

A collage of various tools including a screwdriver, pliers, wrench, whisk, and pencil sharpener.

# POWER TOOLS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1Corinthians 12.7-11 (NIV11)

Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit,

to another faith by the same Spirit, to  
another gifts of healings by that one Spirit, to  
another miraculous powers, to another  
prophecy, to another distinguishing between  
spirits,

to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

miraculous powers  
- *workings of powers*

A demonstration or manifestation of acts of extraordinary power. They are performed through the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of Jesus, bringing wonder and faith in others.

Acts 9.36-43 (NIV11)

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room.

Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, “Please come at once!” Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, “Tabitha, get up.” She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up.

He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

Miracles happen where there is a real need

Miracles happen where there is radical  
faith

Miracles happen where there is true  
discipleship

Mark 5.35-42 (NIV11)

While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. “Your daughter is dead,” they said. “Why bother the teacher anymore?”

Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, “Don’t be afraid; just believe.”

He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. He went in and said to them, “Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep.” But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha koum!*" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished.

Miracles happen because God has  
compassion

Miracles happen when we look to God

Acts 9.40 (NIV11)

Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed.

Galatians 3.5 (NIV11)

So again I ask, does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard?

Luke 7.13-14 (NLT2)

When the Lord saw her, his heart overflowed with compassion. “Don’t cry!” he said. Then he walked over to the coffin and touched it, and the bearers stopped. “Young man,” he said, “I tell you, get up.”

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him. John 2.11 (NIV11)

Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. John 11.45 (NIV11)

Roman 15.18-19 (NIV11)

I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done - by the power of signs and wonders, through the power of the Spirit of God. So from Jerusalem all the way around to Illyricum, I have fully proclaimed the gospel of Christ.

Matthew 4.23 (NIV11)

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

Acts 8.6-7 (NIV11)

When the crowds heard Philip and saw the signs he performed, they all paid close attention to what he said. For with shrieks, impure spirits came out of many, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed.