**ROOTS #5 - SPIRIT EMPOWERED – 18/11/18**

* Roots/Spirit Empowered
  + Get Started: Al – New Power
    - Power to Witness
    - Power to walk in obedience to God
    - Power to bear good fruit
    - Power to flow in spiritual gifts
    - Power for greater intimacy with Jesus
    - Power to speak in tongues
      * All in one sermon!
* Ephesians 5:15-21 (18)
* Acts 1:7-8
* Galatians 3:1-5
* 1 Corinthians 12:1,4-7
* *We believe that all the gifts in Scripture are available and desirable today for building the local church and extending the Kingdom of God.*
* *We believe every believer should be filled with the Spirit as part of God’s desire to empower us for Christian life and witness.*

Acts 1:8 – key to acts…how effective? How could it be…you shall receive ‘power’

* The coming upon of the Spirit…confined in OT – judges, prophets, kings…transformed…isolated…Gideon…cave…small army to massive victory.
  + David/Samuel on oil…
  + Samson…
    - Isolated individuals for special ministry – reign as king/prophet/priests
* Joel’s prophecy in the last days….
* Invasion of heaven on earth by a people chosen and made holy…John the Baptist
* Lamb of God until you receive the Spirit
* Paul – dispensation of the Spirit

EMPWOERING – GIDEON ,SMASON, LEFT TO THEMSELVES PWOERLESS…WHEN THE PSIRIT COMES TRANSFORMED…OT MODEL

NT – PETER, JAMES AND JOHN – WASTE OF TIME…don’t start yet!

MAGNIFIES OUR SENSE OF SONSHIP AND ASSURANCE – lifted to a new place, …enveloped by a sense of Abba Father…profoundly within, Douglas Moo (Romans) our awareness of God as Father comes not from rational consideration…nor from external testimony but a truth deeply felt and intensely experienced…flooding our souls, pouroed out upon us, empowered …not just power…empowerment…but starts initially with … I am a son!!! (EG PIPER ON SON HOLDING HIS FATHER’S HAND).

* **Intensely felt…move from cerebral to being plunged in the Spirit! His spirit testified with our spirit**
* **WORK?! Fruit – love of God poured out in our hearts**
  + Moo – an abundant extravagant effusion
  + Stott: Born again…you have it? But comes later?! Can do!
  + Moo: Not ‘give’ but shed abroad..showing the profusion
    - You feel it on the inside…love, joy
    - Acts 13:52…continually filled with joy and with the spoirit
    - Pentecost – thought they were drunk…noisy, happy, people!
    - FRUIT - joy that wells up = empowering – joy of the lord is our strength – empowered the early church
  + Thess: you became in=mitators…received the word in muc htribnulation…wit the joy if the Psirit.

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Douglas Moo says about this crying, “In using the verb ‘crying out,’ Paul stresses that our awareness of God as Father comes not from rational consideration nor from external testimony alone but from a truth deeply felt and intensely experienced. . . . In crying out, ‘Abba, Father,’ the believer not only gives voice to his or her consciousness of belonging to God as his child, but also to having a status comparable to that of Jesus himself.”[6](http://www.gracevalley.org/sermon_trans/2010/Proof_of_Sonship_2.html#f6) The mission of Jesus Christ is to bring many sons to glory (Heb. 2:10).

Douglas Moo ‘The verb “pour out” connotes an abundant,“extravagant”, effusion.