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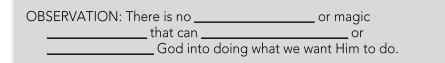
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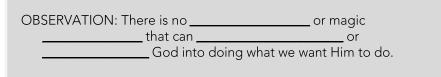
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PRINCIPLE: If you have to choose between the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit or the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit... lean toward the \_\_\_\_\_\_! (1 Corinthians 13)

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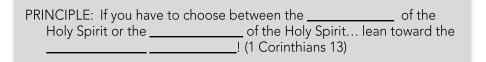
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