

## **Move In Power Again: In ME!**

Am I living day to day in all the ways that free God to move in my life? Have I quenched the work of the Spirit of God?

1. Do you have things in your life, patterns (of thought, behavior, work, play) that you don't expect or invite or allow God to rearrange?

\_\_\_ -No, I give God complete access to my every plan and decision.

\_\_\_ -Yes, but I am most open to God changing my plans in this way:

\_\_\_ - Consistently seeing that I am too controlling

\_\_\_ - Hearing from a friend that I am too controlling

\_\_\_ - Supernatural sign from heaven

\_\_\_ - I see from the Scriptures that I need to change

\_\_\_ - I hear from friends that something needs to change

\_\_\_ - God sends someone to say just the right words I need to hear

2. Do I look at people through Gospel lenses?

\_\_\_ - Do I look with dignity at people that others scorn and overlook?

\_\_\_ - Or do I look with accusation, scorn and judgment?

\_\_\_ - Do I find fault with people who live with bad patterns, choices, or a hard life?

\_\_\_ - Or do I see others (even the hardest of people) as needing God's grace and kindness just like me?

\_\_\_ - Do I look with compassion on other people no matter how hard their life circumstances are; even if they are in that situation by their own hand (mistakes)

3. Rate your active confidence (shown through prayer and trust in the Lord) that God can do undeniable miracles.

\_\_\_ - I regularly pray for sick people to recover (with or without the person knowing)

\_\_\_ - I regularly pray that scientific discoveries will be made to alleviate sickness and death in the world

\_\_\_ - I pray tirelessly for the people I know who have illnesses (physical, mental, emotional)

\_\_\_ - When I hear others praying for God to do a miracle, it encourages me to pray and believe that God can do it!

\_\_\_ - When I hear others praying for God to do miracles, I just think they are not enlightened about the true power of science today

4. Do I invite the Lord to heal people?

\_\_\_ - Have I stopped praying for things I don't understand?

\_\_\_ - sickness and long-term illness

\_\_\_ - long term family problems

\_\_\_ - chronic pain or mental problems

\_\_\_ - patterns of willful disobedience or unwise choices

\_\_\_ - in myself

\_\_\_ - in others

\_\_\_ - for immediate cures

\_\_\_ - for addictions (substances, behaviors, media)

\_\_\_ - for scientific discoveries and insights for cures (cancer, HIV, STDs, mental illnesses, depression, degenerative diseases, etc.)

5. Has something happened in my heart?

\_\_\_ - I stopped asking God for healing or other tangible change because of:

- \_\_\_ - being such a creature of habit that I don't invite God to break my habits
- \_\_\_ - disbelief: I just don't believe that God can do anything about the problems I see
- \_\_\_ - lack of boldness: I see myself praying for these things, but never take action
- \_\_\_ - lack of dignity/love for others: I just don't care enough about other people to act
- \_\_\_ - I just leave all those things (physical, mental, emotional healing) up to scientists
- \_\_\_ - over-spiritualizing: limiting God's actions to spiritual insight and minimizing the natural world (even though Jesus came in the flesh and cared for people's bodies and their souls)
- \_\_\_ - fear of failure: I'm afraid of how I will feel/look or how others will feel about me or how it will feel if I pray for these things and they don't happen
- \_\_\_ - I don't like talking about things I can't control (idolatry)

6. Have you believed in the past that God could do miracles but then you got discouraged? Did you know that we don't have the same authority as the apostles did? Did you know that we are taught to live humbly not with presumption that God would do what we asked? (Read James 4 this week and consider what it means for our life of humbly offering our petitions to God vs. presumptuously assuming we have what we ask.)

7. Do you need to apologize to the Lord for being arrogant at some point; assuming that you knew what was best and what time frame God wanted to move instead of giving glory to Christ alone as the sovereign Lord? Take some time this week to confess your error and apologize to the Lord and invite Him to...

Move in Power Again for your life change and that of your church family and community.