



Forgotten God  
a study of the holy spirit

What things should be  
a part of our lives when  
we have the Holy Spirit?



the Holy Spirit

How do we gain more  
of those qualities?



the Holy Spirit

“What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.**”

(Luke 11:11-13)

“You do not have because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, **because you ask with wrong motives**, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.”

(James 4:2-3)

What does God promise  
us regarding his Spirit?



the Holy Spirit

# God's Spirit...

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- 2. Encourages, advises, guides**
- 3. Gives us strength and helps in our weaknesses**
- 4. Gives us gifts to serve one another**
- 5. Helps us speak when we need to bear witness**
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- 7. Makes our adoption possible and sure**
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# God's Spirit...

# Transforms



# The Spirit of God changes us from within.

“And we all, with unveiled face,  
beholding the glory of the Lord, are  
being **transformed** into the same image  
from one degree of glory to another. For  
this comes from the Lord who is the  
Spirit.”

(2 Corinthians 3:18)

# **The fruit is the evidence of transformation**

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.”

(Galatians 5:22-25)

# God's Spirit...

Encourages, advises,  
guides



the Holy Spirit

# Encourager

“Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace and was strengthened. Living in the fear of the Lord and **encouraged by the Holy Spirit**, it increased in numbers.”

(Acts 9:31)

# Advisor

“While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, **the Holy Spirit said**, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.”

(Acts 13:2-3)

# Guide

“For who knows a person’s thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us...

(1 Corinthians 2:11-14)

# Guide

...This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom **but in words taught by the Spirit**, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words. The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because **they are discerned only through the Spirit.**"

(1 Corinthians 2:11-14)

# God's Spirit...

Gives us strength and  
helps in our weaknesses



the Holy Spirit

**Power to tell others - to the ends of the earth!**

**“But you will receive power** when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

(Acts 1:8)

# Helps us in our relationship with God

“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** through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God.”

(Romans 8:26-27)

# Gives us strength to draw closer to God

"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may **strengthen you with power through his Spirit** in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge –that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."

(Ephesians 3:16-19)

# God's Spirit...

Gives us gifts to serve  
one another



the Holy Spirit

“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”

(1 Corinthians 12:7)

# God's Spirit...

Helps us speak when  
we need to bear  
witness



the Holy Spirit

“And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, **for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.**”

(Mark 13:10-11)

# God's Spirit...

Convicts the us of sin



“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 go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, **he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment**: concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.”

(John 16:7-11)

# God's Spirit...

Makes our adoption  
possible and sure



the Holy Spirit

“For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, **the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship.** And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.”

(Romans 8:14-16)

# God's Spirit...

Removes sin in our lives



the Holy Spirit

“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of **the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.**”

(Romans 8:1-2)

# God's Spirit...

Gives us Life and  
Freedom



the Holy Spirit

# Life!

“If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also **give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit** who dwells in you.”

(Romans 8:11)

# Freedom!

“Now the Lord is the Spirit, and **where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.**”

(2 Corinthians 3:17)

“For the law of **the Spirit of life has set you free** in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.”

(Romans 8:2)

# God's Spirit...

Gives us abundant  
Hope



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“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that **by the power of the Holy Spirit you may overflow with hope.**”

(Romans 15:13)

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“There is a huge difference between believing what God has promised and praying for things you’d like to be true. I encourage you to pray confidently for what God has promised. Don’t put your hope in what others promise or what you’ve been told you’ll “get” if you are a “good Christian.”...

(Francis Chan, *Forgotten God*)

...“And ultimately, you need to stake your faith in God alone, not in the gifts that He gives (good as they may be). It really comes down to trust. Do you trust God that when He says no or “not in this way” to you, you still believe He is good and doing what is best?”

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