# **Power for Living**

#### The Holy Spirit at Work in the Believer

#### John 3:6-10 King James Version

- 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
- 7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.
- 8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

#### The Holy Spirit Gives New Life

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### It Isn't About a New Lifestyle, It's About New Life

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#### John 7:37-39

- 37. On the last and most important day of the festival, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone is thirsty, he should come to Me and drink!
- 38. The one who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, will have streams of <u>living</u> water flow from deep within him."

### What is Spiritual Life?

- To be awake to God and in vital contact with Him
- John 17:3 "This is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God..."
- To be able to enjoy God
- To have a heightened capacity to enjoy our life experiences
- To have an inner energy from God.

#### This Life Cannot Be Found in the Rules

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### This Life Isn't Found in Ourselves

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- **John 7:38-39** The one who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, <u>will have streams</u> of living water flow from deep within him." He said this about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were going to receive, for the Spirit had not yet been received, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

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• 2nd Corinthians 3:6 "He has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter, but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit produces life."

### This is Not an Exceptional Life, But the Normal Life

- Romans 8:14 "All those led by God's Spirit are God's sons."
- Zechariah 4:6 "Not by strength or by might, but by My Spirit," says the Lord of Hosts."

## The Spirit's Indwelling Provides a New Moral Power

• Ezekiel 36:26-27 "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will remove your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

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## Experiencing The Spirit's Life

- 1.Acceptance
- 2.Reliance
- 3.Obedience

### **Let's Pray**