

## **OVERFLOW Blessed to be a Blessing – Holy Spirit 12-31-17**

Loved to love; Adopted/accepted into the Father's family to accept all people; mercy to be merciful; grace to give grace; provision to be givers; peace to give peace; joy to bring joy; saved to save; healed to heal; His Life to help people live!

**1 Timothy 6:17b** ...Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. NKJV who gives us richly all things to enjoy

The fruits of the spirit given to us by God: Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, & self-control.

**James 1:17 NKJV** Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights...

The attributes of God: Good, Just, Merciful, Gracious, Holy, Friend, Life

### **PROVISION IS FOR A PURPOSE**

**Genesis 12:2 ESV** I'll make of you a great nation, I'll bless you & make your name great, so that you'll be a blessing.

**Deuteronomy 8:18** Remember the Lord your God. He's the one who gives you power to be successful, to fulfill/establish the/His covenant

**\*\*The blessing of the Holy Spirit; Knowing the Holy Spirit\*\***

**Since the foundation of time, the Holy Spirit has been here**

**Genesis 1:1** In the beginning God created the heavens & the earth. 2 The earth was formless & empty, & darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.

**Genesis 1:26** God said, “Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us. They’ll reign over the fish in the sea, ...birds..., ...livestock, ...wild animals..., & small animals that scurry along the ground.

**The Holy Spirit is the 3<sup>rd</sup> person of the Trinity. They all work together**  
**Matthew 3:16**...as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens opened & he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove & settling on Him.

**John 16:7 NKJV** I tell you the truth. It’s to your advantage that I go away; for if I don’t go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.

**Matthew 28:19** Go & make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, & the Son, & the Holy Spirit.

**We are to be born of the Spirit; born again & filled w/ the Spirit**  
**John 3:3** “I tell you the truth, unless you’re born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God.”<sup>4</sup> “What do you mean?” exclaimed Nicodemus. “How can an old man go back into his mother’s womb & be born again?”<sup>5</sup> Jesus replied, “I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God w/out being born of water & the Spirit.<sup>6</sup> Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life.

**Matthew 3:11** I baptize w/ water those who repent of their sins & turn to God. But someone’s coming soon who’s greater than I am—so much greater that I’m not worthy even to be His slave & carry His sandals. He will baptize you w/ the Holy Spirit & w/ fire.

### **12 Blessings of Holy Spirit:**

#### **1. Power & Anointing**

**Acts 1:8** You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere...”

**Acts 10:38** You know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth w/ the Holy Spirit & w/ power. Then Jesus went around doing good & healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was w/ Him.

## 2. Teaching

**John 14:26** But when the Father sends the Advocate (Helper) as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—He will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.

## 3. Comfort

**John 14:26 KJV** But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, He shall teach you all things,..

**1 John 2:27** You've received the Holy Spirit, & He lives w/in you, so you don't need anyone to teach you what is true. For the Spirit teaches you everything you need to know, & what He teaches is true—it's not a lie. So just as He has taught you, remain in fellowship w/ Christ.

## 4. Truth

**John 14:16** I'll ask the Father, & He'll give you another Advocate, (Helper, Comforter, Encourager, Counselor) who'll never leave you. <sup>17</sup> He's the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive Him, because it isn't looking for Him & doesn't recognize Him. But you know Him, because He lives w/ you now & later will be in you

**1 John 4:4** You belong to God,...children. You've already won a victory over those people, the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world. <sup>5</sup> Those people belong to this world, so they speak from the world's viewpoint, & the world listens to them. <sup>6</sup> But we belong to God, & those who know God listen to us. If they don't belong to God, they don't listen to us. That's how we know if someone has the Spirit of truth or the spirit of deception.

## 5. Leading

**Romans 8:14** ...all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

## 6. Direction

**Acts 16:6** Paul & Silas traveled through the area of Phrygia & Galatia, because the Holy Spirit had prevented them from preaching the word in the province of Asia at that time. 7 Then coming to the borders of Mysia, they headed north for the province of Bithynia, but again the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them to go there. 8 So instead, they went on through Mysia to the seaport of Troas.

**Acts 15:28** For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay no greater burden on you than these few requirements:

## 7. Gives life to our bodies

**Romans 8:11** The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, He will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

## 8. Gives gifts to believers

**1 Corinthians 12** "*Spiritual Gifts for the whole chapter*" Verse 4 There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all.

## 9. Places the believers in the body

**1 Corinthians 12:13** Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit.

## 10. Builds up our faith & love

**Jude 20 NKJV** But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, 21 keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

### **11. Gives goodness, peace & joy**

**Romans 14:17** The Kingdom of God is not a matter of what we eat or drink, but of living a life of goodness & peace & joy in the Holy Spirit.

### **12. Helps us in prayer**

**Romans 8:26** The Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us w/ groanings that cannot be expressed in words. 27 And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will.

*(one of the great tools of the believer: intercessory prayer in the Spirit)*

### PRAYER

**Romans 15:13** May the God of green (new) hope fill you up w/ joy, fill you up w/ peace, so that your believing lives, filled w/ the life-giving energy of the Holy Spirit, will brim over w/ hope!

**Luke 4:18** The Spirit of the Lord is upon you, for He has anointed you to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent you to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, 19 & that the time of the Lord's favor has come.