

## **Apostolic Studies Series- The Power of Agreeing**

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**Matthew 18:19-** "Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven."

**1 Corinthians 1:10-** "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." *Ref. also Acts 13:1-4*

### **Invites the presence of God**

#### **Matthew 18:18-20-**

18: Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

19: Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

20: For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

#### **Acts 2:1-4-**

1: And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2: And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3: And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4: And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

### **Creates an atmosphere for the miraculous**

#### **Acts 3:1-8**

1: Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.

2: And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;

3: Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.

4: And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

5: And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

6: Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

7: And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

8: And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.

### **There must be spiritual authority for the power of agreement to work**

1. vs. 4- "Peter...said 'look on us.'"
2. Peter was the elder, so he did the talking. Whenever two brothers (or sisters) in the Lord come together, the younger (spiritually) submits to the elder. When two saints go out on a mission for the Lord, both cannot do the talking. John deferred to Peter because Peter was the spokesman. It was his gift to speak up first.
3. More than likely, John did the praying while Peter did the speaking. It is not only necessary for there to be agreement, but each person should know their gift and place in the Body.

### **Negative application of the power of agreeing**

- 1: And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.
- 2: And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.
- 3: And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.
- 4: And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.
- 5: And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.
- 6: And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.
- 7: Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.
- 8: So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.