

A black and white photograph of a hand held palm up, with water splashing and droplets falling from it. The background is dark and slightly blurred. The text "EMPOWERED TO SERVE" is overlaid on the center of the image. "EMPOWERED" is in white, uppercase, sans-serif font. "TO SERVE" is in a bold, yellow, italicized, serif font.

EMPOWERED
TO SERVE

Salt and Light



Matthew 5:13-16

You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.



1. Empowered **by the Holy Spirit**

Acts 1:4 "...wait for the gift My Father promised..."

Your life cannot 'shine' without the
fire of the Holy Spirit.

‘Power’ here is
‘Dynamis’

– a divine energy that
would come upon and take
possession of our lives.

The meaning
includes words like

Power

Ability

Brilliance

Brightness

A glowing lightbulb is the central focus, emitting a vibrant trail of blue and red particles that radiate outwards. The background is a dark, textured space filled with these particles, creating a sense of dynamic energy and light.

**You have
the ability to
display POWER
– don’t hide or
neglect it!**

Zechariah 4:6 “...*Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,*” says the Lord Almighty.

- The lamps burned continuously as they were **supplied with oil from a source man did not make.**
- The work you are called to do will not require your own strength, but will be **supplied by the Living Spirit of God.**



2 Corinthians 12:9 ...My grace is sufficient for you,
for My Power is made **perfect in weakness**.

Spiritual Power – Creative Power



Redeeming Power – Enabling Power



Delivering Power – Power with brilliance
burning like a fire in your bones



| **2. Empowered**
Lifestyle – Salt and Light

Key is to re-discover how to live
as salt and light everyday



Matthew 5:14 *You are the light of the world...*

Greek expresses it that we are ‘as luminaries’ in the world like the sun and stars.

Philippians 2:14-15 *Do everything without grumbling or arguing, ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation. **Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky.***

John 5:35 *John was a lamp that burned and gave light, and you chose for a time to enjoy his light.*

To burn like a lamp, shine out God’s love, be a testimony for God costs something.

The two ingredients of Salt and Light

Both express the same function, yet there's a difference!

**Salt operates
INTERNALLY**

Then what it comes in contact with is impacted and changed.



**Light operates
EXTERNALLY**

Light radiates or removes darkness from every place it is released.



BOTH Salt and Light
change their environments
by their Presence.



You are purposely created by
God to be salt and light... ***we are
designed to influence and
impact the people we mix with.***





3. Empowered
To Share (Proclaim)
the Gospel



One of the first ‘supernatural gifts’ of the Holy Spirit is the
Gift of God’s great love

The miracle of the extent of His grace and mercy to those in rebellion.

The free flow of God’s love to us **not based on our performance**, but on
our FAITH in the atoning work of Jesus.

“You may be eloquent...
You may have wisdom...
You may be a good financier...
Yes, you may have a great
demand on your ministry...

**BUT if you do not win
souls, you are a failure!**

— John Wesley



The background of the slide features a dark brown oval shape containing the silhouettes of several people. Some of these silhouettes have their arms raised, suggesting a church service or a moment of praise. The overall color scheme is dark, with the text in white and yellow.

We must be a

Church of Proclamation

with a message about the Cross and the Blood of Jesus
bringing deliverance, restoration and healing.