

INTRO

We are concluding our three-week sermon series on the tangible peace, presence, and power of Jesus. In this week's sermon, Rob focuses on tangible power.

What comes to mind for you when you hear the word power? How have you experienced the tangible power of Jesus in your own life?

IDEA 1

Rob defined tangible power by explaining that it is experienced when people have an encounter with us, and leave knowing they have had an encounter with God. Often these moments of His power working through us are connected to His tangible pursuit of people!

One of the many ways God pursues people is through dreams. **Have you, or someone you know, ever experienced His pursuit through dreams? What was that experience like?**

What could it look like to actively pray for our friends and family to receive dreams?

What other ways have you experienced God's pursuit of people through tangible power? How has God used you in those pursuits?

IDEA 2

Tangible power is manifested as He gives us the words to speak and the peace to release. We experience Tangible Spirit power when we share our faith and story with others! Our encouragement of others, our testifying who Jesus is, our declaring the theological truths of Christ—when they are prompted by the Holy Spirit will be powerful—they will not be coercive or manipulative, but will go forth with a tangible power!

What excites you about experiencing God's power and sharing it with others? What other thoughts or emotions does this bring up in your heart and mind?

How can tangible power manifest in your life today?

EXPERIENCING GOD TOGETHER

Part of learning to walk in God's power is just paying attention. God's tangible power and presence on you will cause people to relate to you differently.

Holy Spirit offers us a tangible power that allows us to live for Christ in this broken world: in our homes, neighborhoods, schools, jobs, grocery stores, gyms and parks. This is the way the Kingdom of God takes ground. As followers of Christ, we are called to rely on Holy Spirit to live, move, exist, and to share God's power with the world around us.

This may be new or overwhelming to many of us. Take some time to share in your group what thoughts or emotions this brings you: fear, excitement, challenge, overwhelming, etc. Take some time to pray for each other for the specific things they mentioned and ask God to meet them in those emotions. Also pray for opportunities to experience His tangible power this week.

NEXT STEPS

Rob highlighted three ways of experiencing the tangible power of God (though there are more). This week, pay attention for how Holy Spirit may be working in one of these ways (or in a different way) and follow through with any nudges you sense. Consider writing down what you notice and how it impacts you and those around you.

Spirit power for sharing our faith

Spirit power for encouragement & blessing

Spirit power for healing for the sick, relationally broken or addicted