manifestations are a result of following the Holy Spirit closely, moving when He moves, and *quitting when He’s through*. There is nothing more disturbing than to see someone try to work up the “Spirit”. All that usually results is a lot of emotionalism which is a very poor substitute for the real presence of God. I’m sure as Jesus walked the face of the earth that it was not a continuous struggle to try to hear and follow the voice of the Spirit. He just developed such a relationship with Him that it became an automatic action-reaction from the heart of the great Spirit of God to the act of healing and deliverance performed by Jesus. If only we as God’s representatives in the earth could develop such fellowship and communion with the Holy Ghost that our *actions and reactions* would be an automatic response to Him. We Can!

As a spirit filled believer, you can step into that wonderful realm of walking in the Spirit. First, you must learn to recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life. When you sense His presence stop and ask yourself, “What is it that He is wanting to do?” Perhaps he is moving you to intercede

or just pray in the Spirit. Maybe he just wants you to fellowship with Him, or it could be that He wants you to go minister to someone. Learn to hear and instantly obey the supernatural voice of the Spirit and you will see your steps divinely ordered by God. You’ll see God use you in His universal plans!

Secondly, learn the ways of the Holy Spirit and not just His acts. Many people see the miracles and manifestations of the power of the Spirit, but never develop a relationship to be able to know how the Spirit moves. Sometimes we make the mistake of thinking that if He’s done it this way once, then He’ll always do it this way. Not so! The Holy Spirit is creative, fresh, and original. Look at Jesus’ ministry! He never ministered exactly the same way twice. He ministered individually and differently to every person and situation because He knew by the Spirit what words or actions it took for that person to receive.

As the corporate body of Christ, the church will greatly benefit from learning to create an atmosphere in the church services for the Holy Spirit to move. There are natural and spiritual things you can do to create an atmosphere for the Holy Spirit to move mightily. The pastor, worship team and even the ushers should be trained to be sensitive to the moods of the Spirit. Is it joyful or quiet? Is it praise and clapping or deep worship? When you sense the Holy Spirit is grieved by something that is going on, then stop and wait on His direction. If the anointing is in the service and then it’s gone, it helps to backtrack and examine what happened. Of course this applies in your personal

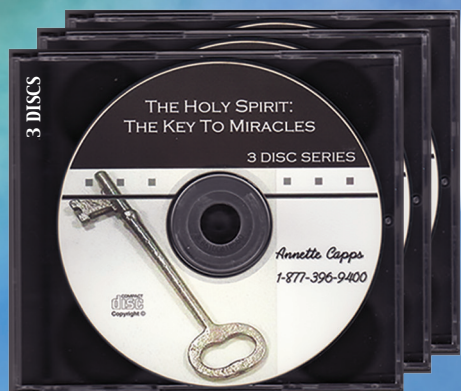
life as well. When you sense the Holy Spirit is grieved or something is wrong, stop what you're doing! Have you grieved Him with your words or actions? Of course you have no control over what goes on in a meeting unless you are a pastor or leader, but you do have authority in your own life to stop grieving the Spirit.

A good place to start is during your daily devotional or prayer time. You may praise, worship or pray, then be quiet and listen with your heart. Wait and listen, being sensitive to impressions you receive.

Trust the Holy Spirit as your Teacher, Comforter, Intercessor, Counselor, Helper, Advocate, and Strengthener. He is well able to help you in every area of life. After all, Jesus said it was expedient (good and advantageous) for Him to leave and the Comforter to come because the Holy Spirit could be with us at all times! (John 16:7)

*Authors note:*

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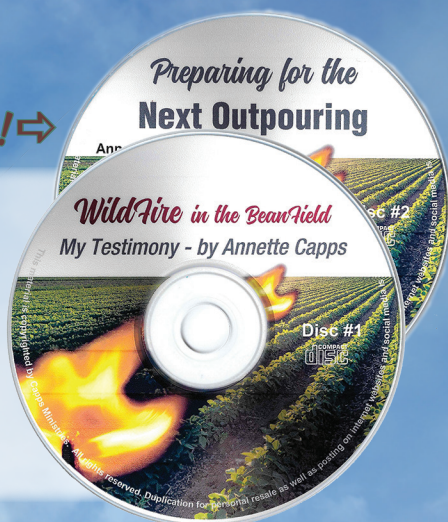
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# JESUS

## Name Above Every Name

by Peggy Capps

What's in a name? Well, that depends on the name, doesn't it?

Isaiah 9:6, *"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and His NAME shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."*

Isaiah 7:14, *"...Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his NAME Immanuel" ... (God with us).*

In previous years, people were named by their occupation in life. Even today their last names remain as proof, like Carpenter, Goldsmith, Farmer, Fisher, etc. Today we don't put too much importance in a name but there is a *name* that we have been given to use that could mean life or death to us in certain situations.

In John 14:13-14, Jesus said, *"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it."*

In Acts 3:6, we have the first account of Peter using the NAME when he told the lame man to rise up and walk, and the lame man went walking and leaping and praising God. Then in Acts 3:16 Peter explained how it happened, *"and his NAME through faith in his NAME hath made this man strong..."*

Some of the religious leaders had Peter and John thrown into jail and the next day they brought them out in their midst and said, *"by what NAME have ye done this?"* In Acts 4:10, Peter answers, *"Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the NAME of Jesus Christ of Nazareth . . . doth this man stand here before you whole."*

When the religious leaders saw the man standing there whole, they talked it over and decided to command them not to speak any more in THAT NAME because they saw the miracle that was done in the NAME of Jesus. As soon as Peter and John were released, they went to their own company and reported all that had happened. Then they all lifted

up their voices in prayer. Acts 4:29-30, *"And now, Lord, behold their threatenings..."* (and help us find a safe place where they won't bother us!) NO, that was not what they prayed. They prayed, *"grant unto thy servants that with all boldness they may speak thy word, by stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the NAME OF JESUS."*

What happened? Acts 5:12, *"And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people."* The apostles were cast into prison again and in Acts 5:40 they were commanded not to speak in the NAME of Jesus. You know if these men who would not believe Jesus was the Messiah but could see the wonderful things that were happening and recognize that they were happening in the NAME of Jesus, how much more we, as believers should use his NAME, and have faith in that NAME.

Philippians 2:9-10, *"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a NAME which is above every NAME: that at the NAME of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth."*

Do you have a problem in your life? If you have a need today, Jesus said "ask anything in my NAME and I WILL DO IT!" If fear is tormenting you, at the NAME of Jesus it will have to leave, it can't stay. Whatever your need may be – physical, financial, spiritual ... use the NAME and that need will have to bow.

I am sure that most of us have heard exciting examples of people using the name of Jesus at critical times in their

lives and have seen the wonderful deliverance that has come because of it. Sometimes when satan attacks there is not time to do anything but say "Jesus;" when a car runs a stop sign in front of you, a child falls off his swing set, etc. Thank God he sent Jesus and Jesus said, "Just use My Name."

What's in a name? Well, Isaiah 9:6 tells us, "His NAME shall be called..."

1. Wonderful – He'll do wonders, mighty works, and miraculous things. He did and still does.
2. Counselor – He gives us wisdom and instruction.
3. The Mighty God – The all sufficient one who is more than enough to meet your need.
4. The Everlasting Father – He will never cease being our Father.
5. The Prince of Peace – John 14:27, Jesus said, "My peace I give to you ..."

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