



SPIRITUAL EMPOWERMENT IN LIFE AND MINISTRY

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MEANING (Definition)

- ❖ **SPIRITUAL** – anything related to the non-physical aspects of human existence such as the soul, emotions, and mind.
- ❖ **EMPOWERMENT** – the process of being developed, shaped, transformed and used powerfully through the influence of the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ **SPIRITUAL EMPOWERMENT** – is simply the powerful influence of God in our life and ministry through the Holy Spirit.

Acts 17:28 (NIV)

'For in him we live and move and have our being. ^{'[a]} As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.

2 Corinthians 3:5 (NIV)

Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God.

Zechariah 4:6 (NIV)

So he said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the LORD Almighty.

MEANS (Source) – The Holy Spirit

John 16:7 (NIV)

But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

Romans 8:9 (NIV)

You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ.

MANNERS (Ways Through Which the Holy Spirit Empowers Us)

❖ **For Vision** – where God is taking you

Proverbs 29:18 (NIV)

Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's instruction.

❖ **For Guidance** – when you have complicated decisions to make

Psalm 37:5 (NIV)

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this:

❖ **For Spiritual Gifts** – are special, supernatural abilities gift of the Holy Spirit to believers to serve others.
Each believer receives at least one gift.

1 Peter 4:10-11(NIV)

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

- ❖ **For Anointing** – it is God working through you in a specific way either for your own needs or the needs of others.

Isaiah 10:27 (NIV)

In that day their burden will be lifted from your shoulders, their yoke from your neck; the yoke will be broken because you have grown so fat.

- ❖ **For Authority** – Jesus assigned His disciples impossible tasks and gave them authority to complete them.

Luke 9:1 (NIV)

When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to drive out all demons and to cure diseases,

- ❖ **For Weaknesses** – God quickens one’s spirit in an area he feels weak so that he feels a greater urgency about getting a particular task done.

Romans 8:26 (NIV)

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

- ❖ **For Boldness to Witness** – to share the Gospel/love of God to others

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

CHALLENGE

**DO YOU WANT GOD'S POWER
IN YOUR LIFE?**

**HOW MUCH OF YOU DOES THE
SPIRIT POSSESS?**