

THE CHRISTIAN BROADCASTING NETWORK

# WALKING IN THE SPIRIT



*If we live by  
the Spirit, let us also  
keep in step with the Spirit.*

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Galatians 5:25

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In these rapidly changing times, we need to keep in step with God's plan and purpose for our lives. We can only do that as we are filled with the authority, power, and wisdom of His Holy Spirit.

In Hebrew, spirit is ruach, meaning air in motion. It is the same word for breath and also means life. The Spirit was present at creation, along with God the Father and His Word—which John 1:14 tells us is His Son, Jesus. The three members of the Trinity are all separate, yet all one—like when you breathe and you speak, your words are one with you.

To create the first human, *God ... breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature* (Genesis 2:7). We were created in the image of God, and from His breath we receive our life.

In John 3:7-8, Jesus used the image of wind to describe new birth: *"Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."*

We are born of the Spirit by the breath of God. Just as God breathed on Adam to give him the breath of life, Jesus breathed on His disciples, saying, *"Receive the Holy Spirit"* (John 20:22).

He didn't just breathe on His followers 2,000 years ago; He breathes on us today when we are baptized in His Spirit. And this is not a one-time experience! Acts 2 records that the disciples were filled with the Spirit on Pentecost; then sometime later, Acts 4:31 says they were all filled again. When we open our hearts to God, we can be filled continually with His presence.

I pray that this devotional guide will help you discover how the Holy Spirit worked throughout the Bible—from Genesis to Revelation—and also help activate His awesome power in your life today. Because when we are filled with the breath and power of God Almighty, our lives are transformed.



God bless you!



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# I

## THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

*Not by might,  
nor by power,  
but by my Spirit,  
says the LORD  
of hosts.*

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Zechariah 4:6

The Holy Spirit has been present with God the Father and God the Son as an essential member of the Trinity from the beginning, working in unity as One God to create the universe and interact with people. Throughout the Old Testament, the Spirit anointed certain people to do certain tasks at certain times. The Spirit spoke through the prophets, pointing to a future outpouring of the Spirit as part of God's salvation plan. The Apostle Peter wrote, *Those prophets were moved by the Holy Spirit, and they spoke from God* (2 Peter 1:21 NLT).



## THE SPIRIT IN CREATION

**Read:** Genesis 1:1-2; John 1:1-4

**Think:** All three persons of the Trinity were present at the creation of the universe. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit worked together in perfect unity to bring forth the galaxies, stars, and planets—including our own Earth that is equipped with water, air, and soil to sustain every living thing.

**Ask:** How do I need Him to move in my life today?

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**Pray:** God, You brought life into the world through Your Spirit and Your Word. I pray that You will move in my life as I trust You for ...

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## THE SPIRIT UPON JOSEPH

**Read:** Genesis 41:25, 35-40

**Think:** Of Jacob's twelve sons, Joseph was one of his favorites. He was sold into slavery by his jealous brothers, sent to prison for a crime he didn't commit, and raised up as Pharaoh's second-in-command over all Egypt. Through Joseph, Egypt and the children of Israel were saved from famine.

**Ask:** Joseph could have been angry and bitter, yet what did Pharaoh see in him? Would people notice the Spirit's presence in my life?

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**Pray:** Father, please fill me with the wisdom of Your Spirit and give me Your guidance as I face ...

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## THE SPIRIT UPON MOSES

**Read:** Numbers 11:16-17, 26-29

**Think:** Moses answered God's call to lead the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt. Once they were free, Moses found it was extremely difficult to guide this multitude of people through the wilderness toward the Promised Land. To help with the task, God put His Spirit on key leaders.

**Ask:** Why did Moses want everyone to be filled with God's Spirit? Where would I want to see the Spirit poured out today?

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**Pray:** Spirit of the Living God, I pray that You would move in my heart and also in ...

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## THE SPIRIT UPON BEZALEL

**Read:** Exodus 31:3

**Think:** God gave Moses detailed directions about how to make the Tabernacle and its furnishings. But the Israelites had been enslaved in Egypt, working with mud and straw to make bricks. They needed more than instructions to fulfill His commands; they needed the inspiration of His Holy Spirit, which God gave to Bezalel.

**Ask:** How do I need the inspiration of God's Spirit in my life?

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**Pray:** Lord God, please fill me with Your Spirit as I ...

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## THE SPIRIT UPON GIDEON

**Read:** Judges 6:1-16, 33-34

**Think:** When the Israelites first moved into the Promised Land, they had no king. Instead, whenever they needed a leader, God raised up a judge to defend them from their enemies. One of the most unlikely was Gideon, who was hiding from the Midianites in a winepress when he was found by the Angel of the Lord.

**Ask:** How did Gideon find the boldness to blow a trumpet and lead the people? Where do I need courage to stand up for God?

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**Pray:** Heavenly Father, I need the strength of Your Spirit today as I face ...

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## THE SPIRIT UPON DAVID

**Read:** 1 Samuel 16:13-14; Psalm 51:10-11; Psalm 139:7-16

**Think:** David was anointed as a youth to become Israel's future king. When he sinned, he didn't deny his guilt and run away from God's call upon his life. Instead, he turned to the Lord in repentance and faith, relying upon the Spirit's presence to guide and sustain him.

**Ask:** Why does humble repentance bring restoration and joy?

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**Pray:** Lord, I can't hide anything from You. Forgive me for ...

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## THE SPIRIT UPON THE PROPHETS

**Read:** Micah 3:8; Ezekiel 36:26-27; Joel 2:28-32; Zechariah 4:6

**Think:** The Holy Spirit moved on the hearts of prophets in the Old Testament to call people to repentance; to speak God's message of revelation, encouragement, and inspiration; to do signs and miracles pointing to His limitless power; and to prepare the way for the future outpouring of the Spirit.

**Ask:** What did God promise to do, and for whom? Can I obey Him simply by exercising my own willpower?

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**Pray:** Holy Spirit, show me where I need to repent, and give me a renewed heart of obedience especially concerning ...

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## THE SPIRIT UPON ISAIAH

**Read:** Isaiah 11:1-2; 42:1; 44:3; 61:1-2

**Think:** Isaiah lived about 700 years before Christ—yet He predicted with incredible accuracy many key details about the coming Messiah. He would be born of a virgin (7:14); given as a Son with an everlasting reign (9:6-7); pierced and die for our sins, yet live to see His offspring (53:4-10).

**Ask:** Who around me is poor, brokenhearted, captive in some way, and in need of the Good News?

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**Pray:** Lord, anoint me with Your Holy Spirit to reach out and minister to ...

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## II

# THE HOLY SPIRIT IN JESUS' LIFE AND TEACHING

Beginning with the sin of Adam and Eve, all of the Old Testament pointed to the desperate need for redemption through a Savior. This need was fulfilled when God the Father, through the action of His Spirit, sent His only beloved Son into the world. The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John (the first four books of the New Testament) record how the Holy Spirit was manifested in Jesus' incarnation, baptism, and ministry, as well as a central focus of His teaching.

*He will baptize  
you with the  
Holy Spirit  
and with fire.*

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Matthew 3:11



## THE SPIRIT AND JESUS' BIRTH

**Read:** Matthew 1:18-21; Luke 1:35-45, 67-70; 2:25-35

**Think:** The Holy Spirit was intricately involved in the miraculous conception and birth of Jesus. A young virgin. A carpenter. A childless priest and his wife. An old man in the Temple. They each had an encounter with the Spirit that culminated in the Son of God leaving the power and glory of heaven to enter the world as a helpless newborn baby.

**Ask:** Encountering the Holy Spirit transforms lives—so how does the Spirit want to transform mine?

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**Pray:** God, I ask Your Spirit to change my life, especially in the area of ...

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## THE SPIRIT AND JESUS' BAPTISM

**Read:** Matthew 3:11-17; John 1:32-34

**Think:** John the Baptist fulfilled the prophecy in Isaiah 40:3, *One crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the LORD"* (NKJV). He preached repentance, baptized with water, and said that one coming after him would baptize with the Holy Spirit. As John baptized Jesus, we see the Trinity: the Spirit descending in the form of a dove as God the Father declared Jesus to be His beloved Son. And through Christ, you, too, are God's beloved child.

**Ask:** How can I prepare the way of the Lord and make more room for the Holy Spirit in my life?

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**Pray:** Father, please show me any place in my life where I'm resisting the leading of Your Spirit ...

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## THE SPIRIT OVERCOMES TEMPTATION

**Read:** Luke 4:1-15

**Think:** This passage begins with Jesus, full of the Spirit, being led by the Spirit into the wilderness. After He resists every temptation of the devil, the passage concludes as He returns in the power of the Holy Spirit to begin His ministry. When we yield to the Spirit, we can find strength to face any test we may encounter.

**Ask:** How am I being tempted or tested today? Am I relying on my own strength—or on the power of the Spirit?

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**Pray:** Lord Jesus, remind me to rely on Your Spirit when I face ...

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## JESUS FULFILLS ISAIAH'S PROPHECY

**Read:** Luke 4:16-21; Acts 10:37-38

**Think:** Jesus began His public ministry in the Nazareth synagogue by reading the ancient prophecy of Isaiah. Imagine the congregation's shock when He declared that it was fulfilled that day! Yet people would see how He confirmed His seemingly bold statement with miracles that could only be done by the power of God.

**Ask:** How is the Spirit leading me to share the hope of the Gospel with others?

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**Pray:** Holy Spirit, open my eyes to see ways I can share Your love and power by ...

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## THE SPIRIT GIVES NEW LIFE

**Read:** John 3:5-8; 6:63; Ephesians 2:8-9

**Think:** Christ came to save us from sin, shame, and guilt—not by overlooking our errors or patching us up, but by giving us a rebirth in His Spirit. Instead of relying on our own feeble efforts to earn God’s forgiveness and love, we must put our faith totally in Jesus. He died to give us new life that lasts forever, and we can spend the rest of our days by thanking and serving Him.

**Ask:** Where would I be without my faith in Jesus today?

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**Pray:** Jesus, I praise You for the new and eternal life Your Spirit has given me. I want to thank You by ...

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## THE SPIRIT GIVES LIVING WATER

**Read:** John 4:13-14; 7:37-39

**Think:** Without water, our physical bodies would soon die. Yet the Holy Spirit gives living water to all those who believe in Jesus so that our life in Him will never end. This living water bubbles up like an eternal wellspring, flowing from our hearts in a river of life to pour out God’s blessings upon those around us.

**Ask:** Do I feel dry and parched? Where do I need God to fill me with His Spirit, His love, and His joy?

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**Pray:** Lord Jesus, let the living water of Your Spirit well up in me and pour out on others as I ...

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## THE SPIRIT HELPS US WITNESS

**Read:** John 15:26-27; Mark 13:9-11

**Think:** We can never truly prepare ourselves for all the ways we may need to witness for Christ. But Jesus assures us that we should not worry. His Spirit will bring to mind what we need to say in every situation, whether it's a casual discussion or outright persecution. We simply need to take time to pray and listen to His voice speaking in our hearts.

**Ask:** How is God asking me to take a stand for Him and for His ways today?

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**Pray:** Heavenly Father, empower me by Your Spirit to boldly speak up for You when ...

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## THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH AND COMFORT

**Read:** John 14:16-17, 25-26; 16:7-15

**Think:** Imagine the shock of the disciples, who gave up everything to follow Jesus, to hear Him say He is leaving—and that it's better for them that He does! Instead of His physical body being limited by space and time, His Spirit of Truth can always be with all believers to help, counsel, guide, and comfort them.

**Ask:** Where do I need the Holy Spirit to speak truth and encouragement in my life?

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**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for sending Your Spirit to help, comfort, and guide me through ...

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## ASK FOR THE SPIRIT

**Read:** Luke 11:9-13

**Think:** Ask. Seek. Knock. Those are the simple instructions Jesus gives to all who follow Him. We don't have to do anything else or try to prove ourselves worthy—we simply need to humbly ask, then trust our Father in heaven to give us the Holy Spirit, just as He has promised.

**Ask:** What does Jesus say is my responsibility, and what is His promise?

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**Pray:** Heavenly Father, I praise You for Your faithfulness as I ask You to fill me with Your Spirit ...

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## THE SPIRIT GIVES POWER TO EVANGELIZE

**Read:** Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46-49; John 20:21-22

**Think:** Jesus' disciples were devastated when He died—and overjoyed when He rose again. Before He ascended to heaven 40 days later, He spent time preparing and commissioning them for the task ahead. Jesus' last instructions to them are the same He gives us today: to be His witnesses here at home and around the world—all in the authority and power of the Spirit.

**Ask:** Where is Jesus calling me to go, and what is He asking me to do?

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**Pray:** Holy Spirit, show me how I can be a witness for Christ by ...

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## THE HOLY SPIRIT IN OUR LIVES TODAY

Luke begins his narrative in Acts 1:1 by explaining that his previous book—the Gospel of Luke—was about what *Jesus began to do and teach*. In Acts, Luke documents how Jesus’ work continued through His followers, beginning with the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. Down through the ages, Christians have continued to preach the Good News around the world—and as His followers today, that is our great task. Yet we can only accomplish this as we open our hearts to all that He has for us through the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Fan into flame the gift  
of God ..., for God gave  
us a spirit not of fear  
but of power and love  
and self-control.*

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2 Timothy 1:6-7



## THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

**Read:** Acts 1:4-8; 2:1-4

**Think:** Jesus told His disciples to wait for the Holy Spirit before evangelizing the world. After His ascension, they spent 10 days united in prayer and worship. On the Jewish feast of Pentecost—which celebrates the first fruits of the harvest—the Spirit descended like a mighty wind with flames of fire, fulfilling the prophecy of John the Baptist in Matthew 3:11 that Jesus would baptize with the Spirit and fire.

**Ask:** Am I truly open to having the fire of the Holy Spirit in my life today?

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**Pray:** God, please fill me with Your Spirit so I have Your power to share the Gospel with ...

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## THE SPIRIT DRAWS PEOPLE TO CHRIST

**Read:** Acts 2:5-6, 11-21, 38-41

**Think:** Jews from around the known world had gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate Pentecost. They were astonished to hear uneducated fishermen proclaiming the wonders of God in their native languages! Peter began preaching about how God sent His Son Jesus to die for their sins, and 3,000 people were saved.

**Ask:** Am I prepared to share the Good News of salvation with others?

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**Pray:** Lord, I know Your Spirit will be helping me when I have an opportunity to witness to ...

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## THE SPIRIT EMBOLDENS PETER

**Read:** Acts 4:5-31

**Think:** At the Last Supper, Peter declared he'd never desert Jesus—then denied Him three times that night! He depended on his own willpower, which failed miserably. But after Pentecost, Peter relied on God's power and grace. He risked his life and boldly preached the Gospel to some of the same people who had condemned Jesus to death!

**Ask:** How is my life different because of the Holy Spirit, and where do I need to grow?

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**Pray:** Father, thank You for how You can use my failures. Remind me to rely on Your Spirit when ...

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## THE SPIRIT FILLS US

**Read:** Acts 8:14-17; Acts 19:1-6

**Think:** When we accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior, He gives us His Spirit. Yet the Bible makes it clear that receiving the fullness of the Spirit—sometimes called the baptism of the Holy Spirit—can be a separate experience. In fact, the Spirit can fill us again and again throughout our lives as we open ourselves to Him.

**Ask:** Do I feel spiritually empty and need a fresh infilling of the Holy Spirit?

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**Pray:** Father God, I feel worn and tired. Please fill me to overflowing with Your Spirit ...

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## THE SPIRIT TRANSFORMS SAUL

**Read:** Acts 9:10-22

**Think:** How did Saul, who persecuted Christians, become an apostle who gave his life for Christ? After he was blinded on the road to Damascus, God sent a brave believer named Ananias to pray for him to receive the Holy Spirit. Later known as Paul, he traveled widely to preach and wrote much of the New Testament—all by the power of the Spirit.

**Ask:** What people do I think are least likely to become Christians?

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**Pray:** Lord, if You could change Saul's heart, I believe you can also change ...

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## THE SPIRIT IS FOR EVERYONE

**Read:** Acts 10:34-48; 11:17-18

**Think:** The disciples mistakenly thought the Gospel was just for Jews—until God gave Peter a vision and told him to accept an invitation from a Roman centurion and his friends. Before Peter even finished preaching, the Holy Spirit was poured out and everyone began speaking in tongues and praising God.

**Ask:** Am I harboring prejudice in my heart toward any people?

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**Pray:** Heavenly Father, I praise You that Your salvation is for everyone. Help me show Your love to ...

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# THE SPIRIT GUIDES US

**Read:** Acts 13:1-4; 16:6-10

**Think:** Jesus’ followers faced a lot of unknowns as they obeyed His call to take the Gospel to the nations. Where should they go, how long should they stay, and what should they do? As they trusted God for wisdom and direction, the Holy Spirit guided their steps—just like He will for you today.

**Ask:** What is the Holy Spirit leading me to do—or not do?

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**Pray:** God, help me to be more mindful of Your leading so I can stay in step with the Spirit when ...

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# THE SPIRIT POURS OUT GOD’S LOVE

**Read:** Romans 5:5-8; 2 Corinthians 13:14

**Think:** John 3:16 says, *God so loved the world*—and that means He loves each of us individually and intimately. When we believe in His only Beloved Son who gave His life for us, the Holy Spirit pours God’s love into our hearts, assuring us of His salvation, forgiveness, grace, mercy, protection, guidance, and care.

**Ask:** Can I make time each day to be in God’s presence, to fellowship with the Holy Spirit, and to receive His personal love for me?

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**Pray:** Holy Spirit, please pour out the love of God in my heart today as I ...

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## THE SPIRIT GIVES LIFE

**Read:** Romans 8:1-11

**Think:** Although our bodies will die, the Spirit of Life dwells within us, setting us free from sin and death. Jesus made this possible by taking the death penalty that we deserved for our sins. And because the same Spirit that raised Him from the dead dwells in us, we have new life—today and forever.

**Ask:** Am I bound up by guilt and condemnation, or am I walking in the victorious new life Christ has for me?

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**Pray:** Jesus, thank You for setting me free. Help me to walk in freedom and joy as I share Your resurrection power with ...

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## THE SPIRIT OF ADOPTION

**Read:** Romans 8:13-16, 26-27; Galatians 4:6-7

**Think:** God is our loving Father—like the prodigal son’s father Jesus described in Luke 15—eagerly awaiting the return of His children to the family. His Spirit in our hearts bears witness of His forgiveness and love, helps us when we don’t know how or what to pray, and reassures us of our eternal inheritance through Christ.

**Ask:** How do I picture God—as an angry judge ready to pounce on every mistake, or as a loving dad eagerly waiting for me with open arms?

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**Pray:** Heavenly Father, please give me a fresh revelation of how much You love me as Your precious child ...

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# THE SPIRIT GIVES POWER

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; 4:20; 2 Timothy 1:6-7

**Think:** The Apostle Paul suffered beatings, stoning, shipwrecks, trials, and imprisonment to preach the Gospel, and he was eventually martyred for his faith. Yet he did not yield to fear or rely on his own strength and abilities. Instead, he trusted in the power of the Holy Spirit to carry Him onward.

**Ask:** Where in my life do I need the Spirit to give me strength so I can keep in step with Him?

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**Pray:** God, please give me the power of Your Spirit to help me persevere through ...

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# THE SPIRIT REVEALS GOD’S MIND

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 2:9-16

**Think:** God declared in the Old Testament, *“For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts”* (Isaiah 55:9). It’s amazing to think that—because of the outpouring that began on Pentecost—we can have close fellowship with the same Spirit who knows the mind of God and can instruct us His ways.

**Ask:** In what situation do I need God’s wisdom and direction? Am I willing to listen for His voice, then heed His guidance?

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**Pray:** Heavenly Father, I want to know Your will regarding ...

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# GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT— POWER TO KNOW

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 12:4-10

**Think:** The Spirit gives us gifts we should use for the good of the Body of Christ. Three of them give us the power to know things we normally may not. Wisdom understands God’s will for a situation. Words of knowledge reveal special insight to encourage people’s faith. And discernment distinguishes between God’s truth and lies of the world, flesh, or devil.

**Ask:** What gifts has the Spirit given to me so far? Am I open to receiving all of them as needed?

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**Pray:** Jesus, You are the Way, Truth, and Life. May Your Spirit fill me with wisdom, knowledge, and discernment as I ...

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# GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT— POWER TO ACT

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 12:9-10; Matthew 10:1

**Think:** Three gifts of the Spirit give us the power to act. As Christians, we all have faith in Christ, but the special gift of faith gives us unshakable trust that God is at work in a situation. This faith works in tandem with the gifts of healing and miracles—supernatural works accomplished by God to bring Him glory.

**Ask:** Where do I need faith for healing and miracles?

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**Pray:** Lord Jesus, You calmed the storm, fed the multitudes, and healed everyone You touched. Please empower me now to step out in faith and ...

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## GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT— POWER TO SPEAK

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 12:10-13; 1 Thessalonians 5:19-21

**Think:** The Spirit gives us power to speak God's thoughts to benefit His people. Prophecy reveals insight into a situation or foretells what is to come, and should be tested. The gift of tongues is an utterance in another language for your private edification—or, if given in a group, is followed by an interpretation so the hearers can understand the message.

**Ask:** Am I open to receiving words from the Spirit to speak to others?

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**Pray:** Father, thank You for the Holy Spirit who will give me the right words to minister to ...

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## THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

**Read:** Galatians 5:1, 22-23; 2 Corinthians 3:18

**Think:** We can easily run out of our own ability to deal with stress, trouble, and hardship. Instead of getting angry or depressed, stand fast in Jesus! His Spirit in our hearts is an unending source of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The more we bear this fruit in our lives, the more we become like Christ and bring glory to Him.

**Ask:** What is the difference between my efforts to be a better person and the Spirit bearing fruit?

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**Pray:** Lord Jesus, I desire to go deeper in my openness to the Holy Spirit so I can see more fruit and become more like You, especially in the area of ...

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## KEEP IN STEP WITH THE SPIRIT

**Read:** Galatians 2:20; 5:24-25; Hebrews 12:1-2

**Think:** How do we stay close to God in a world full of temptations? We keep in step with His Spirit by reading His Word, praying, fellowshiping with believers, denying our fleshly desires, and fixing our eyes on Jesus. When we stray, we must run back to God, who loves us, forgives us, and gives us a fresh start to serve Him.

**Ask:** How do I keep in step while walking with a good friend?

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**Pray:** God, help me keep in step with Your Spirit by paying close attention to ...

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## THE SPIRIT SEALS OUR SALVATION

**Read:** Ephesians 1:13-14; Hebrews 10:15-16

**Think:** The enemy wants to sow fear and doubt in our minds. But the Holy Spirit seals our hearts with the sure knowledge that Jesus has paid the full price for our salvation. He is guiding us daily with His righteousness and truth, and He will take us to live with Him forever in heaven someday!

**Ask:** What joy and hope do I have in knowing that the Spirit guarantees my spiritual inheritance?

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**Pray:** God, I praise You for my salvation, and I ask Your Spirit to encourage and strengthen me when ...

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## UNITY IN THE SPIRIT

**Read:** Ephesians 4:1-6, 30-32; 5:15-21; 1 John 4:19-21

**Think:** Christians aren't perfect, so sometimes it's hard to get along with each other. But it's important to work through discord, which can grieve the Holy Spirit. And Jesus said in John 13:34-35, *"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."*

**Ask:** How does the Holy Spirit enable me to maintain unity with other believers?

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**Pray:** Father, open my eyes to see my brothers and sisters in Christ the way You see them, with love and ...

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## SPIRITUAL ARMOR AND WARFARE

**Read:** Ephesians 6:10-18

**Think:** It's easy to forget that we don't battle visible things, but unseen forces of evil. God provides spiritual armor to protect us—from the top of our heads with the helmet of salvation, to the soles of our feet with the shoes of peace. And after we put on every piece, we are to pray in the Spirit at all times and in places.

**Ask:** How can the Holy Spirit direct my prayers today?

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**Pray:** Jesus, when I am in a spiritual battle, thank You that Your Spirit empowers me to pray for ...

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# THE SPIRIT MAKES US HOLY

**Read:** 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14; Hebrews 9:14; 1 John 4:4-6

**Think:** When we accept Jesus as our Savior, God accepts us the way we are—but then He wants us to mature and grow in our faith, becoming more like His Son every day. We cannot accomplish this by our own efforts, but only by the power of the Holy Spirit, who teaches us how to please God in our words, thoughts, and actions.

**Ask:** In what areas of my life is the Holy Spirit showing me that I need to change and grow?

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**Pray:** Lord, thank You for sending Your Spirit to walk with me day by day, revealing ...

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# THE SPIRIT CALLS US HEAVENWARD

**Read:** Revelation 2:7; 22:17

**Think:** It's inspiring to realize that while the Holy Spirit is guiding us each step of the way in our walk with Christ here on the earth, the Spirit is also awaiting us in heaven. There, we will spend all of eternity with Him in the glorious presence of God the Father and Jesus Christ, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

**Ask:** In the light of eternity, how does God want me to invest my time, efforts, and resources today?

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**Pray:** Holy Spirit, please show me how my life can make a difference for Your kingdom today as I ...

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A close-up photograph of a person's hand reaching out towards a field of small purple flowers. The scene is set during sunset or sunrise, with warm golden light illuminating the background hills and the foreground flora. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

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God declares, that I will pour  
out my Spirit on all flesh ... .*

*And it shall come to pass  
that everyone who calls  
upon the name of the  
Lord shall be saved.*

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Acts 2:17, 21

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A photograph of a person's arm and hand reaching out towards a field of small purple flowers. The scene is set during sunset or sunrise, with warm golden light illuminating the landscape and creating a soft glow around the hand. The background shows rolling hills under a hazy sky.

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A photograph of a person's arm and hand reaching out from the left side towards a field of small purple flowers. The scene is set during sunset or sunrise, with warm golden light illuminating the landscape and creating a soft glow around the hand. In the background, there are rolling hills under a hazy sky.

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