Dear Friend,

Oral Roberts said he learned how to obey God and build Him a university by praying in tongues, asking for the interpretation, and then acting on those instructions. If you drive by Oral Roberts University today, it is quite impressive. I first learned how to hear God's voice by following the teaching of Oral Roberts. I would spend time praying in other tongues, and then ask for the interpretation, and then write down what I would hear. I began hearing those interpretations back in 1986 and 1987. As I would hear what the Holy Spirit was saying, I would write each sentence down. Here is an excerpt:

1987 - Harness the power of My Spirit, says the Lord. The power of My Spirit may actually be harnessed. It is like a dam holding back the lake. Great potential of energy to be released. My Word in a book on your table has great potential. The waters are calm and peaceful behind the dam. People can enjoy it; swim in it, ski on it, and there is great peace and joy there. And so is My Word. Many people get consolation and enjoyment from My Word. But there is no "power" - actual "dunamis" released while the dam is merely holding back the lake.

The dam is your tongue. The Word must be fed into your spirit. As the Word is fed into your spirit, that potential builds and builds. Then, once the level is full to overflowing, then the gates of the dam can be opened, just as the tongue can start speaking forth My words filled with faith, and "power" to run the turbines comes forth automatically.

Just as electricity is generated by the release of the water to cook food, heat water, and a million other things, so is the power of the Spirit channeled to bring healing, do financial miracles, to do the impossible things in the earth and stop the works of the devil. To feed millions in starving countries. To get the gospel of the kingdom everywhere on this earth. Harness the power of My Word. Harness the power of My Spirit. Let that reservoir within you fill and fill and fill to overflowing. Then release the gate of your tongue and let that Word flow forth full of faith and power.

<u>Then</u> the kingdom comes out of you not in word only, but in power; in demonstration of the Spirit; and with much assurance.

When I first heard this back in 1987 (years before we sat under the ministry of Pastor Dave Roberson), I doubted it was even God at all. My religiously trained mind thought it was heresy to compare the power of God with the power of electricity, and that we could direct the flow of that power at our will. What? But then I found it in the Word of God. Only then did I know how accurate it was.

Think about this; at the time of the creation of earth, God placed the power of electricity in His creation. God had made the power of electricity available to man in the earth from the very beginning. The power was available, but man "perished for a lack of knowledge" concerning electricity (how to harness it and direct the flow of it), for thousands of years. God is saying He has made the "power of His Spirit" available to man, but we are perishing for a lack of

knowledge regarding how to harness it, and how to direct the flow of it. I told you I found it in the Word of God. Here is one story of a lady who learned how to harness and direct the flow of power into her own body for it to be healed.

Mark 5:25-34 KJV And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years, [26] And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse, [27] When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment. [28] For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole. [29] And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague. [30] And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes? [31] And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me? [32] And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing. [33] But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth. [34] And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.

She directed the flow of the power of the Holy Spirit by her faith, not the faith of Jesus. Her faith caused the power to flow. Sometimes it is the faith of Jesus, like in the case of the man with the lunatic son. He asked the Lord to help his insufficient faith, and He did. He will do that for you too. He told me one time, *"If you come to the end of your faith, I will give you His faith."* ... the lunatic's father is a perfect example of it. Don't be afraid to ask for it.

What did the woman with the issue of blood do beforehand to harness the power of the Spirit? The Classic Amplified Bible says, "for she kept saying." She kept speaking the desired end result. Then she set an event where she would receive her miracle. Oral Roberts called this "the point of contact," the moment when you release your faith. Notice SHE determined her own "point of contact." Oral Roberts, and later Benny Hinn and many others would suggest, "Touch the television screen as a point of contact and release your faith to God." Amen! But remember, she kept speaking the end result to build up her faith ... BEFORE ... she set out to touch the hem of His garment. Build yourself up first ... speak the word ... speak the end result ... allow your reservoir to fill and fill to overflowing with the Word of God ... harness the power of the Spirit.

Here is an example from my own life: It took two years of me confessing healing scriptures every day ... multiple times a day, before I was healed of an incurable heart disease. I have never taken another dose of that heart medicine since May of 1998. That is 27 years of manifested healing. Before those two years of confession, if I quit taking the medicine, I would blackout within just a few days from the symptoms of that disease. I have not blacked out again in 27 years. The doctors are still amazed when they see that diagnosis in my medical history. When they ask what happened, I give the word of my testimony ... Jesus has healed me!

Here is another example: It took many months of me speaking provision scriptures for four hours a day before a stronghold of lack in my mind was broken. You think it is easy? Try it. But once that breakthrough in my thinking happened, we reached the bottom of our roller coaster ride financially. We have lived for thirty years of full-time ministry without ever letting anybody know of a single need we had personally, or of a need in the ministry. You came too late to tell me you cannot harness the power of the Spirit. Follow His instructions He gave me about filling the reservoir ... you ... with the Word of God. The Spirit and the Word agree!

Adding Godly Hope to your confession greatly reduces the amount of time for the manifestation of your miracle. Be persistent in your confession and do not waiver. Speak to the mountain every day multiple times a day.

You can harness the power of the Spirit of God. Fill your reservoir with His Word. Set a point of contact. Speak the desired end result. Call those things which be not as though they were. THE BEST IS YET TO COME!

Your fellow servant for Christ,

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