

# PRAYER SCHOOL

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## PRAYER SCHOOL: RECEIVING & ADMINISTERING GOD'S GRACE

### Part 3: "Flowing With the Holy Spirit"

~The Spirit of Truth Will Guide You Into **ALL** Truth,  
Lead You Along the **BEST** Pathway, & Teach You How to Pray~

#### I. Review

- A. **Prayer is:** intimate communication with Our Father; heart to heart; receiving *His* thoughts, *His* images, *His* words and *His* emotions; agreeing with the Word (scriptures) and speaking those things forth unto the earth; causing the finished work of Christ to manifest from the unseen into the seen by calling forth what the Word says is already ours; exercising our God-given authority; bringing heaven to earth
  - B. **Prayer is NOT** trying to get something from God; He's already given us everything His Word has promised through Christ; prayer is about receiving **WHAT IS ALREADY OURS** through the finished work of Christ by grace through faith.
  - C. **The Word** is our source of victory; the provision itself; the foundation for all our prayers; Jesus (the Word) is the one who defeated the enemy; our job is to proclaim what He has already done on our behalf and on behalf of others; the Word is what is to fill our hearts, our minds and our mouths in order to see the glory of God revealed in our lives and on the earth
1. **John 17:17 (NIV)** *Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.*

THE WORD is what cleanses and sanctifies us. We must pray The Word and be in agreement with The Word.

- a. **Sets us free from concealments** (lies), things that are hiding the truth about God and about who we are in Christ. The Word breaks the shackles, removes the scales, removes the filtered glasses off the eyes of our hearts.
- b. **Causes us to receive the truth** (Christ, THE WORD) grafted into our heart and soul, mind and body; to **KNOW** who God is (love), what Christ has done on our behalf, & who we are as a new creation in Him.
- c. **Prepares us and equips us to take our place** in the body to be a blessing to God and to each other. We are joined as one through Christ with the Father and with each other. In order for the body to be fully functioning as God desires, we have to each take our place.

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2. We receive the grafted image of Christ into our soul
  - a. 2 Cor 5:17, Romans 6:5-6, Galatians 2:20 – we are new creations in Christ
  - b. Process of removal and replacement going on in our soul when we pray and agree with The Word – like spiritual surgery; transformation; spirit perfect; soul is being made perfect (Eph 4:24, Rom 8:29, Rom 12:2, Heb 4:12, Prov 23:7, Phil 2:13)

## II. Flowing With the Holy Spirit

### A. He leads us into ALL truth

**John 16:13 (NIV)** *But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.*

**Matthew 4:1 (NIV)** <sup>4</sup> *Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’<sup>1b1</sup>” Jesus, filled by the Holy Spirit AND having been baptized in the Spirit (meaning the spirit was also UPON him to empower him to fulfill his destiny), Jesus responded with the Word – the truth to defeat the lie.*

1. God has given **YOU** His Holy Spirit to live **inside** of you **AND** to be **upon** you to help you fulfill your destiny on this earth.

- a. The Spirit is IN you

**1Co 3:16 (ESV)** *16 Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?*

**Jhn 14:16-17 (ESV)** *16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.*

**Rom 8:9-11 (ESV)** *9 You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10 But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.*

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**2 Timothy 1:14 (NLT)** *Through the power of the Holy Spirit who lives within us, carefully guard the precious truth that has been entrusted to you.*

The Holy Spirit is the one who helps us guard that truth in our hearts, just like He did for Jesus; He won't let it be stolen from our hearts, when we pray and ask Him to help us and let Him lead us.

He is our defender and protector!

**Galatians 5:25 (NIV)** *Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.*

b. The Holy Spirit is **UPON** you

**Acts 2:17 (NIV)** *“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.*

**Matt. 3:16 (NIV)** *As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him.*

**John 1:32 (NIV)** *Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him.*

**Luke 4:18 (NIV)** *“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free...*

We can't do it alone! We need the help of the Holy Spirit! We have to trust Him and The Father's love for us completely so that we seek and yield to His guidance.

So as 1 John 27 says:

**I John 27 (NIV)** <sup>20</sup> *But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth.*

B. The Holy Spirit is our teacher – He teaches us how to pray

**John 14:26 (NIV)** <sup>26</sup> *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.*

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**Romans 8:26-28 (NIV)** <sup>26</sup> *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.* <sup>27</sup> *And He who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.* <sup>28</sup> *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.*

**1 Corinthians 14:13-15 (NIV)** <sup>13</sup> *For this reason the one who speaks in a tongue should pray that they may interpret what they say.* <sup>14</sup> *For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful.* <sup>15</sup> *So what shall I do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will also pray with my understanding; I will sing with my spirit, but I will also sing with my understanding.*

**I John 27 (NIV)** <sup>27</sup> *As for you, the anointing you received from Him remains in you, and 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.*

1. The Holy Spirit always points us to Jesus, the living Word. The **will** of God is God's word.
2. The Holy Spirit **never** creates outside of the Word of God.
3. In God's will (which is His Word) the answer is **always** "Yes."

**2 Corinthians 1:20 (NIV)** <sup>20</sup> *For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" IN Christ. And so through Him the "Amen."*

**I John 5:14-15 (NIV)** <sup>14</sup> *This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.* <sup>15</sup> *And if we know that He hears us—whatever we ask—we know we have what we asked of Him.*

## C. The Holy Spirit guides me along the BEST pathway

**Psalms 32:8 (NLT)** <sup>8</sup> *The LORD says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you."*

**1 Corinthians 2:9-10 (NLT)** <sup>9</sup> *However, as it is written: "What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived"<sup>[a]</sup>—the things God has prepared for those who love him—<sup>10</sup> these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.*

**Ephesians 3:20 (NIV)** *Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,*

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**Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)** *For the word of God is **alive** and **powerful**. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.*

- D. We need both the Holy Spirit **AND** the Word working together!! The Holy Spirit knows the thoughts and plans of our Father and creator, and He leads us into those places of revelation – and that place of revelation is always in His Word. The Holy Spirit will always lead you to the Word.

**John 16:13 (NIV)** <sup>13</sup> *But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.*

1. The word is the way, the truth and the life. (**John 14:6**)
2. The truth is where there is power for freedom!

**John 8:32** When we KNOW the truth, we are set free!

**1 Corinthians 2:10-12 (NIV)** *The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. 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.*

- E. The Holy Spirit brings revelation understanding to us about God's Word and gives us a boldness rooted in truth.
1. We know that we know that we know who God is, who we are in Christ and what is rightfully ours because we are co-heirs with Christ.
  2. Just as perfect love casts out all fear, known truth removes all shame...Fear and shame both are rooted in uncertain identity. When we KNOW the truth of God's love for us and we have understanding about something God has spoken in His Word, this brings confidence, certainty, peace and boldness in taking possession of what is ours in Christ.

**[Luk 11:8 KJV]** *8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.*

**[Luk 11:8 NKJV]** *8 "I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs.*

**OLD NIV:** *because of the man's boldness...*

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## Boldness:

**335** *anaídeia* (from [1](#) /A "without" and [127](#) /*aidós*, "shame") – properly, "shameless persistence" (Souter). [335](#) (*anaídeia*), used only in Lk 11:8, is literally "shamelessness" and relates to carrying out God's plan with "unembarrassed boldness" – in the dignity of faith.

[335](#) /*anaídeia* ("no shame, without embarrassment") is the shamelessness a *faith-led believer* has who is not be halted by human fears – even when others cry "overdone" (i.e. accuse them of being extreme or excessive).

Lk 11:8: "I tell you, if even he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his *shamelessness* ([335](#) /*anaídeia*) he will get up and give him as much as he needs."

F. The Holy Spirit was given to us to prosper us and He LOADS us with benefits! These are just some of them:

1. He regenerates us (John 3:5-8; Titus 3:5).
2. He glorifies and testifies of Christ (John 15:26; 16:14).
3. He reveals Christ to us and in us (John 16:14-15).
4. He empowers us (Luke 4:14; 24:49; Rom. 15:19; Acts 1:8).
5. He fills us (Eph. 5:18; Acts 2:4; 4:8, 31; 9:17).
6. He produces in us the fruit or evidence of His work and presence (Gal. 5:22-23).
7. He distributes spiritual gifts and manifestations to and through the body that display His glory and love (1 Cor. 12:4, 8-10; Heb. 2:4).
8. He anoints us for ministry (Luke 4:18; Acts 10:38).
9. He washes and renews us (Titus 3:5).
10. He quickens our mortal bodies (Rom. 8:11).
11. He reveals the deep things of God to us (1 Cor. 2:10).
12. He reveals what has been given to us from God (1 Cor. 2:12).
13. He brings liberty (2 Cor. 3:17).
14. He transforms us into the image of Christ (2 Cor. 3:18).

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15. He enables us to wait (Gal. 5:5).
16. He supplies us with Christ (Phil. 1:19, KJV).
17. He grants everlasting life (Gal. 6:8).
18. He gives us access to God the Father (Eph. 2:18).
19. He strengthens our spirits (Eph. 3:16).
20. He enables us to obey the truth (1 Pet. 1:22).
21. He dispenses God's love into our hearts (Rom. 5:5).
22. He teaches us (1 Cor. 2:13; John 14:26).
23. He gives us joy (1 Thess. 1:6).
24. He enables some to preach the gospel (1 Pet. 1:12).
25. He moves us (2 Pet. 1:21).
26. He casts out demons (Matt. 12:28).
27. He brings things to our remembrance (John 14:26).
28. He comforts us (Acts 9:31).

The Holy Spirit reveals Jesus to us and unites us with Him. He causes Christ to live in us and also causes us to live in Him. He helps us take on our new identity and helps us to live in the inheritance that is ours in Christ. He empowers us with His very own life inside of us. He empowers the Word to work in us. Apart from the Holy Spirit we know nothing and can do nothing.

- G. His power is made perfect in our weakness and His supply never runs out!

**2Co 12:9 (ESV)** *9 But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.*

- H. We have the Word of God and the Spirit of God without limit!

**Jhn 3:34 (ESV)** *34 For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure.*

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