# Title: Accept the Living, Breathing Word of God

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John 15:1-5 NKJV

Matthew 16:24

Today, what I see in the Spirit and the impartation and revelation that the Father wants us to lay hold of is that number one, He always turns our hearts towards Him. When we gather corporately, and we worship Him like we do here, He is here. He is in our midst. He says "if just two or three of you are gathered together in My name," He is here. He will manifest Himself to us. He is here. The worship that we give Him for the glory of His name is living. What He wants us to see is that everything happens in Him and with Him and through Him as we abide and remain in His word. This is where the living, breathing, breath and life of God manifests. He destroys all forms, all structures, formats, human designs, ways of thought, acts, and how we walk with God. He comes in a living, breathing form and a living, breathing reality, to inhabit someone that is alive.

We were once dead in our sin. It was the breath of God that raised us to life when we were born again. That is just the beginning. He is drawing attention to accept and rely upon the living, breathing Word of God versus having a form of religion, but denying the power therein. He asks us to deny ourself. When we deny ourselves, we do put Him first. We do allow, "your ways, Lord, not our ways. Your Kingdom come, Father. Your will be done, Father." That is what happens when you follow after Him, and you become His disciple. Everything changes, because we were "crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I that lives, but Christ is living in me." The Spirit is breathing on the living, breathing Word of God.

Our worship is living, moving, and breathing. As we abide and remain in Him, it is living, breathing, and manifesting His presence. It is Jesus. It is the Father. It is the love of God. It is the Holy Ghost. It is the power of the Kingdom. It is the Kingdom of Heaven and is living and moving. This is why it says, "In Him we live and move and have our being." He calls us to follow after Him. But, to do that we have to deny ourself, so He can live and move in us freely by the Spirit. It takes one thing, "abide in Him." Stay in Him. Stay with Him. Stay in His word. That is not just once a week, but abiding 24/7 for all eternity. There is a living impartation here of this. He says, "I am the vine, you are the branches. If you abide in me, and if you remain in me, you will bear much fruit," because that is the life of God. But, "without Him, you can do nothing."

# <u>Il Timothy 3:1-4</u>

I am pretty sure that message was imparted today. Heaven spoke that very clear today. But, that takes denying ourself. He said, "Love never fails. Perfect love casts out fear. Love never fails. I will never leave you, fail you, or forsake you." That is the voice of the Spirit. I do not want any other lovers. All I want is my pure devotion to you. That is our heart *saying* back to Him. "I do not want any other lovers." That does not mean you do not get married and have a husband or wife and love your children. But, it is God first. Yes. Nothing in this life can take the place of the love of God in Christ Jesus. Because, He says, "There are going to be lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God. So, in that, "you have a form of godliness that denies its power." "Having a form of godliness, but denying its power, from such people turn away."

He is specifically speaking to the frame, the structure, the empty space, obligation, dead works, and unbelief that can take residence in our soul, instead of *us* "stepping into the living, breathing Word of God. See, the Kingdom moves and is living and breathing. The Spirit is always moving. The Spirit is moving. He moves in us every day. But, when we gather, He is moving in the way that He wants to manifest Himself to us corporately. He is always moving.

He does not want to come and hit something that is cold and hard, that He cannot enter. That He cannot change the course of. That He cannot open eyes to something new. That He cannot open ears to hear what the Spirit "is saying," not, "has said." He is looking for hearts that can contain and hold the promise of His presence, the glory of the Lord. The glory of the Lord moves like this. He does not want this frame. He takes us as living beings and He comes. He makes us perfect in spirit, soul, and body. He made us so perfect that He would inhabit us. The Holy Spirit would come and live in us, you understand? We are not a hard structure. We are in a building. It is a structure. But, the living God is moving here within it. In your closet and your room, He is there and He calls you. As you go along the way, He is there. He is there in your cubicle at work. He is always near.

We do not want a "form of religion." We do not want that. We want to receive the power. The power of God comes. The glory of God comes and the power of God manifests where He can rest. The power of God manifests where He can dwell and abide in. He said, "If you are not abiding in me, you will not bear any fruit." That is God's heart, "to bear much fruit." Amen. Now, sometimes you have what I call, "belief and unbelief." The way I describe it in our school, is you have belief as in "I believe God and His Word, or whatever He has told you," and you have unbelief, that does not believe it. Simple, but "doubt," is what runs back and forth. It is not belief and doubt. It is belief and unbelief. Doubt is what goes back and forth. You understand? He is living. He is breathing. He is moving. "For the Spirit was hovering over the waters, then God said." He moves in us. We are living, breathing, and real. Born again children of God, and vessels of honor. The house of the Lord. The temple of the Holy Spirit. God's dwelling place.

#### James 1:5-6

Everybody say, "No doubting." So, that is over here on believe. You hear that? He says, "Let him ask in faith." That is where faith is. "Believe, believe God, and abide in me and my word." In that abiding, you believe God, you believe Jesus, and you believe Holy Spirit. You believe what He is saying to you. You believe God, and your spirit man is living, one with Him, and moving with Him. Your spirit comes up front and center and receives it. Then the things of the world, all that other mess I read, and that religion comes and says, "I doubt it." That pulls you to the unbelief. Somewhere in there, we believe so much that we made Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. We believed in the Lord Jesus Christ in our heart, and confessed Him with our mouth. We said, "Jesus is Lord," and we were saved. So, what has changed in the Kingdom walk? Well, "the simple thing is simple to do," He says. But, this is what it looks like.

#### James 1:6-7

I do not want to live there. Because, "He is a double minded man, unstable in all his ways." So, we give up our ways, we surrender all, and let Him have it again. Because when you get a hardened heart, you become a hard structure. When you become hard of heart, you become a hard structure. It is a "form" of religion, that is denying the power of God. But, when you are open and laid bare to Him, we become a living, moving presence. Hosting God and letting Him come to us, speak to us, move with us, and through us.

# James 1:21

That is that form of religion that denies the power thereof. It is hard. It is a structure. It is empty. It works out of obligation, or guilt, or condemnation, or fear. But, when you are living, moving,

and breathing with God, abiding in Him, eating of His flesh daily, drinking of His blood daily, receiving, and totally surrendered to the Spirit of the Living God, He will move in, with, and through you. We are simply called to "receive with meekness the implanted word," every day. Receive, that is humility. That is, "Not my will, but your will be done." That is the "deny yourself, take up the cross, and follow Him" every day.

When you kick against that goad, He will work with you until you go see Him. But, there is not any need to do that. He is faithful. He can do it overnight. Or, He will take eighty years, because, "He is faithful to perfect what concerns us," how He sees us, and what He has planned for us in the eternal reign. This is just the beginning. Amen.

#### Mark 4:20

This is where the Lord gives the parable of the soils. He is talking about the Word of God, being the soil of our hearts. Those who hear the word accept it, they bear fruit. Some thirty, some sixty, and some a hundredfold. "These are those sown on good soil. Those who hear the word." "Today when you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts." Hear the Word. You hear the Word, when you read the Word. When you read the Word and abide in the word, you hear the Word. When you are in prayer, you are hearing the Word. You are hearing the Word. Good ground. "I hear it. I believe it. I accept it. I receive it. I am a living, breathing being. Not a dead structure, and not a form of godliness. I am crucified with Him, dead, buried and I am alive now."

# Mark 4:20 NLT

"And the seed that fell on good soil represents those who hear and accept God's word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted!" John 15, "Abide in me. Because if you abide in me, and I abide in you, then you will bear much fruit." The Lord is after the hundred fold. Thirty or sixty is great, but I am after a hundredfold. That is maturity. That is what the Body of Christ would come into, "the full maturity of the stature of Christ." Everything Jesus did was a hundredfold. Amen. He is living, moving, and breathing. He wants you and me right there.

## Matthew 13:43

Jesus says in another way, "He who hears the word and understands it. Hears the word and receives it. Who receives it with meekness and humility." Knowing that, "with God all things are possible." Hallelujah. "God is not a man that He would lie." He who "hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces some hundredfold, sixty and thirty."

## Luke 8:15

Right, "having heard the word with a noble and a good heart." It is getting more kingly here. Yet, humility is all over us, because apart from Him, He said, "we can do nothing." But, He is calling forth who we are in Him. He says, "you are noble, be noble. You are holy, be holy. You are healed, be healed. You are pure, be pure. To the pure, all things are pure. You are righteous, be righteous. Receive that word." Receive it, and right there, we will kiss and I will bear much fruit through you. But, the one who doubts is like this, and we turn into that hard structure. "Having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and you bear fruit with patience."

It seems like weeds grow up overnight. Right? But, the farmer understands when you put the seed in the ground. It is going to have to die first. "Deny yourself, and take up your cross and follow me." Let Him abide there. Once that happens, here it comes, and that is why He related it in this way.

## Proverbs 23:7

"For as he thinks in his heart, so is he." As a man or woman thinks in his heart, so is he. Now where is this word abiding? It starts first in the heart. "Out of the heart, the mouth will speak." Out of the heart, comes the Kingdom. It is all through the gospels, "As a man thinks in his heart." How does your heart think? I thought the brain did that. Not just our soul, but out of our heart. He says, "I am after your heart." That is why everything Jesus did was from the heart.

#### Matthew 9:4

Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said "Why do you think evil in your heart?" It is very simple to Him.

# I Thessalonians 4:1

You see, the Body does that for each other and with one another. We strengthen one another in this. We know how to help each other grow in God and in Christ. We are there. We heal. We save. We deliver. We come alongside. We repent. We restore. We disciple. But, we are abounding more and more. That is the Lord's heart, that we abound more and more. A good noble heart that is receiving. That is not hard.

The Spirit of God is going to rest in us, with us, and through us as we yield. What He is showing you is the movement of the living, breathing, moving Spirit within us. He is not locked in the corner. He is living, moving, and breathing in us. The Word is living, moving, and breathing in us. He calls us to abound more and more. He calls us to hear from the heart what the Spirit is saying. He calls us to hear with our mind, our will, and our emotions what the Spirit is saying and to abide and dwell there. That is the truth.

## Genesis 2:7 BBE

"And the Lord God made man from the dust of the earth, breathing into him the breath of life and then man became a living soul."

Not a dead soul. "Breathing into him the breath of life and man became a living soul." A place that is supposed to be open. A place that is supposed to host, walk with, abide in, have fellowship with, commune with, talk to, respond to, love, hear, and know. Where He goes, I go. That Presence is the garden! That is it. "And the Lord God made man from the dust of the earth, breathing into him His breath, the breath of life." Life, that is why the Lord is constantly rebuking dead forms, dead structure, old ways, and old patterns. Something that is there, but it has no life. It has no breath in it. A corpse is dead when the spirit leaves it. Truth.

A house is a home when the family is in it. Without the family, it is just a house. But we are in it, and we are living together in it. We are dwelling together. There you are, the life, you are the living being in the house. The family makes it a home. Otherwise, it is just a structure, because all these things will pass away. But, "His word will never pass away." He became a living soul. As we are living, "in Him, we live and move and have our being."

#### Hebrews 4:12

The Word of God is living and powerful. Living, living, living, but you can make any good thing stale, dead and without any power. He says, "This Word is living and powerful." I just open it up and that breath comes in, comes in the eye gate, comes in my ear gate, and comes into my heart. I receive it with humility. I am changed, and I am dancing with the Lord. I am abiding in Him. I am bearing much fruit. It is a daily walk. The Word of God is living and powerful.

# Acts 17:28

## I Peter 1:3

He is blessing the Father God and the Lord Jesus Christ, "who according to His abundant mercy," hallelujah, "has begotten us again." We have been born again. New birth, born again, and transferred out of darkness into light. Yes, "born again to a living hope." A living hope, how? "Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." That is where resurrection power comes from. Before He went to the cross and was raised from the dead, He prophesied and spoke all of this to us. After His resurrection, there is the Holy Spirit bringing that living Word to us, and resurrecting what is inside of us.

So, here it goes, we pray for somebody and they need healing. You pray for somebody, and they need healing. The words do not return void. The living Word goes out of you and into that vessel and into that person because of resurrection power. But, here is where the default goes, because most people do not give time for that resurrection power to have its work. When resurrection power comes in, "whoosh," some are raised from the dead, hallelujah! I need you to see it in the Spirit. He is living, so when you pray, resurrection power is imparted. Then we have to step into that by faith. Receive it in our hearts. Receive it as living, moving, and breathing to us. Let God do what He needs to do. Welcome resurrection power.

For many, there is too much, or it is too scary. We have received a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. So, when resurrection power manifests itself, let Him work. Let Him work, because the Spirit was moving over the waters. Right? Let Him work. Do not run out the door. He says, "Stay with me. Stay there. Stay right there. Abide here and receive the implanted word that has been brought to you right now. Abide there, dwell there, and remain there. It is living. My Word is living. I am transforming. I am a breath. I am a wind. I am the word. I am stability. I am everything you need. Stay with Him!" Right, no tossing to and fro. He says, "Believe or do not believe." Get rid of the doubt. Believe or do not believe, but that is the battleground.

#### I Peter 1:4-5

He goes on. We have received a living hope. "A living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away. Reserved in Heaven for you." Hallelujah! Thank you for the resurrection of Jesus. Thank you for what He did. We have an inheritance in the glory of God forever and ever. Amen. With God forever, hallelujah. That is wonderful. It cannot be destroyed. "Reserved for us in Heaven."

Verse five, "Who are kept by the power of God through faith." "We are kept by the power of God through faith." I pray this all the time, "that they be kept by the power of God through faith." Kept by the power of God. Kept by resurrection power, because He is living. He is alive. The living hope, the Word is alive, not dead. So, when He comes to us, as vessels created to host the Word of God, to become a living soul, then the Kingdom comes. We will come back from the dead. Then we are living.

Our mind is being changed. Our emotions are being changed. Our thoughts are being changed. Our wills are being changed. Our body is being changed, and we are being healed. We are being delivered. Evil things are leaving us. We are being encouraged in grace and mercy to do what God says. You are "kept by the power of God." I do not know anything greater. You are "kept by the power of God." When something scary is right there, say, "I am kept by the power of God. I am kept by the power of God through my faith for salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time."

## I Peter 1:6-9

"In this you greatly rejoice, though now for just a little while." This is that, "in the world you will have tribulation, but be a good cheer for I have overcome it."

## I Peter 1:13

"Gird up the loins of your mind." That mind they say is the battlefield, but that mind has encountered the living, breathing, moving Word of God, Spirit of God, Word of God, Jesus, Father, and Holy Ghost. Here is what you have to do. You have to bring the thoughts captive, and strengthen the way you are thinking. But, the antichrist spirit is what wars against the mind, because it does not believe. It opposes the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The antichrist spirit opposes faith. The antichrist spirit opposes power. The antichrist spirit opposes remedy. The antichrist spirit opposes power, love and a sound mind. The antichrist spirit opposes wholeness and deliverance. The antichrist spirit opposes your destiny. The antichrist spirit opposes everything about you, that God Almighty wrote of you. That is the antichrist spirit. The Lord warned us of it. The antichrist spirit is the spirit of error. It will continue to manifest throughout the days.

The antichrist spirit is coming against your thoughts, anything that pertains to your brain, or anything that pertains to your mind. It is coming against your way of thinking. It is coming to even make you lose your memory, and take up what the world says, "when you hit a certain age you are going to lose it." Any sickness of the brain, all the names that they give it, the antichrist spirit is the one that is opposing to take and destroy your mind. Whether it is Alzheimers, dementia, or whatever other demon in hell, wants to attack the brain to make you forget. There is such a thing in the Bible called "the land of forgetfulness." God called us out of it. So, if He is renewing my mind, if Jesus is my model, I believe Him, and as He is, so am I in this world. "I have power, love, and a sound mind."

I do war against that antichrist spirit. I plead the blood of Jesus against that spirit. Saying, "You do not get my mind. You do not get my brain. You do not get my cells in my brain. You do not have my mind. Christ has my mind. I have the mind of Christ, that includes my brain." Religion hates these words, saying, "Get old and die." But, the Word is full of life. He is living. He wants to breathe life into our brain, into our mind, and into our thought life. The Spirit is here, and it is resurrection power. Who could do that, but the Spirit of Grace. "Gird up the loins of your mind."

# I Peter 1:13 ESV

"Therefore, preparing your minds for action," do not settle. "Preparing your mind for action." That is it. Be doers of the word. "Preparing your minds for action, and be sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." Hallelujah! They said this cannot be done. It can be done, because my God raises the dead. My God heals the sick. My God casts out demons. My God cleanses lepers.

In my own life, that battle against the mind is on my mom's side of the family. It is knocking at the door. It would love for me to open the door, but I will not. You understand this? On my dad's side of the family, there was heart attack and heart disease. It captured me as a young woman of God. A prophet saw the curse on my heart. He said, "There it is in the lower left hand side of your heart. It is broken in Jesus name." I went flying out under the power of God for forty minutes. I am thinking, "Why didn't he say, 'be healed? I needed to be healed." But, he saw the spot, that was blood, flesh, and passed down junk. It had my name and my number. It took out my father and everybody in his family line. But, the grace of God was manifested in such a time as this to say, "No, I am going to bring you something greater." That curse was destroyed and the spirits left. I was healed of manifestations at that time. I am still healed and will stay healed. If He can do that for my heart, He can do it for any part of our bodies, including our brain.

Who is the center of the whole body? Of course the devil wants to hit your brain. I will fight with this. This is truth. "Prepare your minds for action. Gird up the loins of your mind." That is instruction for us to do. As we abide, we remain, and we receive right now, the moving Spirit of God, the living Word of God. He is calling us into these things. We will continue to go deeper and deeper deeper into Him. Do you hear what the Spirit is saying?

Let's stand up and pray. If you need prayer for anything, come up here afterwards. We will pray for you in faith. The Lord does the work. It is the resurrection power that does the work.

Father, we adhere to and we receive what you have chosen to manifest to us today. We receive it Lord with all of our heart, with all of our soul, with all of our mind, and with all of our strength. We thank you for being here with us. We thank you for going with us. Thank you for giving us life and life more abundantly. Thank you for bearing much fruit in us, with us, and through us. Thank you for using us for your glory. Thank you for revealing your glory to us. Lord, thank you for destroying every dead form of religion in us. Thank you for taking us out of cold, dead, structures and into the voice of God, into the place of Christ, and into the indwelling of the Holy Ghost. Thank you, Lord, that you put us on a path of righteousness that brings peace and mercy. "Surely goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our life. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

We honor your word. We honor your glory. Lord, we surrender our way to you. I pray you anoint everybody that hears this message. That they will go in faith, and they will be living, breathing, and moving this week like never before. That we will flow with your Spirit. We will move with you as we host the Kingdom of Heaven individually, in our homes, businesses, and in the ministry wherever you send us. May the living Breath of God go before us. There is nothing impossible for you, Lord. In Jesus' name, amen. Amen.