# "Drought-Proof: Thriving by the Holy Spirit" new message

The Holy Spirit empowers believers to thrive—no matter the season.

**Declaration:** "In 2025, I will not dry up—I will flourish, because I'm drought-proof by the Holy Spirit!"

We are living in a time when many are spiritually dry, emotionally drained, and overwhelmed by the pressures of life. **But God** (44x in the KJV) has declared 2025 as the year to thrive, and He has given us His Holy Spirit to make us drought-proof!

**Psalm 73:26** – "My flesh and my heart faileth: **But God** is the strength of my heart, and my portion forever."

<u>Psalm 92:12–15</u> tells us what happens when we are rooted in God:

- We flourish like the palm tree
- We grow like the cedar in Lebanon
- We produce fruit even in old age
- We remain fresh and strong
- We become a witness of God's righteousness

# **ALM: Be Planted, Not Potted**

(v.13) "Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish..."

- The Holy Spirit doesn't just visit—He dwells. (1 Cor. 3:16)
- You can't thrive if you keep moving around spiritually. Be planted in God's presence.
- A potted plant dries out quickly—but a planted tree draws from deep, hidden water.

Acts 7:9–10 – And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: But God was with him, 10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.

#### **ALM:**

- Stay committed to God's Word.
- Stay faithful in prayer and worship.
- Stay connected to the local church.

**Declaration:** "I'm not potted—I'm planted!"

# **ALM: Drink Daily from the Spirit**

**John 7:38–39** – He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. 29 But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.

- The Holy Spirit is the living water that keeps you alive in dry places.
- You don't have to rely on external conditions—when the Spirit flows in you, you thrive from within.

1 Corinthians 10:13 – There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: But God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

### **ALM:**

- Begin each day inviting the Holy Spirit to fill you.
- Don't wait until you're dry—stay filled.

**Prayer:** "Holy Spirit, fill me fresh today. Be my strength and my resource."

# **ALM: Bear Fruit in Every Season**

- (v.14) "They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing."
  - You don't age out of purpose—you grow into greater fruitfulness.
  - The Holy Spirit produces fruit—love, joy, peace, patience...—no matter what's happening around you.

Romans 5:8 – "But God commended his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

**Psalm 1:3** – "He shall be like a tree planted by rivers of water... and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

#### ALM:

- Ask: "What fruit is the Spirit developing in me during this season?"
- Don't just go through the drought—grow through it.

# **ALM: Grow Strong Like the Cedar**

(v.12) "He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon."

- Cedars are known for height, strength, and endurance.
- The Holy Spirit strengthens your faith in adversity.
- Drought doesn't weaken you—it builds your roots deeper.

Genesis 50:20 – "But as for you, ye thought evil against me; But God meant it unto good..."

**James 1:2–4** – My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers' temptations; 3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith

worketh patience. 4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

#### ALM:

- Endure trials with trust
- Grow through testing, not just blessing.

#### **ALM: Live to Prove God's Faithfulness**

(v.15) "To show that the LORD is upright: he is my rock..."

- Your life becomes evidence of God's goodness.
- Thriving in a drought testifies that God is your source, not your situation.

**Ephesians 2:4–5** – But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved)

**Revelation 3:10** – Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth

### **ALM:**

- Tell your story. Let your fruit point people to your Father.
- When others dry up, you stand tall—because God is your Rock.

### **ALM:**

The drought may come, **but God** has made you **drought-proof**. Why? Because the Holy Spirit is:

- Your Water
- Your Root System
- Your Strength

· Your Guide

Like the palm tree and cedar, you are:

- Deeply rooted
- · Spiritually strong
- · Always fruitful

### ALM we got to:

- · Stay planted.
- · Stay filled.
- · Stay fruitful.
- · Stay faithful.

**Philippians 1:6 (AMPC)** – "He who began a good work in you will continue... developing and perfecting it to completion."

### **Everyone Together:**

"I am planted. I am filled. I am fruitful. I am drought-proof. **But God** is my strength, and by the Holy Spirit, I will THRIVE in 2025!"