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### **Willing and able**

#### **Philippians 2:13**

<sup>13</sup>for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

### **Free from the law**

#### **Romans 8:1-2**

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

### **Freedom in the Spirit**

#### **II Corinthians 3:14-17**

<sup>14</sup>But their minds were blinded. For until this day the same veil remains unlifted in the reading of the Old Testament, because the veil is taken away in Christ. <sup>15</sup>But even to this day, when Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart. <sup>16</sup>Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

### **1: Leadership**

#### **Numbers 11:16-17**

<sup>16</sup>So the LORD said to Moses: "Gather to Me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tabernacle of meeting, that they may stand there with you. <sup>17</sup>"Then I will come down and talk with you there. I will take of the Spirit that is upon you and will put the same upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you may not bear it yourself alone.

#### **Numbers 11:24-29**

<sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD, and he gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tabernacle. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the Spirit that was upon him, and placed the same upon the seventy elders; and it happened, when the Spirit rested upon them, that they prophesied, although they never did so again. <sup>26</sup>But two men had remained in the camp: the name of one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad. And the Spirit rested upon them. Now they were among those listed, but who had not gone out to the tabernacle; yet they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, and said, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." <sup>28</sup>So Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, one of his choice men, answered and said, "Moses my lord, forbid them!" <sup>29</sup>Then Moses said to him, "Are you zealous for my sake? Oh, that all the LORD'S people were prophets and that the LORD would put His Spirit upon them!"

#### **Numbers 27:18-20**

<sup>18</sup>And the LORD said to Moses: "Take Joshua the son of Nun with you, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him; <sup>19</sup>"set him before Eleazar the priest and before all the congregation, and inaugurate him in their sight. <sup>20</sup>"And you shall give some of your authority to him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient.

### **2: Politics**

#### **Daniel 4:8-9**

<sup>8</sup>But at last Daniel came before me (his name is Belteshazzar, according to the name of my god; in him is the Spirit of the Holy God), and I told the dream before him, saying: <sup>9</sup>"Belteshazzar, chief of

the magicians, because I know that the Spirit of the Holy God is in you, and no secret troubles you, explain to me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and its interpretation.

#### **Daniel 5:14**

<sup>14</sup>"I have heard of you, that the Spirit of God is in you, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom are found in you.

### **3: Art and all manner of workmanship**

#### **Exodus 31:3-5**

<sup>3</sup>"And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, <sup>4</sup>"to design artistic works, to work in gold, in silver, in bronze, <sup>5</sup>"in cutting jewels for setting, in carving wood, and to work in all manner of workmanship.

### **4: Kingly governance**

#### **1 Samuel 10:6,10**

<sup>6</sup>"Then the Spirit of the LORD will come upon you, and you will prophesy with them and be turned into another man... <sup>10</sup>When they came there to the hill, there was a group of prophets to meet him; then the Spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them.

#### **1 Samuel 11:6**

<sup>6</sup>Then the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard this news, and his anger was greatly aroused.

#### **1 Samuel 16:13**

<sup>13</sup>Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel arose and went to Ramah.

### **5: War**

#### **Judges 3:10**

<sup>10</sup>The Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he judged Israel. He went out to war, and the LORD delivered Cushan-Rishathaim king of Mesopotamia into his hand; and his hand prevailed over Cushan-Rishathaim.

#### **Judges 6:34**

<sup>34</sup>But the Spirit of the LORD came upon Gideon; then he blew the trumpet, and the Abiezrites gathered behind him.

### **6: Preaching**

#### **Micah 3:8**

<sup>8</sup>But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the LORD, And of justice and might, To declare to Jacob his transgression And to Israel his sin.

### **Samson**

#### **Judges 14:6**

<sup>6</sup>And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he tore the lion apart as one would have torn apart a young goat, though he had nothing in his hand. But he did not tell his father or his mother what he had done.

## **The danger of a wounded spirit**

### **Judges 11:1-2**

<sup>1</sup>Now Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valor, but he was the son of a harlot; and Gilead begot Jephthah. <sup>2</sup>Gilead's wife bore sons; and when his wife's sons grew up, they drove Jephthah out, and said to him, "You shall have no inheritance in our father's house, for you are the son of another woman."

### **a: Unhealthy desire for authority**

#### **Judges 11:7-10**

<sup>7</sup>So Jephthah said to the elders of Gilead, "Did you not hate me, and expel me from my father's house? Why have you come to me now when you are in distress?" <sup>8</sup>And the elders of Gilead said to Jephthah, "That is why we have turned again to you now, that you may go with us and fight against the people of Ammon, and be our head over all the inhabitants of Gilead." <sup>9</sup>So Jephthah said to the elders of Gilead, "If you take me back home to fight against the people of Ammon, and the LORD delivers them to me, shall I be your head?" <sup>10</sup>And the elders of Gilead said to Jephthah, "The LORD will be a witness between us, if we do not do according to your words."

#### **Judges 11:29**

<sup>29</sup>Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he passed through Gilead and Manasseh, and passed through Mizpah of Gilead; and from Mizpah of Gilead he advanced toward the people of Ammon.

### **b: An over-eager mouth**

#### **Judges 11:30-31**

<sup>30</sup>And Jephthah made a vow to the LORD, and said, "If You will indeed deliver the people of Ammon into my hands, <sup>31</sup>then it will be that whatever comes out of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the people of Ammon, shall surely be the LORD'S, and I will offer it up as a burnt offering."

#### **Judges 11:34-35**

<sup>34</sup>When Jephthah came to his house at Mizpah, there was his daughter, coming out to meet him with timbrels and dancing; and she was his only child. Besides her he had neither son nor daughter. <sup>35</sup>And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he tore his clothes, and said, "Alas, my daughter! You have brought me very low! You are among those who trouble me! For I have given my word to the LORD, and I cannot go back on it."

### **c: Division**

#### **Judges 12:4-6**

<sup>4</sup>Now Jephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead and fought against Ephraim. And the men of Gilead defeated Ephraim, because they said, "You Gileadites are fugitives of Ephraim among the Ephraimites and among the Manassites."... There fell at that time forty-two thousand Ephraimites.