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# HOLY SPIRIT

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**The Holy Spirit and the power of convicting and convincing...**

*“When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, He will testify about me.” (John 15:26)*

**Empowered: we set the “sail” and God sends the “wind”...**

*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. (Acts 1:8)*

**A Spirit-empowered life means we let Him...**

- **Motivate us in obedience\*** - “I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. 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. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees...” (Ezek. 36:25-27)\*

- **Direct us in our path** - *“Paul and his companions traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia. When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to.” (Acts 16:6-7)*

- **Guide us in our speech** - *“Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.” (Mark 13:11)*

- **Counsel us in His truth\*** - *“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all truth.” (John 16:13a)*

- **Minister to us through life** - *“And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever - the Spirit of truth.” (John 14:16-17a)*

**The ultimate demonstration of the power of the Spirit will be our resurrection...**

*And if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit, who lives in you. (Rom. 8:11)*