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## Make Your Mark #7

### “Power”

Text: Acts 1:8; Luke 24:49

That word power in the Greek is dunamis -- doo -nam-is it's where we get the word dynamite.

K\_\_\_\_\_ alone is not enough.

Without God's power, I\_\_\_\_\_ eventually unravels.

I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. (Romans 7:15)

We were created to live in God, connected to him, in r\_\_\_\_\_ to him -- even dependent upon him. When we try to live any other way -- when we try to disconnect from him and live life in our own power -- we inevitably come to the end of ourselves.

God's power is available to every believer.

The disciples received power, and then some! After the day of Pentecost there was an explosion of g\_\_\_\_\_ and salvation and baptisms and miracles and compassion and unity and holiness and healing.

Three principles to remember: three caveats to keep in mind.

1. W\_\_\_\_\_ comes first. Ref: Luke 24:48; Acts 1:4

When you're waiting on God, most often it's not because he isn't ready, it's because y\_\_\_\_\_ aren't ready.

Therefore, the time we spend waiting on God is time that we need to spend getting ready.

So, we need to wait on God, with one caveat in mind: waiting doesn't mean doing nothing. It means using your time to get r\_\_\_\_\_ for what God has in store for you. Ref: Psalm 27:14 KJV; Isaiah 40:31 KJV

Waiting pays off when you're waiting and seeking the Lord at the same time.

2. When God's p\_\_\_\_\_ arrives, you'll know.

When God's power arrives, you'll know it! You'll see it in the circumstances around you, you'll sense it in your Spirit, and you'll also see a difference in the aftermath. The results you experience won't be what they used to be.

Receiving God's power doesn't mean that he does everything and you do nothing.

3. God's power is always related to God's p\_\_\_\_\_ for your life.

God's power is not just for you. It's for the benefit of others.

You will be clothed with power from on high, so that your life will have meaning and purpose, and that purpose is to be a blessing for others.

Ask God to fill you with the power of the Holy Spirit, so that you can be a difference maker in the lives of others.