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“Unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.” (Eph. 4:7)

We must always remember that whenever the Lord tells us to do something, He gives us the needed power. All His commands include His enablement, even when His commands are in the realm of the impossible.

Jethro said to Moses, “If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure” (Ex. 18:23). “The principle is that God assumes full responsibility for enabling His man to fulfill every task to which He has appointed him” (J. O. Sanders).

In His ministry the Lord Jesus met at least two men who were paralyzed (Mt. 9:6, Jn. 5:9). On both occasions He told them to get up and carry their pad. As they exercised the will to obey, power flowed into their helpless limbs.

Peter sensed that if the Lord Jesus called him to come on the water, then he could walk on water. As soon as Jesus said “Come,” Peter went down out of the ship and walked on the water.

It is doubtful that the man with the withered hand could stretch it out; yet when our Lord told him to do it, he did and the hand was restored.

The idea of feeding 5000 with a few loaves and fishes is out of the question. But whenever Jesus said to the disciples, “Give them to eat,” the impossibility vanished.

Lazarus had lain in the grave for four days when Jesus called, “Lazarus, come forth.” The command was accompanied by the necessary power. Lazarus came forth.

We should appropriate this truth. When God leads us, we should never cop out with the plea that we can’t do it. If He tells us to do something, He will supply the power. It has been well said, “The will of God will never lead you where the grace of God will not sustain you.”

It is equally true that when God orders something, He pays for what He orders. If we are sure of His leading, we need not worry about the finances. He will Provide.

The God who opened the Red Sea and the Jordan so that His people could pass over is the same today. He is still in the business of removing impossibilities when His people obey His will. He still supplies all needed grace to do whatever He commands. He still works in us both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

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This is TRUTH! And it is for today. A testimony. God will anoint us and give us the grace and the super natural power to do what He has called us to do when He wants us to do it. Glory to God!

I was told by the Church I was attending that the Lord wanted me to go with a small group to provide a Church service in a nursing home. My response was, the Lord didn't tell me that. I skipped the first meeting as I was hoping this wasn't true as I didn't care for old people in nursing homes, they scared me for some reason. I didn't like getting in front of people speaking.

I was approached again. I was asked to just read some Scripture for about 5 min. Still very unsure of this and had to discuss it with the Lord in depth. Finally I told the Lord that it was a privilege to share His Word with anyone and I will do this this one time for Him.

So, the day came, I was so scared, nervous, sweaty palms etc. But obeying my Lord, I walked through the door of that place, the seniors were all gathered around waiting for us to arrive. The Spirit of the Lord came on me so strong all I did was weep and hug each one with the love that God just poured out on me. We were there for over 3 years faithfully and I spoke last with the message of Salvation. I don't know how many were snatched out of Satan's hands at the last minute but I know many who were not going to Heaven are now there. All glory to God. When He calls us to do something He is faithful to provide us and equip us. For His glory.

I taught Child Evangelism in the public schools for many years off and on. The anointing was there when it was God calling me to do it. I was asked to do it at different times but I said, I could do it but unless it is God calling me at that certain time the anointing won't be there. I only do it when the Lord is saying go and do.

So, we don't have to be afraid. God will supply us with all we need. We just have to be sensitive to His voice. It is such an exciting and awesome thing to watch God be God through us. Glory to God for He is faithful.