

WHAT THE HOLY SPIRIT DOES FOR US TODAY 2

SCRIPTURE - Acts 2:36–39 “Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.” ³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Men and brethren, what shall we do?” ³⁸ 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. ³⁹ For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.”

INTRODUCTION

- A. Because of false teaching about the Holy Spirit, we have been reluctant to teach about the Spirit.
- B. Many, today in the religious world, believe the Spirit gives people the ability to work miracles.
- C. Miracles were given in the first century to prove that those speaking were from God.
 - 1. John 20:30–31 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.
 - 2. Mark 16:19–20 So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. ²⁰ And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.
- D. Paul said, miracles would cease when that which was perfect would come.
 - 1. 1 Corinthians 13:8–10 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part. ¹⁰ But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.
 - 2. Miraculous knowledge was partial. The completed New Testament brought complete, perfect knowledge. - 1 Corinthians 13:12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

28. GENTILES SANCTIFIED BY THE SPIRIT - 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.**

29. GOD’S WILL REVEALED TO US BY HIS SPIRIT - 1 Corinthians 2:9–12 But as it is written: “*Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.*” ¹⁰ But **God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.** For **the Spirit searches all things,** yes, the deep things of God. ¹¹ For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now **we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.**

30. TEACHES US WISDOM OF GOD - 1 Corinthians 2:13-16 These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which **the Holy Spirit teaches,** comparing spiritual things with spiritual. ¹⁴ But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵ But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is *rightly* judged by no one. ¹⁶ For “*who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?*” But we have the mind of Christ.

31. JUSTIFIED BY THE SPIRIT - 1 Corinthians 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.**

32. **OUR BODY IS THE SPIRIT'S TEMPLE** - 1 Corinthians 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?
33. **WRITES AN EPISTLE ON OUR HEART** - 2 Corinthians 3:2-3 You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men; ³ clearly *you are* an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, **written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart.**
34. **MINISTERS OF THE NEW COVENANT TO GIVE LIFE** - 2 Corinthians 3:4-6 And we have such trust through Christ toward God. ⁵ Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as *being* from ourselves, but our sufficiency *is* from God, ⁶ who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, **not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.**
35. **GIVES US LIBERTY** - 2 Corinthians 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit; and **where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.**
36. **TRANSFORMED US INTO THE IMAGE OF CHRIST** - 2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being **transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.**
37. **BY THE SPIRIT WE EAGERLY WAIT FOR THE HOPE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** - Galatians 5:5 For **we through the Spirit eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.**
38. **BY THE SPIRIT WE DO NOT FULFILL THE LUST OF THE FLESH** - Galatians 5:16-17 I say then: **Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.** ¹⁷ For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.
39. **NOT UNDER LAW** - Galatians 5:18 But **if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.**
40. **PRODUCE FRUIT** - Galatians 5:22–23 But **the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.**
41. **WALK IN THE SPIRIT** - Galatians 5:25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
42. **SOW TO SPIRIT REAP EVERLASTING LIFE** - Galatians 6:8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but **he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.**
43. **GIVES US ACCESS TO THE FATHER** - Ephesians 2:18 For through Him **we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.**
44. **GIVES US STRENGTH** - Ephesians 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,**
45. **SPIRIT WORKS POWERFULLY IN US** - Ephesians 3:20–21 Now **to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,** ²¹ to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.
46. **SPIRIT CAN BE GRIEVED** Ephesians 4:30 And **do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.**
47. **PRODUCES FRUIT** - Ephesians 5:9 (for **the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth,**
48. **WORD IS THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT** - Ephesians 6:17 And take the helmet of salvation, and **the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;**
49. **MEETS NEEDS** - Philippians 1:19 For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and **the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,**
50. **SANCTIFIED BY THE SPIRIT** - 2 Thessalonians 2:13 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,
51. **KEEP GOD'S WORD BY THE SPIRIT** - 2 Timothy 1:13–14 Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ **That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.**

52. **SPIRIT WITHIN IS JEALOUS** - James 4:5 Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "**The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously**"?
53. **SANCTIFIED FOR OBEDIENCE** - 1 Peter 1:2 elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in **sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ**: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.
54. **SOULS PURIFIED IN OBEDIENCE THROUGH THE SPIRIT** - 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,
55. **SPIRIT IS ON US WHEN WE ARE REPROACHED** - 1 Peter 4:14 **If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.** On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

CONCLUSION

- A. Have you been baptized into Christ, for the remission of your sins, to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit?
- B. If so, are you allowing the Spirit to direct you into obedience to the Word of God?
- C. Do you need to do something to get your life right with God?