

Following Jesus: Spirit Led and God Glorifying Relationships - Part 2

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

1. The Holy Spirit guides us to see and enjoy all that God has given us.

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i. Pray the Scripture text that God gives us each day.

John 17:17 - "Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth."

Donald Whitney - *"...pray the words of Scripture... Each time you pray it'll be a different prayer than you've ever prayed in your life."*

"Simply turn what you read in the Bible into prayer. In other words, talk to God about what comes to mind, verse-by-verse, as you go through a passage."

ii. Pray specific Biblical Kingdom prayers for ourselves and others.

(Matthew 6:9-13, John 17: 1-26, Ephesians 3:14-21, Philippians 1:9-11, Colossians 1:9-11, 1 Thessalonians 3:11-13, 5:23-24, 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17, Philemon vs. 6)

Ephesians 3:16-19 - *(I pray)* "...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; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God...."

2. The Spirit daily reveals to us that we belong to God

Romans 8:12-17 Page #1132

i. Saturate ourselves with who God is and our identity in Christ.

Romans 8:28 -32

ii. Learn to take every thought captive to obedience in Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:5 – "...we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ."

3. The Spirit empowers us to overcome sinful habits in our lives to experience more freedom in Christ.

Galatians 5:16-21 Page#1168

- i. Learn to admit our sins and repent.
- ii. Privately confess continuous sins to a few others in order to be cleansed.

James 5:16 – "...Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."

4. The Spirit guarantees the eternal reproducing of His life in and through us.

Galatians 5:22-23

Ephesians 1:13-14 - "In Him... having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession."

- i. Join a C group and stay in authentic Christ-like community.

Romans 12:10 – "Be devoted to one another in love."

Galatians 5:13 - In love serve one another.

Galatians 6:2 - Bear one another's burdens.

Ephesians 4:25 - Speak the truth to one another in love.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 - Encourage and build up one another.

Hebrews 10:24-25 - Gather together and stimulate one another to love and good deeds.

James 5:16 - Confess our sins to one another.

James 5:16 - Pray for one another.

- ii. Stop trying and start trusting God to be God in my life and circumstances.

Zechariah 4:6 – "'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the Lord of hosts."

2 Corinthians 4:13 - "Having the spirit of faith...we believe, therefore we speak."

Faith Sheet

Transformation verse - *"Conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ."*
Philippians 1:27

Main Themes

~ When we yield to the life and ministry of the Holy Spirit, our relationships will lift up Christ and make Him known by our words, actions and reactions. (John 15:7-8, 16:14, Acts 4:13, Romans 8:29)

~All believers have the full presence of GOD the Holy Spirit in us and in our relationships. Now we are to live like it! *2 Corinthians 13:14 "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all."*

~ Application of God's truth is how we experience and enjoy the Spirit's blessings in our relationships. James 1:22-25

#1- Reviewing This Past Sunday **Following Jesus: Spirit Led and God Glorifying Relationships - Part 2** **1 Corinthians 2:1-16**

1. Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-16 and discuss Sunday's message with someone.
2. In what specific ways has your understanding of the Holy Spirit matured over the years?
3. Discuss the characteristics of a Spirit led life and these new action steps that were shared Sunday with someone. Which ones are God calling you to walk in today with key people in your life? What will you first do? How do you envision these steps impacting your relational and spiritual maturity? Pray!

2- Preparing for Next Sunday **Preparations for the Inevitable** **Hebrews 2: 9-15**

1. Read Hebrews 2: 9-15. Pray to understand the passage.
2. Observe- What does the passage say? (read it several times)
3. Interpret- What is the meaning of the passage, the main thoughts or points?
4. Application- How do the truths revealed here impact my relationship with God? Cause me to praise or appreciate Him? How do the truths impact my relationship with others? How do the truths impact my daily walk in discipling others? Is there something for me to believe? To confess? To give thanks? To avoid? Use the text and pray.