

*The Light - Junior Series*  
*Lesson 61*

*The Giver of Spiritual Gifts...the Holy Spirit*

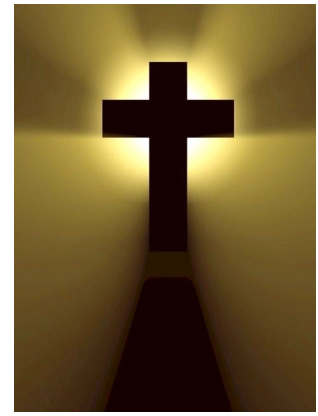
*Let the Word of God and the Power of the Holy Spirit  
Pour Out of Your Soul!*



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## BEFORE YOU BEGIN

If YOU have never believed in the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior, you have the opportunity to do so right NOW. Simply tell God the Father that you believe in His Son, Jesus Christ, who loved us so much that He came down from heaven and became a man to take our place and pay for the penalty for all the sin of all mankind. Jesus, the Savior died on the Cross for your sins and the sins of the whole world. Then Jesus was buried but He rose again and He is alive today seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven. When you make the decision to believe in Jesus in simple faith based on His work on the Cross, you are now a believer and will always be a child of God. When you die, you will spend eternity with Him in Heaven. [\(Acts 16:31\)](#) "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved." [\(John 3:16\)](#) "God loved the world so much that He gave us One and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."



## Lesson

In our past two lessons you learned that you are totally sealed and protected by the Holy Spirit. You learned that His indwelling is your guaranty of all the things God promised to you at salvation. You learned about all the things you received at salvation in order to do the job Jesus designed for you and the Holy Spirit distributed in you at the moment you were saved. So now you are set up to have the Word of God and the power of the Holy Spirit pour out of your soul!!! What does that mean? Let's find out.



Look at the commands that God gives us in this passage in the Book of Ephesians to be IMITATORS OF GOD. In other words let your behavior be like Jesus and LIVE the Word that is in your soul. In these passages in Ephesians you will see what God expects of us as we WALK according to His Word. These are instructions for all of us...children, adults, parents...all believers...from our life textbook...the Bible to let the Word of God and the Power of the Holy Spirit POUR OUT OF YOUR SOUL! Let's look at our instructions and let's take turns reading about them together:

1. Eph 4:31-6:17 "Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and yelling and slander be put away from you, along with all meanness. (32) Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you."
2. Eph 5:1-21 "Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; (2) and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma. (3) But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints (all believers); (4) and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse joking, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. (5) For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or jealous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance (rewards) in the kingdom of Christ and God. (6) Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience (unbelievers). (7) Therefore do not play a part with them; (8) for you were formerly darkness (unbelievers), but now you are light in the Lord (saved); walk as children of light (Jesus is the Light of the World) (9) [for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness (+R) and truth], (10) trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. (11) Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness (pure evil), but instead even expose them; (12) for it is disgraceful even to speak of the (evil) things which are done by them in secret. 13 But all things become visible when they are exposed by the Light, for everything that becomes visible is light. (14) For this reason it says, 'Awake, sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.' (15) Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, (16) making the most of your time, because the days are evil. (17) So then do not be foolish, but understand (through the Word of God...your Bible) what the will of the Lord is. (18) And do not get drunk with wine, for that is wickedness, but be filled with the Spirit, (19) speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; (20) always giving thanks for all things (good and bad) in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father; (21) and be subject to one another in the fear (respect) of Christ.
3. Marriage is like Christ and the Church, which you will see in the following verses: Eph 5:22-33 (22) Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. (23) For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the Head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body (the

church...all believers). (24) But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives ought to be to their husbands in everything. (25) Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, (26) so that He might sanctify her (set believers apart for a job), having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word (Gospel at salvation), (27) that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless. (28) So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; (29) for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and loves it, just as Christ also does the church, (30) because we are members of His body. (31) For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. (32) This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church. (33) Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband."

4. **Family Relationships:** Eph 6:1-9 "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. (2) HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER (which is the first commandment with a promise), (3) SO THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY LIVE LONG ON THE EARTH. (4) Fathers, do not inflame your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. (5) Employees, be obedient to those who are your employers according to the flesh, with fear (respect) and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ; (6) not by way of eye service, as men-pleasers, but as employees of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart. (7) With good will do your service, as to the Lord, and not to men, (8) knowing that whatever good thing each one does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether slave or free. (9) And employers, do the same things to them, and give up threatening, knowing that both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him."
5. **The Armor of God:** Eph 6:10-24 "Finally, (you) be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. (11) Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. (12) For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. (13) Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. (14) Stand firm therefore, having bound up your sides with Truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, (15) having equipped your feet with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; (16) in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. (17) And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. (18) With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the (filling of the) Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints, (19) and pray on my behalf, that speech may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the Gospel, (20) for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in declaring it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. (21) But that you also may know about my circumstances, how I am doing, Tychicus, the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, will make everything known to you. (22) I have sent him to you for this very purpose, so that you may know about us, and that he may comfort your hearts. (23) Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (24) Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ with honest love."

Here's another command from God...a very important command! After all we see from the verses above on how to WALK as believers in Christ in all circumstances and let the Word of God and the Power of the Holy Spirit pour out of our souls, God gives us this: Eph 4:30 "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption." Now what does this verse mean? This means the sealing ministry of the Holy Spirit is lifted out of the positional home...our present position in Christ...and it is dropped right into our daily walk as a constant reminder to us that we have been sealed by God and God expects much from us. The Holy Spirit is the SEAL. And now you are different and you will never be the same again. You are a new creation. You are royalty. You are Christ's body, His bride. You are to be what God made you to be. You are destined for glory in heaven. Live that way now!!! Live like the ROYALTY you are because of Jesus and let people see who you REALLY are in Christ NOW! Let them see it today!





So the point is that you have this "arrow" of the Spirit's work IMMEDIATELY at the moment of your salvation. This arrow points outward like when you throw a rock in a pond and watch the ripples fan out from where it dropped into the water. It's the energy that fans out from your Christian experience or Christian life; it's the unique challenges of each Church Age believer as you live each day; it's the range of blessings you receive; and it's the suffering you experience because of Christ; and it's the problem solving devices you have so you won't fail to pour out the Word of God and the power of the Spirit from your souls. You are TOTALLY EQUIPPED from your

union with Christ; from your human spirit; from the indwelling of the Trinity; from the 40 things at salvation; from your treasure chest of invisible spiritual possessions; from your eternal security; from your imputed righteousness (+R); and from your eternal life just to name a few. Then we are called by GOD to fan out; go out into the world and into our lives to run that race set before us; to take on that obstacle course we run into; to solve our problems by grace; to be a member of the team; to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ; to pray, to wonder, to WORK OUT what has been placed in us...our SO GREAT salvation...with respect; and in awe; and with a sense of excitement...an "I can't lose" mental attitude of one who has had his eternal destiny secured (by the sealing of the Holy Spirit); and who receives mercy for our past; hope for our future; and grace, grace, grace and one who knows who your Daddy is...GOD!

After salvation, the Holy Spirit has two ministries to help you carry out this life plan in Christ. God never expects you to do anything without His power and provision to do it.

1. The enabling power of the Spirit inside the pre-designed plan of God is called the filling of the Spirit in Eph 5:18b "...be filled with the Spirit..." and walking by means of the Spirit in Gal 5:16 "But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not fulfill the desires of the flesh."
2. The teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit can only happen inside the pre-designed plan of God and the filling of the Spirit with the understanding, believing, and application of the Word of God resulting in spiritual drive to continue on in the plan God has for you.

This is the enabling ministry of the Spirit to understand God's Word and learn it so it becomes permanent in your soul to use daily.

Therefore, the ministries of the Holy Spirit after salvation are related to our understanding of the Bible...God's Word...Truth. Jesus said in John 14:26, "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, who the Father will send in my name, He will teach you all things and make you remember all that I have said to you." Jesus said in John 16:12-14, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. (13) When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. (14) He will glorify me, for He will take what is mine and make it known to you."

1 Cor 2:9-16 "But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, and no ear has heard, and no heart of man has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him' (10) these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the deep things of God. (11) For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one understands the thoughts of God except the (Holy) Spirit of God. (12) Now we have received not the spirit of the world (devil), but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given to us by God. (13) And we teach this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual (believers). (14) The natural person (unbeliever) does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually understood. (15) The spiritual person (believer) judges all things, but He is to be judged by no one (only God can judge the believer). (16) For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ." Therefore, as you can see by these last verses in 1 Corinthians, the Bible is the MIND OF CHRIST and the more we learn what is in the Bible the more like Christ we will be in our actions!



Again Jesus said in the following verses in John: John 14:25-26 "These things I have spoken to you, while being here with you. (26) But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, who the Father will send in My name, He

will teach you all things, and make you remember all that I said to you." John 16:12-13 "I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. (13) But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears (from the Father), He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. (14) He shall glorify Me; for He shall take of Mine, and shall make (it) known to you."

Another very important principle to see concerning the doctrine of the ministry of God the Holy Spirit is the fact that the ministry of God the Holy Spirit to the church age believer is the same ministry that he had to our Lord Jesus Christ during the first advent when Jesus was living on earth among men.

The first power choice of our spiritual life is the SAME filling of the Spirit that occurred for the first time in history in our Lord Jesus Christ. The relationship of God the Holy Spirit to our Lord Jesus Christ while Jesus was on earth and human set the precedence for church age believers. In other words, it happened first with Jesus then later in all believers. During the dispensation of the hypostatic union, our Lord's humanity was sustained by the filling of the Holy Spirit and so it is for every believer since then. This was prophesied in the Old Testament about Jesus: Isa 11:2 "And the Spirit (God the Holy Spirit) of the Lord (God the Father) will rest on Him (Jesus Christ), the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and power, the Spirit of knowledge and occupation with Jehovah (God the Father)." Isa 42:1 "Behold, My Servant (Jesus), who I uphold; My chosen one (in whom) My soul delights. I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations." The fulfillment of this prophecy is declared in the New Testament in John 3:34. "For He (God the Holy Spirit) who God (the Father) has sent speaks the doctrines from God; for He does not give the Spirit by measure." During the first advent, our Lord's humanity was filled with the Spirit as a part of the doctrine of impeccability, which means that Jesus NEVER sinned. Luke 4:14 "And Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit."

Our Lord also prophesied in John 14:16-17 and other verses here that the disciples would have the Holy Spirit to teach them when the church age began. "And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, (17) even the Spirit of truth, who the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for He lives and dwells with you and will be in you." John 14:26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, He will teach you all things and make you remember all that I have said to you." John 16:13-14 "When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will tell you the things that are to come. (14) He will glorify me, for He will take what is mine and tell it to you." Do you see what you have here? This is power, kids!!! You have the same power for understanding of the Truth! Please use it!!!

In Luke 4:17-21 our Lord read from Isa 61:1. "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to make known liberty to captives, and freedom to prisoners..." And then He made this statement...Luke 4:21 "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." The Messiah has come to them. The prophecies have been fulfilled!!!

As we understand the ministry of God the Holy Spirit in these two dispensations...Jesus' time as a man in the Hypostatic Union and the Church Age...our love for the Holy Spirit SHOULD increase gigantically. Has it for you?

Our Lord constantly made choices to function in the two power options in His spiritual life. The two power options are the Word of God and the filling of the Spirit...learned, believed, and applied to life. This played a major role in our Lord's earthly ministry. Heb 9:14 "How much more then shall the blood of Christ (His spiritual death on the Cross), Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works (human good or no works) to serve the living God?"

The one offering that was GREATER than ALL the lamb offerings in the tabernacle and the temple was the offering of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross. Our Lord offered Himself and remained filled with the Spirit while bearing the judgment for our sins!!!! The filling of the Spirit gave Him the POWER not to hate any sin that was poured out on Him for judgment. Our Lord on the cross established the rules for our lives in the Church Age, as explained by Heb 12:2. "Be concentrating on Jesus, the Founder and Perfecter of our faith, who because of His exhibited happiness, He endured the cross, disregarding the shame, then He sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." So, you cannot separate loving Jesus Christ from loving God the Holy Spirit. You can love them both knowing what you now know! And

we have a far greater power in the filling of the Holy Spirit, so that we do not have to react to injustice when it happens to us. Jesus is our role model...HE ENDURED all injustice and suffering for us because He loves us!!!

Our love for God the Holy Spirit begins when we believe the Word of God taught to us in the ministry of God the Holy Spirit. Our love for God the Holy Spirit begins when we begin to learn what God the Holy Spirit did for our Lord Jesus Christ. Our love for God the Holy Spirit begins when we begin to learn how the first power option (the filling of the Spirit) that has been given to us is the same power option that sustained our Lord on the cross. So understanding the ministry of the Holy Spirit for us at salvation adds to our love for Him. Your capacity to love God the Holy Spirit is directly related to your capacity to love God the Father and God the Son for what He has done for us.

When the Bible says in [Mark 12:30](#), "You shall love the Lord your God (all three Persons) with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." it means that this can be done through the Word of God and the Power of the Holy Spirit! This is the pouring out from your soul that must happen as you grow spiritually. Loving God is a reference to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. And it is love and appreciation for God the Holy Spirit that we have been focusing on. Our love for God the Holy Spirit begins...

1. When we learn and believe the doctrine of the ministries of God the Holy Spirit.
2. When we begin to learn what God the Holy Spirit did for our Lord Jesus Christ.
3. When we begin to learn how the first power option (the filling of the Spirit) that has been given to us is the same power option that sustained our Lord on the cross.

So understanding the ministries of the Holy Spirit for us at salvation adds to our love for Him. And your capacity to love God the Holy Spirit is directly related to your capacity to love God the Father and God the Son. So knowing all of this, let the Word of God and the Power of the Holy Spirit pour out of your soul EVERY MINUTE OF EVERY DAY!!! Now you know how to do that.

Close in prayer

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