



## STUDY GUIDE

# Tongues: Your Key to Walking in the Power of God

### I. Tongues: Power for Living

#### A. Power was promised.

*“But you shall receive power when the Holy Ghost has come upon you: And you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” (Acts 1:8)*

1. **Power to overcome fear.** Example: Peter’s change after he received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. (Acts 2)
2. Personal testimony: My street ministry after being filled with the Holy Ghost.
3. Command: *“Be filled with the Holy Ghost!”* (Ephesians 5:18)

#### B. Tongues provide help for weaknesses.

1. The Holy Spirit helps us where we are weak. (Romans 8:26)
2. Testimony: Impatience being sandpapered away by God.
3. The chains of our own personality that hold us back can be broken by Holy Ghost tongues.

#### C. Intercession by the Holy Ghost.

1. The Holy Ghost intercedes for us in matters in which we have no understanding or knowledge. (Romans 8:26)

2. Testimony: Bus terrorism in Israel.

## II. Tongues: Changing Things for the Kingdom's Sake

- A. **Warfare tongues.** Why do bad things happen to good people, especially if God is a good God?

1. Need of warfare tongues.
2. Tongues that nullify the attacks of the enemy:

*"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds." (2 Corinthians 10:4)*

*"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." (Ephesians 6:12)*

*"Above all, taking the shield of faith wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." (Ephesians 6:16)*

- B. **Commanding tongues:**

1. **What they are:** Tongues that command situations and spirits to obey.

*"And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, 'What a word is this! For with authority and power He commandeth the unclean spirits and they come out.'" (Luke 4:36)*

*"And He said unto them, 'Where is your faith?' And they, being afraid, wondered, saying one to another, 'What manner of man is this! For He commandeth even the winds and the water, and they obey Him.'" (Luke 8:25)*

2. Testimony of parent that wanted me fired because of teaching about Jesus.

### **III. Tongues: Accessing God's Comfort, Healing, and Potential for Change**

#### **A. Tongues that change man's heart:**

*"The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: He turneth it whithersoever He will."*

*"And He said, 'Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: For as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.'"*  
(Genesis 32:28)

1. We are often frustrated when we cannot change a person using our flesh, but we can get hold of God and He can change that person!
2. Testimony about carpenter and broken step.
3. Worry less, pray more (in the Spirit)!

#### **B. Comfort and healing of wounds:**

1. Testimony of singing in Tongues for inner healing of oppression, guilt, bitterness.
2. Pain-free life is possible. (Isaiah 53:4)

*"Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble. Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah." (Psalm 32:7)*

*"What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also. I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also." (1 Corinthians 14:15)*

*"Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort. Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble,*

*by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.”*  
(2 Corinthians 1:3–4)

**C. Praying in the Spirit of Truth:**

1. Praying with the understanding versus praying in the Spirit. (1 Corinthians 14:15)
2. The Holy Ghost is the Spirit of Truth:

*“Even the Spirit of Truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him; But ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you and shall be in you. (John 14:17. Also see John 15:26 and 16:13)*

*“But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said to you.” (John 14:26)*

3. Testimony about a daughter wanting prayer for her mother, who has a sharp tongue.