The Christian and the Holy Spirit series

LESSON 2

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU

Objective: To understand the work of the Holy Spirit in your life

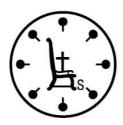
Read: Romans 12:1-8; 1 Corinthians 2

Memorize: Ephesians 5:18

¹⁸ Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.

The moment you receive Christ, you are regenerated, indwelt, sealed, baptized, and filled with the Holy Spirit. As a result, you have the potential to live a life of victory over sin and witness in the power of the Holy Spirit. This

potential is released by faith as you surrender control of your life to Him.



In this lesson, you will see how the Holy Spirit can work in your life and the results you can expect as you yield yourself to His control.

BIBLE STUDY

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

When you became a Christian (that is, at the time of your spiritual birth), the Holy Spirit did a number of things for and in you. What are they?

1 Corinthians 3:16

16 Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst?

Ephesians 4:30

³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

1 Corinthians 12:13

¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body - whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free - and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

2 Corinthians 5:5

⁵ Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

Explain in your own words what the Holy Spirit does for the Christian according to the following verses:

Romans 8:16

¹⁶ The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

Romans 8:26, 27

²⁶ 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.

²⁷ 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.

THE RESULTS OF BEING FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Can a person be a Christian and not have the Holy Spirit dwelling in Him (Romans 8:9)? Explain.
 - ⁹ You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ.
- 2. What is the main reason to be filled with the Spirit (Acts 1:8; 4:29, 31)?
 - ⁸ 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."
 - ²⁹ Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.
 - ³¹ After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

3. What work of the Holy Spirit is necessary for successful Christian living and service (Ephesians 5:18)?

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LIFE APPLICATION

1. Complete the chart below:

HOW I VIEWED THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE PAST	HOW I VIEW HIM NOW

2. Are you filled with the Holy Spirit? How do you know? If not, what makes you think you are not filled?

3. Do you really desire to be filled with the Holy Spirit?
Why?