



And this gospel of the **kingdom**
will be *preached* in all the **world**.
MATTHEW 24:14

The Spirit-Led Life

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Summary

We have lost sight of the importance of the Holy Spirit in our lives; it is the most vital relationship. People are still living on manna they received yesterday by qualifying their current state or revelation by their past experiences. The Spirit of knowledge is an eagerness and willingness to be intimate with God. You cannot receive wisdom and revelation without the Spirit of knowledge. A mature person can follow the leading of the Holy Spirit whether being led into a difficult place or a nice place. A difficult place isn't an easy place; but the Holy Spirit is confident that we have what we need to go through it and come out empowered. We must become familiar with the Holy Spirit's voice, so we can hear the will of the Father and achieve the things God has freely given us.

A. Our Relationship with the Holy Spirit

- a. God calls us to salvation through the Holy Spirit. We are then regenerated and come alive by the power of the Holy Spirit. We are filled with the Holy Spirit, so we can live the life that is pleasing to Him, to do great acts of service.
- b. We have lost sight of the importance of the Holy Spirit in our lives; it is the most vital relationship.
- c. Why we don't have the power in our lives is because of the misunderstanding of who the Holy Spirit is and His active role in our lives.
- d. Jesus said it's better as a person for Him to go and the Holy Spirit to come (John 16:7, John 14:17)
- e. Holy Spirit is our comforter, leader, guide (Romans 8:9, John 14:17, John 15:26, John 16:13)
- f. People are still living on manna received in the wilderness. They qualify their current state or revelation by past experiences.
- g. People want what God did yesterday. This indicates that they are not being led by the Holy Spirit anymore.
- h. We try to make our Pastors the Holy Spirit by expecting them to create an environment so we achieve the things we did in the past. We don't have a current experience with the power of the Holy Spirit and that He's leading in new ways. (Isaiah 43:19)
- i. God wants to do new things but we're still caught up in yesterday.
- j. If we're relying on the Pastor to create the environment to do the things God has called us to do, then we are saying the Pastor has more power than the Holy Spirit.

B. The Seven Anointing's (Isaiah 11:2)

- a. Spirit of the Lord (Yahweh) – propels us with compassion for the needs of people.
- b. Spirit of wisdom is not intellectual knowledge. Wisdom is power. (1 Corinthians 2:4)
- c. Spirit of understanding (revelation).
- d. Spirit of knowledge (intimacy).
- e. Spirit of knowledge is not the gift of knowledge; it is the spirit of intimacy, willingness and eagerness to be intimate with God.
- f. The Spirit of wisdom and revelation is found in the Spirit of knowledge.
- g. Wisdom and revelation is the power and anointing to receive and do, but you cannot get that without the Spirit of knowledge.
- h. Wisdom and revelation opens your eyes for you to be able to see and know things. (Ephesians 1:15-21).
- i. We need to be intimate with God. (Philippians 3:10) You cannot be intimate with God without being intimate with the Holy Spirit.

C. How To Be Intimate With the Holy Spirit

- a. We must have an attitude that we want to be intimate with the Holy Spirit. He will never force Himself on you.
- b. Holy Spirit is a Person, He's not a thing. He has a personality just like God and Jesus.
- c. God speaks, leads and empowers you through the voice of the Holy Spirit.
- d. The hardest dimension of the relationship we have with the Holy Spirit is being led by Him. The Holy Spirit will never become intimate with us if we can't follow where He leads us to.
- e. Those that are led by the Holy Spirit are mature people. Immature people find it difficult to be led by the Holy Spirit. (Romans 8:14)
- f. Why is it so difficult to be led by the Holy Spirit? It is because of immaturity, and misunderstanding. The Holy Spirit doesn't always lead us into places and into doing things that are nice and feel good to us. A mature person can still follow whether being led into a difficult or nice place.
- g. The wilderness is where your maturity is seen.
- h. When you go into a difficult place like the wilderness, it is dry. If you're not prepared, you can die in the desert.
- i. The Holy Spirit led Jesus into the desert where death can take place. The Holy Spirit is confident that Jesus has what He needs to, to go into that place and overcome what He needs to overcome so He can come out empowered and do what God has called Him to do. (John 10:10)
- j. When the Holy Spirit leads us into places that are difficult, we don't think it's Him that's led us there. If you don't agree with where He's leading you to, it's a sign of immaturity. (Psalm 66:12, Isaiah 43:2, Daniel 3:27)
- k. We need that relationship with the Holy Spirit that we can follow where He leads and follow His way of doing things.
- l. Jesus heard what the Father was saying through the voice of the Holy Spirit. (John 5:19)
- m. We have to get accustomed to His voice, His leading and His guiding.
- n. Are you following the things that the Holy Spirit is leading you to do so you can allow the power of God to be manifested in your life?
- o. Is it possible that the very thing you're not comfortable with is actually the right thing to do? Yes.

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- p. We don't resist the things Jesus did in the Bible. When you look at the things required of you, they are all in the Bible. (Psalm 81:2, Psalm 149:1-6, Psalm 150, Malachi 3:10). You resist because you don't have a relationship with the Holy Spirit.
- q. You get intimate with the Holy Spirit through worship, prayer, the Word of God and speaking in tongues.
- r. We live a natural life. Our goal is to please people. You are worried that you might offend somebody. (2 Samuel 6:14-23)
- s. Religion stops you from doing anything different; it is repetition. That is stubbornness and rebellion because you don't want to follow the Holy Spirit is doing.
- t. People that resist what God is doing: are you speaking in tongues, praying and in the Word consistently at home? If so, then you can speak. (Numbers 16:1-33)
- u. What is Truth? It is the will of the Father. (John 17:17).
- v. How can we achieve the things God has freely given us, if we don't have the Holy Spirit leading us into the things that He's freely given?
- w. If you want to be intimate with the Holy Spirit:
 - i. You have to understand the ways of God.
 - ii. Spend time in prayer, praying His Word.
 - iii. Spend time speaking in tongues (Romans 8:26)
- x. The enemy has blocked us from our relationship with the Holy Spirit to bring offense. When you're offended, the Holy Spirit leaves.
- y. We need to live an obedient life, and perfection is found in obedience. You can't obey God outside of the Holy Spirit leading you. (Matthew 5:48, 1 John 2:5)

Scripture References:

- John 16:7
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- Isaiah 43:19
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- 1 Corinthians 2:4
- Ephesians 1:15-17
- Ephesians 1:18-21
- Philippians 3:10
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- Luke 1:38