

Grant us Boldness

To be right with God has often meant to be in trouble with men – AW Tozer

Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather resolutely facing fear. It is choosing faith over fear

Ephesians 6:18-20 - ¹⁸praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints— ¹⁹and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak (NKJV)

There is a difference between boldness and obnoxiousness; between boldness and foolishness

Bold speaking must be accompanied by bold love. It is a love that speaks truth with the heart of Jesus

With great boldness will come great opportunities

A frightened church needs a fearless church – AW Tozer

Healings, Signs and Wonders

Preaching and miracles belong together, however, they always will point to Jesus alone

Acts 14:1-3 - Now it happened in Iconium that they went together to the synagogue of the Jews, and so spoke that a great multitude both of the Jews and of the Greeks believed. ² But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles and poisoned their minds against the brethren. ³ Therefore they stayed there a

long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands. (NJKV)

All miracles are signs that Jesus is the risen Son of God

Filled with The Holy Ghost

The word “filled” can mean clothed, the same as empowered in Ephesians 3:16 -
¹⁶ I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit (NLT)

It is the equipping for service. This is why we are filled with the Holy Spirit, to be empowered for service.

Acts 1:8 - ⁸ But you will receive power *and* ability when the Holy Spirit comes upon you; and you will be My witnesses [to tell people about Me] both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and Samaria, and even to the ends of the earth. (AMP)

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 - ⁴ There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵ There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶ And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. ⁷ But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit *of all* (NKJV)

1 Peter 4:10 - ¹⁰ As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God (NKJV)

Ephesians 2:10 - ¹⁰ For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago (NLT)

If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95% of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament church, 95% percent of what they did would stop and everyone would know the difference – AW Tozer

The most critical need of the church at this moment is men, bold men, free men.
The church must seek, in prayer and much humility, the coming again of men
made of the stuff of which the prophets and martyrs were made – AW Tozer