

## **Pneumatic Fervour 2 Tim. 3:16; Ezekiel 37:1-10**

All scripture is God breathed. Sometimes we will say, "Amen!" and sometimes we will say, "Ouch!" but it's all for our good, ie. growth, and His glory. We each need our own copy of God's word. Do you feel like you have no breath, is your spiritual pursuit dry? Then breathe in the word of the Lord. There are some of us that need to renew our love for the Word of God, to return to reading it for ourselves each and every day. The pastor's #1 job is to feed the sheep, not to visit them but to give them the word of the Lord. He can only do that as he takes in the word for himself. The root word for inspiration is pneumatic. The problem with the church today is that we have followers of Jesus Christ who don't hunger and thirst for His Word. How would you describe your own personal time spent in God's word, passionate, do you delight in it, are you zealous for it? Might people even call you fanatical? We need to be passionate for God and those around us need to know it. **1 Thess. 2:13** are we ready to accept the word of God? It is effective to work in our lives if we will let it. If we want more of the Spirit we need to get more in the Word. Have you been around a spoiled child who won't do anything for them self? Spiritually there are people who can't be bothered to search God's word for them selves, they want to be spoon-fed, they want a quick fix. Jesus is the bread of Heaven. God wants to flow in our lives as a river, Satan wants to flood us, and we need the breath of God on us. Bread=eating, water=drinking, breath= breathing. It is recorded that a person can go as long as 40-80 days without food, 4 -12 days without water, but only 3 minutes without air. The Bible is the breath of God (God breathed) how is it that we are trying to survive a whole week on just one breath taken on Sunday morning? We are living in an oxygen-deprived atmosphere and wondering why we are struggling spiritually. We are here to breathe in God. His breath will bring transformation Ez. 37:1-10. What area(s) in your life is dry? Why do we not study what the Bible has to say about it? when we are sick we are quick to look up all the scriptures on healing, so why not finances, marriages, relationships? 1 Tim. 4:8 we need to exercise our spiritual muscles more. They are the ones that will give greater rewards. God's breath provides understanding. **Ez. 37:3** God knows the answer to every question we may have. Why struggle in confusion and ignorance and ignore what He has to say. **Job 32:8** when we don't understand what we are going through or why God can give understanding. For the born again believer to say, "I don't understand ...," is a copout when we have at our disposal the very breath of God, **1 Peter 3:7; Luke 24:45**. The child of God who is feasting on the word and studying it should not be overtaken with panic. There are a lot of Christians living in panic mode because they are not eating, drinking, and breathing the Word of God for themselves; the least little bit of stress sends them into a tailspin. That ought not to be. If we are taking in God's word then His word should be flowing out of us. Others should be able to notice a difference in us. **1 Tim. 3:7**. Asking others for prayer support is good but we should be inhaling God's promises for ourselves. Breathe in; breathe out. There are a lot of sources of information out there but for us, the Word of God, His very breath, has to have top priority. **Ps. 23: 2** green grass and still waters; that's why we are here, that's what we are about, the word and worship. Only that will ground us, sustain us, and cause us to flourish.