Winds of Change #2

### Giving of the Law – OT

### **Giving of the Spirit - NT**

### A. Freedom at a Price

### <u>Passover – Exodus 12</u>

- Lamb slain
- Shed blood gave life
- Set free
- Many sacrifices required

### <u>Passover – Jesus</u>

- Lamb of God slain (John 1:29)
- Shed blood gave life
- Set free
- Once and for all (Heb 7:27)

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### **B. Bondage Broken**

#### Escape from Slavery

- 3 days from Egypt to Red Sea (Exodus 14)
- Baptised into Moses (1 Corinthians 10:1-2) ...Moses became their mediator
- Power of bondage broken
- Shared in the victory (Ex 15)

### Escape from Death

- 3 days from crucifixion to resurrection
- Baptised into Christ (Romans 6:1-4)
- Power of sin and death broken
- Shared in victory

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### C. Thanksgiving

<u>Feast of Weeks / Harvest / First</u> <u>Fruits</u>

- 50 days after Passover *Celebration*: Deut 16:10-11
- Joy
- Thankfulness
- God's provision
- Giving of the Law (became anniversary)

Pentecost (Feast of Weeks)

- 50 days after Passover *Celebration:* Acts 2:1-41
- Joy
- Thankfulness
- God's provision
- Giving of the Spirit

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D. Power Poured Out	
<u>No Power</u>	<u>Power</u>
Death of 3.000	Life – 3,000 saved

## **1. The Gift**

The Spirit in in us for our benefit, and upon us for others' benefit.

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- 120 baptised with Holy Spirit on day of Pentecost.
   <u>Common signs</u>:
- Speaking in tongues
- Release in praise and worship
- Prophecy

### 2. Your Potential

### God is not responsible for your potential – you are! (Bill Johnson)

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- Saul Started well.
- Power went to his head
- Jealousy robbed him.
- He hated the anointing.



### 1 Samuel 19:10-21; 23-24



Then Saul sent messengers to take David, and when they saw the company of prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as head over them, the Spirit of God came upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied. When it was told to Saul, he sent other messengers, and they also prophesied. And Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they also prophesied...

And he [Saul] went there to Naioth in Ramah. And the Spirit of God came upon him also, and as he went, he prophesied until he came to Naioth in Ramah. And he too stripped off his clothes, and he too prophesied before Samuel and lay naked all that day and all that night. Thus it is said, "Is Saul also among the prophets?"



- Picture of God's grace
- Saul humbled himself and had another chance
- Our potential is our responsibility

# **3. Gifts Explained**

- Many gifts
- Two or three gifts can operate together.

**James 3:17** But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure, then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

- Wisdom
- Knowledge
- Discernment

#### **Issue: Direction required**

Acts 13:2-3 While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.' So, after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off. Wisdom; Discernment Acts 8:18-23 When Simon saw that the Spirit was given at the laying on of the apostles/ hands, he offered them money and said, 'Give me also this ability so that everyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit.'

Peter answered: 'May your money perish with you, because you thought you could buy the gift of God with money! You have no part or share in this ministry, because your heart is not right before God. Repent of this wickedness and pray to the Lord in the hope that he may forgive you for having such a thought in your heart. For I see that you are full of bitterness and captive to sin.'

Gift of knowledge
showed the cause:
\*Power without
character
\*Bitterness, so still
captive to sin.

#### **Issue: Potential in Others**

Acts 14:8-10 In Lystra there sat a man who was lame. He had been that way from birth and had never walked. He listened to Paul as he was speaking. Paul looked directly at him, saw that he had faith to be healed and called out, "Stand up on your feet!' At that, the man jumped up and began to walk.

### Gift of knowledge

#### **Issue: Opposition**

Acts 13:9-10 Then Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked straight at Elymas and said, "You are a child of the devil and an enemy of everything that is right! You are full of all kinds of deceit and trickery. Will you never stop perverting the right ways of the Lord?

Gift of spiritual discernment. \*saw motivation – what drives a person \*knowledge of deceit / trickery / perverting good and righteous justice;

**1 Corinthians 13:1-3** *If I speak in the tongues of men and angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.* 

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