

“A Fresh Touch From God!”

We can go on in our old ways & traditions, relying upon the pattern of habit rather than the spontaneity of resurrection life & power. A regular practice can degenerate into a formal repetition of a scheduled duty, rather than a joyful experience of a phase of our walk with Jesus.

This truth about the need for a fresh touch from God appears in the Word in many ways.

- ❖ Manna had to be gathered fresh daily except on the Sabbath or it “went off” Exodus 16:20
- ❖ The lamps in the tabernacle had to be “kept burning continually” Leviticus 24:1, 2.
- ❖ The showbread had to be set out before the Lord regularly Leviticus 24:8
- ❖ The disciples filled with the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost Acts 2
 - Were filled again Acts 4:31 & again Acts 13:52 , Acts 9:17 & 13:9 with Ephesians 5:18
 - To get a fresh touch from God we need a fresh meeting with God as Elijah discovered 1 Kings 18:46; 19:3, 5, 7
- ❖ It may, indeed usually will involve revelation of our own need as Isaiah found Isaiah 6
- ❖ Paul expressed the necessity of “pressing on towards the mark” Philippians 2:7-16
- ❖ “What is it that you would have me do for you?” so the Lord in effect asks us the same question daily. His mercies are new every morning Lamentations 3:22, 23. Let us accept a new delivery!

Apart from a daily renewal, however there are special seasons of seeking God and receiving a fresh touch. It is important from time to time to set aside a longer period when we can seek His face & receive a fresh touch. Often it has been said about the experience of the Holy Spirit; “One baptism, many fillings, constant anointing”

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