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Ezekiel 2:1 – 2

“Then He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet that I may speak with you!” And as He spoke to me the Spirit entered me and set me on my feet; and I heard Him speaking to me.” Ezekiel 2:1 – 2

Don't be incredulous to the ways the Holy Spirit ministers to people. Men in their “great” intellectual capacity dismiss such outbursts as emotionalism or fanaticism. Do you suppose the guards sent to capture Jesus and present Him before the high priest thought it fanaticism when they were knocked to the ground by Jesus' mere answer to their question of whether or not He was Jesus of Nazareth and He answered, “I Am”? (John 18:2 – 9) If men can be bowled over by the Spirit's manifest presence then surely He may elect to lift men up by that same power as well, might He not?

Never attempt to be the Holy Spirit's teacher. Has man ever been appointed as His counselor? Ask Job. (Job 38, 39, 40, 41. Also see Romans 11:34) To assume such a lofty position endangers you – you are the student, the creature, the lesser!

We are called to be ever discerning in our spiritual lives. Guard against human wisdom, denominational, cultural or natural bias that precludes God's Spirit from acting in a sovereign manner. When once you attempt to mold God into your image and demand His submission to your will, expectations or comfort, you can be sure that He will break free – or simply go somewhere else!

“Spirit of God, Lord within the Church, break free from my human smallness – be all in all in and through my life. Do things as You wish not as my limited imagination or small thinking might demand! In Jesus' Name I pray.”

“Now unto Him Who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think...” (Ephesians 3:20a).

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