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Why?

Relationship

&

Representation

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Arrival vs. Abiding

&

Information vs. Transformation

Draw the Circle

The 40 day Prayer challenge



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Day 36 (Senior Partner)

“What we keep we ultimately lose; What we give away we ultimately get back.”

Day 37 (Prayer Contracts)

“Agreeing with someone in prayer is like getting your prayer notarized”

Day 38 (Climb the Watchtower)

“Going back to places of spiritual significance can help us find our way forward again.”



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Day 39 (Holy Ground)

“The purpose of prayer is not to give orders to God; the purpose is to get orders from God.”

Day 40 (Prayer Alphabet)

“Prayer is the difference between the best we can do and the best God can do”



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HOW TO FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH!

The power of (**UNDERSTANDING THE FIGHT!**)

The power of the (**HOLY SPIRIT!**)

The power of (**PRAYER!**)

The power of the (**WORD!**)

The power of (**TRUTH!**)

The power of (**EACH DAY!**)



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Week #1

The power of (**UNDERSTANDING THE FIGHT!**)

The Fight!

Be serious and keep watch; the Evil One, who is against you, goes about like a lion with open mouth in search of food;

-1 Peter 5:8



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**The Fight start with an
understanding that you are in one,
and you can't do it in your own
strength!**



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Week #2 The power of the...
HOLY SPIRIT!



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WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

The Holy Spirit is God:

a) The Trinity is God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit.

"God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth".

-John 4:24



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The Holy Spirit is Helper

(Paraclete means called alongside):

"And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever". -John 14:16

The Holy Spirit is our Comforter:

- the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you". -John 14:17



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The Holy Spirit is the Teacher:

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you". -John 14:26

The Holy Spirit Convicts:

"And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment of sin, because they do not believe in Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged". -John 16:8-11



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The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth:

"However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come". -John 16:13

The Holy Spirit is our Intercessor:

"Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God". -Romans 8:26-27



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Others!

**The Holy Spirit gives us power to
witness:**

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth". -Acts 1:8



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Walking in the Power of the Spirit!

5 practices that the Bible says we must work on to walk in the Power of the Holy Spirit.



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1.Acknowledge: we must acknowledge from our hearts that we are helpless to do good apart from the enablement of the Holy Spirit.

- For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. -Romans 7:18
- ...apart from me you can do nothing. –John 15:5

The first step in walking in the power of the Holy Spirit is...We cannot do anything pleasing to God without the constant enabling of the Holy Spirit!



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2. Pray: God promised...

- **27** And *I will put my Spirit* in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. -Ezekiel 36:27
- **May the Lord** make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.
-1 Thessalonians 3:12

**If it is God alone who works in us what is pleasing in His sight,
then above all, we must *pray*:**

- **Create in me** a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. -Psalm 51:10



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3. Trust: We must *believe* that since we have come under the gracious sway of God's Spirit, sin will no longer have dominion over us!

We simply count on it, that the Spirit who made us alive when we were dead in sin!

- For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace. -Romans 6:14

The reason we can is that we *know* that God will cause his children to be led by the Spirit. He says it!

- For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. -Romans 8:14



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4. Act: Walking in the power of the Spirit after you have acknowledged your helplessness without him, prayed for his enablement, and trusted in his deliverance is to *act* the way you know is right.

- Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, **13** for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose. -Philippians 2:12-13



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5. Thanks: The final step in walking in the power of the Spirit is to thank God!

- Thanks be to God, who put into the heart of Titus the same concern I have for you. -2 Corinthians 8:16

If we live by the Power of the Spirit, then let us also walk by the Spirit.

- Let us acknowledge from our heart that we are unable to please God without the Spirit's constant enablement.
- Let us pray for that enablement.
- Let us trust confidently in the Spirit's power and promise to give that enablement.



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**Why do I need to walk in the
Power of the Holy Spirit?**

Jesus did!



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-The Power of the Holy Spirit for regeneration.

21 When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened **22** and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”



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-The Power of the Holy Spirit to over come sin.

1 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, **2** where for forty days he was tempted by the devil.



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-The Power of the Holy Spirit to reach the lost.

14 Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside.



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Stay in the fight:

**Let's walk in His Power
this week!**