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#### This Gospel of the Kingdom Must be Preached and Demonstrated

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Matthew, chapter 4 reads, after that Jesus was led by the Spirit of God to pray and fast for forty days, and had been tempted of the devil and overcame him with the Word of God, the angels came and ministered food for him to eat.

Verse 17 states: From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, Repent for the Kingdom of God is at hand.

#### God's Kingdom is God's system of Rulership and Dominion!

In verse 23 we read: And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom (of God), and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

# Today, there is too much preaching without any demonstration of the Kingdom of God. God has called His Church, not only to preach and to teach, but also to show, by doing His Works, that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. (Hebrew 13:8) This is the reason why He has given us His Spirit.

In chapter Matthew 9:35, we read: Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

#### When the Kingdom comes, sickness has to flee. Praise the Lord!

And then He tells us in Matthew 10:8: Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils, freely ye have received, freely give.

#### He is even including raising the dead. Wow!

Who has ever seen that in the modern western church on Sunday morning? Well, there are ministers in Africa that walk around raising the dead as a major part of their ministry.

I have myself had the privilege of seeing two people on two separate occasions come back from the dead, after that they had stopped breathing, and had no discernible pulse for up to 20 minutes.

### We called out to the Lord and then we called for the persons to return to their bodies in the name of Jesus, and they did. Glory to God!

And the Gospel (of the Kingdom) must first be published among all nations. (Mark 13:10)

This must happen before the end can come. It must be published not only in word but also in demonstration and in power.

## And my speech and my preaching was not in enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power. Just think that we have been called by God to demonstrate the reality of the Holy Spirit of God and His power.

#### That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men but in the POWER OF GOD! (1 Corinthians 2:4-5)

This should be our daily confession as Spirit filled believers and ministers of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor, he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. (Luke 4:18-19)

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