

## Intercessor Part 3

### John 3 NIV

**31** The one who comes from above is above all; the one who is from the earth belongs to the earth, and speaks as one from the earth. The one who comes from heaven is above all. **32** He testifies to what he has seen and heard, but no one accepts his testimony. **33** Whoever has accepted it has certified that God is truthful. **34** For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit.

John the baptist is giving testimony to Jesus:

- The one who comes from above is above all...
- He testifies to what he has seen and heard...
- For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God...
- for God gives the Spirit without limit.

### KJV

for God giveth not the Spirit by measure *unto him*.

### NLT

for God gives him the Spirit without limit.

The Life and Ministry of Jesus is activated by the power of the Holy Spirit in His life...

Jesus is the greatest example of a life and ministry led and empowered by the Holy Spirit...

Jesus was the perfect embodiment of obedience and fellowship with the Holy Spirit...

## Isaiah 42:1

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen one in whom I delight;  
I will put my Spirit on him,  
and he will bring justice to the nations.

## Matthew 3:16 - Jesus Baptism

**16** As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.

## Luke 4 - Jesus in the Wilderness

**1** Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

**14** Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit...

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## Jesus in the Temple

**16** He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, **17** and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

**18**

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners  
and recovery of sight for the blind,  
to set the oppressed free,

Jesus healed the lame - by the power of the Holy Spirit

Jesus cast out devils - by the power of the Holy Spirit

Jesus preached the good news - by the power of the Holy Spirit

Jesus brought hope to the hopeless -by the power of the Holy Spirit

Jesus set the oppressed free - by the power of the Holy Spirit  
Peter speaking to a crowd said:

### **Acts 10:37,38**

**37** You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached—

**38** how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

### **John 5:19** ESV

So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.

### **John 12**

**49** For I did not speak on my own, but the Father who sent me commanded me to say all that I have spoken.

Jesus while in the flesh on this earth he was dependent upon the Father and Holy Spirit...

Jesus is empowered by the Holy Spirit...

Jesus is speaking, what he hears the Father speaking...

Jesus is doing, what he sees the Father doing...

Jesus while on the earth empties himself of heavens glory and comes as the son of man...

He is the lamb of God...

He is vulnerable...

He hurts...

He sweats...

He bleeds...

He is fully God but fully man and in this place he is completely dependent on the Father and the powerful work of the Holy Spirit...

So the Apostle Paul says:

## **Philippians 2**

**5** In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

**6**

Who, being in very nature God,  
did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

**7**

rather, he made himself nothing  
by taking the very nature of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.

**8**

And being found in appearance as a man,  
he humbled himself  
by becoming obedient to death—  
even death on a cross!

**9**

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place  
and gave him the name that is above every name,

**10**

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

**11**

and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

- Jesus empties himself and demonstrated what it looked like to be humble, obedient and reliant upon the Holy Spirit...
- If Jesus relied on the Holy Spirit, then how much more are we...

Here's the shocking news.

### **John 14:12** KJV

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

### **John 16** ESV

**7** Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. **8** And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment:

- Jesus said - “the works that I do, shall he do also; and greater works than these”
- Jesus did these things by the power of the Holy Spirit
- Now the same Holy Spirit Jesus calls our Helper...
- What do you think the Holy Spirit will Help you do?

Maybe some of the things Jesus did...

The one thing Jesus' disciples asked him to teach them was prayer...

The Holy Spirit will make a prayer warrior out of you...

### **Romans 8**

**26** Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. **27** And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Jesus is our Faithful Intercessor...

But the Holy Spirit is also your Faithful Intercessor...

The Holy Spirit is your Helper and Encourager...  
The Holy Spirit will help you do the things Jesus did...

The Holy Spirit will make you a powerful witness and soul winner...  
The Holy Spirit will give you a heart of compassion...  
The Holy Spirit will help you with decisions...  
The Holy Spirit will give you discernment about things and people...  
The Holy Spirit will break your heart for the things that break his...  
The Holy Spirit will help you to love the things he loves... and hate the things He hates...

The Holy Spirit will transform you into a new person... people who have known you for years will see the difference...

### **1 Samuel 10**

**6** The Spirit of the Lord will come powerfully upon you, and you will prophesy with them; and you will be changed into a different person.

**D.L. Moody** once said, *“The world has yet to see what God can do through a person fully consecrated to him.”*

### **Closing Song:**