



I die daily.....

Have you ever thought what it would have been like to have walked with Jesus when He was here on Earth? I traveled to the Holy Land experience in Florida a few years back. While visiting the park, one of the employees was dressed as Jesus and reenacted the “Sermon on the Mount”. It was morning time and we were sitting on the ground next to a lake and the man began to preach the sermon. I remember getting cold chills. It really must have been something on that day some 2000 years ago.

I would have loved to hear my Savior preach, or seen Him heal the blind or the crippled. I do look forward to the day that I get to meet the one that has made such a difference in my life. Christ didn't leave us alone in this world. Those that have accepted Jesus Christ as both Lord and Savior, receive His Holy Spirit. God's Spirit gives us assurance of who

we are in Christ. It's a reminder that we have been adopted into the family of God. (Rom 8:16)

As part of my growth process as a child of God I have become sensitive to the leading of God's Spirit. What a wonderful gift we have been given. Salvation alone is a gift that is without a price-tag. But God took it further and gave us The comforter. His Spirit gives us gentle tugs throughout life, not forcing anything, but illuminating the path that is best. The Spirit of God is there to bring comfort, again reminding us of who we are in Him, and then as well leading us into all truth, helping us to remember what the word of God says.

“Walk in the Spirit”, is a command to follow that guidance we receive from the Holy Spirit. I can remember I was once about to buy a trailer and immediately I got a terrible feeling in my Spirit. I didn't know why, but this was not a good move for me and my family. I listened, and I didn't press through with the purchase. 2 weeks later we were offered a house a great price. I couldn't see around the corner, but God could. I was offered a youth pastorate once, that had pay to go along with the position. I was serving in the ministry at that time without pay, and was struggling financially. I was on the road travelling to interview with the board of the church, and God made it clear in my Spirit that this wasn't His direction. It was tough for me to not take that position into consideration, but I knew God has spoken. Less than a month later, I was called to my first Pastorate. Walking in the Spirit, and building on our relationship with God but being sensitive to His leading is invaluable in this life. The same Spirit that lives in the Child of God, also hovered over the void of the Earth, and when God said “Let there be”, the Spirit of God made it so! That SAME Spirit, is living in us, with all the attributes of the Living God, and there to give us ACCESS to the Father. Give God a shout of Praise for the gift of His Holy Spirit.

I could talk all day about the benefits received from the Sprit. How He gifts us, through His Spirit. How His Spirit makes intercession with the Father in our behalf. When I don't know what to praythe Spirit of

God is there with groanings that go beyond my words. How much closer can God be, than to live within me? It doesn't get any closer. He knows when I am hurting, when I am down, He knows my thoughts, my wants, and for certain my needs.

Thank you Father, for your Spirit. Thank you for walking us through the process of growth as a child of Your Kingdom. We love you – and appreciate all you do for us.

God bless – Pastor Paul

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I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, even the Spirit of truth. [John 14:16, 17](#)

It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. [John 16:7](#)

The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God. [Rom. 8:16](#)

Ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. [Rom. 8:15](#)

The Spirit... helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. [Rom. 8:26](#)

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. [Rom. 15:13](#)

Hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. [Rom. 5:5](#)

Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. [I John 4:13](#)