

LIVING IN THE SUPERNATURAL by Pastor Jarrod Davidoff

Galatians 5:16-26 [16] I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. **[17]** For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. **[18]** But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

[19] Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, **[20]** idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, **[21]** envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

[22] But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **[23]** gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. **[24]** And those *who are* Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. **[25]** If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. **[26]** Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Living in the Spirit positions us to live a life in the supernatural.

Living in the supernatural means that you have access to God's supernatural power, help, and favor to overcome challenges and trials in your own life and to help others in theirs.

There are 4 forces trying to influence your life and behavior:

1. People
2. Demonic forces

3. Your own desires, the lusts of the flesh, the pride of life

4. And God's perfect will

HOW DO WE GET THIS SUPERNATURAL POWER AND GRACE?

1. THROUGH PRAYER

Jude 1:20 But you, beloved, building yourselves up (HOW?) on your most holy faith (SO THEN IT'S FAITH WE ARE AFTER), (HOW?) praying in the Holy Spirit

Prayer is like the fuel in the engine. You have a great car or a monster truck that's capable of going fast or doing great exploits, yet without gas in the motor, it's going nowhere.

2. IN THE WORD

Psalms 119:11-16 [11] Your word I have hidden in my heart,

That I might not sin against You.

[12] Blessed *are* You, O Lord!

Teach me Your statutes.

[13] With my lips I have declared

All the judgments of Your mouth.

[14] I have rejoiced in the way of Your testimonies,

As *much as* in all riches.

[15] I will meditate on Your precepts,

And [b]contemplate Your ways.

[16] I will delight myself in Your statutes;

I will not forget Your word.

When you know who you are in Christ and what God's promises are, you will receive tremendous boldness and power to do what needs to be done.

3. BY FAITH

Romans 4:17 God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did

In order to live a supernatural life, you are going to need faith. Faith is what will propel you to get out and walk on the water.

I don't believe any of us here want to have regrets in Heaven. We all want to do what the Lord has assigned us to do. Faith will take us there.

And when I say faith...faith in God to help carry you through.

Hebrews 11:16-40 [16] Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

[17] By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, **[18]** of whom it

was said, "In Isaac your seed shall be called," [19] concluding that God was able to raise *him* up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.

[20] By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

[21] By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, *leaning* on the top of his staff.

[22] By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones.

[23] By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw *he was* a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king's command.

[24] By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, [25] choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin, [26] esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward.

[27] By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible. [28] By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, lest he who destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

[29] By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by dry *land*, whereas the Egyptians, attempting to do so, were drowned.

By Faith They Overcame

[30] By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days. [31] By faith the harlot Rahab did not perish with those who did not believe, when she had received the spies with peace.

[32] And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also *of* David and Samuel and the prophets: [33] who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness,

obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, **[34]** quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to fight the armies of the aliens. **[35]** Women received their dead raised to life again.

Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. **[36]** Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. **[37]** They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented—**[38]** of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, *in* dens and caves of the earth.

[39] And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, **[40]** God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

WHAT IS THE RESULT OF LIVING OUR LIVES IN THE SUPERNATURAL?

1.WE HAVE JOY DESPITE OUR CIRCUMSTANCES

Paul and Silas in Prison

Acts 16:16-34 [16] Now it happened, as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. **[17]** This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, “These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation.” **[18]** And this she did for many days.

But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And he came out that very

hour. **[19]** But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged *them* into the marketplace to the authorities.

[20] And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, “These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; **[21]** and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe.” **[22]** Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded *them* to be beaten with rods. **[23]** And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw *them* into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. **[24]** Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

The Philippian Jailer Saved

[25] But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. **[26]** Suddenly there was a great earthquake (God was tapping His toes), so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were loosed. **[27]** And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. **[28]** But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, “Do yourself no harm, for we are all here.”

[29] Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. **[30]** And he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

[31] So they said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.” **[32]** Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. **[33]** And he took them the same hour of the night and washed *their* stripes. And immediately he and all his *family* were baptized. **[34]** Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

2. WE HAVE AN EXPECTATION OF PERPETUAL DELIVERENCE

The walls are coming down:

Walls of financial lack

Walls of relationship tension

Walls of discrimination

Walls of division

Joshua 6:15-16, 20 [15] But it came to pass on the seventh day that they rose early, about the dawning of the day, and marched around the city seven times in the same manner. On that day only they marched around the city seven times. **[16]** And the seventh time it happened, when the priests blew the trumpets, that Joshua said to the people: "Shout, for the Lord has given you the city!

[20] So the people shouted when *the priests* blew the trumpets. And it happened when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat. Then the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

3. HEALINGS AND MIRACLES ARE NORMAL IN OUR LIVES

Acts 19:11-12 [11] Now God worked unusual miracles by the hands of Paul, **[12]** so that even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them and the evil spirits went out of them.

Acts 5:12 And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people.

Acts 5:15-16 [15] so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid *them* on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. **[16]** Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

4. WE TAKE JOY IN SHARING THE GOSPEL

Acts 5:14, 41-42 [14] And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women

[41] they had called for the apostles and beaten *them*, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. **[41]** So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name. **[42]** And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

5. WE EXPERIENCE FAVOR

Isaiah 58:11 The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.

As you step out with the Lord to do what He has called you to do, supernatural favor will come upon you.