



POWERFORWARD

Paul's Power Forward Statement:

I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection! But I keep working toward that day when I will finally be all that Christ Jesus saved me for and wants me to be. [13] No, dear brothers and sisters, I am still not all I should be, but I am focusing all my energies on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, [14] I strain to reach the end of the race and receive the prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us up to heaven.

Philippians 3:12-14(NLT)

Basic Premise for 2010:

- ❖ *We are uniquely positioned to make a significant difference in our city*
- ❖ *We Have Been Missing the Confidence and Boldness to Accentuate and Capitalize on what Makes us Different and Special...*
- ❖ *This Is Our Season to restrain our flesh and allow the Holy Spirit to take control & produce spiritual fruit in us so we can become and do everything God wants in our lives & church!*



What Does It Take?

And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

Matthew 11:12 (KJV)

- ❖ ***Suffereth Violence (Gk. Biazo)***
to force; to crowd oneself; to press
- ❖ ***Violent (Gk. Biastes) Forcer; energetic***
- ❖ ***It takes courage, unwavering faith, determination, and endurance to do it!***
- ❖ ***Do We Have What It Takes?***

No Excuses Possible for A Spirit-Filled Christian and Church...

You have the gift that the Holy One gave you, so you all know the truth. [21] I do not write to you because you do not know the truth but because you do know the truth... 1 John 2:20-21(NCV)

❖ The Truth About Who God Is...

❖ The Truth About Who You Are Supposed to Be – And What to Do!

There Comes a Time to Choose...

I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: [20] That thou mayest love the Lord thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days... Deuteronomy 30:19-20 (KJV)

4 Key Steps:

- ① *Fully believe in God, His Word, His Will and Plan for our life*
- ② *Allow His Spirit to fill, control and ultimately change our character so we can be true witnesses of Jesus*
- ③ *Feel the full weight of God's expectation for us to share Him*
- ④ **POWER FORWARD!!!**

***God's Promise to You If You
Make a Sincere Decision to
POWER FORWARD IN 2010:***

***Your godliness will lead you
forward, and the glory of the
Lord will protect you from
behind...***

Isaiah 58:7-8 (NLT)