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3. *“For whoever is ASHAMED of me and of my words in this adulteress and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”* Mark 8:38
4. The motivation behind a Christian being ashamed of Christ is self-interest and an UNWILLINGNESS to pay the price of being a faithful disciple.
5. When we take Christ as our Lord and Savior we become his and the foundational purpose of our LIVES is service to him.
6. Surrendering our self-will to God’s Spirit allows him to breathe life into our spiritual flame; the more we surrender, the more white-hot our spiritual FLAME becomes.
7. Paul wrote, *“For God gave us a spirit not of FEAR but of power and love and self-control.”* 2 Timothy 1:7
8. Through Christ we possess the resource of God’s power. His supernatural power he used to RAISE Christ from the dead. We have access to this same power through Christ our Lord.
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