

## #8 Catch the Spirit

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- Huge massive air and water currents
- These winds help us think about the Spirit's work
- God is that constant power working around us
- Peace comes from being at rest in His work

“And it will come about in the last days that the mountain of the house of the LORD will be established as the chief of the mountains. It will be raised above the hills, and the peoples will stream to it” (Micah 4:1-2; Is 2:1-3).

- God's life pours out as a constant stream in the lives of His people.

### The Eagle

“Yet those who wait...” (Isaiah 40:31)

- The uplift - “thermals”
- My friend hang glider

“Yet those who wait for the LORD  
Will gain new strength; They will  
mount up with wings like eagles,  
They will run and not get tired,  
They will walk and not become  
weary” (Isaiah 40:31).

“The Spirit gives life” (2 Corinthians 3:6).

- The Spirit of God begins our spiritual lives and continues to empower us to affect our whole beings.
- “I don't know what God is doing!”

### Impossible Steps of Life

- Some paths seem impossible to walk
  - ➔ Physically beyond our abilities
  - ➔ Insufficient time
  - ➔ Financially beyond our means

- ➔ Opposition by family and friends
- ➔ Inadequate abilities or giftings
- ➔ Lack of self-confidence
- God in His wisdom leads us

## **Keep Focused and Alert**

“Keep watching and praying, that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak” (Matthew 26:41).

- Believers have desire to please God (new birth desires)
- But temptations
- But as we wait on God; He is our strength!

## **Our Lessons**

- God wants us to rely on Him for wisdom, time, opportunities, and other things to get His work done.
- The Lord eagerly seeks to give us what we need to carry out His will, but we tend to rely on our own resources that will eventually fail us.
- Sometimes we confront impossible people and situations but the Lord is still there with us to help us succeed, even if a miracle is needed.

## **Our Applications**

- ➔ In what ways do you tend to rely on your own resources to carry out God’s work, but get frustrated and fail?
- ➔ Do you ‘watch and pray’ only when facing what you think are difficult situations?