

# POWER + FORM

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Vision: Manifesting  
Christ in Many Ways  
to Many People

Acts 2:1-4 NIV – When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

The Birth of the New Covenant Reality

## **Omnipresence:**

Biblical – Real – True to God's Nature – God is Everywhere – Theological – Available to All – Universal – Passive – Impersonal – Abstract

## **Manifest Presence:**

Biblical – Real – True to God's Nature – God is Perceived Locally – Transformational – Particular – Personal – Pursuit – Covenantal – Specific

"The sobering truth is that the greatest hindrance to the growth of Christianity in today's world is the absence of the manifest presence of God from the Church." – Richard Owen Roberts

Encounter Leads to Empowerment – Acts 2:4

1 Cor 4:20 NIV – For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.

2 Timothy 3:5 NIV – having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.

Acts 2:42-47 NIV – They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. 46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. The fire was poured into shared discipleship practices within the church!

"Ultimately each church will be evaluated by only one thing, its disciples. Your church is only as good as its disciples. It does not matter how good your praise, preaching, programs or property are, if your disciples are passive, need, consumerist, and not moving in the direction of radical obedience, your church is not good." – Neil Cole

If we have the Word without the Spirit, we tend to dry up. If we have the Spirit without the Word, we tend to blow up. If we have both the Spirit and Word, we tend to grow up and fire up.

"The general human failing is to want what is right and important, but at the same time not to commit to the kind of life that will produce the action we know to be right and the condition we want to enjoy. This is the feature of the human character that explains why the road to hell is paved with good intentions. We intend what is right, but we avoid the life that would make it a reality." – Dallas Willard

There is no formation without repetition.

## **Power:**

Encounter – Passion – Anointing – Breakthrough – Manifestations – Urgency – Crowd – Movement – Gifts

## **Practice:**

Formation – Discipline – Faithfulness – Process – Skills – Sustainability – Commitment – Health – Character

# WELCOME! OUR STRATEGY AT DPC: GATHER (GATHERINGS), GROUP (CONNECT GROUPS), GROW (GROWTH PHASES), GIVE (GIVING/GIFTING TEAMS, GO (OUTREACH)

## **SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER - 9A + 11A - SPIRIT-FILLED PEOPLE KNOWING & EXPERIENCING GOD**

In Luke 11:13, Jesus said that those who believe in Him would have “rivers of living water” flowing out of them. The passage goes on to say that, with this word picture, He meant the Holy Spirit. What does it look like to follow Christ with the power and presence of the Holy Spirit? What’s the difference between being saved and being baptized in the Spirit? Why do some people talk about anointing? What are spiritual gifts? How do we know we are being led by the Spirit?

## **SUNDAY OCTOBER 29 - 3P - 7P - FALL BONANZA**

Join us for food, games, pumpkin painting, live music, line dancing, connect group costume contest, bonfire and more at The Land Retreat Center for our Fall Bonanza.

## **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15 - FALL 2023 CONNECT GROUPS**

Connect Groups meet all over the community this day! We would love for you to get plugged into a group and experience transformation through genuine relationships with other believers. Visit the Next Steps table for more information!

## **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 - 7P - 9P - NIGHT SIX OF OUR FALL SESSION OF GROWTH PHASES**

Join us for our sixth night of Growth Phases. We can’t wait to see all the Lord will do in your life this session!

## **DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN GIVE VIA TEXT?**

Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text!

## **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 - 5P - 9P - WOODSTOCK TRAILS OF TRICKS AND TREATS**

Mark your calendars to join us as we serve our city at the annual Woodstock Trails of Tricks and Treats. We will engage with the community at our Dwelling Place tent where we will hand out candy to kids. This is an event that the whole family can be a part of!

If you have questions, please stop by the Next Steps table in the foyer, or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at [dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com](mailto:dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com)