

EXPERIENCING REAL POWER: PLUGGING INTO THE HOLY SPIRIT



"Trying to do the Lord's work in your own strength is the most confusing, exhausting, and tedious of all work but when you are filled with the Holy Spirit, then the ministry of Jesus just flows out of you." – Corrie Ten Boom

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

1 Corinthians 2:10-11

"...these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. 11 For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except

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 through wordless groans."

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."

Have you ever been sitting at home during a bad storm and the lights start to flicker? Then the power goes out and you find yourself sitting in complete darkness. At first it is fun; you grab a flashlight, light some candles, and enjoy the peace and quiet. After a while the fun begins to wear off. You realize without power, you have no way to sign online to check emails or chat with friends, and you can't turn on the television to watch your favorite show. You now find yourself beginning to miss the power.

The world relies heavily on electrical sources to help keep up with daily routines. The same is true with your spiritual journey! You can't live life without the Holy Spirit as your **power** source. If you try to go on your own strength for too long, you will get **burned** out.

YOU NEED TO PLUG INTO GOD'S SPIRIT.

WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Men, have you ever been described as "strong as an ox" or "solid as a rock?" Ladies, have you ever been referred to as being as "beautiful as a flower," or "a vision of loveliness?" We make comparisons to help others get a better picture of themselves. Likewise, God does the same with the Holy Spirit.

To help you get a better understanding of His nature, the Bible compares the Holy Spirit to many different things. For example, He is referred to as a Dove, Water, Oil, Fire and Light, Wind, and Comforter.

Jesus and the New Testament writers refer to the Holy Spirit as a person. They use "He" and "Him" but never "it." Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to be with us and to do Christ's work. Jesus promised that He would come to us through the Holy Spirit, and that the Spirit would represent Him and act in His place.



The Holy Spirit is referred to as one of the three persons of God, also known as the TRINITY, which is made up of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is different from Christ, because He doesn't have a human body like Christ did when He walked on earth. We can't see or touch the Holy Spirit; He is simply the Spirit.

WHAT DOES HE DO?

When you **plug** into the **power** of the **HOLY SPIRIT**, you allow room for His power to work in your life. The Holy Spirit brings comfort, peace, and joy and helps you overcome sin.

Jesus promised the Holy Spirit would be in you. Jesus lives in your heart through the Holy Spirit. When you took your first step on your journey as a new believer by accepting Christ, the Holy Spirit also came into your heart. You can ask Him to **fill you** each day and give you **strength** on your new journey.

THE SUPERNATURAL POWER OF
THE HOLY SPIRIT IS AT WORK IN THE LIVES
OF ORDINARY PEOPLE !

In Jesus' last message to His disciples before His crucifixion, He taught about the coming of the Holy Spirit and His ministry. According to John 16:7-16, the Holy Spirit will:

- Convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment
- Show you things to come
- Guide you
- Impart the wisdom of God to your heart

The Holy Spirit inspired all the people God used to write the Bible, and likewise He can teach and inspire you how to apply scripture. The Holy Spirit helped the disciples to overcome their fears and He can do the same for you. He can also help you witness, give you strength to overcome temptations, comfort you, be your friend, be your conscience, and give you discernment for your attitude or actions.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- 📄 [Who is the Holy Spirit?](#)
Creflo Dollar
- 📄 [Power in the Spirit](#)
Dr. Mark E. Hardgrove
- 📄 [Holy Spirit, Who He Is and What He Does](#)
Robert D. Pace
- 🎵 [Consuming Fire](#)
Hillsong/ Tim Hughes

The **HOLY SPIRIT** is your richest source of spiritual energy.

When you PLUG INTO this source it prevents burnout in your SPIRITUAL JOURNEY and in your LIFE.

PLUGGING IN !

- ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR NEED FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT
- ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT TO ASSIST YOU IN ALL AREAS OF YOUR LIFE
- DWELL IN THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT