

2 Timothy 1:7

What does being filled with the Holy Spirit look like?

(2Ti 1:6-8) ⁶Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. ⁷For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. ⁸Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God,

vs 6) gift of God (Holy Spirit ~ Acts 2:38) must be Stirred Up (activity of Holy Spirit)

vs 7) contrast Fear (because fear chokes faith) with...

Power vs. helplessness

Love vs. rejection (fear of man)

Sound Mind vs. not knowing/understanding

We Fear what is out of our Control.

controlling environment/circumstances is an illusion (wrong power)

Holy Spirit offers Self Control (power to react well)

vs 8) Gospel: all three working together

Pattern: 1 Cor 12 (power), 1 Cor 13 (love), 1 Cor 14 (sound mind), 1 Cor 15 (gospel)

Power – gifts of Spirit ~ effect (not control) environment/circumstances

Love – fruit of Spirit (Gal 5:22) ~ control our emotions

(1Co 13:4-7) ⁴Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; ⁵does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; ⁶does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; ⁷bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Godly reactions

Sound Mind – natural/spiritual wisdom/understanding

~ control our thoughts/reasoning (2 Cor 10:5)

not helpless victims of our fears and doubts

(1 Cor 14:5) elevates prophecy because understanding edifies

(1 Cor 14:26) goal is edification, therefore order

(Jn 14:26) ²⁶“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

(Jn 16:13) ¹³“However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

(Jas 1:5-8) ⁵If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. ⁶But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; ⁸he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

You must believe God wants to give you wisdom and understanding.

(Ro 8:14-15) ¹⁴For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.”

Bondage (control) = Fear, Acceptance (love) = Freedom

Christians aren't controlled by God, but Freed by Him. (self control returned)

(service is voluntary and based in love ~ Jn 14:15)

Free to love extravagantly because we are so wealthy in love.

(Gal 5:16) walking in/being led by Spirit frees from pull of world/sin/bondage

(Ro 8:19) ¹⁹For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God.

Creation is waiting for sons/daughters of God walking in 3 fold expression of His Spirit.

We must stir up the gift of God that is in us.