Ephesians 1:13,14  “And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession – to the praise of his glory.”

It used to be that a stamp or seal was used to identify ownership. Once you believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, Paul says that you are sealed by the Holy Spirit as one of God’s own. Therefore, you should be enthused to follow instructions for the heart from the Holy Spirit. He is your guide and should be involved in your daily decisions concerning life. Pray daily for the Holy Spirit to set a

1 Corinthians 12:4-6  “There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men.”

Scripture often speaks of the body of believers and the believer’s body is like the body of Christ. The Holy Spirit is like a processing center or nervous system for the body, receiving information from the word of God and processing it for our hearts and minds to understand the instructions for the way we should go. If your life is not peaceful or seems misdirected, you may need to reconnect with the Holy Spirit. Each day, take time to be in communication with the Holy Spirit, allow him to direct God’s purpose for you that day. Learn to lean on the power of the Holy Spirit to process Godly data to make your day peaceful and productive for Christ.

2 Chronicles 16:9 “For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him…”

Asa, king of Juda, hired foreign troops and made foreign alliances against God’s will. Asa was “afflicted with a disease in his feet”, did not seek help from the “Great Physician” and he died. The “eyes of the Lord” most certainly refers to the Holy Spirit at that time. Once you receive Christ as Lord and Savior, the Holy Spirit is the channel for your character to be represented to Him. Take time each day to pray for the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts and actions for each day to help you to concentrate on what God is calling you to do, not the desires of the heart.

Matthew 5:6  “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.”

Once filled with the Holy Spirit, your hunger and thirst for righteousness will be filled. You have a new perspective and compassion for your fellow man. After being baptized in the Holy Spirit, you start a long journey walking in the Spirit. In these times of uncertainty in the world, we need the Holy Spirit to help us to be secure in
the direction we go. Be in prayer today for the Holy Spirit to guide you through the day, showing you the needs of others and how you can help your fellow man.

Acts 13:2  “While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, ‘Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them’.”

Isn’t it interesting to hear that the Holy Spirit can speak? Yes, he speaks to us in different ways. Speaking is a personal act attributed to a spirit, the Holy Spirit. Trust in him when he speaks to you. The Hebrew word for Spirit is “ruach”, which also means “breath”. Do you feel the “breath” of the Holy Spirit when he speaks to you? Can you sense when he is trying to get your attention? Pray for the ability to know when the Holy Spirit is speaking to you. Listen for his instructions daily and follow those instructions.

Hebrews 11:1,2  “Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for.”

Faith is believing in what we cannot see. The saints before Christ were commended for their faith. Our “Helper” and “Counselor”, the Holy Spirit came upon the believers at Pentecost. We do not see the Holy Spirit, but we believe in his existence. Those who believe in Christ can sense the presence of the Holy Spirit and believe in his presence without seeing him. He is with us always, guiding, reproving, reconciling and informing us of God’s desires for us. We should pray every day for the continued presence of the Holy Spirit, even though unseen. Pray for the voice of the Holy Spirit to be perceived by the heart and for us to act on his direction.

Romans 12:6  “WE have different gifts, according to the grace given us…”

Many gifts that are given to us are seldom used. Sometimes because we do not hear or understand what the Holy Spirit is telling us to do. Or, perhaps we are fearful of failure in what we are being asked to do. We should always be in prayer to be used willingly by God as he determines our abilities to serve. Whether using the gifts of prophesying; serving; teaching; generosity; leadership, or mercy, we are to “do it cheerfully”. Pray daily for the Holy Spirit to guide you toward that which will better use your abilities to further the kingdom of God.

1 John 4:1-3  “Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God….”

This passage seems to say that it is easy and simple to determine the Godly spirit from one which is not from God. However, it is up to us as believers to ask for the discernment necessary to make these judgments. An evil spirit may acknowledge the knowledge of God, but cannot confess His deity. We need to be in constant prayer for the truth of the Holy Spirit to make itself known to us each time we hear from him. Our morality and belief in God’s goodness should help us to know when it really is the Holy Spirit of God speaking to us and leading in our path. Allow him to guide you into goodness and righteousness daily.
Romans 12:3  “For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.”

It is sad that many believers think that because of their declaration of faith in Christ, they become better than those who do not. Yes, we become better in our knowledge of God and receive special benefits, but we are still sinners, just saved by grace. It is the responsibility of Christians to disciple others to know the love of Christ and the Holy Spirit is our teacher, teaching us how to disciple others. It is the Holy Spirit who gives us the confidence and the words to use while speaking to others about our love for them and how God loved them so much he gave His son, Jesus Christ for them. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to lead you to someone who needs to hear the gospel. Use what the Holy Spirit tells you and shows you when speaking to others about Christ. Do not rely on your own understanding, but let him guide your thoughts and your words. Know that your confidence, knowledge and power is through the Holy Spirit.

2 Peter 1:21  “For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.”

Many experienced Christians believe they do not know enough scripture to be effective in discipling others. That is not always true, because many who feel weak in their knowledge are shocked when faced with actually presenting the gospel to a non-believer. The reason for this sudden advanced knowledge is because of the Holy Spirit. We may read scripture and lose it from our memory, only to remember it when needed, not realizing we are being coached by the Holy Spirit. We need to understand that our abilities to recite God’s word and help others to understand it is accorded to us through the Holy Spirit. We should pray daily for the Holy Spirit to continuously reveal God’s word to us so that we can help others to know of God’s love.

Judges 6:34  “Then the Spirit of the Lord came upon Gideon, and he blew a trumpet, summoning the Abiezrites to follow him.”

Before Gideon decided to do battle with the Medianites, he was led by the Spirit of the Lord. He knew that it would take divine intervention to be victorious, although he called for many thousands, God said 300 would be enough. Anytime we are threatened by life’s many traps and enemies, we need to call on the Holy Spirit for help. God will provide our plans for victory through the Holy Spirit, if we ask. Before making decisions, we should go to our secret place and commune with God, asking the Holy Spirit to help us to choose the right path to victory, large or small. Whether it is to choose an occupation, a mate for life or how to best serve your community, pray through the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus Christ to learn the best choice for your life.

Zechariah 4:6  “So he said to me, This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: ‘Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,’ says the Lord Almighty.”

God told Zerubbabel that he was not a man of greatness or power like Solomon or David, but he would have the ability to build the temple through the power of and confidence in the Spirit of the Lord. Although many of us may think we are able to do great things on our own, we need to understand we have power in the Holy Spirit. He is a conduit for instruction from God. We need to rely on the Holy Spirit to help us understand that which is complex and allow him to lead us in where God wants us to go. Having faith in God through the Holy Spirit is the
source of our ability and strength to accomplish all that God has in store for us. Pray every day for the discernment through the Holy Spirit to help you to do the right thing and make the right decisions.

Acts 1:8  “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.”

Many of us remember that Jesus promised the power of the Holy Spirit, but then forget the rest of the passage. Jesus said that we are to be his witnesses everywhere. The Holy Spirit gives us the power we need to be his witnesses. There are many people seeking their way in life, trying to determine what their spiritual life is supposed to be. Those who belong to Christ should be on the lookout for these people and let the Holy Spirit lead you through a witnessing event. Tell them about the love of Christ and how the Holy Spirit can lead them through their journey in life and beyond. Pray for the Holy Spirit to place someone in your life who needs to hear about your walk with the Lord.

Psalm 51:10  “Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit in me.”

A steadfast spirit is one of faithfulness. The Psalmist is seeking cleanliness and purity. He may have wavered, but he is aware of the power of the Spirit of the Lord. When we close our heart and mind to the Holy Spirit, we get in trouble. It is difficult for those who are sinners, saved by grace, to stay in the Spirit. The world has many distractions to offer, mostly negative. God offers us a positive, forgiving and beautiful world of fellowship with Him. We need to pray each day for the Holy Spirit to keep us on the straight and narrow path, speaking to us and guiding us through this world of temptation. We must allow the Holy Spirit to have his way with us.

Hebrews 10:28,29  “Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace?”

We should be more concerned about offending the Holy Spirit than the testimony of two or three witnesses. Accepting Christ as your Lord and Savior should cause you to welcome having the Holy Spirit to help keep you from turning away. But for those who do turn the wrong way, their punishment should be worse than for one who has no knowledge of the Lord or the Holy Spirit. So, believers should always be in a state of prayer, seeking continued guidance from the Holy Spirit.

Exodus 31:1,2  “Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with skill, ability and knowledge in all kinds of crafts...”

God told Moses not only what to build, but how, and also told him who he had chosen to be the craftsman. He chose Bezalel and filled him with the Spirit of God. With this Spirit, the craftsman’s mind, spirit and hands would be an extension of God. He was equipped to be in service to God. We who have the Holy Spirit are also specially equipped for service to God. We are to rely on the Holy Spirit to show us what God expects from us.
and how we can serve him. Be in prayer for God to give you His instructions for your service through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 8:4  “And so he condemned sin in sinful man, in order that the righteous requirements of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the sinful nature but according to the Spirit”

This refers to those who are self-centered, the sinful human nature apart from Christ. Man dies, but the Spirit filled, full of Christ man dies to rise again. If we allow the Holy Spirit to guide our thoughts and our path, we will stay in step with the Spirit. This should be our prayer every day, to recognize the power of the Holy Spirit and to welcome him into our innermost being, following his instructions.

Galatians 3:5  “Does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you because you observe the law, or because you believe what you heard?”

Both salvation and sanctification are the work of the Holy Spirit. Trying to achieve righteousness by works is of man. Just like the Galatians who tried to include works and tradition into their form of Christianity, we sometimes think we can do it better. But the Holy Spirit reminds us that we are justified by faith. That faith comes by the grace of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. We should pray daily to be reminded by the Holy Spirit that it is not by our works that we are saved, but through Christ.

Numbers 11:25  “Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took of the Spirit that was on him and put the Spirit on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but they did not do so again.”

The people were complaining they were tired of manna and wanted meat to eat. Moses told the Lord he could not take this complaining anymore and asked God to provide them with some meat. Before God provided meat, he had Moses gather seventy elders and then God transferred the Spirit from Moses to the elders so they would then have the same burden as Moses. They could also prophesy for a short time. It is a fascinating thing when God can demonstrate His control of the Holy Spirit and cause men to react to it. We should pray every day for God to cause the Holy Spirit to move compassion for others into our hearts. With the power of the Holy Spirit we can be of greater benefit to God’s purpose in our lives.

Isaiah 11:1-3  “A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him-the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord—and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.”

Some refer to this as the “7 Spirits” or “Characteristics of the Holy Spirit”. Wisdom, understanding, counsel, power, knowledge are self-explanatory. But what about “fear of the Lord” and “delight in the fear of the Lord”? Proverbs 1:7 says, “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge…” Yes, we want knowledge and this “fear of the Lord” is a reverent fear, understanding God’s awesome power to say “yes” or “no”. And David would “delight in the fear of the Lord”, because of the knowledge gained and adoration and respect that follows. We should be in constant prayer for these characteristics of the Holy Spirit to be transferred to us, so that we can enjoy the fruits or benefits of the Holy Spirit.
Galatians 5:22, 23  “The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”

Love is God’s bread and butter. The fruit of the Spirit is what gives us the grand capacity to love. Author, C. V. Bovee said, “Kindness is a language which the dumb can speak and the deaf can understand.” Jesus said that people will know we are His by our love. If we can just incorporate these fruits so abundantly given us through the Holy Spirit, we really can change the world. We can greatly grow God’s kingdom here on earth just by exemplifying the characteristics and putting them to good use. Pray for the Holy Spirit to input these “fruits” into your heart to embolden you go and tell everyone you meet about the love of Christ.

Acts 2:17,18  “In the last days, God says, ‘I will pour out my Spirit on all people, your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.’”

At Pentecost, Peter spoke these verses from Joel chapter 2, explaining to the crowd why they were speaking in tongues and not drunk. All they need to do is believe in Jesus Christ. Are you considered by others to be drunk, altered, crazy, etc., when breathlessly giving testimony about what God has done in your life? Do you long to share the love of Christ with others and to explain dying in the old life and beginning the new? Pray for God to give you an opportunity to be in a position like Peter and boldly proclaim Christ to the lost. Pray for your day to see many more thousand souls added to the church of believers in Christ.

2 Samuel 23:2,3  “The Spirit of the Lord spoke through me; his word was on my tongue. The God of Israel spoke, the Rock of Israel said to me...”

David knew the Spirit of the Lord intimately. He knew when what he was saying was coming from the Spirit of God and not from himself. David was leaving his final instructions to Solomon, justifying his decisions and explaining what to prepare for in the future. The Holy Spirit provides us great wisdom and counsel when we listen to him. Our plans are from mortal minds and God’s plans are passed to us through the Holy Spirit. Pray for the privilege of having an open mind, seeking counsel and wisdom from the Holy Spirit. Allow him to guide you in your walk with Christ and your steps will be sure and steady.

2 Corinthians 1:21,22  “Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership upon us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.”

There it is: “anointed”; “set his seal”; “put his Spirit in our hearts” and “guaranteeing what is to come”. What is that which is to come? In Christ, your salvation is assured. By accepting Christ as your Lord and Savior, by reading and studying the scriptures, living them out and by allowing the Holy Spirit to guide your heart daily, you can be sure of everlasting life with Him. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to keep you on the path of righteousness and to keep reminding you that you are sealed, guaranteeing what is to come.
Isaiah 61:1  "The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me..."

Jesus also said this of himself in the synagogue at Nazareth in the Matthew 11 and Luke 4. He is not speaking here of a physical anointing with oil, but of the Holy Spirit. Do we, as Christians, consider saying something like this in a preface of beginning our testimony or bearing witness to others. We can, because we are anointed by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel, just as Jesus did. That should cause us to think more seriously about who we are and what and whom we represent. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to remind you of how important you are to the Lord and that you are His representative. Let the Holy Spirit lead you today to be in a reverent attitude for your Lord and Master.

2 Kings 2:9  "When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?' 'Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit,' Elisha said."

In the book of Deuteronomy we are told that the oldest son received a double share of his inheritance. Elisha is not seeking material things from Elijah, but he desires to have the anointing of Elijah in a double portion. He knows how God has blessed Elijah with the power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit and seeks to be blessed as much or more than Elijah. Pray for a double portion of the Holy Spirit. Pray for God to grant you such compassion, mercy and wisdom as Elijah had. Let your day begin in humility and compassion for others, allowing the Holy Spirit to empower you to be a blessing to others today.

Jude 20,21  "But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life."

Allow the Holy Spirit to keep you mindful of God's love and share that love with everyone you meet. Be anxious for nothing, but look forward to that eternal life that Christ offers to those who believe in him. Ask the Holy Spirit each day to bring you someone to share him with and share him gladly.

Galatians 5:24-26  "Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other."

Matthew 5:6 says that those who hunger and thirst for righteousness will be blessed. That hunger and thirst should be tempered with the proper motive, control and priority. Being in step with the Spirit is being like Christ while being the "hands and feet of Christ", daily. That means showing love and compassion for all, including your enemies. And we should be especially so with brothers and sisters in Christ. Scripture tells us to not be conceited, provoking or envious of each other. Pray daily for the Holy Spirit to keep you in an attitude of grace.

1 Corinthians 2:4,5  "My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power."

A Bible footnote says that Paul's point is that "unless the Holy Spirit works in a listener's heart, the wisdom and eloquence of a preacher are ineffective." The preacher is required to study and prepare and not to
rely on his own words. The power of the Holy Spirit is more forceful and direct than words a mortal man can think about. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you the words to be an effective presenter of the Word.

Romans 12:1  “Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.”

We were buried with Christ through baptism and can enjoy a new life. This is a new life of the Holy Spirit. Leaving the old life and trusting in the guidance of the Holy Spirit is the path to the new life with Christ. Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead you each day in the way of God’s word and follow his instructions to empower you to be a witness for the Lord.

Deuteronomy 34:9  “Now Joshua, son of Nun was filled with the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the Lord had commanded Moses.”

The power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit was transferred from Moses to Joshua. Moses did not lose his spiritual power and authority, but through the Holy Spirit he opened the hearts and minds of the people to see the anointed leadership of Joshua. One who has had a long walk with the Lord and gained great knowledge and wisdom through the Holy Spirit is obligated to mentor the young. Pray for the Holy Spirit to present you today with someone with a young heart and a zeal for the word of God. Take time to mentor him the ways of the Holy Spirit.

Revelations 2:7  “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches…”

One who believes in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, has the ability to hear the Holy Spirit speak. The voice of the Holy Spirit is more likely to be an inaudible voice. It is most likely to be a silent voice, an inner movement of the heart, a feeling or an emotion of concern, joy or glee. We need to be in a state of concentration, seeking the voice of the Holy Spirit. Pray each day for the Holy Spirit to speak to you in a way that you can hear and understand and then follow his instructions.

Ezekiel 36:26,27  “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 and to be careful to keep my laws.”

God wants us to have a teachable heart, so he will replace our heart of stone with a heart of flesh. He will give us a new spirit for life, if we will listen and follow his teachings. When we understand and Him and bow to His Son, then He says that He will put a new Spirit in us, the Holy Spirit. Trust the Holy Spirit to guide you in the ways of righteousness. Pray each day for his wise counsel to keep you on the straight and narrow path of Christ.

Philippians 2:1,2  “If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.”
As a Christian, you do have fellowship with the Holy Spirit. This fellowship causes us to have the tenderness and compassion of Christ. We should therefore be like-minded having one purpose and being one in spirit with the Holy Spirit. Start your day in prayer seeking oneness with God through Christ and asking for the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Pray for fellowship and oneness with other believers.

1 John 3:24 “Those who obey his commands live in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gives us.”

The Holy Spirit indwells believers in Christ. He gives us a new spirit about life and we know he lives in us by the transformation we see and feel within us. Our life becomes more reasonable to handle. The troubles of life become smaller and less important. By obeying God’s commands, we allow the Holy Spirit to do the work in us that God has provided for him to do. Pray daily for reminders of who the Holy Spirit is and of the power he provides to help direct and control events of your life.

Matthew 28:19 “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,…”

“The Great Commission”, the every day commission, is for us, as Christians, to be fruitful and multiply. Jesus, himself, placed great importance on the value of the Holy Spirit. This part of the Trinity is the one which is within us, guiding our thoughts and actions of the heart. It is important for us to recognize the power of the Holy Spirit and to call on him to give us the strength, the wisdom and compassion to do right by others. Discernment is a valuable asset provided by the Holy Spirit and is a valuable asset in our daily walk. Pray each day for the Holy Spirit to show you the way that you should go for that day, in order to fulfill the act of being fruitful and multiplying in the name of Christ.

2 Thessalonians 2:13 “But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers loved by the Lord, because from the beginning God chose you to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth.”

This is another scripture that includes all three members of the Trinity. Being blameless and holy in the eyes of the Lord is to be sanctified. This is the work of the Holy Spirit. He is with us every day, commanding our walk in truth, keeping us from straying on the wrong path. He is that little voice you hear warning you not to go that way but to turn and go in the way of truth. The Holy Spirit is our guide, helping us to be holy in God’s sight. Pray for that clear path to be shown you to daily by the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 2:22 “And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.”

As a believer in Christ, you and your body is a dwelling place of the Lord and for the Holy Spirit. You should not defile it with evil thoughts, bad actions, ungodly wants and desires. We must keep our bodies, our hearts and minds clean and concentrating on the Holy Spirit. Let him show you right from wrong and trust in his
judgment, not yours. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you seek goodness and a positive attitude. Trust him to not lead you astray.

Job 33:4 “The Spirit of God has made me, the breath of the Almighty gives me life.”

Elihu is speaking directly to Job and he believes his advice is correct and from the Holy Spirit. Many people think they know Christ, but only know of him. Christians need to be sure they are in contact with the Holy Spirit and allow him to guide their thoughts. Be sure when speaking from the Holy Spirit that what you say comes from him. Be in prayer for the Holy Spirit to guide you in your words and actions. Do not go into the arena of devotion or testimony without first praying for the Holy Spirit’s guidance.

Isaiah 63:10 “Yet they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit. So he turned and became their enemy and he himself fought against them.”

It should be understood by believers that the Holy Spirit can be moved by our actions. It is sad to think that we can be so rebellious that we could grieve the Holy Spirit. He is our guide, our counselor and protector. Knowing that we have the ability to turn the Holy Spirit against us is reason to want to be the best that we can be for our loving Father. Pray for God to keep you from submitting to sin in such a manner that would grieve his heart through the Holy Spirit. Pray daily for the Holy Spirit to guide you in goodness, faithfulness and delight in the Lord.

1 John 4:13,14 “We know that we live in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.”

Although we cannot see God physically, he has given us the Holy Spirit through which we can see what God is, and that is love. Earlier, in 1 John 4:8 we read, “Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.” We need to be thankful for the gift of the Holy Spirit to help us to “love the unlovable, teach the unteachable and reach the unreachable”. It is because of the comfort, counsel, wisdom and power of the Holy Spirit that we can do what God expects of us. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be with you daily and ask him for guidance in your life so that you can testify of the presence of a Holy God in your life.

Ephesians 6:17,18 “Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.”

Life is a spiritual battle and we need to use everything at our disposal to be victorious. Be in prayer always and rely on the power of the Holy Spirit to get the victory. Be in the word each day and know what it says for that is the sword through you can win your battles. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you with his power to be victorious over your enemies.

Nehemiah 10:30 “For many years you were patient with them. By your Spirit you admonished them through your prophets. Yet they paid no attention, so you handed them over to the neighboring peoples.”
Nehemiah is confessing the sins of Israel. God was patient with them and warned of their wrong doing through the Holy Spirit by the prophets. But he did not abandon them. The Holy Spirit is a messenger, both to us and from us. He is constantly in direct communication with God, reporting our needs and our deeds. We should pray daily for the Holy Spirit to lead us in God’s ways and along His path. Give him only good things to report to the Father.

Hebrews 2:4  “God also testified to it (salvation) by signs, wonders and various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.”

Paul is warning the Hebrews to remember what they have been told and not to fall away from it. Salvation through Christ is explained in many ways, like Paul referenced, including the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit, once received, is monumental in proving salvation of the saints. He is a source of comfort, power and communication with God. Pray for others to receive the mercy and grace of salvation through Jesus Christ, so they may also know of the gifts available to them through the Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:17  “Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Lord is, there is freedom.”

The reference to the Spirit of the Lord may refer to Christ or the Holy Spirit, but they appear to be one and the same. It is known that the Father and the Son, two of the Trinity, accomplish their purposes through the Holy Spirit. The main thing is to know that Jesus told us he would send a counselor and comforter and he is known as the Holy Spirit, Holy because he is from God. We should pray each day for the Holy Spirit to keep us informed of what God expects from us each day and how we are to accomplish His wishes. Pray for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in your heart today.

Luke 1:35  “The angel answered, ‘The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called Son of God.’”

The Holy Spirit is said to be our counselor and comforter. Here, he is also a messenger from God. He not only protects us and grants us power and wisdom, but the Holy Spirit is used by God to communicate with us. Christians need to understand the many facets of the Holy Spirit and receive what he has to offer. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to give you a message from the Holy Father.

Acts 2:38  “Peter replied, ‘Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’”

The Holy Spirit is a gift, a gift to those who repent and receive Christ as Savior and lord. Repentance and baptism are important elements of forgiveness. Repentance is an affirmation of one’s change of direction in life and baptism is the public acknowledgement of repentance. The Holy Spirit, as a gift from God, is a miraculous occurrence felt immediately by a born again Christian. He quickly begins to guide our thoughts and ways in the direction of obedience to God’s word. Pray daily for you to be guided in the way of the Lord by the Holy Spirit.
John 14:31  “...Come now; let us leave.”

Jesus spent a great amount of time teaching His disciples. But, there comes a time when action is demanded. We can plan and spend time preparing for what is to come, but we must take action for the plans to come to fruition. Yes, wait on the Holy Spirit to concur or change your plans, but once He has spoken, go and do what is required to fulfill those plans. Do not use “waiting on the Lord” as a crutch to delay action. Leave your comfort zone and follow the Holy Spirit. Pray for the ability to go and do what the Lord has commanded you to do and do it swiftly and with compassion.

Isaiah 30:18  “For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him.”

We are an impatient people. That can be seen in how we want things to happen and feel that the Holy Spirit is slow in acting or responding. God does not always take action in dramatic signs and wonders like we are used to in the Bible. In today’s world, the Holy Spirit is always present, but we sometimes lose sense of His presence because of our weakness and or impatience. So, today, give the Holy Spirit a chance to work in your life. Pray for God to grant you patience and trust in Him. Look for the Holy Spirit to make His presence known to you today.

Romans 8:13,14  “For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, because those who are led by the Spirit of God are Sons of God.”

Being led by the Holy Spirit is the way to become a Son of God. Living by the Spirit cleanses us of the telling others about the death caused by a sinful life and how they can live eternally with the help of the Holy Spirit guiding them away from the sins of the world. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you on the right path and to send to you someone who needs to hear what you have in your heart.

Psalm 139:7  “Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?”

In Psalm 139, the psalmist declares his allegiance to God and declares the fact of His omnipresence. Wherever we are, wherever we go, as Christians, we have the Holy Spirit with us. He, too, is always there, listening to our needs and wants, providing comfort when in sorrow and power in spirit when required. It is a magical and wondrous relationship between us and the Holy Spirit. Pray for the Holy Spirit.

Judges 13:24  “The woman gave birth to a boy and named him Samson. He grew and the Lord blessed him., and the Spirit of the Lord began to stir him while he was in Mananeh Dan, between Zorah and Eshtaol.”

Notice that the Spirit of the Lord began to stir him. That is how many new converts to Christ speak about themselves prior to repentance. They sense that something is stirring within their soul, trying hard to show the error of their ways. We call it “being under conviction of the Spirit”. It is a fascinating to think to about the many ways God uses the Holy Spirit in our lives. It is a wonderful experience to receive him and to know that he is always
with you. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you under conviction, letting you know that he is there, watching and waiting if you need him. Do not be afraid to call out to him for help. He is the comforter.

Ephesians 4:13  "...until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."

Paul continues to help us to better understand the dimensions of the nature and purpose of God. We must understand the high goals He has set for us. We are united as one body, as one church. The Holy Spirit is in the body to bring us to the “whole measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ”. It is important for the Church to realize that God wants to bring all things in the universe under Christ. Pray daily for God to remind you of your purpose. Allow the Holy Spirit to liberate your mind and to work in your own body to know the fullness of Christ and pray to be led in His ways.

John 14:16,17  "And I will ask the Father and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the "Spirit of Truth...”

It is a wonderful feeling to know that you are never alone. The Spirit of God is always with you. He is your counselor, your friend when you are in need. He is a helper who guides you in your Christian walk. The Spirit of Truth will stand for you and make known to others about your love for Christ and His love for you. Let the Holy Spirit lead you in the path that is right and true. Pray for the “Counselor” within you to liberate your heart and your mind to serve your God with confidence.

Ephesians 3:16  "I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being...”

We are powerless by ourselves. It is through the Holy Spirit that we have the power to change our lives and to help others to change theirs. The difference in how we as believers are perceived and how the non-believer is thought of, comes about through the power of the Holy Spirit. We can feel the fullness of God’s love through the power of the Holy Spirit. Pray for that power to come into your life so that you will be fearless in how you go through the day glorifying God.

Luke 10:19  "I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you."

There is no limit to what God can do, and yet, He gives the power of the Holy Spirit to sinners, washed in the blood of Christ. This power is capable of overcoming all of our enemies. It is up to us to use it wisely and for the glorification of our Lord. God has not given you just a small portion of the Holy Spirit, but the full power of the Holy Spirit. Pray for God to show you how and when to use that power. Pray for the knowledge of knowing that you have been given this power not for yourself, but to glorify God, the Father.
Luke 24:49  “I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high”

The followers of Christ could not have accomplished anything if they had not waited for the “power” which Jesus promised, the power of the Holy Spirit. It is our human nature to plan and organize activities with the best intentions of glorifying our Lord, but so often we do it before we ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. To take a walk in the cold without being properly clothed is not a smart thing to do. Neither is it a smart thing to plan your day without first asking the Holy Spirit to lead you in all that you will do in order to glorify your Lord. Pray now, before you start your day, for the guidance of the Spirit of Truth to show the way for you.

Deuteronomy 26:13  “Then say to the Lord your God: ‘I have removed from my house the sacred portion...’”

The sacred portion is that which God has made holy. He has set apart a portion of what you reap to be used by Him for His glorification. It is the Holy Spirit within you that causes you to want to find the ways to glorify God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to liberate you from seeing the burden of your brothers and sisters and compel you to serve them with your tithes, time and talent.

Acts 1:8  “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.”

The disciples had a wild ride. They had gone from joy to sorrow to joyful again. Now they thought they would be released from the bondage of Roman rule. But Jesus told them to get to work. He let them know that they would receive power from the Holy Spirit and with this power they would be His witnesses to the people of earth. Imagine what you can do, as a follower of Christ, by being His witness to a lost world. Pray for the Holy Spirit to bless you today with someone to give witness to. Tell him about your love for Christ and all that He has done for you. Show the love and compassion of Christ and allow the Holy Spirit to speak for you in glorifying your Lord.

Ephesians 5:15-18  “Be very careful then how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, not understand what the Lord’s will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.”

Being filled with the Holy Spirit can be compared to being drunk on wine. That is, being saturated beyond being full. It is like partaking of something in excess. You become so filled with the Spirit that you are emboldened use the power that God has provided. You have a greater understanding of what God’s will is and your testimony becomes a real source of information to others who are seeking God’s will. Ask the Holy Spirit to continually commune with you and lead you in His path. Be filled with His presence so that you present the message and the power of the Holy Spirit to all you meet.

John 14:26  “But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”
How often have you had the right scripture just come to mind at the right time. That is a function of the Holy Spirit. He will bring to your mind that which you need when you need it, all to God’s glory. Be courageous when giving your testimony and know that God will supply the words through the Holy Spirit. Pray for the Holy Spirit to make known to you the scriptures you need to encourage another. Pray for the Holy Spirit to emblazon the word of God onto your heart.

*Proverbs 20:22*  “Do not say, ‘I will pay you back for this wrong.’ Wait for the Lord, and he will deliver you.”

We should place great value on the presence of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives and plans. The Lord is the deliverer and we need to allow Him to take care of our difficulties, including how our enemies should be handled. Pray for the patience to wait on the Lord and let Him be involved in your plans for the day and allow Him to be glorified by what you say and do. You have heard of the saying, “The best laid plans of mice and men...”, etc. The best plans for you today are the ones that include the Holy Spirit. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be welcome in your life today.

*Psalm 27:14*  “Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.”

Before moving swiftly to accomplish your mission, goals or plans, take time to let the Holy Spirit have His way. This is your way to honor God by demonstrating your trust in the Holy Spirit. We all need to be reminded that we are not in charge. As a child, you may have jumped into your parent’s arm with full confidence that you would be caught. That is what the Lord asks of you today. Trust in Him. Pray for the Holy Spirit to liberate you from the impatience of acting alone. Pray for God to cause you to look for guidance from the Holy Spirit in whatever it is that you wish to accomplish this day.

*1 Corinthians 6:11*  “And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.”

As a Christian, you have been set apart from the world. You have repented and been justified by your faith. You have been declared innocent of your sin. The Holy Spirit is your enabler, the one who is there to encourage you and help you through the dark times in your walk with Christ. Pray for the Holy Spirit to release you from the burdens of the world and receive the joy of your Holy Father.

*1 Samuel 16:14*  “Now the Spirit of the Lord had departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord tormented him.”

It is so sad when one claims to be a believer in Christ, but actually succumbs to evil. Remember that God sent the Holy Spirit to those who believe so that they could have a helper to keep them focused on His love. Pray for those who do not know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Pray for the Holy Spirit to allow you to offer your testimony to broken hearts.
John 16:8  "When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgement:"

We have two choices when the Holy Spirit comes. Receive him and know Christ or refuse him and die with a hardened heart. Men can receive the discipline of the Holy Spirit and be saved by it or reject him and suffer eternal damnation. Pray that the Holy Spirit will embolden you to speak to the lost and help you to lead them to salvation. Tell them of God’s love and how they must repent and know that all have sinned. The Holy Spirit will help you to enlighten their hearts and minds understand the mercy and redemption of the cross.

1 Corinthians 3:16  “Don’t you know that you yourselves are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit lives in you?

By receiving Christ as Lord and Savior, we become a part of God’s temple. We receive the Holy Spirit within us. It is important for us to know that if we defile our body, we defile God’s temple. It is necessary to live every day allowing the Holy Spirit to lead our thoughts and seek only that which glorifies our Lord. Pray for the spirit to release you from worldly thoughts and to help you stay focused on God.

Isaiah 61:1  “The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon me,”

Many believe that Isaiah was actually speaking prophetically about Jesus Christ and in fact Jesus repeated these words in the synagogue. The Spirit was upon Isaiah to allow him to speak of what was foretold. The Spirit of the Lord qualifies, sets apart and identifies the called. Pray for the Holy Spirit to rest upon you and to guide you in your thoughts and meditations. Pray for the Holy Spirit give you the words you seek when testifying to others about your love for Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:19  “Do not put out the Spirit’s fire.”

Do not quench the Spirit means to not stop believing in the love of God, do not become indifferent or lukewarm toward the Holy Spirit and do not stop praying, worshiping and reading God’s word. Paul is warning us about just going through the motions of worship. He is exhorting us to listen to the Holy Spirit and encourage others to keep the “fire in the belly”. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep your heart on fire for the Lord.

Galatians 6:1  “Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.”

Do not deceive yourself thinking that you cannot sin and be prepared to help restore your brother who would sin. This is compassion, the love of Christ. We are to bear each other’s burdens. Pray for the Holy Spirit to allow you to watch over your brothers who may be fragile in their walk with the Lord. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you in step with the Spirit so that you may be an example to others of God’s disciple.
Mark 1:8  “I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

John is baptizing his followers, but tries to alert them of the Christ who is to follow. This prophecy is spoken of in Isaiah 44:3 and in Joel 2:28. The people knew of and looked for the coming of the Spirit of God. We have that Holy Spirit with us, within us. He is your helper and you should pray daily for your heart to allow him to show you the tasks that lay before you. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts and actions in a way that will glorify God.

Romans 8:5  “Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires.”

Those seeking the flesh have a carnal mindset and have a corrupt nature. Not just for sins of the flesh, but for riches and worldly gain. But those of the Spirit are born again, renewed in mind and body. The Holy Spirit dwells in them and walks with them. They seek spiritual blessings and sacrifice and service. Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead you to seek after that which is of the Spirit. Seek liberation from sin and allegiance to the Spirit of God.

Acts 6:3  “Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom…”

These men were not only to have wisdom, but “full of the Spirit”. They were to be known by all by their spiritual gifts, exhortation and reproof. Are you known like that? You can be with the Holy Spirit within you. Pray for the Holy Spirit to show you the way to beyond reproof and full of exhortation. Pray for you to be like these men who were chosen because they were “full of the Spirit”.

1 John 4:1  “Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.”

It is said that “the world will love its own and its own will love it”. Praise God for the discernment provided by the Holy Spirit. Any doctrine that follows the Spirit of Truth and is not confounding doctrine or contrary to the Word of God, will be spoken by the Holy Spirit. Do not trust teachings that are carnal or worldly. Pray for the Holy Spirit to show you the false teachers through discernment and wisdom.

1 Timothy 3:16  “Beyond all question, He appeared in a body, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory.”

The Holy Spirit was upon Jesus, allowing Him to perform miracles, cast out demons and to be raised from the dead. He was pure and holy, void of sin. You can have the power of the Holy Spirit if you just repent and believe on Him. Call on the Holy Spirit today. Ask him to be your guide today. Pray for the Holy Spirit to live within you and allow him to liberate your worldly mind and heart and transform you into a man of God.
Matthew 12:31  “And so I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven.”

There is forgiveness by the grace of God through the blood of Christ. But if you knowingly reject the Holy Spirit, knowing that you are rejecting Jesus Christ and all he stands for, then that is unforgiveable. The consequences of such a decision made by free will are severe and well know. Pray for the Holy Spirit to counsel you and encourage you in your faith in Christ and know that you are forgiven and loved.

Philippians 2:1,2  “If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any relationship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.

An intimate personal relationship with Christ is a result of salvation. The fruits of this relationship are encouragement, comfort, fellowship and unity. The power of the Holy Spirit is overwhelming when we become like-minded in the bond of Christian love. Pray for your love of Christ to move you to be more compassionate, loving and kind to others. Pray to be the one who provides the fellowship and encouragement to someone in need today.

1 Corinthians 2:4,5  “My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit’s power, so that your faith might not rest on men’s wisdom, but on God’s power.”

We must tell others about the word of God and explain the importance of the Holy Spirit. If the Holy Spirit is not present in our teachings or speaking the Word, then it is in vain and just words. Neither eloquence nor masterful verbiage can ever be as powerful as preaching Christ crucified. Allow the Holy Spirit to move the mind and body to react to the truth of God’s word. Pray for the Holy Spirit to remind you that it’s not about you and your knowledge, but it’s about Christ crucified and risen from the grave.

Luke 11:13  “If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?”

We are encouraged to be in constant and fervent prayer. We should ask for our needs and seek the Holy Spirit to give us direction. God is prepared to grant our wishes if we just ask in His name. Just as a worldly father endeavors to provide what we ask of him, our heavenly Father will grant the wishes of our hearts. He may not act in a time frame of our choosing, but He will respond. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to trust your Lord to answer your prayers in His time.

Romans 8:16  “The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.”

Just as the scriptures call for two witnesses, the comfort and assurance of our salvation comes from the Word and the Holy Spirit. Being God’s children allows us to be His heirs. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us in God’s ways as His children. May we be obedient, of good cheer and compassion for all.
Psalm 34:10  “The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.”

God is omnipresent, but is especially close to those with broken spirits and who are contrite and sorrowful. He binds their broken hearts with His love. Salvation is linked to contrition. He does not come with punishing rod, but with compassion. We, as Christians, should also give comfort to those who are broken in spirit and contrite of their deeds. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to recognize and be there for those who are broken in spirit and are seeking the path to salvation.

1 Corinthians 2:12,13  “We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words."

The apostles were not led by worldly principles. Knowledge was revealed to them through the Holy Spirit. Carnal knowledge is opposed to spiritual knowledge. God revealed is word to those of spirituality. They in turn spoke His word in plain language. This is how we should be giving the Lord’s message today. Pray for the Holy Spirit to direct your thoughts and words in plain language for the carnal mind to understand the spiritual heart of the Lord.

Acts 19:1,2  “While Apollos was at Corinth, Paul took the road through the interior and arrived at Ephesus. There he found some disciples and asked them, ‘Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?’ They answered, ‘No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.’”

These disciples were aware of the coming of the Holy Spirit, but did not understand that he had arrived and His power was available to them. Many today do not understand or know of the power of the Holy Spirit. They may not understand that which was granted to them. It is your opportunity to inform them of what they have received. Pray for the Holy Spirit to allow you the chance to enlighten others about the power of the Holy Spirit and to encourage them to use that power for the Glory of God.

Galatians 6:7,8  “Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit from the Spirit will reap eternal life.”

Our time as Christians is currently spent planting seeds. In the next life we shall reap what we have sown. What kind of seeds are you planting, worldly or spiritual? Carnal seeds give fruit of misery and condemnation. Spiritual fruit is a life of faith in Christ, power from the Holy Spirit, the grace of Christ and life everlasting. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you daily in planting spiritual seed.
Joel 2:28  “And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people…”

Joel has seen an army of locusts causing destruction and then he turns to the blessings that God provides to those with a repentant heart. The Spirit will be poured out to ALL people and it happened at Pentecost. Those who conscientiously obey the Lord will have the Holy Spirit guiding their lives of grace. Pray for the Holy Spirit to liberate you from a worldly path and to keep you on the path of righteousness.

2 Peter 1:3  “His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.”

God has given us an open invitation to participate in His nature, promises and goodness. He wants to reproduce His heart in ours. This invitation is brought to us from the Holy Spirit. He offers not a temporal life, but a spiritual life with Him. He has called us by the power of the Holy Spirit to glory and virtue in Him and through Him. Pray for your opportunity to present this message to someone today.

1 Corinthians 12:31  “But eagerly desire the greater gifts.”

Paul has previously spoken about the “Fruits of the Spirit” and the special gifts of prophecy, teaching, gifting, healing, etc. Many desire the special gifts that build up the church. In this verse, Paul is telling us to be eager to receive the “Fruits of the Spirit”, especially the spiritual fruit of love. Love is everlasting and conquers all things negative and not of God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to grant you a large portion of love so that you can help others overcome the world.

1 Corinthians 2:9,10  “…No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him—but God has revealed it to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.”

The Holy Spirit knows all things and searches all things. No one knows what God knows, but the Holy Spirit makes known to us the divine mysteries of the church. We are also given the true authority of the scriptures through the Holy Spirit. The principles and pleasures of the divine life are unknown to the carnal mind. It is a privilege for those who know Christ as Lord and Savior to have the mind of God known through the power of the Holy Spirit.

1 John 2:27  “As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit---just as it has taught you, remain in him.”

In verse 20, John says, “But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth.” Some who are of the devil are trying to lead the disciples astray and John is reminding them of the Power of the Holy Spirit and to use that power for discernment of the truth and for courage to win the battle for the Lord. Those who are in the army of Christ have that power today. We should pray daily for the Holy Spirit to remind us of the power we have over the enemies of Christ and how to defeat them with love.
2 Thessalonians 2:11 "With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith."

Paul has spoken about the second coming of Christ and how their perseverance and endurance will be remembered. He explains that our goodness is only from God's grace and at the end of days we should pray all the more for ourselves and others. The power of the Holy Spirit guides us through our good works and we should lean on that power more and more as the end nears. Pray for the Holy Spirit to liberate you from any fear of what is to come and to encourage you to keep the faith.

1 John 4:6 "We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood."

John says that those who have the character of God will listen to other men of God. Those who do not embrace the doctrines as taught by the apostles could not be thought of as true believers in Christ and that is true today. The Spirit of truth gives us discernment to know when we are dealing with those who follow the spirit of falsehood. Jesus taught that when the truth is rejected, then we should not cast our pearls among the swine. Pray for continued presence of the Holy Spirit to inform you of who is truly listening to God’s word.

John 20:21,22 "Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

The apostles are now ambassadors of Christ. They are to go, as we are also, to declare His mercy, forgiveness, peace and love. Jesus “breathed on them”, just as God breathed life into Adam. They are now prepared for what will happen at Pentecost. Pray today for the same Holy Spirit to be with you as you seek out the lost. Present the forgiveness, peace and love of Christ to them as Jesus has commanded us to do.

Acts 2:38 "Peter replied, 'Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'"

Peter was addressing the crowd at Pentecost. "...about three thousand were added to their number that day." Those who are contrite with a repentant heart receive God’s mercy and grace. They are indwelled with the Holy Spirit. That is how simple the gospel is. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to present the gospel message in a clear and simple manner. Pray that you will lead someone to salvation.

Revelation 2:2 "I know your deeds,...that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false."

The early church found it necessary to test some for correct doctrine. Even today, many come in Jesus’ name but do not know Him. We must be vigilant to call them out when recognized as a fraud. Pray for the discernment of the Holy Spirit to help you know God’s own and to escape from the liars. Their principles and doctrines are false and a stumbling block to many.
2 Kings 7:15-16  "When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. ‘Oh, my lord, what shall we do’, the servant asked. ‘Don’t be afraid,’ the prophet answered. ‘Those who are with us are more than those who are with them.’"

The servant of Elisha saw the Aramean forces and was afraid of their size. Elisha had faith in God that He would keep them safe. Knowing the Spirit of the Lord was with them, Elisha prayed for Him to take care of the situation, which He did. The enemy was blinded and defeated. You, too, as a follower of Christ, have the power of the Holy Spirit with you to protect you. Pray for the Holy Spirit to spare you from your enemies and provide you with mercy and grace for them.

Hebrews 9:14  "How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God."

Christ, as a priest, offered himself, His human nature together with body and soul. This passage tells us the Holy Spirit is eternal and part of Jesus. We must look to the Holy Spirit to help us understand Christ’s commitment. Pray for the Holy Spirit to hold you on the straight and narrow path and to grant you boldness in proclaiming Jesus Christ as your savior.

Psalm 104:30  "When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth."

All things are created by God. The psalmist is in wonder and awe of God’s creation. After the flood, nearly all was destroyed and we see the beauty of nature change in winter. The Holy Spirit also plays a role in creation to show His majesty in God’s creation.

1 Peter 2:4,5  "As you come to him, the living Stone--- rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him--- you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

When you receive Christ, you are like the living stone as the spirit of life has entered in. Then, by coming to Christ, the Living Stone, you are given life and live for Him. As the stones are laid and the building is built, it becomes a spiritual house, a house of God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to continue to provide you with spiritual food. Work continuously to be the temple of God that He wants you to be.

Ephesians 6:12  "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

Believers in Christ should keep their armor on to do battle with what is described here. The struggle is not with flesh, but with the soul. We should be vigilant looking for that which is not of the Holy Spirit. Pray for the Holy Spirit to allow you to see through the lies and fraud of the evil spirits. We must continuously wear the armor and be prepared for battle.
Genesis 1:1,2  “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.”

Imagine, the Spirit of God was there at the beginning. The heavens and the earth are formed through the power of the Holy Spirit as spoken by God. Just as there was a void and darkness before the creation, so it is with the heart of man before he knows Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be known unto your friend or family member. Pray for those who are without desire, or are empty and confused to be liberated by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 12:33  “Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is recognized by its fruit.”

Common sense tells us the good fruit will come from a good tree and bad fruit will come from a bad tree. The two cannot be reconciled when referring to followers of Christ. You will either produce good fruit or bad fruit. If you know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, you will receive the “fruits of the Spirit”, love, joy, peace, etc. You will produce good fruit because you are a part of the good tree, Jesus Christ. Pray for the Holy Spirit to prove you to be a good tree producing good fruit and for the discernment to know a good tree from a bad tree.

Luke 24:44  “He said to them, ‘This is what I told you while I was still with you; everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.’"

These three elements actually make up the Old Testament. They made things understandable to the Jews. This is also seem to be representative of the Trinity; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus told His disciples that they would receive the Holy Spirit after he had spoken of had come to pass. It was difficult for them to understand at that time, but we, on this side of the cross, received the Holy Spirit upon conversion and have the excitement of the knowledge of Christ’s return. Pray for the opportunity to tell others why you are so excited about what is to come.

John 3:6  “Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to the spirit.”

Jesus is trying to explain the concept of “being born again” to Nicodemus. Jesus was explaining what is actually the source of goodness and holiness in our hearts. Since birth is a new beginning, the power of the Holy Spirit provides us a change of heart, becoming a new creature with new character. Without the new birth brought by the Holy Spirit, the lost cannot inherit the new heavenly kingdom. Thank God today for giving you the Holy Spirit to guide you and to reassure you of your new birth and your access to Him.

Romans 8:26  “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 with groans that words cannot express.”

The Holy Spirit teaches us what to pray for. It searches the heart and mind and can speak the words for us when we are too burdened or too joyful to know what to pray. The Holy Spirit supports us through our infirmities of thought and mind. He can perceive your thoughts and express your will to the Father for you.
2 Corinthians 5:16  “So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.”

Paul is speaking about the “Ministry of Reconciliation” and tells us that we are compelled by Christ’s love to not count men’s sins against them, but to offer His love for all. The believer in Christ is made new and his character and conduct is made new. Besides an outward reformation, the new man in Christ is spiritually reformed and prepared to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is through the power of the Holy Spirit that we have the privilege and obligation to offer this form of ministry to those in distress and distrust. Do it today.

1 Chronicles 12:18-20  “Then the Spirit came upon Amasal, chief of the Thirty, and he said, ‘We are yours, O David! We are with you, O son of Jesse! Success, success to you, and success to those who help you, for your God will help you.’ So David received them and made them leaders of his raiding bands.”

The Spirit came upon Amasal, leader of the Thirty. These were men who came to help David in battle. He admonished them, telling them that God will judge them if they are not truly his allies. Then the Spirit came upon their leader and David recognized and discerned the truth in this man. The Holy Spirit will give you the discernment you need when in a quandary, seeking the truth. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts and words today as you meet your neighbors and others who may be seeking the Lord.

Micah 3:8  “But as for me, I am filled with power, with the Spirit of the Lord and with justice and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression, to Israel his sin.”

Judah was going the wrong way and Micah was trying to wake them up, condemning the leaders for their sinful ways. His heart broke and he was emboldened by the power of the Holy Spirit to speak up. This how Christians should be when their Creator is being blasphemed. Speak as Mica, with the power of the Spirit and” with justice and might”. Men should not expect to cause misery to others and not expect to be punished in return. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you the strength to take action when the Lord and His goodness are abused.

Acts 2:1-5  “When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest upon each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.”

The disciples seem to be in one accord and are gathered in prayer when the Holy Spirit came upon them. Where we gather in unity is the best opportunity for the Holy Spirit to manifest itself. The Lord commands His blessings upon those who are in unity of one spirit. If we, like the disciples, become as one in living for Christ, the power, grace and mercy of the Holy Spirit will also be granted to us. Pray for the ability to love others and ask for help form the Holy Spirit to sow you those who need to know what you know.
1 John 2:20  “But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth.”

John is trying to reassure the followers of Christ that even with the rigorous tests and difficulties we face, God is in control. Believers in the Gospel have the truth and are anointed by the Holy Spirit. The truth, through the Holy Spirit, is what grants the Christian his confidence and power over that which is worldly. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be with you today as you interact with the world today. Pray for his guidance and strength to keep you joyful and to offer a great witness for the Lord.

John 14:26  “But the counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”

Christ has promised His disciples that the Holy Spirit will continuously remind them of His teachings and will also help them to recollect all of His words. That promise is for us, too. When you have trouble remembering a certain verse of scripture or are searching for the words Christ used, pray for the Holy Spirit to bring it to your mind. He will do that. This is important as we who believe are to be able to use scripture and Jesus’ teachings in our efforts to help the lost understand their need to know Christ as Lord and Savior.

Romans 8:5  “Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires.”

We all have flesh, but seeking the flesh, or sinful nature, is not a good thing. Those who have a corrupt nature are not guided by Godly principles. Those who are born again have the Holy Spirit within them and they walk after Him. Spiritual blessings, service to others and the grace of God is what the Holy Spirit offers as opposed to seeking the flesh or the things that are worldly. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide your desires of the heart in the direction of that which is spiritual and of God.

Galatians 5:22,23  “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there are no laws.”

There are many laws against this and against that which tell us “Don’t do this and don’t do that”. But of the fruits of the Spirit, there are no laws. God wants us to participate in these attributes of happiness constantly. It is the Spirit of Christ which grants the joys of life and goodness of heart. Seek these fruits of the Spirit daily. Pray for the Holy Spirit to bring these to your mind daily and recognize that is because of the love of Christ within the believer that allows fruits of the Spirit to manifest themselves in our hearts and minds. Use them for God’s glory.

Acts 2:38  “Peter replied, ‘Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’”

Wow, this is a “two for”. Know Jesus as Lord and Savior and you receive forgiveness of sins and the Holy Spirit. Who would not want that? Peter tells them to change their way of thinking and realize who Jesus is and they can receive everlasting life. Pray for the Holy Spirit to allow you to speak as boldly to those whom you meet and who need to know Christ as lord and Savior.
1 Corinthians 6:19,20  “Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.”

The Greeks thought more of the soul, that the spirit of a man was more important than the body. So, if the body was nothing, then you free to do with it as you wish. Paul preached against this. He taught them not to prostitute the body as it is the “temple of the Holy Spirit”. When we really receive the Holy Spirit, we become masters over our flesh. With the power of the Holy Spirit, we can do what we like within the bounds of God’s grace. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep your thoughts like God’s thoughts and seek His guidance daily to keep your heart and mind in sync with the Lord.

John 16:15  “All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will take from what is mine and make it known to you.”

the other. All three have the same concern for the saints. The Holy Spirit is the light that falls on the scripture and reveals the truth to us. The Holy Spirit impresses upon us the redemption and the reward that is Christ Jesus. Open your heart today to hear the Holy Spirit tell you the truth, that Jesus is “the way, the truth and the life”.

Isaiah 11:2  “The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord—”

The Holy Spirit is Jehovah, a divine person. He is God but yet distinct from the Father and from the Son. The Holy Spirit was with Jesus before his earthly birth and with him at His baptism, death and resurrection. These seven “Spirits” or characteristics of the Holy Spirit will prepare you for the purposes God has for you and they will give you the power to carry out those purposes. Pray for the Holy Spirit to surround you each day with His wisdom, counsel and power to embolden you to witness to others.

2 Corinthians 3:17  “Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.”

The purposes of God and Jesus the Son are accomplished through the Holy Spirit. He is the life and spirit of the law and gives it spiritual meaning as opposed to the reading of the “Law of Moses”. The Holy Spirit provides freedom from the bondage of sin and freedom from the condemnation of hell. He administers the righteousness of Christ which brings justification. Pray for the Holy Spirit to open your eyes and lead you to spiritual freedom.

Acts 1:8  “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.”

As a Christian, you have received power from above. This power enables you to preach the Gospel. It gives you strength to withstand the trials of the world and encouragement to abide by His truths and ordinances. You are to bear witness to the person of Christ, of His miracles, sacrifice, death, resurrection and ascension. Pray the crucified Christ and His glory. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you in this duty daily.
Matthew 3:11  “I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.”

John explains to his followers that he only has authority to baptize in water and to administer the ordinances of the body and not of the spirit. He says that the one who comes next, Jesus, has the authority to grant extraordinary gifts of the Holy Spirit. He notes that he can Baptize after hearing ones repentance, but cannot provide benefits for repentance nor administer any vengeance for a non-repentant heart. Pray for the Holy Spirit to allow you to go before Christ, giving testimony and witnessing to others of His power, love, mercy and grace.

1 Corinthians 2:13  “This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words.”

The message Paul presented was from the Holy Spirit and not from man. Words learned in school and taught by philosophers are not the same as what comes from the heart, nurtured by the Holy Spirit. He makes divine things known to us. Carnal reasoning is opposed to spiritual knowledge. Pray for the Holy Spirit to grant you the knowledge of God’s will.

Romans 15:13  “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

God is the author of hope, which is expecting something good. The presence of God in our lives is represented by the Holy Spirit living within us, giving us hope for eternal life. Too many people have no hope. “The God of perseverance and encouragement” is the source of true certainty and peace. The more we practice our faith, the more hope we offer to others. Pray for the Holy Spirit to continue its work in you so you too can offer hope to others.

Ephesians 1:13,14  “And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession—to the praise of his glory.”

God grants his blessings according to His will. Paul found that the Ephesians had not received the Holy Spirit, because they had not heard of Him. When they did hear, they believed. The promise of the Holy Spirit is granted to those who ask Him. He seals us as children of God and heirs of heaven. Pray for the chance to tell others about what the promise of the Holy Spirit can do for them.
Ezekiel 36:27  "And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws."

Man by himself can do nothing. The Holy Spirit provides new life and strength. Through God’s love and the grace of Christ, He enables men to follow God’s commandments. With the Holy Spirit, men become cheerful and have faith in things to come. Pray for the Holy Spirit to grant you joy and peace so that you can be a witness to the glory of the Lord. Be cheerful when telling others about your life with Christ.

Acts 10:37, 38  "You know what has happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached—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."

A Centurion named Cornelius called for Peter to visit him. After his dream of animals on a sheet, Peter realized the Holy Spirit was bringing him a message of God’s love for everyone, not just the Jews. Peter says that he knows Cornelius and his family have heard about Jesus and all he had done. He reiterated how things were done through the power of the Holy Spirit. We who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior must also be encouraged to tell others about God’s love for all, if they will just invite Him into their hearts.

Luke 4:1, 2  "Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the desert, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry."

After baptism, Jesus went into the desert, “full of the Holy Spirit”. The Holy Spirit leads us in good times and the bad. Jesus was to suffer temptation just as you and I do. Though God, He was man and hungered for food. His pains must have been more severe than ours, but He did not give in to temptation. When we are tempted, as followers of Christ, He is our example. Pray for the protection and help from the Holy Spirit to guide you through the temptations of life.

Romans 5:5  "And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us."

God has proved His love for us through the Holy Spirit. It is poured out to us, not just a little, but all of it. The Holy Spirit is the evidence of the hope we have in our eternal life with God. Pray for those you encounter daily to receive the hope which you possess. Offer it to them and pray for the Holy Spirit to grant you boldness in offering your testimony.
Acts 4:31  “After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.”

Peter and John were released from prison and rejoined with their brothers in Christ. After being told to stop their preaching about Jesus, they boldly prayed for strength to continue preaching. They were not going to be stopped. After they prayed, they were “filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly”. That is what believers are to do. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to grant you the boldness to go forth and speak God’s word. Be forceful, truthful and know the Holy Spirit is with you.

John 16:13  “But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth.”

When you accept Christ as your Lord and Savior, you receive the Holy Spirit, who will be your guide to the truth. Many who say they know God are not truthful, but spiritually blind. The Holy Spirit will give you the discernment to know who they are and will reveal the truth to you. He will lead you step by step into the knowledge of your eternal life to come. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to know the truth so that you can speak the truth to those you meet today. Tell them about your love and hope in Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 6:11  “And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of God.”

Paul explains that the “wicked will not inherit the kingdom of God”. You cannot live in the flesh and sow evil and expect to reap everlasting life with Christ. But those who know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior have been washed by His blood, justified by His death on the cross and sanctified by the filling of the Holy Spirit. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to lead you to someone living in the flesh. Show them the love of Christ and help them to know Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Luke 4:18,19  “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

Jesus went into the synagogue in Nazareth and read from Isaiah. The rest of this passage in Isaiah speaks of judgement, but Jesus seems to want to emphasize His servanthood and not as a conquering king. Goodness is His reason for being. He will come again to execute judgement, but His first coming is as the suffering servant. Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead you into being a suffering servant. Be there for those in need and who want the truth. Love them as Christ has loved you.

2 Corinthians 5:5  “Now it is God who has made us for this very purpose and has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.”

The believer in Christ is assured of his salvation. God has prepared us for eternity with Him. The Spirit is the pledge of our inheritance. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to explain salvation to someone today. Seek the lost and tell them of the eternal life with Christ which you are assured of.
Romans 8:9,10  “You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness.”

The future of the believer in Christ is assured through faith. The carnal man must be destroyed for the Spirit of God to abide in him. Having the Spirit of Christ is to be like Him and demonstrate His characteristics in your daily life. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to demonstrate the love of Christ to all you meet today. Show them a sermon.

2 Timothy 3:16,17  “All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

When looking for a book to read you should consider who the author is. Check to see if it is the truth and if it is helpful for your life. The Bible is what you should read to find your purpose and your future. It is reliable and must be opened daily for enlightenment. If you know the scriptures, then you are prepared to boldly proclaim God’s word to others. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you the opportunity today to tell someone about the love of God and to proclaim the truth of His word.

John 20:21-23  “Again Jesus said, ‘Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.’ And with that he breathed on them and said, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.’”

Jesus has given the disciples their instructions. They are His ambassadors and are to declare to the world the fullness of God’s love and forgiveness. These word are directed to all those who follow Christ and claim Him as Lord and Savior. The Holy Spirit is the guide and the power for believers. Sins are forgiven by faith in Jesus Christ. Although we do not have the power to forgive or not forgive sins like Christ, we do have the authority to tell others how to receive forgiveness of their sins and to explain how one’s sins will not be forgiven. Pray for the Holy Spirit, which is God-breathed upon you, to help you to lead others to Christ with the truth.

Titus 3:4-6  “But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior…”

Saints are to love one another with happiness, saved and the unsaved. Followers of Jesus Christ were saved through his mercy and grace. We are delivered from our misery through the working of the Holy Spirit. We must walk in God’s ways and demonstrate the divine life in us. Allow the Holy Spirit to lead you to those who are lost and living in misery. Show them what the love of God can do for them. Help them to understand the renewal by the Holy Spirit.
Zechariah 4:6  “So he said to me, ‘This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: Not by might nor power, but by my Spirit’, says the Lord Almighty.”

The angel was encouraging Zerubbabel to complete the temple. By faith and the work of the Holy Spirit, he could accomplish his task. We all have times when we find ourselves blocked by uncertainty and helplessness. These are the times that require us to lean on the Holy Spirit and to have faith that God will see us through. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to help you through the trials of the day and to help destroy the barriers that life puts in your way. Know that your faith will make you victorious.

Acts 5:32  “We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

Peter is addressing the Sanhedrin. They are concerned about his preaching the truth. Paul explains that the disciples are witnesses to what he is speaking about. He also tweaks them by explaining that the Holy Spirit is witness to what has happened. That would be a very uncomfortable feeling to know that the Holy Spirit was witness to what has transpired in our lives. Seek the Lord today and allow the Holy Spirit to enter into your life to help you to walk the straight and narrow path of God’s love.

Matthew 10:19,20  “But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.”

Jesus warned the disciples to be ready for persecution. He tried to explain how the tribulations to come would give Him glory. He knew they were fearful and concerned about how and what to say when persecuted for following Him. Followers of Christ have the power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit to guide their actions and provide the words need to be an effective witness. Trust in the Holy Spirit to speak for you when standing for your faith in Christ.

Isaiah 63:10  “Yet they rebelled and grieved the Holy Spirit...”

Again, God’s people rebelled. This “grieved the Holy Spirit”. It is interesting to note that just as we can break God’s heart with our own stubbornness, the Holy Spirit can be hurt just the same. God gave us the Holy Spirit to be our counselor and helpmate. He is part of the Trinity and should be treated that way. Goodness comes from the Lord and our miseries and complaints come from our sins. We must trust in the Lord and allow the Holy Spirit to lead us in the way God has prepared for us. Pray for the Holy Spirit to make His presence known to you today and follow his lead.
1 Thessalonians 1:5  
“...because our gospel came to you not simply with words, but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and with deep conviction...”

Paul was encouraging the new believers to maintain godly living. He explained how the gospel was presented with the power of the Holy Spirit and they could rely on the truth. Believers are to be imitators of Christ. Pray for the Holy Spirit to grant you the “deep conviction” which Paul speaks of. Be certain of your love of Christ and be bold in your witness. Seek the lost today and tell them about eternal life in Christ. Let them see Jesus in you.

2 Corinthians 3:6  
“He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.”

Paul may seem to boast of being a minister of the gospel, but is more likely giving praise for the power of the Holy Spirit to give him words to speak and strength to carry on his ministry. The “letter” refers to the judgement and condemnation of Mosaic law. The Holy Spirit gives life eternal. The Spirit is of the new testament, which provides mercy and a way to salvation. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you the strength to minister to the spiritual needs of others.

Galatians 4:6,7  
“Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, ‘Abba, Father.’ So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.”

The law of Moses became tied to burdensome rituals and traditions. Paul was suggesting that they were still children under slavery and that God has sent His Son. Jesus had suffered and died for them and for those who believed in Him had become heirs of God. This was delivered through the Holy Spirit, which lives in the heart of believers. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you in touch with the gospel and to guide you in the ways of the Lord.

Ephesians 4:3  
“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”

The “unity of the Spirit” was brought about by the death of Christ. Christians are to be humble, opposed to pride and not easily provoked or offended. There is one Christ, one grace, one heaven and therefore one body, which means unity in heart and service. Discord in the Church should not be tolerated. The Holy Spirit is counselor and peacemaker. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to be a peacemaker and to help maintain the bond of peace with your brethren.

Nehemiah 9:20  
“You gave your good Spirit to instruct them. You did not withhold your manna from their mouths, and you gave them water for their thirst.”

The Israelites have returned from exile and are confessing their sins. Nehemiah said they had been given the Spirit to instruct them and God had provided food and water. Even though God had provided their needs, they rebelled, were disbursed and yet God allowed them to return. They had the Spirit given them to instruct them but failed to be obedient. We grieve the Holy Spirit when we think we can do all things on our own. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you through this day and follow His instructions.
Hebrews 10:28,29  “Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much more severely do you think man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace?”

Paul is suggesting here that we should be more concerned about the Holy Spirit than the testimony of two witnesses. He is encouraging them to persevere and not be accused of apostasy. How terrible it would be to die without God’s mercy. The hope we have is that God is patient and offers salvation to all who will accept His Son. Pray for the Holy Spirit to bring to you those who are seeking a better life. Share with them the love of Christ and explain the hope of eternal life.

1 Peter 4:14  “If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.”

In today’s world, you will be insulted because of the name of Christ. This is the highest honor for those who know Christ as Lord and Savior. He is blasphemed by others and glorified by you. It is not a good thing to be insulted, but this would indicate that you are associated with the loving and forgiving nature of Jesus Christ. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you strength to absorb any insults because of your faith and to help you forgive those who do not know of God’s love.

Luke 2:26  “It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Christ.”

Simeon was a “righteous and devout man” who beheld the infant Jesus as it was foretold to him by the Holy Spirit. The same Holy Spirit that gave Simeon hope also gave him his joy. Simeon is now prepared for his death, accepting it joyfully because he said in verse 30, “For my eyes have seen your salvation…” Pray for the Holy Spirit to reveal God’s Son to you today. Receive Him and you too can face death with a joyful heart.

Acts 7:51  “You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are just like your fathers: You always resist the Holy Spirit.”

Stephen is speaking to the Sanhedrin right before they stoned him to death. Although these priests were circumcised, Stephen is berating them for acting like the uncircumcised pagans. By the power of the Holy Spirit, he courageously rebuked them. The gospel was offered through the Holy Spirit, but they did not embrace it. Pray for those who reject the truth of the Holy Spirit. Pray their hearts and ears to be opened to salvation through Jesus Christ.
Ephesians 3:16  “I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being.”

Paul is encouraging the Ephesians to understand they have the power of the Holy Spirit and how, with that power, they can “grasp how wide and long and deep is the love of Christ”. Those who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior have that power to love the unlovable and to bring others into the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Dependence on the Holy Spirit will change your mindset from living for God to allowing Him to live through you.

1 Corinthians 2:9, 10  “However, as it is written: ‘No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him’—but God has revealed it to us by his Spirit.”

Paul is saying that no human understanding or wisdom can fathom or conceive the things which are taught by the Holy Spirit unless it be through supernatural means. God’s divine nature is revealed to us through the Holy Spirit. Reading scripture without the Holy Spirit guiding your understanding will result in blankness of the heart and mind. Pray for the Holy Spirit to lead your thoughts and to prepare you for another day in The Lord.

Genesis 6:3  “Then the Lord said, ‘My Spirit will not contend with man forever, for he is mortal;…’”

Soon after creation, man created his own moral dilemma and this caused God to consider both life and death for man, a probation period, so to speak. Man became sensual and corrupt and God decided it was time to put an end to it. The Lord’s heart was filled with pain. We must not grieve the Spirit. We must seek faith and His Holiness and not look for fame and fortune. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to seek God today. Ask, “What shall I do for you today, my Lord?” Seek His mercy and grace, not the things of the world, and God will provide your needs and He will be glorified.

Proverbs 9:10  “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.”

Fear in this passage means showing a loving reverence and accepting His Lordship. When we believe in God’s majesty and become devoted in holy obedience to Him, then we can embrace the wisdom and knowledge on He can give us through the Holy Spirit. Jesus came for the sinners and not the righteous. He came for those who seek spiritual wisdom and not worldly wisdom. Pray for God to use you today, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to bring His wisdom, love and mercy to the lost.

2 Timothy 2:15  “Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.”

Christians need to be a positive influence on others and allow the Holy Spirit to help them to mentor the lost and those who are seeking the truth. Christ gave himself for us and we should do the same for others. Speak the word of God to the weary and offer them rest in the arms of Jesus Christ. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be with you as minister to the needs of a sinful world.
**Ephesians 6:12**  “For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.”

We cannot use human resources to do battle against that which is spiritual. We need the “full armor of God”. The powers of evil continuously attempt to wreak havoc in the world, physically and spiritually. The power of the Holy Spirit and the word of God are our weapons for defeating these unworldly powers. Victory over evil is won with “belt of truth”, “the breastplate of righteousness”, “the gospel of peace”, “the shield of faith”, “the helmet of salvation”, “and the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God”. Pray for the Holy Spirit to remind you daily to put on your “armor of God” as you prepare to do battle for the Lord. You will be victorious.

**John 3:8**  “The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”

The Spirit of God is like a free agent in sports. The difference is the one seeks what is best for himself and the other is doing the will of God, seeking those who would love Him. We cannot see the Holy Spirit, but we can see the visible effect it has on the soul. We did not see it come and go, but we see the effects of its presence. The indwelling of the Holy Spirit does not save us, but is the result of God’s mercy and grace, His forgiveness of sin. Pray for the Holy Spirit to flow through you today and bring you the “peace that passes all understanding”.

**1 Timothy 4:1**  “The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.”

Sadly there will come a time, similar to today, but worse, when the Christian faith will be oppressed severely. Some will leave the faith and follow the lies of the devil. Some will self-righteously, and mistakenly, proclaim that the good things God provided for our food and good health to be unhealthy. Others, as we see today, will see no value in marriage or promote sinful practices outside of marriage or determine marriage is not as God has proclaimed it to be. We, who serve Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, will be tested. Pray daily for the Holy Spirit to provide His power to help you to resist the devil and his minions who want to destroy your faith and your religion. Pray for the Holy Spirit to stand beside you as you proclaim your allegiance to Christ and rejoice in the knowledge of eternal life with your heavenly father.

**Acts 1:4,5**  “On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: ‘Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’”

The apostles are with Jesus and he is giving them final instructions before he leaves them. He reminds them of the gift from the Father. The gift is the Holy Spirit. He IS a gift and should be a part of our lives each day. Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to be with you as you start your day. Ask Him to show you how you can serve the Lord each day. Ask Him to bring someone to you to counsel or mentor and offer the unending love of Jesus Christ.
Numbers 11:26  “However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the Tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp.”

The Israelites craved meat in the desert and the elders prophesied around the “Tent of Meetings”. God sent them quail to eat. Eldad and Medad did not go to the Tent with the others, but prophesied later after the other elders had apparently lost that ability. Some in the camp were alarmed, but Moses said he wished the Lord would put His Spirit on all of them. The power of the Holy Spirit can manifest its presence in many ways. He is available to all who claim the name of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Romans 8:1,2  “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.”

With respect to all that had been said and come before, there is now liberty and deliverance from sin. The law, or the “letter”, brings condemnation and judgement. But the Christian is under the law of grace. Sin ultimately produces death, but the Spirit is life. Our will is unable to maintain all the laws and obedience to them. We have been pardoned and justified through the death of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. Seek the Holy Spirit today and ask Him to lead you in the path of righteousness in Christ.

Mark 14:38  “Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.”

Jesus has just chastised the disciples for sleeping while He prayed in Gethsemane. Their sinful weakness had overpowered them. He cautions them about the temptation of being unfaithful as difficult times are upon them. He laments the fact that man may want to do right, but by himself the spirit of man is weak. Pray for the power of the Holy Spirit to grant you the will to be alert to God’s calling on your life. Be prepared to respond to the demands of the Lord. He is relying on you help bring the lost to Him.

1 Peter 1:10,11  “Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow.”

Peter is speaking on the doctrines of Christianity. He explains that what they now possess, Christ, is what the prophets had longed for. The doctrine of the prophets’ idea of a savior and that of the disciples are the same, coming from the Spirit of God. Salvation through Jesus Christ is available because he died for our sins. Pray for the Holy Spirit to remind you of Jesus’ death on the cross. He suffered and died willingly for you. Praise Him and be His witness to God’s love, mercy and grace.
Psalm 51:11  "Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me."

David recalls what happened to Saul and knows that God has prepared and qualified him for his position. He pleads for God to not forsake him. David does not want to be cast aside and lose God’s favor. This is one of the judgements for sin. He knows the only way that he can accomplish his mission is through the power of the Holy Spirit. He also does not want the isolation of losing God’s friendship. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you on the narrow path so that you may continue to be in God’s favor. Know that God loves you and wants nothing but joy and peace for you. Just trust in Him and follow His precepts.

John 8:31,32  "To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, ‘If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.’"

Jesus is the teacher and these Jews may not be disciples, but are ranked with the believers. He gave them hope to be disciples if they will hold to His teachings. By doing this they would learn where their hope and strength is. The power of the Holy Spirit would open their hearts and minds to the truth, the Gospel. Pray for the Holy Spirit to show you the truth so that you can be set free. Believe in Jesus Christ as lord and Savior and you too will know the truth.

Acts 4:33  "With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all."

Being redeemed requires us to give ourselves fully to the Lordship of Jesus. Repentance and forgiveness of sins was foreign to non-believers and they were confounded by the power in which the apostles preached the message of redemption. You cannot get away from the guilt of sin and their must be some form of punishment for sin. However, knowing Christ as Savior and Lord, the redeemer, you are freed from the power of sin in your life. Pray for the Holy Spirit to show you the path to redemption today. Ask Jesus to free you of the power of sin and grant you the power of the Holy Spirit.

Job 33:4  "The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the almighty gives me life."

Elihu has called Job by name and instructs him to pay attention to what he has to say. He reasoning with Job and encouraging him. Elihu explains that they are both man, created from clay by the breath of the almighty. Job should be moved to enter the majesty of God without fear and speak his piece. We, too have that privilege to speak to God at anytime from anywhere and know that he hears our joys, sorrows and fears. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you with your groanings to the Lord when you feel too overwhelmed to know what to say. God will hear and understand every word.
John 15:26  "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. And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

Jesus is preparing His disciples for when He will not be with them. He will leave them the Counselor, the Spirit of truth. He cautions them to be prepared for haters and those who wish to kill them, thinking they are “offering a service to God”. But they must testify about Him, just as we, who know Christ, must testify about Him. Although they may be forlorn, He gives them hope with the help of the Holy Spirit. That same Holy Spirit is our helper and guide today. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to lovingly confront your enemies and those who would speak badly about you Savior. Pray for the peace of Christ and for the power of the Holy Spirit to lead you through this day.

Acts 2:17  “In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people…”

Peter is addressing the crowd at Pentecost. Many think the disciples are drunk by speaking in other tongues “as the Spirit enabled them”. He reminds them of the prophecy in Joel 2:28 and of their own history. If the giving of the Holy Spirit is a sign of the beginning of the last days, then we should be ready for the “coming of the Lord” to happen at any time. Pray for the Holy spirit to give you comfort and strength in the knowledge of eternal life with Jesus Christ.

Galatians 5:5  “But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope.”

Christians receive hope through the Holy Spirit, not by the flesh or legal ordinances. There is freedom in Christ. Paul cautions us to not allow anyone to stand in your path to freedom. He said, “The one who is throwing you into confusion will pay the penalty, whoever he may be.” Pray for the Holy Spirit to show you the false teachers and discernment for the truth.

1 Corinthians 12:3  “Therefore I tell you that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, “Jesus be cursed,” and no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.”

There are imposters who claim Christ as savior and yet will curse or denounce him. God knows what is truly in your heart. You may be able to fool men, but not the Risen Lord. The one who truly confesses Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and thanks Him for the regeneration of spirit cannot at the same time curse Him. Pray for the Holy Spirit to bless you today with the knowledge of your salvation being certain. Thank God for being your Abba, Father. Understand that the one who curses your God is not of the Holy Spirit, but of evil. Pray for those who do not truly know Jesus as their Lord and Savior.
Ephesians, 1:13,14 “And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession—to the praise of his glory.”

Salvation is offered to all who believe, Jew and gentile alike. It is the same for each one who accepts Christ as Lord and Savior. Once the word of God is heard, believed and salvation in Christ is accepted, the life of the believer must demonstrate his commitment to the standards of the word and to the one who died for his sins. Pray for the Holy Spirit to let your life show your commitment to the truth. Pray each day for opportunity to witness to those who are hurting in a hurting world.

John 7:37-39 “On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, ‘If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.’ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.”

The Rabbi would normally teach while sitting, but Jesus stood and “spoke in a loud voice”. Jesus is presenting Himself as the Gospel and asking them to come to Him. Most in attendance had probably heard Him speak before and Jesus was giving them another opportunity for salvation. He said, “Let them come to me”, to drink of the living water, not the law of tradition and legal ordinances. The Holy Spirit has now been given. Pray for the Holy Spirit to encourage you to go out and ask those who God puts in your path to hear the word and receive Jesus as Lord and Savior.

Luke 1:35 “The angel answered, ‘The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God.’”

The birth of Christ was to be a miraculous birth. The appearance of the angel troubled Mary, but she was assured of being God’s favor. A virgin is enabled to conceive. Not naturally, but by the invisible, might power of the Holy Spirit. The “Word” was made flesh. The Holy Spirit sanctified and preserved the conception from the taint of sin. Pray for the Holy Spirit to protect you from the hindrance of sin and to give you strength each day to face a lost world and offer hope in Jesus Christ.

Psalm 104:30 “When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.”

A closer look at that which is manmade seems to be rough as opposed to what God has produced in nature. It is finer and more exact. Just as the things of nature must face the natural darkness of night, we face the darkness of the spirit. God provides the light which gives life. His breath, or Spirit provides life to all living things. Man may turn to dust, but the soul goes with the Lord. Pray today for the Holy Spirit to help you to offer the truth to one who needs the “breath of life”, tell him about God’s unfailing love.
Job 26:4  “Who has helped you utter these words? And whose spirit spoke from your mouth?”

Job is responding to Bildad and chastises him for words which are not so encouraging. Those who minister to others should not grieve them if God is not the one who caused their burden. We look for comfort from our friends, not peevishness. Bildad should have used encouraging words of God’s grace, mercy and compassion. Pray for the Holy Spirit to give you the proper words of encouragement when you are sent console a brother or sister in Christ or one who is lost and has a hurting heart.

2 Corinthians 3:3  “You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.”

WOW! How would you like to have this said about you? You may have heard it said, “I would rather SEE a sermon than HEAR one.” Paul is explaining how the ink of the law can fade, but what Christ offers is eternal. He is commending the Corinthians for their steadfastness to the word of God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you walking in righteousness and confidence in the word of God. Pray for your walk to be seen as a sermon written on your heart for God’s glory.

Ephesians 5:18  “Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.”

Paul is speaking of the sin of drunkenness as a sinful pursuit of gratification, not just gluttony. As the need for a stimulant grows larger and larger, it leads to unwholesomeness and destruction. But, being filled with the Holy Spirit has a very positive effect. God grants us a joy for life through the Holy Spirit that cannot be gained in worldly methods. The life with Christ is more delightful and permanent than that of a short lived thrill from too much wine. Besides, He has commanded us to be filled with the “living water” and not the fruit of the vine nor should we abuse anything He has given us for sustenance. Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to appreciate the joys of life which only God can offer.

Galatians 5:22,23  “But he fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”

Notice that love is first on the list. This is the core of Christian principles. Unlike many other religions, Christianity is based on love, mercy, grace, redemption and forgiveness. Paul uses the word “fruit” and not fruits as all of these attributes are connected through Christ, given by the Holy Spirit. Paul says there are no laws against them and why should there be? This is good fruit, the ripest and best that can be offered to those suffering from guilt, hate, stubbornness and a lost condition of the heart. Pray for the Holy Spirit to grant you this fruit daily to display your love of Christ to those in need of a life changing experience with the lord.
1 Corinthians 2:14  “The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned.”

The carnal man is dominated by natural intellect and does not see the spiritual side of things. Spiritual truth is something that a spiritual man will be concerned with, because of his discernment provided by the Holy Spirit. The carnal life is a dull life of just existing and doing what comes naturally to survive. The spiritual life is one of excitement, joy and seeking the meaning of why we are here. Pray for the Holy Spirit to excite you today to go and witness to the one who is carnal and is not aware of all that God has in store for him who believes in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

James 1:25  “If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless.”

James may be speaking here to those who just think they are religious and not necessarily the hypocrites of the faith. A man may think he is religious because he helps the poor, but he berates God and others with his tongue. This is one who may think he is religious, but has no connection with Jesus Christ. But Christians are held to a high standard and must always try to control their tongues. Words spoken in haste or in anger may be seen as what is actually in the heart. Do not deceive yourself, pray for the Holy Spirit to help you to speak only that which is good and coming from the heart of one who follows Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:11  “For who among men knows the thoughts of man except the man’ spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.”

Man cannot have the knowledge of God, but he can know His virtues through the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit knows the depths of God’s nature and His plans for us. Worldly principles are not what led the Apostles, they were give revelations from the Holy Spirit. This same Holy Spirit can help you to understand the nature of God, if you will let Him. Pray for this day to be the one when you truly open your heart to listen to the Holy Spirit and follow what he will bring to you from our Heavenly Father.

1 Peter 2:2,3  “Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.”

Peter is speaking to Jews who had recently received Christ as Lord and Savior. He explains how the newborn baby just craves to be fed. That is all it is concerned with. Now that they these new creations have tasted but a little of sweetness of Christ’s love for them, they need to grow in their knowledge of salvation. That is done through discernment of the Holy Spirit and through feeding on the word of God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you hungry for knowledge about Jesus Christ and what He has done for you.

Romans 12:1  “Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasant to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.”
Paul is encouraging believers to present their minds and their bodies as living sacrifices before God as Jesus did for them. Christians are to do good works, providing for the poor and offering blessings of eternal life to the lost. Instead of offering bodies for physical sacrifice, worship is holiness, devotion and living daily for God and all His precepts. Pray for the Holy Spirit to keep you in a state of worship as you start this day.