

THE THINGS OF THE SPIRIT
Falling In The Presence Of God

I. God's Spirit, power and presence are connected-Ez39:29-Neither will I hide my face (presence) any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel-2Th1:9-Punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his power-Lk1:35-Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee

II. God is omnipresent but He isn't manifesting to the same degree everywhere-Ps139:7-Whither shall I flee from thy presence? ⁸If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there-Is64:1-Oh...that thou would come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence-Ps17:3-Visited me in the night-Ez39:29

Isn't He already here?

A. He manifests Himself-Jn14:21-I...will manifest (display) myself to him

III. God is real, His presence is, His power is real, Him manifesting is real

A. God is real-Hb11:6-Must believe that he is-Ps14:1-Fool hath said in his heart, There is no God-Ps19:1-The heavens declare the glory of God

B. His power is real & great-Ex15:6-Right hand...glorious in power-Mk4:39-Mk5:30-Virtue-Lk5:17-Power of the Lord...present to heal them-Ps147:5-Great is our Lord and of great power-Na1:3-Slow to anger and great in power

C. His presence is real-Ex33:14-My presence shall go with thee

D. Him manifesting Himself to us is real-Jn14:21, Ps17:3, Js4:8

E. Many mentally ascend to the reality of these things, but deny that we can experience the reality of them in our lives them-Mt22:29-Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God-2Tm1:7-But of power...

People who build their life on the existence of a real God should experience the reality of Him in their lives

IV. God's presence affects physical things including the body-Ez38:20-The fishes of the sea, the fowls of the heaven, the beasts of the field, all creeping things that creep upon the earth and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence and the mountains shall be thrown down and the steep places shall fall and every wall shall fall to the ground Ps68:8-The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God: even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God-Ps97:5-Hills melt...

V. The presence of God can manifest so strongly that people cannot stand-2Ch5:13-It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised the Lord, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endures forever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the Lord; ¹⁴So that the priests could not stand to minister (not able) by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God-1Sm4:22-The glory is departed from Israel-Ac26:13-I saw in the way a light from heaven above the brightness of the sun shining round about me and them which journeyed with me. And when we were all fallen to the earth-Rv1:17-ISV-When I saw him, I fell at his feet as like a dead man (an involuntary fall)-Mt28:3-The angel looked as bright as lightning and his clothes were white as snow. The guards shook from fear and fell down as though they were dead

Your body a physical structure can be affected by God's presence

- A. An very real unseen force caused them to fall backwards to the ground-
Jn18:4-Jesus...said unto them, Whom seek ye? ⁵They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am he...⁶As soon then as he had said unto them, I am he, they went backward, and fell to the ground
- VI. **The Spirit/power/presence/anointing can come on a man and be ministered to others through that man-****Ac5:15**-They brought forth the sick into the streets and laid them on beds and couches that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might over shadow some of them.¹⁶...they were healed everyone
- A. Anointing on Peter affected others by proximity-JS as he got closer to me
- VII. **The Spirit/power/presence/anointing power can be transferred through touch and sometimes when people have hands laid on them it's so strong people fall**
-Ac19:11-God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: ¹²So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons and the diseases departed from them and the evil spirits went out of them-**Mk5:30**-Knowing... virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press and said, Who touched my clothes-**Ac8:17**-Laid...their hands on them and they received the Holy Ghost
- A. You can shock someone electrically through touch-If I shot electricity through your body your body would react and it wouldn't be strange
- B. We don't need to put too much emphasis on falling down, nor should we deny it's reality-We should know that it can happen in God's presence; We are hungry for manifestations of The Spirit NOT to fall down, but sometimes these manifestations result in that
- VIII. **The purpose of His presence is not falling down that's just an effect His presence can have-****Ac26:16**-Rise and stand upon thy feet...I have appeared unto you for this purpose, to make you a minister and a witness both of these things which you hast seen and of those things in the which I will appear unto you
- A. Often in the midst of falling, other things are happening by His presence-Some external, some internal, some seen, some unseen
- B. Refreshing-**Ac3:19**-Times of refreshing...come from the presence of The Lord
- C. Joy-**Ps16:11**-In thy presence is fullness of joy
- D. Liberty-**2Co3:18**-Where The Spirit of The Lord is there is liberty-**Is10:27**-The yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.
- E. Healing and miracles-**1Sm2:21**-The LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived-**Ac5:15, Mk5:34**
- F. Victory-**Ps9:3**-When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence