Real Life in Holy Spirit: The Spirit in Our Weakness

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Romans 8:26–27 "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God."

1. The Reality of Our WEAKNESS

• **Application:** Weakness is not a <u>DISQUALIFICATION</u>—it's the very place the Spirit meets us.

Takeaway: Our weakness is not the end of the story—it's the <u>INVITATION</u> for the Spirit to move.

2. The Spirit <u>INTERCEDES</u> for Us

• **Application:** You are never prayer-less, even when you can't form words. The Spirit <u>TRANSLATES</u> your heart to the Father.

Takeaway: The Spirit's intercession is perfect, <u>ALIGNED</u> with God's will, when our prayers feel weak or incomplete.

3. Depending on the Spirit in <u>UNCERTAINTY</u>

- Application: Pray the simple prayer, "COME, HOLY SPIRIT."
- Dependence is **LOOSENING** our grip and letting the Spirit lead.

4. LIVING with the Spirit's Help

- A. <u>ADMIT</u> your weakness.
- B. ASK for the Spirit. Make
- C. TRUST His intercession.

Action Points

- <u>DEPEND</u> on the Spirit in uncertainty.
- RECOGNIZE weakness as an opportunity for God's strength.
- PRACTICE prayer in simplicity.

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