



THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

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The Operation of The Holy Spirit In The Life of A Christian



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**THE GIFT OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT.**

**Many people
MISUNDERSTAND
THE GIFT FOR TODAY.**

**“How Does The Holy Spirit,
Guide, Influence, & Indwell the Christian?” ”**

**The Question IS
NOT: “Does The
Holy Spirit, Guide,
Influence,
& Indwell the
Christian?”**

BUT

**The Question IS:
“How Does The Holy
Spirit, Guide,
Influence, & Indwell
the Christian?”**



**What is the Indwelling
of the Holy Spirit?**

AND

**How does The Holy
Spirit Dwell in
Christians Today?**



THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

When you and I read the Bible we will know as much as can be known about spiritual gifts.

Because all that can be known about them is found in the Bible.

We cannot fully understand all that is involved in these gifts because no one possesses them today.

Many think the Bible teaches that these gifts are available today, so they try to help God out by trying to manufacture these gifts.

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These people are hindering the cause of Christ rather than helping. They are causing unbelief among thinking people. Many think these **gifts** and the Bible **stand or fall together**, since they **see nothing** in real terms, they dismiss the Bible as the word of God.

On the other hand there are those **who deny** the indwelling Spirit.

Perhaps they think to admit to the indwelling Spirit would be to accept the miraculous gifts of the Spirit.

This is not true.

The Indwelling of the Spirit in the Christian?

One of the most difficult questions about the Holy Spirit is **DOES** He **DWELL** in the individual Christian.

If **YES**, **HOW?**

The thesis of the present lesson is that the Holy Spirit does in fact dwell in the Christian.

It will be appropriate to mention some representative views which oppose this thesis.

However, we will not debate the issues.

We will let the scriptures decide the matter.

Some commentators seem to be more concerned about the traditional concepts especially as held by outstanding scholars, than in what the Bible actually says. Some are afraid that we may be identified with denominational viewpoints and excesses.

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Surely it can be said that we want the truth, no matter who else holds it, and we want to avoid error, no matter who else practices it.

It is not necessary that you agree with me, or that I agree with you on this or any other matter.

But if we expect to please God and be accepted and approved by God. We must agree with God.,

Amos 3:3; "Can two people walk together without agreeing on the direction?"

Mt. 12:30; "Anyone who isn't helping me opposes me, and anyone who isn't working with me is actually working against me."

Luke 9:49-50; "John said to Jesus, "Master, we saw someone using your name to cast out demons. We tried to stop him because he isn't in our group." But Jesus said, "Don't stop him! Anyone who is not against you is for you." **(The message and purpose was the same.)**

THE HOLY SPIRIT: THE UNIVERSAL GIFT.

FOUR WAYS THE HOLY SPIRIT
WAS REVEALED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT.

THE SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF JESUS.

THE **BAPTISM** IN THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THE APOSTLES.

THE **GIFTS** OF THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THE APOSTLES
AND THE EARLY CHURCH.

THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT
FOR ALL CHRISTIANS.

1. - THE SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF JESUS.

Spirit Without Measure

•Visible (Mt 3.17-18)

Christ (Jn 3.34)



Extraordinary
/ Miraculous

Holy
Spirit

Ordinary
Non Miraculous

Jn 3.34-35; “For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God; for He gives the Spirit without measure. The Father loves the Son and has given all things into His hand”

2a:- BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THE APOSTLES.

Spirit Without Measure

Christ (Jn 3.34)

**Baptism in H. S.
gift of power**

Apostles

(Jews)

**ALL FLESH (Joel 2.28)
Acts 2.17-21;)**

•Visible (Mt 3.17-18)

•Visible & Demonstrated (Acts 2.1-5)

•Apostles only (Acts 1.2,4,26; 2.1,14,37,43)

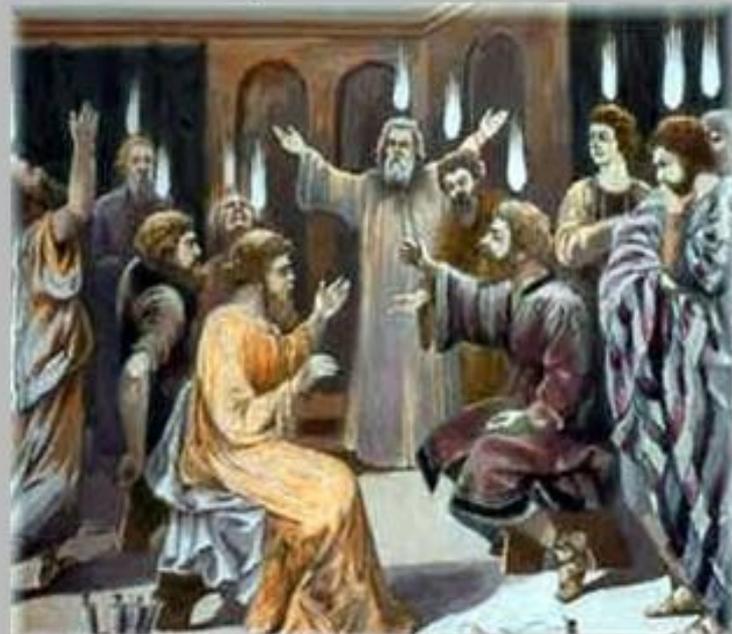
•To reveal N.T. (Jn 14.26; 16.13)

**Extraordinary
/ Miraculous**

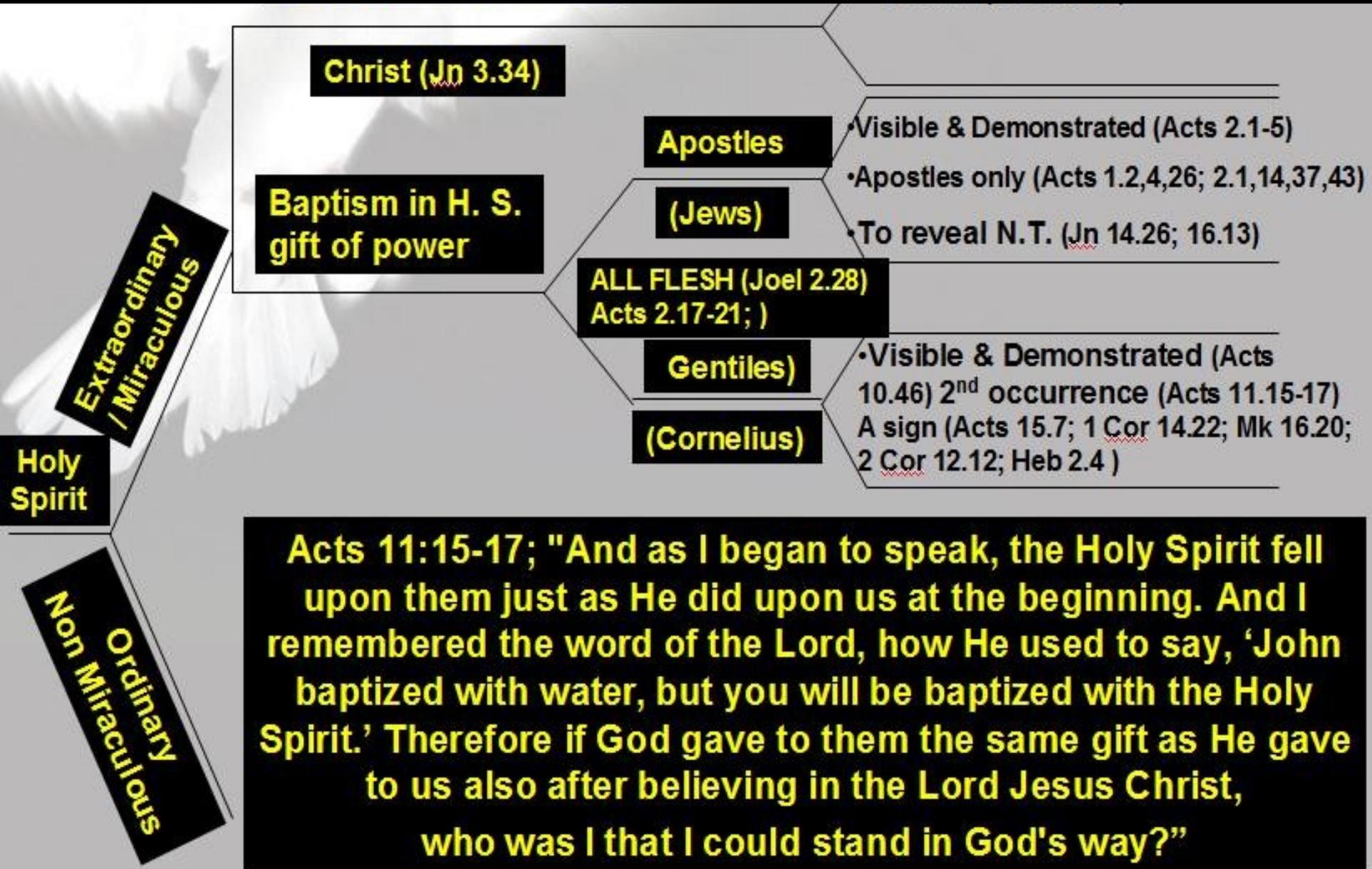
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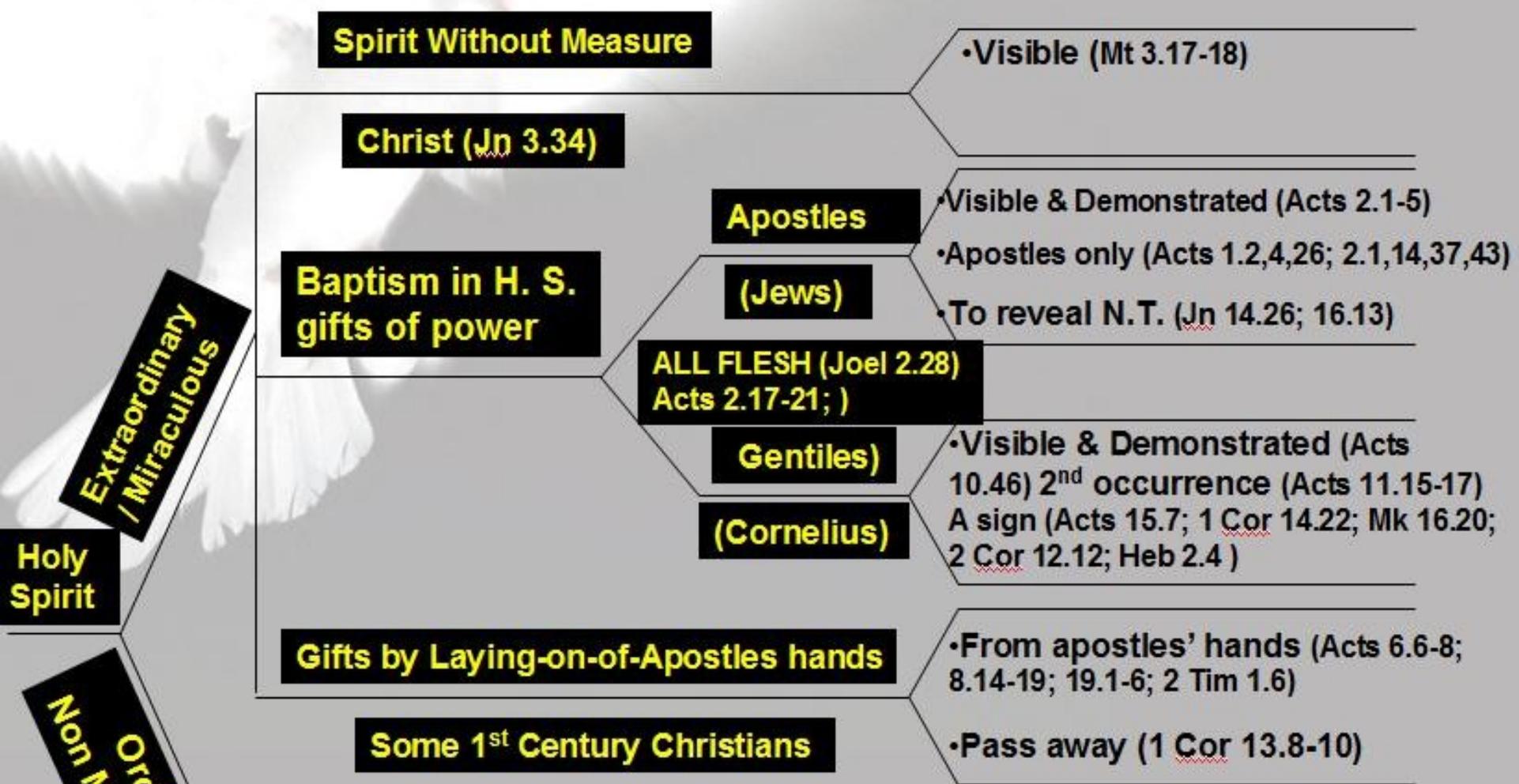
Acts 2:1-4; “They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and they began to speak different languages; the Spirit was giving them the power to do this”



2b:-THE DIRECT GIFT FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR CORNELIUS / FAMILY –FIRST GENTILES.

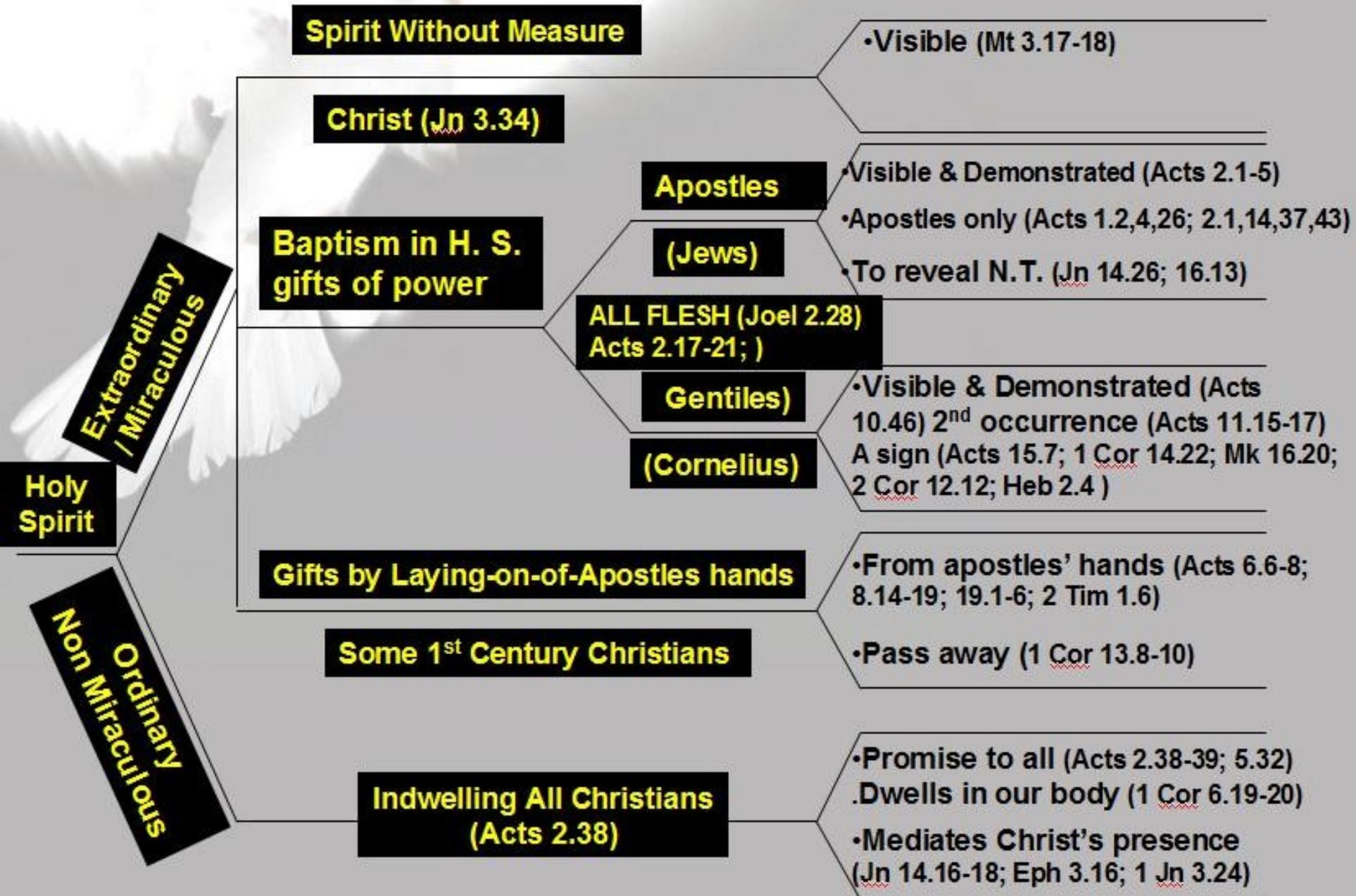


3:-THE GIFTS of POWER FOR APOSTLES & EARLY CHURCH.



Acts 6:6-8; “And these they brought before the apostles; and after praying, they laid their hands on them....And Stephen, full of grace and power, was performing great wonders and signs among the people.”

4:-INDWELLING FOR ALL CHRISTIANS.



THE HOLY SPIRIT:- THE UNIVERSAL GIFT.

Since the Christian has every right to know what they can expect from God, and needs to know what their relationship to the Holy Spirit is supposed to be. We will try to present the matter logically, clearly and scripturally.

“Hold on to the pattern of right teaching you learned from me. And remember to live in the faith and love that you have in Christ Jesus. With the help of the Holy Spirit who lives within us, carefully guard what has been entrusted to you.” 2 Tim 1:13-14;

THE HOLY SPIRIT: DWELLS IN US.

“Then Peter said to them, Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” **Acts 2:38;**

2 commands:- Repent and be baptized.

2 promises:- Remission of sins & gift of Holy Spirit.

Acts 3:19; Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.”

Our Relationship With God is a Blessed Relationship!

Matt 22:37; Jesus said, *“You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.”*

Acts 17:27-28; Paul said, *“...He is not far from every one of us: - For in him we live, and move, and have our being...”*

Gen. 1:26-27; *“God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness... So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created he them.”*

The beginning of a blessed relationship.

**A Blessed Relationship,
Must Be The Right Relationship.
*Right relationship:- God dwells in us
God, who is the Holy Spirit,
dwells in Christians.***

Wrong relationship:-God does not dwell in us.

Indwelling of the HOLY SPIRIT (2 Tim 1:14;)

**“That good thing (teaching) which was committed
to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.”**

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A Blessed Relationship,

Must Be The Right Relationship.

2 Tim 1:14; “Hold on to the pattern of right teaching.”

(Found in the gospel through the word of God.)

“With the help of the Holy Spirit who lives within us”

(carefully guard the message entrusted.)

Note distinction between the message and the H/S?

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THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

“What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which you have of God, and you are not your own?

For you are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God’s.”

1Cor 6:19-20;

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THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Paul affirms in 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; that Christians have a **special fellowship with God**, and **especially with the Holy Spirit**, which should **inspire us to live holy lives** giving glory to God.

This beautiful lesson is illustrated and reinforced by introducing the role of the temple in Israel's history.

The temple signified **the presence and fellowship of God** with His special nation, proclaiming His holiness & glory through the people who worshiped at His temple. **By dwelling in the Christian, the Spirit makes the child of God a temple** which proclaims His holiness and glory to an unbelieving world.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

God existed before the universe and will exist after it no longer exists. He dwells in heaven, transcending the universe, rather than dwelling on earth.

*“After this manner therefore pray ye: **Our Father which art in heaven**, Hallowed be thy name,”
said Jesus. (**Matt. 6:9;**).*

Yet, the Bible refers to God as dwelling from place to place, or in His people, or His people dwelling in Him. Such passages show that God is greater than any literal geographical location.

It points us to an understanding of His relationship, manifestation, and work among men on earth.
God is bigger than any box we can put Him in.

For instance, before His death Moses pronounced a blessing on Israel. He first reminded them of how God gave them His law and promised to guide and protect them as their king:-

“The Lord came from Mount Sinai and dawned upon us from Mount Seir; he shone forth from Mount Paran and came from Meribah-kadesh with flaming fire at his right hand. Indeed, you love the people; All your holy ones are in your hands. They follow in your steps and accept your instruction.”

(Deut 33:2-3;)

God did not **literally live** on Mount Sinai, **literally** extend His hand with His Law in it, **literally** hold His people in His hand, or **literally** have them seated at His feet while He taught them. **The Jews saw His miraculous manifestations at Mount Sinai and received His Law there.**

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When the tabernacle was completed according to the pattern God gave Moses, “the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle” in the form of a cloud.”

“For the cloud of the LORD was upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.” (Ex. 40:38). God who dwells in heaven signified His power, presence, and **fellowship with Israel** on earth by the pillars of cloud & fire.”

Later, God had King Solomon build the temple according to His pattern. When it was completed, “The cloud filled the house of the Lord.” Signifying, **“The glory of the Lord had filled the house of the Lord.”** (1 Kgs 8:10-11;). Solomon proclaimed, “I have surely built you a house to dwell in, a settled place for You to abide in for ever.” (vs. 13;).

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*After explaining how God had kept His covenant with David, **Solomon clarified** in verse 27 that God did not literally dwell in the temple:- “**But will God indeed dwell on the earth?** behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built?”*

The temple signified God's care and special relationship with His people, who thus had every assurance that God heard their prayers: “30. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive.”

Deity –God dwells in Christians

Eph 4:6; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Phil 2:13; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

1John 4:4; You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

Deity –God dwells in Christians.

God –Father, 1 John 4:15-16;

“All who proclaim that Jesus is the Son of God have God living in them, and they live in God. 16. We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in Him. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them.”

2 Cor 6:16; “And what union can there be between God's temple and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God said:- "I will live in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they will be my people.

Deity –God dwells in Christians.

1 John 4:12-13; “ No one has ever seen God. **But if we love each other, God lives in us,** and His love has been brought to full expression through us.

And God has given us His Spirit as proof that we live in Him and He in us.”

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Deity – Christ dwells in Christians

John 17 13; ‘I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me... “And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them.”

Rom 8:10; “And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.”

Gal 2:20; “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Deity – Christ dwells in Christians.

Col 1:27; “For it has pleased God to tell his people that the riches and glory of Christ are for you Gentiles, too. For this is the secret:-

Christ lives in you, and this is your assurance that you will share in His glory.”

Christ the Son. Eph 3:17;

“And I pray that **Christ will be more and more at home in your hearts** as you trust in him. May your roots go down deep into the soil of God's marvellous love.”

2 Cor 13:5; “Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that **Jesus Christ is in you?** - unless indeed you are disqualified. But I trust that you will know that we are not disqualified..”

Deity – Christ dwells in Christians.

John 15:4-5; “**Abide in Me, and I in you.** As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

“I am the vine, you are the branches.

He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.”

2 Cor 5:17; “Therefore, **if anyone is in Christ,** he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

Deity – Holy Spirit dwells in Christians.

Rom 8:9; “But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, **if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you.** Now if anyone **does not have** the Spirit of Christ, **he is not His.”**

Rom 8:11; “But if the **Spirit of Him** who raised Jesus from the dead **dwells in you,** He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through **His Spirit who dwells in you.”**

Gal 4:6; “And because you are sons, God has sent forth **the Spirit of His Son into your hearts,** crying out, “Abba, Father!”

Deity – Holy Spirit dwells in Christians.

1 Cor 3:16; “Don't you realize that all of you together are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God lives in you?”

1 Cor 6:19;

“Or don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God You do not belong to yourself.”

2 Tim 1:13-14;

“Hold on to the pattern of healthy teachings that you have heard from me, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. With the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us, protect the good treasure that has been entrusted to you.”

Deity – Christ dwells in Christians.

Eph 3:16; “that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through **His Spirit in the inner man.**”

1 Thess 4:8; “Therefore he who rejects this does not reject man, but God, who has also **given us His Holy Spirit.**”

John 14:23; “If any one loves me,” replied Jesus, “he will obey my teaching; and my Father will love him, and **we will come to him and make our home with him.**”

All these passages teach that:-

The Father is IN the Christian, the Son is IN the Christian, and the Holy Spirit is IN the Christian.

THE HOLY SPIRIT:- THE UNIVERSAL GIFT.

Because we have the **Holy Spirit living in us** and the **Holy Spirit is Deity** then we also have the close relationship and Harmony of **Deity (God) living in us.**

“A new heart will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you. And I will put my Spirit within you.”

-Ezekiel 36: 26-27;

Deity – Christ dwells in Christians.

Gal 5:25; “If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.”

Col 3:16; “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”

Deity –God dwells in Christians.

**GOD DWELLS IN US.
CHRIST DWELLS IN US.
TRUTH ABIDES IN US.
CHRISTIAN DWELLS IN GOD.
CHRISTIAN DWELLS IN CHRIST.
SPIRIT DWELLS IN US.
CHRISTIAN DWELLS IN SPIRIT.**

THE HOLY SPIRIT: THE UNIVERSAL GIFT.

The Holy Spirit is given to all who obey the gospel and become Christians.

The promise of God to those who heard the gospel preached by Peter was twofold.

1. Remission or forgiveness of sins. (salvation).
Acts 2:38, 40-41, 47;
2. The gift of the indwelling Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38;

Number 1 is controversial among the denominations. Because they think they are saved before being baptised.

Number 2 The promise is sometimes controversial or misunderstood among us.

Neither should be a problem to our understanding. We need to notice **to whom the promise** is made.

THE HOLY SPIRIT: THE UNIVERSAL GIFT.

The promised gift is universal:- **To you (Jews) and to your children, and to all those afar off (the Gentiles)** everyone whom the Lord our God shall call. Acts 2:39;

Of course this does not mean that everyone, indiscriminately, would receive it.

Salvation is obviously conditional in the passage:- Faith (implied in verse 37), repentance and baptism must come before salvation.

See also Mark 16:15-16, Heb 5:9, Rom 6:17; etc.

The same conditions, plus salvation itself, are said to precede one's receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit. In other words:-

**One who is saved by obeying the gospel also:-
AT THAT VERY MOMENT
receives the GIFT of the indwelling Holy Spirit.**

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How long was this promise to remain in effect?

The offer of salvation is for all time. Acts 2:47; Matt 28:19-20;

There is nothing in the text to indicate that the gift of the Holy Spirit would not last as long as the offer of salvation.

Whatever God promises to those who meet His conditions is given and received.

God does not lie about this matter. Heb 6:18; “So God has given us both His promise and His oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible **for God to lie.**

Therefore, we who have fled to Him for refuge can take new courage, for we can hold on to His promise with confidence.”

One cannot choose salvation and reject the Spirit, nor can one receive the Spirit and refuse salvation.

We will deal later with the question of whether the Spirit can be lost after He has once been received.

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WHAT IS THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WHICH IS PROMISED, GIVEN, and RECEIVED BY EVERY CHRISTIAN?

There is a lot of confusion created because people do not distinguish between The **Holy Spirit Himself**:- as the free **gift 'DOREA'** of God.

A gift God gives to EVERY Christian. Acts 2:38;

And the **gifts 'CHARISMATA'** which the **Holy Spirit Himself gives** in the N.T. **-AS HE WILLS** 1 Cor 12:11;

Notice, therefore, that Peter spoke of the **'GIFT,'** not **'GIFTS'**- of the Holy Spirit.

In **Acts 2:38;** the word **'GIFT'** is the word **'dorea'**, which is accurately defined as **'free gift'**.

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One translation renders it rather expressively as, '**the plus of the Holy Spirit.**' This describes the **Holy Spirit Himself** the extra gift, provided by God, for those who obey the Gospel.

Thus, **Acts 2:38** does not refer to some sort of miraculous or spiritual gift bestowed by the Holy Spirit. **It tells us that the Holy Spirit Himself is the Heavenly Father's own gift to His obedient people;** given to enable them to live a successful and satisfied Christian life.

When, later, Paul wrote to the **Corinthian congregation** about '**spiritual gifts**', he was dealing with a **very different subject.**

That the gifts **CHARISMATA** were miraculous powers, is seen by **Rom 12:6-7**; "God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well. So **if God has given you the ability to prophesy**, speak out when you have faith that God is speaking through you."

If your gift is that of serving others, serve them well.

If you are a teacher, do a good job of teaching."

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2 Tim 1:6; “Hence I remind you to rekindle **the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands.**”

1 Cor 12:4; “Now there are varieties of **gifts**, but the same Spirit.”

1 Cor 12:9; “to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit.”

1 Cor 12:28;

“And God has appointed in the assembly first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, then healers, helpers, administrators, speakers in various languages.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT: THE UNIVERSAL GIFT.

1 Cor 12:30-31; “Do all possess gifts of healing?
Do all speak with other languages? Do all interpret?
Earnestly desire the higher gifts.
And I will show you a still more excellent way.”

So it is **NOT NECESSARY**, in every passage
where the word **GIFT** is referred to,
to **IMPLY** the **POWER** to work miracles.
When the **miraculous powers and manifestations**
are meant, the **plural ‘gifts’** is usually used.

When is the GIFT (the DOREA) given?

JOHN 7:37-39; Feast of Tabernacles, last day. "If any man thirst **this He spoke of the Holy Spirit** which they that believed on him **were to receive for the Spirit was not yet given** because **Jesus was not yet glorified.**"
(**gift to the believer.**)

"...Christ is speaking here of what is peculiar to His own personal reign and administration."
- **Robert Milligan**, Scheme of Redemption, p.283

"He manifestly refers in this passage to something which had hitherto been enjoyed by no one, **and which could be enjoyed by none until after that He Himself was glorified.**" – *ibid.*

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"This, it would seem, **could not have reference to the mediate agency of the Spirit, through the written word and the ordinary workings of God's providence; for through these media the Spirit had always operated** on the minds of both Jews and Patriarchs" **Robert Milligan**, Scheme of Redemption.

This promise also does not have reference to any miraculous manifestation of the Spirit, as such had been experienced prior to the glorification of Jesus.

e.g. Lk 1:41,67;

When is the GIFT (the DOREA) given?

Peter promised the Spirit to those who repent and are baptized.

Acts 2:38-39; “ Peter answered them, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ **for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the Holy Spirit as a gift.** For this promise belongs to you and your children, as well as to all those who are far away, whom the Lord our God may call to himself.”

"The gift of the Spirit promised in Acts 2:38 was the Spirit Himself”:- David Lipscomb, Queries and Answers.

"The expression means the Holy Spirit as a gift" – J.W. McGarvey, New Commentary on Acts of Apostles.

"Certainly the gift of the Spirit is the Spirit itself given."- Moses Lard, Lard's Quarterly

"The gift of the Holy Spirit is not some definite thing the Holy Spirit gives, but the Holy Spirit as a gift."

- R. L. Whiteside, Reflections.

When is the GIFT (the DOREA) given?

“Such promises of the Spirit likely refer

to what is called the indwelling of the Spirit...

“Since the gift of the Spirit in Acts 2:38; is promised to all believing penitents who are baptized into Christ, and since the Spirit dwells in all Christians,

this is the gift of the Spirit which was promised in Ac 2:38;” – James D. Bales, The Holy Spirit And The Christian. p.13

“...the reference is to that indwelling of the Holy Spirit by which we bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, and without which we are not of Christ.”

J. W. McGarvey, New Commentary on Acts of Apostles, p.39

“If they would repent and be baptized, receiving and cherishing the word of God in their hearts, this Holy Spirit as the indwelling guest of the church and the Christian would be their portion.” - David Lipscomb, Queries and Answers. p.222

When is the GIFT (the DOREA) given?

JOHN 3:3-5; “Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, **unless one is born anew**, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

4. Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” 5. Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, **unless one is born of water and the Spirit**, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.” **(To Those born again.)**

James 1:17; “Every good endowment and **every perfect gift** is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.”
(Those born again.)

1 Pet 1:22-23; “**Now that you have obeyed the truth** and have purified your souls to love your brothers sincerely, you must love one another intensely and with a pure heart. For **you have been born again**, not by a seed that perishes but by one that cannot perish-by the living and everlasting word of God.” **(Those born again.)**

The INDWELLING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT!!



THE HOLY SPIRIT: The Purpose of the Gift

What will this '**GIFT**' do for us? This is a question worthy of a separate study, but think about just two aspects of His ministry.

The Holy Spirit is described as the '**Comforter**'. That English word comes to us from the Latin, '**confortis**', which literally means, '**with strength**'. Thus, the Holy Spirit strengthens us. We need to learn to lean on Him.

Romans 8:26-27; Tells us that the **Holy Spirit helps us when we pray**, taking our faltering, stumbling petitions and presenting them to the Father, as our intercessor.

We should make use of His intercession.

THE HOLY SPIRIT: The Purpose of the Gift.

If it were a miraculous GIFT.

**Why was there no manifestation
of that power in Samaria.**

**(Acts 8:2-17; or read (Romans 1:7, 11;)? Why is
there none today when believers are baptised?**

**There is a tendency among modern charismatic's
to confuse the 'gift' of the Holy Spirit
with the 'baptism of the Holy Spirit' spoken of
in Acts 1:5; 2:4; and 10:44; and 11:14-15;.**

**But the gift of Acts 2:38;
is not the baptism of or in the Holy Spirit.**

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Let us look at **three popular attempts** to avoid the idea that the gift is the Spirit Himself. **Eph 1:3;**

Some say that “Our relationship with God in Christ already gives us all **everything that God promises and provides through His Spirit in the “Christian dispensation.”**”

While that is certainly true,
it is not the point referred to in Acts 2 and 3.

Others suggest that the gift of the Holy Spirit in Acts 2:38;
Corresponds to the times of refreshing in Acts 3:19;,
and that both are references **to blessings**
brought to the Christian by the Spirit of God.

The gift is singular in Acts 2:38; indicating one gift,
not many ‘gifts’ or ‘times’ of refreshing?.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Some say that the **GIFT is Salvation**, something that the Holy Spirit gives to every Christian.

That cannot be, since as we have already seen from Acts 2:38;, **Salvation is given at the same time that the gift of the Holy Spirit is given.**

The gift which is given to all who obey the gospel is the Holy Spirit Himself.

The fact that the gift is both singular and specific is significant. It is **the gift**, and not **gift** or **gifts**.

When the miraculous powers and manifestations are meant, the **plural gifts** is **usually used**.

1 Cor. 12:4, 9, 28, 30, 31;

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

A. T. Robertson (Word Pictures In the New Testament, Vol 4, p. 36. says that the gift of the Holy Spirit is :-

"the beneficial presence and activity of the Spirit in the life of the church and therefore of each Christian. The gift is then a collective matter for the church, and not for the individual."

But, as we shall see, that is not what the passage teaches.

(It is however, worthy of our notice that Robertson does argue that the gift is the Spirit Himself.

We will call further attention to his explanation of the Greek text in the next paragraph).

"The Greek construction of Acts 2:38; indicates that the gift is the Holy Spirit Himself, and not something the Spirit gives. It is "the genitive of identification, and so means the Spirit Himself." (A. T. Robertson, same reference as above).

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Acts 2:38; "Peter replied, "Each of you must turn from your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is to you and to your children, and even to the Gentiles – all who will be called by the Lord our God."

We receive the GIFT of the Holy Spirit after baptism!

Several scriptures say it definitely.

(If one would read these scriptures first, instead of being confused by the ambiguous phrase in Acts 2:38; and then trying to make everything else fit whatever position he takes on that verse, there would be far less doubt and division).

Acts 5:32; “ We are witnesses of these things and so is the Holy Spirit, who is given by God to those who obey Him.”

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Acts 19:2-3; "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" he asked them. "No," they replied, " we don't know what you mean. We haven't even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."

Romans 5:5; “And this expectation will not disappoint us. For we know how dearly God loves us, because He has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with His love.”

Galatians 3:2; “There is only one thing I should like you to tell me: How was it that you received the Spirit, was it by the practice of the Law, or by believing in the message you heard?”

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This	only	I wish	to learn	from	you	by	works	of law	the	Spirit	did you receive
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Again there seems to be a contrast here between receiving the message and receiving the Holy Spirit Himself.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Galatians 4:6; “And because you Gentiles have become his children, **God has sent the Spirit of His Son into your hearts,** and now you can call God your dear Father.”

1 Thessalonians 4:7-8; “God has called us to be holy, not to live impure lives. Anyone who refuses to live by these rules is not disobeying human rules **but is rejecting God, who gives His Holy Spirit to you.”**

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

1 John 3:24; “Those who obey God's commandments live in fellowship with Him, and He with them.

And we know He lives in us because the Holy Spirit lives in us.”

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Spirit	whom	to us	he gave
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THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

John 7:38-39; If you believe in me, come and drink!

For the Scriptures declare that rivers of living water will flow out from within."

(When he said "living water,"

He was speaking of the Spirit,

who would be given to everyone believing

in Him. But the Spirit had not yet been given,

because Jesus had not yet entered into His glory.)

God's Seal or "Stamp" of Ownership and Approval.



He is also given to everyone who obeys the command of Christ. **(Mark 16:16;)** as the Seal or Stamp of ownership by God and His eternal life to dwell in our flesh:

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22; “It is God who gives us, along with you, the ability to stand firm for Christ. He has commissioned us, and **He has identified us as His own by placing the Holy Spirit in our hearts as the first instalment** of everything He will give us.”

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God's Seal or "Stamp" of Ownership and Approval.



Ephesians 1:13-14; “Having believed, you were marked in Him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, **who** is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession-to the praise of His glory.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S OUR GUARANTEE.

The Spirit is given as an **"earnest"** (KJV) of our inheritance Eph 1:13-14; cf. 2 Co 1:21-22; Translated **"guarantee"** (NKJV)

The word **"earnest"** (Gr. **arrabon**) - "first installment, deposit, down payment, pledge, that pays a part of the purchase price in advance, and so secures a legal claim to the article in question, or makes a contract valid...in any case, **[arrabon]** is a payment which obligates the contracting party to make further payments." - Arndt & Gingrich, p.109

Vine points out that "the **word is closely connected** to the modern Greek word **for engagement ring.**"

Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words. Vol. II, p.11

Rom 8:14-17; Receiving the Spirit is **an indication** that "we are the **children of God, and joint-heirs with Christ** of the inheritance of which the Spirit is an **earnest**"

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Since each baptised penitent believer receives the gift of the Holy Spirit, and since the Spirit has never manifested Himself by tongues or other signs except for specific reasons in isolated cases, we can conclude that:-

There is no "second blessing" of the Holy Spirit implied in Acts 2:38; (the doctrine of **"sanctification"** as taught by certain Holiness groups).

In this connection, refer to **Romans 8:9;**
"If anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not a Christian."

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Some have the mistaken idea that the Holy Spirit is some kind of optional extra or super-added luxury. THIS IS NOT TRUE.

Without the Spirit one does not have or belong to Christ, One has no part with Christ.

Paul **does not say** that without the Spirit of Christ one will do reasonably well, but not as well as he would with the Spirit.

It is clear:- Without the Spirit one is simply not a Christian at all.

THE SPIRIT WHO IS GIVEN AND RECEIVED DWELLS IN US.

How do we know? Because the Bible tells us so.

We do not depend upon some still small voice within us to tell us. We do not seek or need tangible evidence – miracles, signs, etc.

We know that **the Spirit dwells** in us in the same way that we know **we have received salvation, forgiveness of sins etc.**

Because the word of God says so.

Romans 8:11;

But if the **Spirit of Him** who raised
Jesus from the dead **dwells in you,**
He who raised Christ from the dead
will also give life to your mortal
bodies through **His Spirit**
who dwells in you.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

How does the Spirit of God dwell in us?

The answer to that is not given in the scripture.

No one can explain. But just because there is some mystery involved **it does not follow that we should reject the fact of the indwelling.** We believe that **the human spirit dwells in our body?**

"A simple analogy may help us understand this. You are in (live in, the air/atmosphere, and the air is in you (as you breathe it). But the air or atmosphere is not diminished, nor is it actually fragmented.

THE HOLY SPIRIT INDWELLS - THE CHURCH.

1 Cor 3:16; Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the **Spirit of God dwells in you?**

The church is a **dwelling place of God in the Spirit.**

Eph 2:21-22; “That is why you are no longer strangers and foreigners but **fellow citizens**

With the saints and members of God's household,

having been built on the foundation

of the apostles and prophets,

Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone.

In Him the whole building is joined together and rises into a holy sanctuary in the Lord. **You, too, are being built in Him along with the others into a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.”**

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING,

1 Cor 3:16; Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

"...God, by means of the Spirit, dwells in the spiritual temple, in the hearts of believers.

**This temple is composed of 'living stones'
(1Pet 2:5),**

has a holy priesthood, and spiritual sacrifices." –

**B.W. Johnson, People's New Testament
(commenting on Eph 2:22;)**

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING,

1 Cor 3:16; Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

"Christians are built together in Christ, for a habitation, a dwelling place of God on earth.

He dwells in this holy habitation in the person of the Spirit." –

J.W. Shepherd. A Commentary on the New Testament Epistles, Vol. IV, p.53 (commenting on Ep 2:22)

Thus the Spirit dwells in the church as a whole, making it possible for the church to be a temple in which God may dwell.

THE HOLY SPIRIT INDWELLS - THE CHRISTIAN.

1 Cor 6:18-19; “You know that your body is a **sanctuary of the Holy Spirit who is in you,** whom you have received from God, don't you?
You do not belong to yourselves,
because you were bought for a price.
Therefore, glorify God with your bodies.

THE HOLY SPIRIT INDWELLS - THE CHRISTIAN.

**The indwelling is Necessary to belonging to Christ,
to receiving life in our mortal bodies. – Rom 8:9-11;**

**“Indeed, those who are under the control of the flesh
cannot please God. You, however, are
not of the flesh but under the control of the Spirit,
since God's Spirit lives in you.**

**And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ,
he does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you,
your bodies are dead because of sin,
but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.”**

**If we do not have the Spirit, we are not His.
If we have the Spirit,
He will impart life to our mortal bodies.**

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

1 Cor 6:18-19: “You know that your body is a **sanctuary of the Holy Spirit who is in you,** whom you have received from God, don't you?

You do not belong to yourselves,
because you were bought for a price.
Therefore, glorify God with your bodies.

What is said of **the assembly** as whole in **1Cor 3:16;**
is now said here of our bodies.

Thus **the Spirit dwells in each Christian individually,**
which ought to **inspire** godly living

We will want to do the right thing.

We will want to live the right way.

To give Honour and Glory to God.

THE NATURE OF THE SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

THE ISSUE DEFINED...

Is the Spirit's indwelling literal, personal?

- a. Does the Spirit **literally dwell** in the Christian?
- b. Does He somehow **personally reside** in the body of each Christian?

**Is the Spirit's indwelling mediated,
Through the Word only?**

- a. Does the Spirit **figuratively dwell** in the Christian?
- b. Does He dwell in the Christian only in the sense that **the Word abides** in us?

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

1 Cor 6:18-19; “Run away from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body.”

“You know that your body is **(Temple)** a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have received from God, don't you? **You do not belong to yourselves, because you were bought for a price.** Therefore, glorify God with your bodies.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

Rom 5:1-4; “Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

“Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing God's glory.”

“Not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, endurance produces character, and character produces hope.”

“Now this hope does not disappoint us, because **God's love has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.**”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

Some people say that:-

“God dwells in us through the Word.” There is **NO** passage that teaches this as far as I know.

But there are passages that tells us how God in-dwells. Paul said to the Eph 2:22;
" in whom **you** are also **built together into A RESIDENCE OF GOD in the Spirit.**"

If we think about the Spirit **only dwelling through the Word**, we must realize there is no **difference in a man's knowledge before and after baptism.**

We recognize a man's body is not the temple of the Holy Spirit before baptism and we recognize it is after baptism.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

**We must accept the Word before baptism
or we are not scripturally baptized.**

**We receive the Spirit at baptism. (Gal 3:26-27; 4:6;) but
we do not necessarily possess more of the Word.**

Therefore the **indwelling of the Spirit
is based on forgiveness of our sins
and not on how much knowledge
one possess of God's Word.**

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

2Pet 1:13-14; “ Yet I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as **I am living in this bodily tent,** because I know that the removal of **my bodily tent** will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has shown me.”

**Our Spirit lives in our Bodies
the Holy Spirit Lives in us.**

1 Cor 6:18-19; “Run away from sexual sin! Any other sin which a person might do is outside his body, but if a person commits a sexual sin, he is sinning against his own body. Surely you realize that your body is a temple sanctuary?

You have **the Holy Spirit from God.**

The **Holy Spirit is inside you** - in the temple sanctuary.

You don't belong to yourselves.” International English

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Spirit	is	whom	you have	from	God	And	not	you are	your own
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Note the **prepositions** used by Paul

1) The Spirit is "in" the Christian

2) The Christian has the Spirit "from" God.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

Note the line of reasoning used by Paul. 1 Cor 6:18;

Paul argues from the indicative to the imperative

From a **statement of fact** or condition
to a **command to be obeyed.**

**Because the Spirit dwells in them (statement of fact),
they need to flee sexual immorality.
(command to be obeyed.)**

Paul argues that **because the Spirit is in them,
(Literally indwells them)
they need to obey the Word.**

**“I say because we have the SPIRIT indwelling
us we can conquer (overcome) sin.”**

Those who say the Spirit only figuratively dwells in the Christian argue from the imperative to the indicative.

**They say that a Christian must obey the word.
(imperative)**

**In order for the Spirit to indwell. (indicative.)
(figuratively.)**

They say we must flee fornication, (heed the Word,) so that the Spirit will dwell in them (figuratively.)

This is exactly opposite to the line of reasoning used by Paul!

They say because WE can conquer (overcome) sin we can say the Spirit (figuratively) indwells us.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

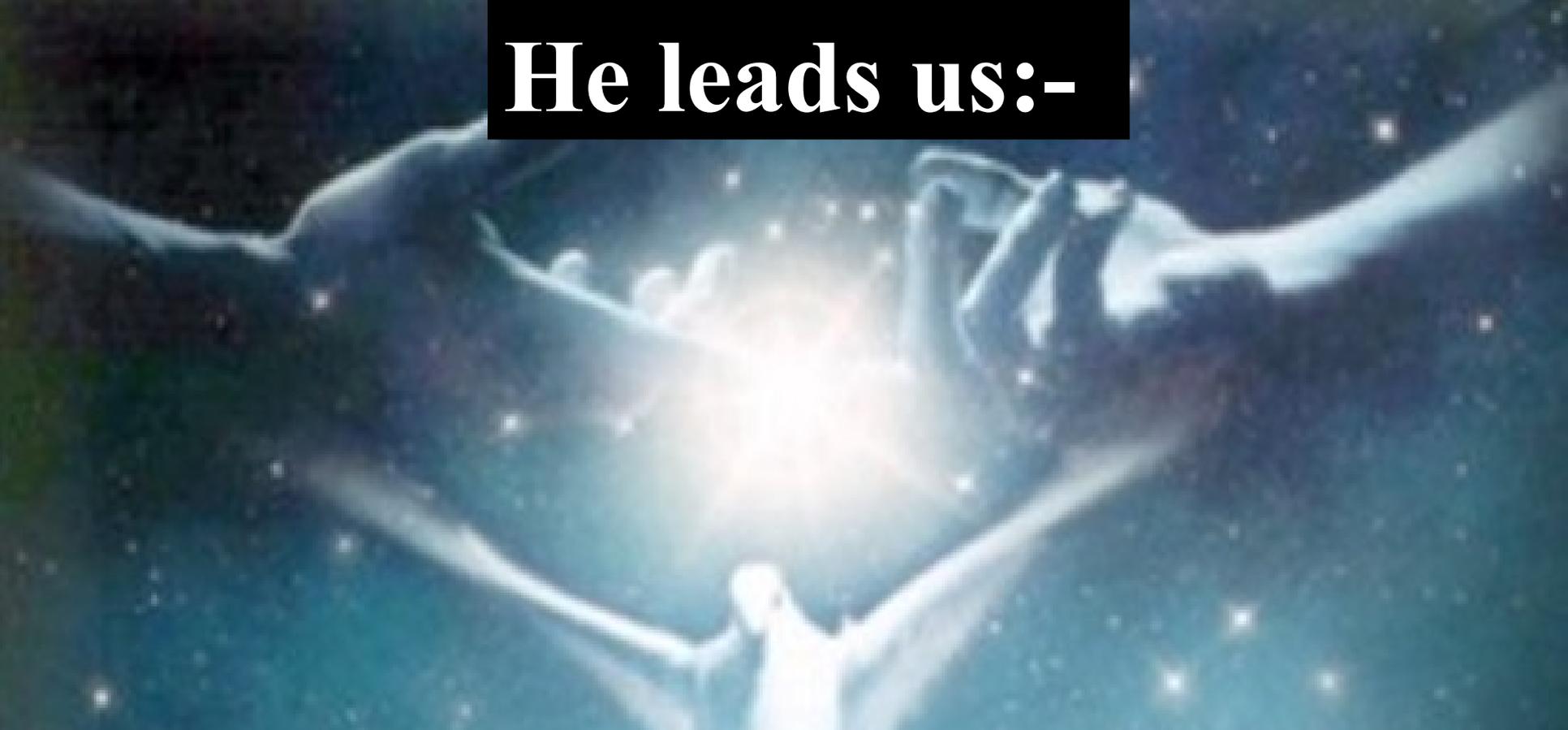
2 Cor 1:22; Given the Spirit as a guarantee:-

“He has also set His seal upon us, and has put His Spirit into our hearts as a pledge and foretaste of future blessing.”

2 Cor 5:5; “God Himself has prepared us for this, and as a guarantee He has given us his Holy Spirit.”

Eph 1:13-14; “You, too, have **heard the word of truth**, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed in him you were **sealed with the promised Holy Spirit**, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of God's own possession, to His praise and glory.”

Eph 4:30; “And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, He is the one who has identified you as His own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption.”



He leads us:-

18. “But when you are led by the Holy Spirit, you are no longer subject to the law.” (Gal 5:18;)

“Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.” (Romans 8:11-15;)

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

11 “The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, **lives in you**. And just as He raised Christ from the dead, He will give life to your mortal body **by this same Spirit living within you**. So, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation whatsoever to do what your human nature urges you to do. For if you keep on following it, you will perish.”

“But if through the power of the Holy Spirit you turn from it and its evil deeds, you will live. 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15 So you should not be like cowering, fearful slaves. You should behave instead like God's very own children, adopted into His family -calling him "Father, dear Father.”

Gal 4:6-7; “Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"
7. **Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God.”**

Man

Body

Spirit

HOLY SPIRIT

Soul

He is our Connection to God and He helps us maintain our relationship with God.

"For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.' The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children." (Romans 8:15-16)

The Christian Man

**He helps us in our weakness
and intercedes for us when we pray:-**



**He helps us in our weakness
and intercedes for us when we pray:-**

“For I know that as you pray for me and as the Spirit of Jesus Christ helps me, this will all turn out for my deliverance.” (Phil 1:19;)



“In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.” (Romans 8:26-27)

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

God strengthens us by **"His Spirit in the inner man"** –
Eph 3:16-17; "that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be **strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man**, so that **Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith**; so that you, being rooted and grounded in love."

God is at work in us as we work out our salvation –
Phil 2:12-13; "Dearest friends, you were always so careful to follow my instructions when I was with you. And now that I am away you must be even more careful to put into action God's saving work in your lives, obeying God with deep reverence and fear. For **God is working in you**, giving you the desire to obey him and the power to do what pleases him."

Phil 4:13; "For I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need."

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

Rom 15:13; Filled with Hope,

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in your faith, so that in the power of the Holy Spirit you may be rich in hope.”

Gal 5:5; “But we who live by the Spirit eagerly wait to receive everything promised to us who are right with God through faith.”

2 Cor 3:18; Transformed “But we Christians have no veil over our faces; we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord.

And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

Phil 2:1-2; “If there is therefore any exhortation in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any **fellowship of the Spirit**, if any tender mercies and compassions, make full my joy, that ye be of the same mind, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind;”

2 Cor 13:14; “May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.”

Heb 6:4-6; “For it is impossible to keep on restoring to repentance time and again people who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, **who have become sharers of the Holy Spirit**, and who have fallen away, as long as they continue to crucify to themselves the Son of God and to expose him to public ridicule.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PERSONAL INDWELLING.

Eph 3:20; “ Now glory be to God! By His mighty power at work within us, he is able to accomplish infinitely more than we would ever dare to ask or hope.

May He be given glory in the church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever through endless ages. Amen.”

The plain and simple reading of the Scriptures lead me to believe that the Spirit's indwelling is literal and personal.

But HOW or WHERE is unimportant the important things is that it is really to do with a close relationship.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S RELATIONSHIP.

The close **relationship** is **often not emphasized** when we worry about the literal locality of the Spirit. **In other words**, by **stressing** that the Holy Spirit was **actually and literally inside** the Old Testament prophets and New Testament apostles.

The beauty of the close working relationship with which the Spirit worked in the apostles' lives through inspiration and miraculous works is often lost.

The **unity of the Godhead with humanity** is majestically expressed with the preposition **"in"** in many contexts of the New Testament.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S RELATIONSHIP.

John communicated the "Word of Life" in order that his fellow readers "may have fellowship with us; and truly our [the apostles'] fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ."

John 17:20-23; and 1 John 1:3; are parallel.

Both contexts emphasize the oneness of believers which is based upon a common belief in and obedience to the words of Jesus.

In other words, the word of truth is the foundation upon which fellowship is established with both the Godhead and the representatives (the apostles) through whom all truth was revealed.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S RELATIONSHIP.

We are often distracted from the close working relationship we have with God by concentrating on a literal meaning of the preposition "in."

During the ministry of Jesus, the close working relationship between Deity and the apostles was first shown by the disciples' submission to the word of Jesus.

In the context of John 17; Jesus was praying for unity among all those who "believe in Me through their word." (vs 20)

A parallel and commentary passage is found in 1 John 1:3;

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S RELATIONSHIP.

If we refuse to obey the truth of God's word, therefore, we cannot have a relationship with either God or the apostles.

If we believe that The Holy Spirit dwells in us we must be careful not to limit the Holy Spirit to any one man, He dwells in all of His people.

We should also be careful not to place physical locations on the Holy Spirit.

The presence of the Holy Spirit is greater than His indwelling in any man.

**THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.
It is only through the word of God
that we know God's general will:-**

2 Cor 2:11-13; “10. But we know these things because God has revealed them to us by his Spirit, and his Spirit searches out everything and shows us even God's deep secrets. 11. No one can know what anyone else is really thinking except that person alone, and no one can know God's thoughts except God's own Spirit.”

“12. And God has actually given us his Spirit (not the world's spirit) so we can know the wonderful things God has freely given us. 13. When we tell you this, we do not use words of human wisdom. We speak words given to us by the Spirit, using the Spirit's words to explain spiritual truths.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

**It is only through the word of God
that we know God's general will:-**

**2 Tim 3:16-17; “All Scripture is inspired by God
and is useful to teach us what is true
and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives.**

**It straightens us out
and teaches us to do what is right.**

**17. It is God's way of preparing us in every way, fully
equipped for every good thing God wants us to do.”**

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

**THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDES, & INFLUENCES
THROUGH THE WORD!**

**The chart below demonstrates clearly
that Holy Spirit, wants to guide and influence us
through the word
which He the Spirit has revealed.
Then we will look in more detail.**

Holy Spirit

1 Cor. 6:19

John 16:7-15

John 3:6-8; Gal. 4:29

1 Cor. 6:11; 1 Pet. 1:22

Ep. 2:16-18

John 6:63

Tit. 3:5-7

1 Cor. 6:11

Rom. 15:16

Acts 9:31

John 16:13; Rom. 8:14

Neh. 9:20; John 14:26

Rom. 5:5

John 15:26; Rom 8:16-17

1 Cor. 12:3;

Jn 16:7,13; Ep. 5:18,19

Action

Indwells

**Convicts –
Converts**

Begets

Washes

Reconciles

Gives Life

Saves

Justifies

Sanctifies

Comforts

Guides

Instructs

Sheds Love

Bears Witness

Produces Faith

Wisdom

The Word

Col. 3:16

Ps. 19:7; Tit 1:9; Heb 4:12

1 Cor 4:15; Jam 1:18; 1 Pet 1:22-25

John 15:3; Ep. 5:26

2 Cor. 5:17-20

Ps 119:50,93; John 6:68

Jas 1:21-22; 1 Cor 15:1-3; Rom 1:16

Rom. 5:1; 1:16,17; 10:17

John 17:17; 2 Thes 2:13,14

Rom. 15:4; 1 Thes 4:18

Ps 119:11,105; 2 Tim 3:16-4:4

John 6:44,45; 2 Tim 3:16-4:4

1 Jn 2:3-5; 3:11,23; 5:3

John 5:39

Rom 10:11-17

Col. 1:5-23; 2 Tim. 3:14,15

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

HOLY SPIRIT INDWELLS:-

1 Cor. 6:19; “Or do you not know that **your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you**, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?”

THE WORD:-

Col. 3:16; “Let the **word of Christ dwell in you** richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT CONVICTS – CONVERTS:-

John 16:7-8; “And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:”

THE WORD:

Psalms 19:7; “The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;

Titus 1:9; “holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able, by sound doctrine, both to exhort and convict those who contradict.

Hebrews 4:12; “For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT / NEW BIRTH:-

1John 3:5-8; “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, '**You must be born again.**' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Galatians 4:29; “But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was **born according to the Spirit,** even so it is now.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

THE WORD / NEW BIRTH:-

1 Cor. 4:15; “you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have **begotten you** through the gospel.

James 1:18; “Of His own will He **brought us forth by the word** of truth,

1 Peter 1:22-25; “having been **born again**, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, **through the word of God** which lives and abides forever, . . . this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT / WASHES:-

1 Cor. 6:11; “And such were some of you.

But you were **washed**, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and **by the Spirit** of our God.”

1 Peter 1:22; “Since you have **purified** your souls in obeying the truth **through the Spirit** in sincere love of the brethren, **love one another** fervently **with a pure heart.**”

THE WORD:-

John 15:3; “You are already **clean** because of **the word** which I have spoken to you.”

Ephes 5:26; “that He might sanctify and **cleanse** her with the **washing of water by the word.**”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

HOLY SPIRIT / RECONCILES:-

Ephes. 2:16-18; “and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and **preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near.** For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.”

THE WORD:-

2 Cor. 5:17-20; “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has **reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ,** and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, **and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.** Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

HOLY SPIRIT / GIVES LIFE:-

John 6:63; “It is the **Spirit who gives life**; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit,

THE WORD:-

Psalm 119:50; “This is my comfort in my affliction,
For Your **word** has **given me life.**”

Psalm 119:93; “I will never forget **Your precepts**,
For by them You have **given me life.**”

John 6:68; “But Simon Peter answered Him,
“Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

HOLY SPIRIT / SAVES:-

Titus 3:5-7; “not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy **He saved us**, through the washing of regeneration and **renewing of the Holy Spirit**, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

THE WORD / SAVES:-

Romans 1:16; “For I am not ashamed of **the gospel of Christ**, for it is the **power of God to salvation** for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.”

1 Cor. 15:1-3; “Moreover, brethren, I declare to you **the gospel** which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, **by which also you are saved**, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you--unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received:-
that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures.”

James 1:21-22; “Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness **the implanted word**, **which is able to save your souls**. But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

HOLY SPIRIT / JUSTIFIES:-

1 Cor. 6:11; “And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were **justified** in the name of the Lord Jesus and **by the Spirit** of our God.”

THE WORD:-

Romans 1:16-17; “For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. [17] For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, “The **just shall live by faith.**”

Romans 5:1: “Therefore, having been **justified by faith**, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Romans 10:17: “So then **faith comes by hearing** and hearing **by the word of God.**”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT / SANCTIFIES:-

Romans 15:16; “that I might be a minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, **sanctified by the Holy Spirit.**”

1 Pet 1:2; “in the foresight of God the Father, to be made holy by the Spirit, obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with His blood: **Grace and peace be yours in abundance.**”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

THE WORD / SANCTIFIES:-

**John 17:17; “ Sanctify them by Your truth.
Your word is truth.”**

2 Thes. 2:13-14; “But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT / COMFORTS:-

Acts 9:31; “Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified.

And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the **comfort of the Holy Spirit**, they were multiplied.”

THE WORD:-

Romans 15:4; “For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and **comfort of the Scriptures** might have hope.”

1 Thes. 4:18; “Therefore **comfort one another with these words.**”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT / GUIDES:-

John 16:13; “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, **He will guide you** into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”

Romans 8:14; “For as many as are **led by** the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

THE WORD / GUIDES:-

Psalm 119:11; “Your word I have hidden in my heart,
That I might not sin against You!”

Psalm 119:105; “Your word is a lamp to my feet
And a light to my path.”

2 Tim. 3:16-4:4: “[4:1] I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: [2] Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. [3] For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; [4] and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT / INSTRUCTS:-

Neh. 9:20; “You also gave Your good **Spirit to instruct** them,
And did not withhold Your manna from their mouth,
And gave them water for their thirst.”

John 14:26; “But the Helper, the **Holy Spirit**, whom the
Father will send in My name, **He will teach you all
things**, and **bring to your remembrance** all things
that I said to you”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

THE WORD / INSTRUCTS:-

John 6:44-45; “No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall **all be taught by God.**' Therefore everyone who has **heard and learned** from the Father comes to Me.”

2 Tim 3:15-4:4; “And that from a child thou hast **known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation** through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:- That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT / BRINGS LOVE:-

Romans 5:5; “Now hope does not disappoint, because the **love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit** who was given to us.”

THE WORD / BRINGS LOVE:-

1 John 2:3-6; “Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. He who says, “I know Him,” and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But **whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God** is perfected in him. **By this we know that we are in Him.**”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

THE WORD / BRINGS LOVE continued.

1 John 3:11; “For this is the **message that you heard** from

the beginning, that we should **love one another,**”

1 John 3:23; “And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and **love one another, as He gave us commandment.**”

1 John 5:3; “For this is the **love of God, that we keep His commandments.** And His commandments are not burdensome.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

HOLY SPIRIT /BEARS WITNESS / TESTIFIES:-

John 15:26; "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, **He will testify of Me.**"

Romans 8:16-17; "The **Spirit Himself bears witness** with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs--heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together."

THE WORD:-

John 5:39; "You search **the Scriptures**, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are **they which testify of Me.**"

John 20:30-31; "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: **But these are written, that ye might believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name."

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

For example:-

Holy Spirit says “Saved by the blood.”

Our Spirit agrees. –(Our human spirit.)

Holy Spirit says “we need to repent.”

Our Spirit agrees. –(Our human spirit.)

WE ARE IN HARMONY!

THE WORKS of THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF A CHRISTIAN

The Holy Spirit
“Bears Witness.”

With

our Human
Spirit.



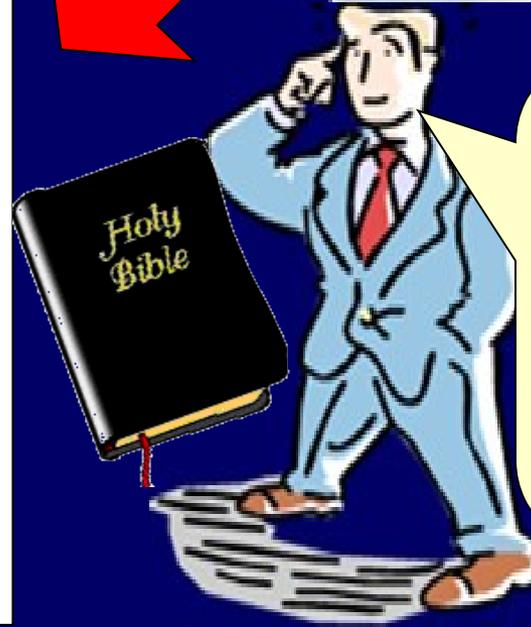
THE WORKS of THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF A CHRISTIAN

The Holy Spirit
“Bears Witness.”

With

our Human
Spirit.

Believe. – *Acts 8:37;*
Confess. – *Romans 10:9;*
Repent. – *Acts 17:30;*
Be baptized. – *1 Peter 3:21;*
Be faithful. – *Coloss 1:23;*
Confess, Repent & Pray. –
Acts 8:22; 1 John 1:9;



I have
done
those
things!

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

HOLY SPIRIT / WISDOM:-

John 16:7; “Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; **but if I depart, I will send Him to you.**”

John 16:13; “However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, **He will guide you into all truth;** for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”

Ephes. 5:18-19; “And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD

THE WORD / WISDOM:-

Col 1:5-23; “because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel.”

Col 1:9-10; “For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be **filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom** and spiritual understanding; that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.”

2 Tim 3:14-15; “But you must continue in the things which you have **learned** and been assured of, knowing from whom you have **learned** them, and that from childhood you **have known the Holy Scriptures**, which are able to **make you wise** for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

HOLY SPIRIT / PRODUCES FAITH:-

1 Cor. 12:3; “Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.”

THE WORD:-

Romans 10:11-17; “14. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And **how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?** And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent?”

“As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our report?”

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

**HOLY SPIRIT Empowers (energises) the word within us.
WHICH STATEMENT IS MORE BIBLICAL?**

**“The Holy Spirit works only through the word?”
Scripture:-?**

**“The word works through the power of the Holy Spirit?”
Scripture:- 1 Thess 1:5;**

**“For when we brought you the Good News, it was not only
with words but also with power, for the Holy Spirit
gave you full assurance that what we said was true.
And you know that the way we lived among you was
further proof of the truth of our message.”**

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS THROUGH THE WORD.

The Word
Is not
The Person
Of God

The Word
Is not
The Person
of Jesus

The Word
Is not
The Person of
the Holy Spirit



We need to make the distinction
between the Indwelling of The Holy
Spirit
and the action the Spirit produces

How Do We Know The Holy Spirit Dwells in Us?

By hearing God's word:-

Rom 10:17; “Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God.”

Gal 3:2; “Did you Receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?”

Eph 4:4-6;, “There is one body, and **one Spirit**, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, **and in you all.**”

How Do We Know The Holy Spirit Dwells in Us?

By studying God's word:-

Eph. 3:3-5; “How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, Whereby, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit...”

2 Tim. 2:15; “Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

How Do We Know The Holy Spirit Dwells in Us?

By obeying God's word:-

John 8:24;, "...if you **believe not** that I am he, you shall die in your sins."

Luke 13:3;, "...except you **repent**, you shall all likewise perish."

Matt. 10:32; "Whosoever therefore shall **confess me** before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven."

Mark 16:16;, "...he that believes and is baptized shall be saved..."

Rev. 2:10;, "...Remain faithful unto death..."

RECEIVING THE SPIRIT.

THROUGH HEARING:-

“This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?” (Gal 3:2;)

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Rom 10:17;)

**WE CANNOT SEPARATE OUR RECEPTION
OF THE SPIRIT FROM HEARING
THE REVEALED WORD OF THE SPIRIT.**

RECEIVING THE SPIRIT.

THROUGH OBEDIENCE:-

“And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him.” (Acts 5:32;)

**CANNOT SEPARATE OUR RECEPTION OF
THE SPIRIT FROM ‘OBEYING’
THE REVEALED WORD OF THE SPIRIT.**

RECEIVING THE SPIRIT.

**WHEN WE “HEAR” AND “OBEY,” “THE WORD”
GOD SENDS FORTH HIS SPIRIT INTO OUR HEARTS!**

**“And because you are sons, God has
sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts,
crying out, ‘Abba, Father!’” Gal 4:6;**

IS THE SPIRIT IN OUR HEART?

**HAVE WE HEARD THE WORD OR THE WORLD?
HAVE WE OBEYED THE WORD OR THE WORLD?
THE SPIRIT PLEADS FOR US TO OBEY TODAY!**

**“For as many as are LED BY the Spirit of God,
THESE are sons of God” Rom. 8:14;**

IT IS A PROMISE OF GOD THAT:-

**When we Believe and Obey God's word.
The Holy Spirit saves us through the Blood
of Christ and He will indwell us.**

**Eph 1:13-14;, “In whom you also trusted, after you
heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation:
in whom also after that you believed, **you were
sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise.****

Which is the **earnest of our inheritance until
the redemption of the purchased possession,
unto the praise of his glory.”**

ROMANS 8:14;

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are,

**GALATIANS
3:26- 27;**

For you are all

“SONS OF GOD.”

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EXPLANATION

through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

THE HOLY SPIRIT TO BEAR FRUIT.

We must live and walk by the Spirit.

(Rom 8:1,4-5; Gal 5:16-17,25; cf. Jude 19)

“so that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.”

We must have the mind of the Spirit. (Rom 8:6;) “For to be thinking the things suggested by the lower nature means death, but to be thinking the things suggested by the Spirit means life and peace.”

We must bear the fruit of the Spirit (Gal 5:22-23; cf.

Acts 13:52; 14:17; 15:30; Col 1:8; 1 Thess 1:6;)

Rom 5:5; “Now this hope does not disappoint us,

because God's love has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT TO BEAR FRUIT.

The Holy Spirit bears fruit in us. Gal 5:22;

“These fruits are the result of the truth
(word of God) that is in us.”

Luke 8:11; “The Holy Spirit uses the truth to produce
these fruits in us.

By these fruits we know He is in us.”

Man must prepare his own heart (mind, will, etc.)
for the production of these fruits of the Spirit.

Mt 13:18-23; etc. The soil (**hearer**) is **responsible**
for how he hears and what he does with the truth.

These fruits of the Spirit are not miraculous -- but
they are not the same as the love, joy, peace, etc.
which the world gives. **John 14:27;**

THE FRUIT OF GOD'S SPIRIT

LOVE

PEACE

JOY

PATIENCE

KINDNESS

GOODNESS

GENTLENESS

SELF-CONTROL

FAITHFULNESS



THE FRUIT OF GOD'S SPIRIT

He produces fruit in our lives.



JOY
PEACE
PATIENCE
KINDNESS
GOODNESS
GENTLENESS
FAITHFULNESS

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.” (Galatians 5:22-25;)

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING

The Holy Spirit provides everything we need to know spiritually

2 Timothy 3:16-17; “All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right.

It is God's way of preparing us in every way, fully equipped for every good thing God wants us to do.”

12. Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. **Be an example to all believers in what you teach, in the way you live,** in your love, your faith, and your purity. 13. Until I get there, **focus on reading the Scriptures to the church,** encouraging the believers, and teaching them.

14. Don't neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the elders.

15. Give your complete attention to these matters. Throw yourself into your tasks so that everyone will see your progress. 16. **Keep a close watch on yourself and on your teaching. Stay true to what is right,** and God will save you and those who hear you. **1 Tim 4:12-16;**

Timothy's inspired ability.

Remember the gift was connected with the symbolical act of laying on hands. But the Greek **"with"** implies that the elders laying on hands was the mere accompaniment of the conferring of the gift.

"By" implies that Paul's laying on his hands was the actual instrument of its being conferred. (2Tim 1:6)

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

The Holy Spirit provides everything we need to know spiritually. **2 Timothy 4:2-4; reproof.**

“These teachers are hypocrites and liars. They pretend to be religious, but their consciences are dead. 3. They will say it is wrong to be married and wrong to eat certain foods.”

“But God created those foods to be eaten with thanksgiving by people who know and believe the truth. 4. Since everything God created is good, we should not reject any of it. We may receive it gladly, with thankful hearts.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

The Holy Spirit provides everything we need to know spiritually. **2 Timothy 4:2-4; reproof.**

2 Tim 2:24-26; Correction. “The Lord's servants must not quarrel but must be kind to everyone.

They must be able to teach effectively and be patient with difficult people.

25. They should gently teach those who oppose the truth.”

“Perhaps God will change those people's hearts, and they will believe the truth.

26. Then they will come to their senses and escape from the Devil's trap.

For they have been held captive by him to do whatever he wants.”

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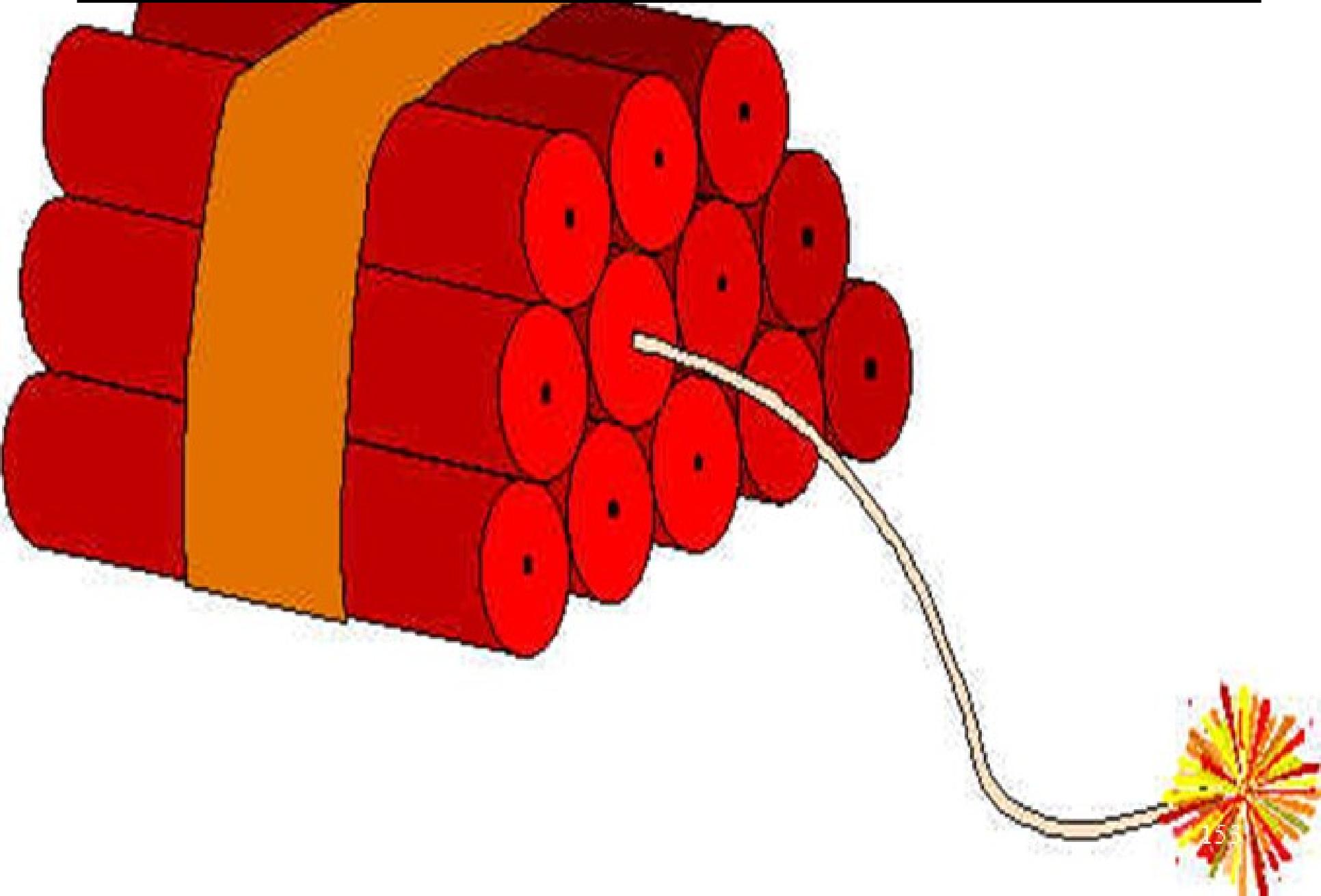
Instruction in righteousness:-

Psa 119:9-11; How can a young person stay pure? By obeying your word and following its rules. 10. I have tried my best to find you, don't let me wander from your commands. 11. I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

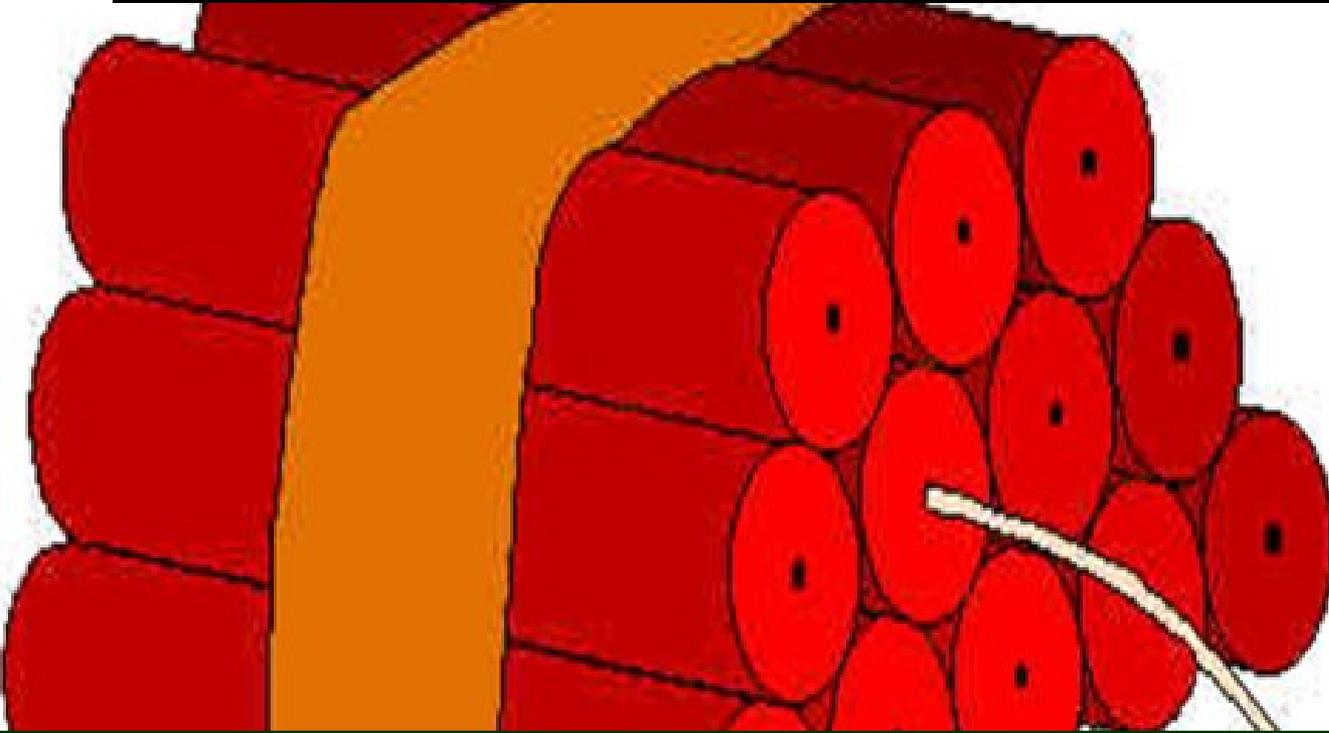
1 Pet 1:3; Maturity “As we know Jesus better, his divine power gives us everything we need for living a godly life. He has called us to receive his own glory and goodness!”

Eph 4:14-15 “Then we will no longer be like children, forever changing our minds about what we believe because someone has told us something different or because someone has cleverly lied to us and made the lie sound like the truth. 15. Instead, we will hold to the truth in love, becoming more and more in every way like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.”

The Holy Spirit brings Power to our Faith.

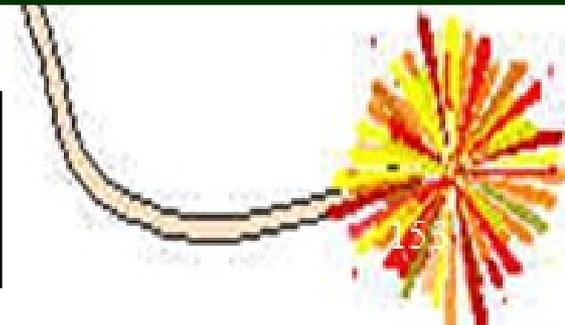


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“Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us...” (Ephesians 3:20;)

“Dynamite” comes from the same Greek work translated **“Power”** here.



**That Power is the Holy Spirit
Working in and through us.**



“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” (Rom 15:13;)

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

The Holy Spirit working through the word is :-

**Powerful enough to help us to convert others,
Help us fight with sin, and build us up! – Heb 4:12;**

**12. “For the word of God is full of living power.
It is sharper than the sharpest knife, cutting deep
into our innermost thoughts and desires.
It exposes us for what we really are.”**

John 6:63; Living

**“It is the Spirit who gives eternal life. Human effort
accomplishes nothing. And the very words
I have spoken to you are spirit and life.”**

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

1 Pet 1:23;. “For you have been born again.

Your new life did not come from your earthly parents because the life they gave you will end in death.

But this new life will last forever because it comes from the eternal, living word of God.”

Jer 23:29; Powerful. “Does not my word burn like fire?” asks the Lord. “Is it not like a mighty hammer that smashes rock to pieces?”

Eph 6:17; Sharper than two edged sword :- “In every battle you will need faith as your shield to stop the fiery arrows aimed at you by Satan. 17. Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING

The Holy Spirit working through the word is :- **Powerful enough to convert others, Help us fight with sin, and build us up! – Heb 4:12;**

Acts 2:37; Sharper than two edged sword :-

“ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?"

Eph 5:12-13 “It is shameful even to talk about the things that ungodly people do in secret.

But when the light shines on them, it becomes clear how evil these things are.”

**THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING:-
No need for the miraculous today.**

**The Holy Spirit Through His word:-
has Revealed All Truth.**

Confirmed That Truth.

Convicts Men By That Truth.

Converts Men By That Truth.

Sanctifies Men By That Truth.

**Leads & Strengthens Through
the Truth He has Revealed.**



THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

dwells in every Christian!

and through the Word of God

the HOLY SPIRIT

guides comforts and

strengthens each one of us.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING

No need for the miraculous today.

The Holy Spirit.

Works through the word.

Empowers the word within us.

Empowers Christians to live the word.

Aids us in understanding the word.

Works through people.

Works through circumstances.

Works in and through prayer.

Causes us to cry to God, "Abba, Father."

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

There is no need for NEW revelations.

There is no need for NEW miraculous confirmation.

The Holy Spirit works in the lives of his people today and leads and guides us through His word.

If the Holy Spirit dwells in me, I can have a close, personal, intimate relationship with Him and He with me.

Because I allow Him to lead me and influence me by His Word.

Through obedience to the word, and trust in His promise, you can have the Spirit in you, too. – He will lead you – but He will not drag you!

If you would have the Holy Spirit dwell in you, you must become a child of God listen to His Word and be obedient and apply His teaching in your life. He wants to dwell in you in a living relationship. Jesus said:-

John 12:46-50; “I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the darkness. 47. If anyone hears me and doesn't obey me, I am not his judge-for I have come to save the world and not to judge it.”

“But all who reject me and my message will be judged at the day of judgment by the truth I have spoken. 49. I don't speak on my own authority. The Father who sent me gave me his own instructions as to what I should say. 50. And I know his instructions lead to eternal life; so I say whatever the Father tells me to say!”

John 14:15; "If you love me, obey my commandments.”

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

Can one lose the Holy Spirit? Will he leave us.

The idea that the Spirit enters when we are blameless and then leaves each time sin pollutes us is wrong. He would constantly be coming/ going.

In 1 Cor 6:19-20; Christians were not told that unless they ceased from sin the Holy Spirit would depart from them. Miraculous gifts were not taken away from them, even though some who had them were abusing them. **1 Cor 12-14;**

However:- We must try to keep our balance here.

We are not to assume that the Holy Spirit will continue to dwell in us no matter how wicked we might become.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

CONCLUSION:

The fact that the **gift of the Holy Spirit** spoken of in Acts 2:38; is **the Spirit Himself** who **comes to dwell in the Christian** opens up the possibility of a more significant meaning for the term **"spirituality"**.

Even though the knowledge of His presence is limited to faith in the teaching of the written word on the matter.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S INDWELLING.

The Lord's promise of salvation and the gift of the Holy Spirit is still valid.
One who is not yet a Christian should obey the Lord and receive His promise.

One who is a Christian
should not stifle the Spirit.
Let the Spirit of God express Himself fully
and bear appropriate fruit in one's life.

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