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Ven like CHURCH CRAWLEY

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD GOD IS UPON ME BECAUSE THE LORD HAS ANOINTED ME TO BRING GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR;

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ISAIAH 61:1

OF THE PRISON TO THOSE WHO ARE BOUND...

God wants us to live a free life: bible says it was for freedom that Christ has set us free (Gal 5:1).

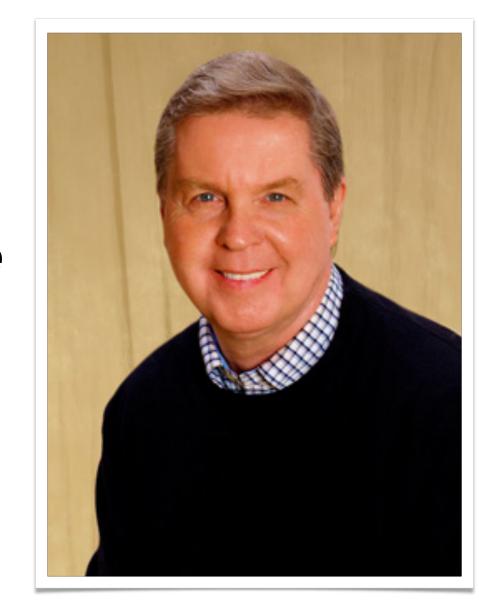
HOW can we live a life of freedom? Isaiah 61

WE CAN WE LIVE IN FREEDOM WHEN WE PURSUE THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT ISA 61:1-3

- Jesus manifesto of ministry Luke 4:14-18
- Jesus is living this out in practice Acts 10:38
- We need power of Spirit in church Zech 4:6

"If we desire the "hand of God" (i.e., his power) to return to our churches, we should focus less on the personalities and abilities of people, and more on Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit."

Jim Cymbala, Storm: Hearing Jesus for the Times We Live In





Prayer Ministry Skills:Training Evening Sunday 12th May 6pm in church building

WHAT LESSONS ARE THERE FOR US AS A CHURCH?

Living in the freedom of the Spirit means..... WE CAN RECEIVE COMFORT

- •There is a letting go of holding onto the past.
- •There's a letting go of unforgiveness and hurt.
- •There's a letting go of unrealistic expectations.
- •There's a letting go of anxiety.
- •There's a letting go of fear.

We have to follow His wisdom in the "letting go" and the "rearranging" He does in our lives.

WHAT LESSONS ARE THERE FOR US AS A CHURCH?

2. LIVING IN THE FREEDOM OF THE SPIRIT MEANS...... WE CAN RELEASE CONTROL

John 3:8 - "The wind blows wherever it pleases."

Prov 14:4 - "Without oxen a stable stays clean"

Isa 43:18-19 "See, I am doing a new thing!"

Mark 2:22 "new wine requires new wineskins"

GET COMFORTABLE WITH BEING UNCOMFORTABLE!!

WHAT LESSONS ARE THERE FOR US AS A CHURCH?

3. LIVING IN THE FREEDOM OF THE SPIRIT MEANS..... WE CAN RENEW COMMITMENT



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HUMILITY is KEY and THE key in this new era.

"God is attracted to weakness. He can't resist those who humbly and honestly admit how desperately they need Him."

Jim Cymbala



How is this possible? I'm a young mum, I have a demanding job, etc

Brother Lawerence - Lord of the pots & pans - "practising the presence of God"

Goal: to increase our awareness of and dependence on His personal presence.

CONCLUSION:

As a church I know God wants us to live in the freedom of the Spirit.

- Receive His comfort we can then let go
- **Release control** we can enjoy new wine
- **Renew our commitment** yield to God in humility.



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