

# Empowerment

FRESH ENCOUNTERS W/ 3RD PERSON

## 1) Your Encounter Might Not \_\_\_\_\_ The Way You Think

Requires \_\_\_\_\_

**John 16:5** "But now I am going away to the one who sent me, and not one of you is asking where I am going. **6** Instead, you grieve because of what I've told you. **7** But in fact, it is best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Advocate won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you." (NLT)

Outcome \_\_\_\_\_

**Acts 1:4** Once when he was eating with them, he commanded them, "Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before. **5** John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." **6** So when the apostles were with Jesus, they kept asking him, "Lord, has the time come for you to free Israel and restore our kingdom?" **7** He replied, "The Father alone has the authority to set those dates and times, and they are not for you to know." (NLT)

## 2) Your Encounter Might \_\_\_\_\_ You To What Is Next

Need \_\_\_\_\_

**Mark 6:31** Then Jesus said, "Let's go off by ourselves to a quiet place and rest awhile." He said this because there were so many people coming and going that Jesus and his apostles didn't even have time to eat. **32** So they left by boat for a quiet place, where they could be alone. (NLT)

**Matthew 14:12** Later, John's disciples came for his body and buried it. Then they went and told Jesus what had happened. **13** As soon as Jesus heard the news, he left in a boat to a remote area to be alone. But the crowds heard where he was headed and followed on foot from many towns. (NLT)

Need \_\_\_\_\_

**Acts 1:8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (NLT)

**A MOVE OF THE SPIRIT IS MORE  
ABOUT \_\_\_\_\_  
AND \_\_\_\_\_  
THAN \_\_\_\_\_  
AND \_\_\_\_\_.**

### 3) Your Encounter Might Happen

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Personal And \_\_\_\_\_

**Luke 5:14** Then Jesus instructed him not to tell anyone what had happened. He said, "Go to the priest and let him examine you. Take along the offering required in the law of Moses for those who have been healed of leprosy. This will be a public testimony that you have been cleansed." **15** But despite Jesus' instructions, the report of his power spread even faster, and vast crowds came to hear him preach and to be healed of their diseases. **16** But Jesus often withdrew to the wilderness for prayer. (NLT)

Corporate And \_\_\_\_\_

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### 4) Your Encounter Will Not Happen By

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Intentional \_\_\_\_\_

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**Acts 4:29** And now, O Lord, hear their threats, and give us, your servants, great boldness in preaching your word. **30** Stretch out your hand with healing power; may miraculous signs and wonders be done through the name of your holy servant Jesus." **31** After this prayer, the meeting place shook, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. Then they preached the word of God with boldness. (NLT)

**Acts 19:1** While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul traveled through the interior regions until he reached Ephesus, on the coast, where he found several believers. **2** "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" he asked them. "No," they replied, "we haven't even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." **3** "Then what baptism did you experience?" he asked. And they replied, "The baptism of John." **4** Paul said, "John's baptism called for repentance from sin. But John himself told the people to believe in the one who would come later, meaning Jesus." **5** As soon as they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. **6** Then when Paul laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in other tongues and prophesied. (NLT)

Relentless \_\_\_\_\_

**Romans 12:11** Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. **12** Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying. **13** When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality. (NLT)

**2 Thessalonians 1:11** So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you to live a life worthy of his call. May he give you the power to accomplish all the good things your faith prompts you to do. **12** Then the name of our Lord Jesus will be honored because of the way you live, and you will be honored along with him. This is all made possible because of the grace of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ. *(NLT)*

**5) Your Encounter \_\_\_\_\_ Requires**

**Obedience And \_\_\_\_\_**

**Power With \_\_\_\_\_**

**Acts 2:1** On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. **2** Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. **3** Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. **4** And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. **5** At that time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem. **6** When they heard the loud noise, everyone came running, and they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers. **7** They were completely amazed. "How can this be?" they exclaimed. "These people are all from Galilee, **8** and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages! **9** Here we are—Parthians, Medes, Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, **10** Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome **11** (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans, and Arabs. And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things God has done!" **12** They stood there amazed and perplexed. "What can this mean?" they asked each other. *(NLT)*

**IT DOESN'T**  
----- **YOU,**  
**IT** ----- **YOU.**

There can be no:

- \_\_\_\_\_ - eager to please, apologetic
- \_\_\_\_\_ - fault-finder who criticizes relentlessly and speaks in generalizations
- \_\_\_\_\_ - super reasonable, calm and collected, never admits mistakes, and expects people to conform and perform
- \_\_\_\_\_ - resorts to irrelevancies under stress, avoids direct eye contact and direct answers

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