

Fresh Fire (Living the Spirit-Led Life)

Joel 2:28, 29 (NKJV) – *And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on ALL FLESH; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. 29 And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.*

God promised an outpouring of His Spirit upon all flesh (not just the special class of saints in the OT). After the death and resurrection of Christ, Holy Spirit made His grand entrance into the lives of whosoever is willing to believe.

We are now eligible to have H.S. working WITH us, living WITHIN us, and resting UPON us. RESULT?? (jerk, shout, lose complete control)

II Corinthians 3:17 (NIV) – *Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is FREEDOM.*

Holy Spirit's presence in our lives FREES US UP (from sin, failure, people's opinions, etc.) Freedom Conference this Saturday – (register online for free, people will be healed, set free from addictive behaviors, encouraged, grief broken off, filled with the Spirit).

Week # 4 – My Steps are Ordered

Psalm 37:23 (NKJV) – *The steps of a good man are ORDERED by the Lord, And He delights in his way.*

In addition to being our Comforter, Counselor, Standby, and Friend...Holy Spirit is also our NAVIGATION SYSTEM. He ORDERS our steps.

Ordered (Heb. Kuwn/Koon) – to be firm, to be stable, to be

established, to be fixed.

Doesn't mean that every step a godly person takes is one that God instructed them to take; however, when our heart is right, God will support our steps and help us get back on track if we're wrong.

Psalm 37:24 (NKJV) – *Though he fall (who?? the good man), he shall not be utterly cast down; For the Lord upholds him with His hand.*

“Holy Spirit is on a fulltime assignment to execute the Father’s plan for our lives.” – George Davis **John 16:12, 13 (NKJV)**

Jesus promised that Holy Spirit would guide us into all truth (navigate) and show us things to come. ILLUSTRATION: Waze App does more than guide you to a destination. It points out hazards along the way – cars on the side, police, objects on road, etc. Only works, however, if I take heed to the directions. I hate reading/following directions. Most of my navigation problems don't happen when I have NO CLUE where I'm going. My issues happen when I THINK I already know the way.

(Ex. Driving to Orlando and new Waze app directed me to exit the freeway. I didn't...sat for 2hrs) (Ex. Driving from Atlanta and Waze app said police reported ahead. I just smiled and waved)

Three Areas Holy Spirit tries to Lead us in: 1. Passion

Matthew 3:11 (MSG) – *"I'm baptizing you here in the river, turning your old life in for a kingdom life. The real action comes next: The main character in this drama - compared to him I'm a mere stagehand - will ignite the kingdom life within you, a fire within you, the Holy Spirit within you, changing you from the inside out.*

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Jesus came to ignite the Kingdom life within us, a fire/passion within us.

God never called us to do anything halfway.

So many believers bounce in & out of depression/discouragement because they live life with a flickering flame.

Jesus corrects the Laodiceans in Rev. 3 for being LUKEWARM.

Laodicea had an aqueduct that carried water from hot mineral springs five miles south of the city, but became tepid (lukewarm) by the time it entered Laodicea. In other words, the water traveled too far to still be warm, but not far enough to be cold drinking water (useless).

Most Christians start out on fire, but Pressure, Persecution & Prosperity dampens their flame. Time to get on fire and stay on fire!!! Don't count on anyone else to make you happy and don't leave it to anyone else to get you excited for Christ!! Holy Spirit will fan the flames of PASSION!

2. Purity

Hebrews 10:14 (NIV) – *“For by one sacrifice he has **made perfect forever** those who are **being made holy**.”*

MSG – *“It was a perfect sacrifice by a perfect person to perfect some very imperfect people. By that single offering, he did everything that needed to be done for everyone who takes part in the purifying process.”*

The mystery of God's Scandalous Grace is that when we surrender our lives to Him, He MAKES US what we should be and then teaches us how to conform to what He's given us credit for.

He's not waiting for us to become right so He can love us...but He also loves us too much to leave us where He found us.

Holy Spirit is constantly working God's holy standard into our lives.

He loves us where we are, but there's a certain level of blessing that is reserved for maturity. (Ex. Kasden lovvvvvees cars, but I can't buy him one until he's mature enough to handle it)

3. Peace

Colossians 3:15 (AMPC) – *“And let the peace (soul harmony which comes) from Christ rule (act as umpire continually) in your hearts [deciding and settling with finality all questions that arise in your minds...”*

Holy Spirit guides us into God's will by helping us to become fine-tuned to His peace.

When we learn to let peace be our umpire, then we learn how to stay in the flow of God's will. So many results that we blame on the devil are really a result of overriding Holy Spirit's navigation and ending up on a dead-end road. Keep listening...He will Recalculate Your Route!!

II Samuel 24:24 (NLT) – *But the king replied to Araunah, “No, I insist on buying it, for I will not present burnt offerings to the LORD my God THAT HAVE COST ME NOTHING.” So David paid him fifty pieces of silver for the threshing floor and the oxen.*