Super-natural Living

2006: A year to discover and believe who Jesus is in you and who you are in Him.

(In 2006, our eyes on Jesus let us fix).

Hebrews 12:1-2

These verses follow chapter 11 where the great Old Testament heroes of faith are listed. They did a good job but it's our turn now! We have the Holy Spirit living within us so we can do more than they could do. Throw off sin (it has no part in our lives) and run the race marked out for you. This means God knows everything that 2006 will bring us and He has prepared a track that will take us through the year and bring us to a place where the faith He's given us is more perfect and complete than it is now. How? By focussing on Jesus, the source of our faith and the One will help us grow stronger in 2006.

What will our lives look like as our faith in Jesus living in us grows?

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Word of wisdom – knowing HOW to do what God wants done e.g. Jesus tells a blind man to wash off the mud he'd made with saliva and put on his eyes (John 9:6).

Word of knowledge – facts that you couldn't know unless God had told you e.g. Jesus tells the Samaritan woman that she has had 5 husbands (John 4:18).

Faith – Supernatural ability to believe God in a specific situation e.g. Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead (John 11:41-44); how God took me to Israel.

Gifts of healings – different ways that God delivers the healing Jesus paid for on the cross e.g. Jesus in Gospels & disciples in Acts' accounts of healings, Dave Duell, Benny Hinn, you and me…

Working of miracles – ability to suspend or over-rule natural laws e.g. apostles freed from prison by an angel (Acts 5), earthquake in Philippian jail (Acts 16:26)

Prophecy – speaking words from God in a known language to build up, encourage and comfort others.

Discerning of Spirits – ability to detect the realm of the spirits and their activities e.g. Paul in Philippi (Acts 16:16-18)

Kinds of Tongues (languages) – the ability to speak messages in an unknown language.

Interpretation of Tongues – the ability to explain the meaning of a message from God in an unknown language.

How do we start using these gifts and how do we grow and develop in using them?

1. Believe that the Holy Spirit wants to give you these gifts because you are now righteous Philippians 3:8-11
2. Get hungry and DESIRE to experience His power.

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1 Corinthians 12:31 Earnestly desire the best gifts (the one you need at the time) 1 Corinthians 14:39

3. Pursue love – living in God's supernatural power is easy when your motive is unselfish, unconditional giving.

Believe you can use the gifts because the Holy Spirit in you wants to give them to you	+	Develop and nurture the desire to use them	+	Pursue God's love, give it away	=	Supernatural living

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