

Indwelling and Works of the Holy Spirit

God has not left us helpless and alone in the world. He actually indwells us—lives within us by His Spirit and daily ministers to our needs. If we allow Him to, His Spirit will control our lives, give us a dynamic for godly living, and make us more like Jesus Christ every day.

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. 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. (Romans 8:9-11)

***Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives in you?
(1 Corinthians 3:16)***

*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.
(1 Corinthians 6:19-20)*

....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. 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. (Romans 8:26-27)

...live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature... the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 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. (Galatians 5:16, 22-25)

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

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth.... He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you. (John 16:13-14)

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1. What does indwelling by the Holy Spirit mean?
 2. How should it affect us to know that our body is God's temple?
 3. What does the Holy Spirit desire to do in our lives?
 4. What does it mean to be dead to sin?
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MEMORIZE: 1 Corinthians 3:16