Spirit Filled Living

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Romans 8:5-11

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. 6 The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace; 7 the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. 8 Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God. 9 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. 10 But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness. 11 And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.

The Holy Spirit benefits the believer by...

1. CONNECTING US TO THE FATHER

Romans 8:26-27

26 ... We do not know what we ought to pray for, but <u>the Spirit</u> <u>himself intercedes for us</u> with groans that words cannot express.

27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because <u>the Spirit intercedes for the saints</u> in accordance with God's will.

2. PROVIDING US GIFTS

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 <u>you</u> will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Galatians 5:19-23

19 The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; 20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions,

factions 21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control...

3. PROVIDING TRUTH & CONVICTION

John 14:16-17

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth...

John 16:13

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth.

John 14:26

But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will <u>teach you all things</u> and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

John 16:8

When [the Counselor] comes, <u>he will convict</u> the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment:

4. PROVIDING US POWER

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."

Acts 1:8

... you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you...

2 Timothy 1:6-7

6 ... I remind you to <u>fan into flame the gift of God</u>, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. 7 For <u>God did not give us a spirit of timidity</u>, but a <u>spirit of power</u>, of <u>love</u> and of <u>self-discipline</u>.