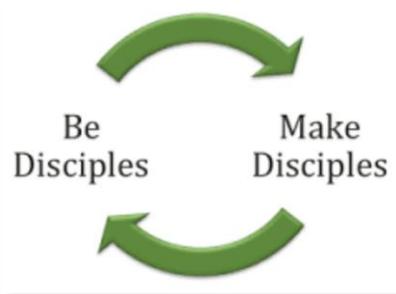
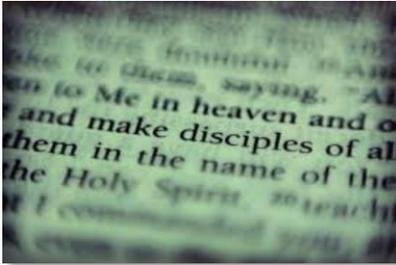


Confidence in God's Power



**LET'S GET
ENERGIZED
ABOUT
EVANGELISM!**

In last week's issue, we discussed the need to have confidence in the message we are presenting to those who are outside of the body of Christ. This week, I would like to emphasize the confidence we need to have in the One abiding in us. When we realize how much power resides in us as children of God, we will trust Him more and be more inclined to fulfill His will.

All three members of the Godhead dwell in the lives of faithful Christians. First, the Son dwells in us. Paul wrote, *"That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith..."* (Eph. 3:17). Jesus is dwelling in our hearts by faith. The Apostle John penned, *"Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath the Son"* (2 John 9). The Father is abiding in us through the doctrine of Christ. Paul says, *"That according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man"* (Eph. 3:16). The Spirit provides might in the inner man. With all of this power and might abiding in us, we should be able to accomplish great things in the kingdom of Christ!



Of course, we must be willing to yield and submit ourselves to the will of the Godhead. Many times we get in the way of the Godhead working through us because we put more trust in ourselves rather than in God. We may believe that we cannot accomplish a certain task that the Lord has given us. It can be accomplished if we let God work through us. Do you feel as though you cannot study with others? Allow God's power to work through you. Do you feel as though you will never be able to learn the Scriptures so you can teach someone else? Allow the power of God to work through you. Afraid to talk to people about their spiritual situation? Yield to the power of God and allow it to give you the courage you need.

Remember, Christ dwells in our heart by faith. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. Reading, studying, and listening to God's word will help that power within be used. We do not want to be guilty of quenching the Spirit. God can do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think according to the power that worketh in us (Eph. 3:20). Since God wants all to be saved, do you think it is possible that God can work through us to accomplish His ultimate goal? Yield to the Lord's power and might and see if He will accomplish great things in your life when it comes to saving souls!

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