Because of The Cross: living in the presence and the power of the holy spirit John 16:1-15

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16 "All this I have told you so that you will not fall away. ² They will put you out of the synagogue; in fact, the time is coming when anyone who kills you will think they are offering a service to God. ³ They will do such things because they have not known the Father or me. 41 have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them. I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, ⁵ but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' 6 Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. ⁷ But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; "and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. ¹² "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. ¹³ But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. 14 He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. ¹⁵ All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you."

• The Holy Spirit speaks of The Father (not of Himself)

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• The Holy Spirit guides in coordination (not a strong enough word) with The Word of God:

John 14:26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

- The Holy Spirit is the One who convicts us of our sin. Vss 8-9
- The Holy Spirit guides you into all truth. Vs 13
- The Holy Spirit glorifies Jesus. Vs 14

The evidence of the Infilling of The Holy Spirit is Holiness (becoming more like Jesus), putting off "the old man" and "putting on "the new man". Ephesians 4

Acts 1:8 "...you will be my witnesses..."

- The Holy Spirit is The Comforter
- The Holy Spirit is the very Person of God who lives in, takes up residence in, every believer at the time of salvation

He is God and the Power of God to fulfill the call of God on our lives.

• The Holy Spirit equips you with spiritual gifts.

1 Corinthians 12:4-8 ⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. ⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸To one there is given through the Spirit...

• God puts His Spirit in our hearts!

Ezekiel 36:26-27 I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.