

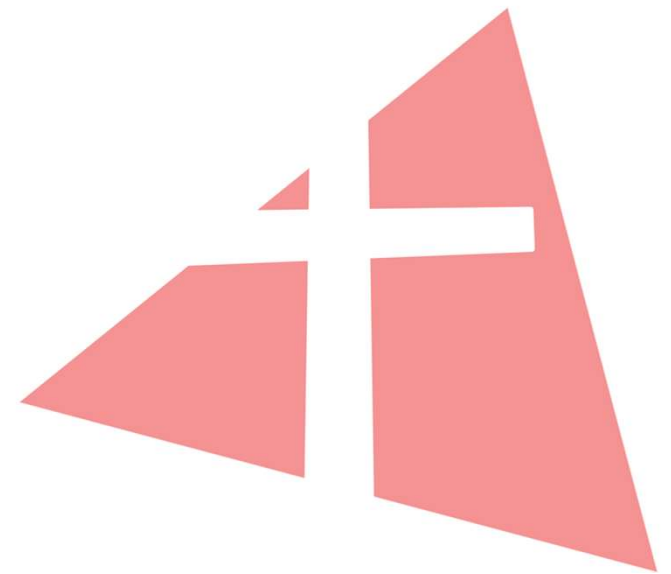
The Spirit Empowers

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Our Series

- In the NT, every Christian has the HS living inside him/her
- We know the HS lives inside of us when we develop the fruit of the Spirit
 - Not the gifts of the HS
- The Comforter
- Quenching the Spirit
- The Spirit reveals



Today's Focus

- **The Spirit empowers**

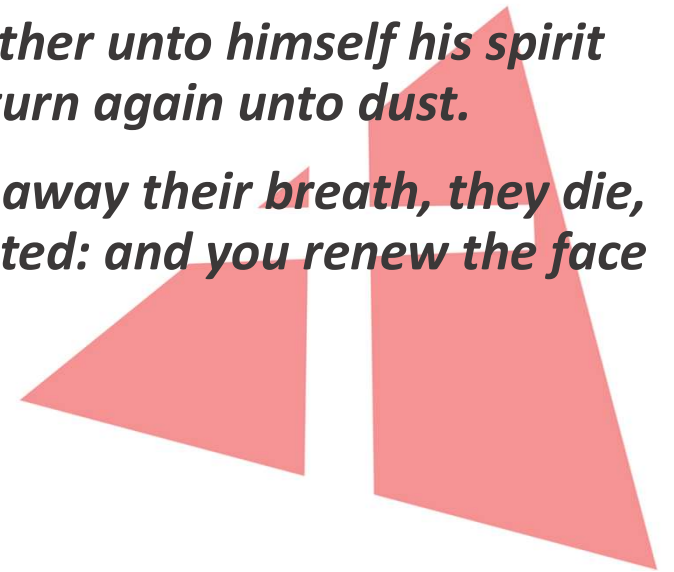


Life

- The Spirit gives physical life

Job 34:14-15 If he should set his heart upon man, if he should gather unto himself his spirit and his breath; All flesh would perish together, and man would turn again unto dust.

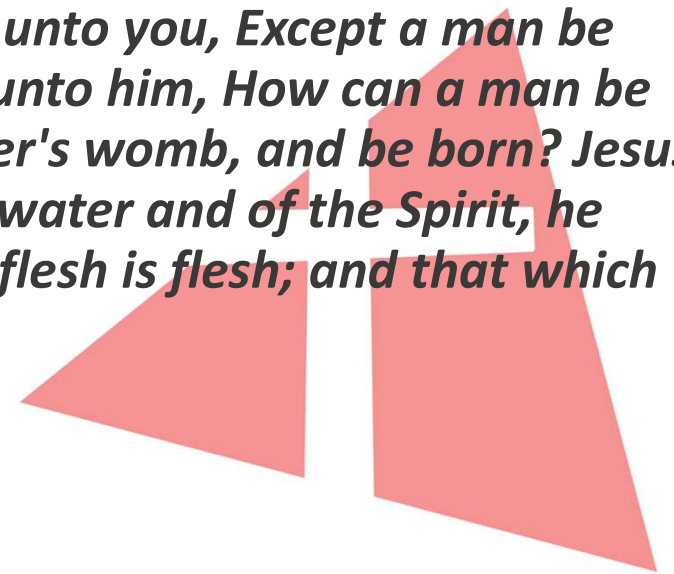
Psalms 104:29-30 You hide your face, they are troubled: you take away their breath, they die, and return to their dust. You send forth your Spirit, they are created: and you renew the face of the earth.



Life

- **The Spirit gives Spiritual life**

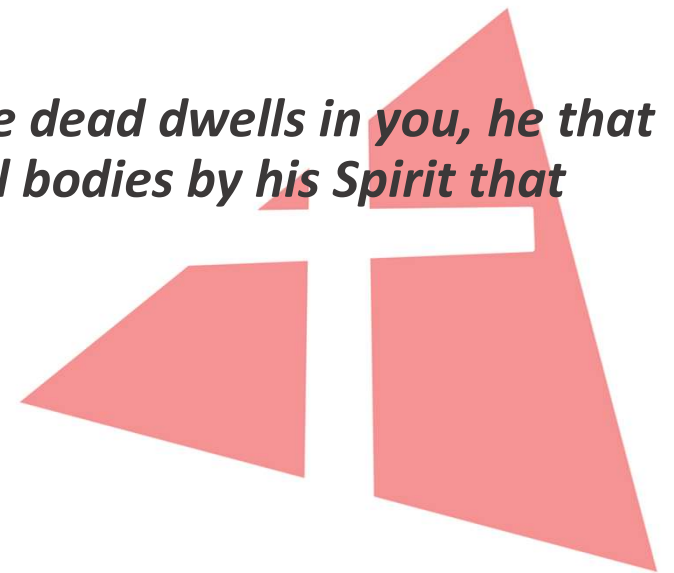
John 3:3-6 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus said unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.



Resurrection

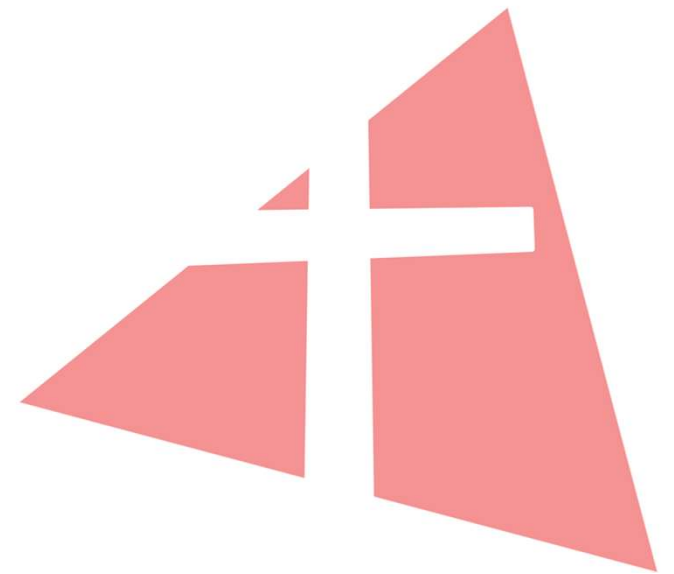
- Resurrection

Romans 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also bring to life your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwells in you.



Service

- **The Spirit gives power for service**



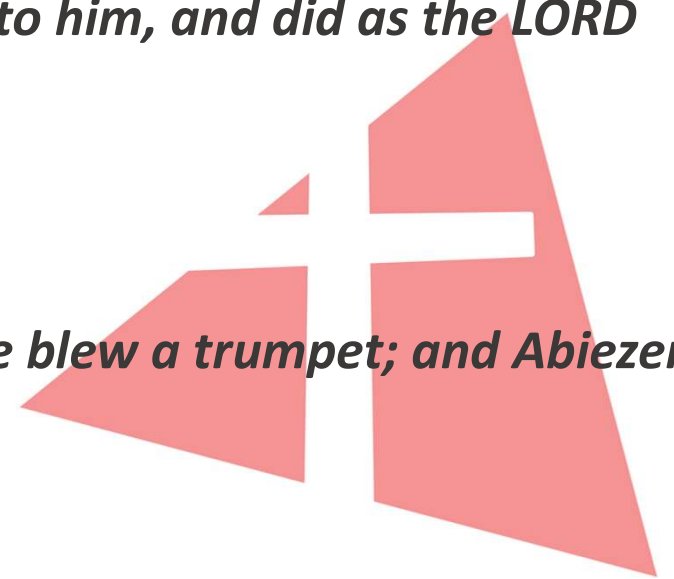
In the OT

- Leadership

Deuteronomy 34:9 And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses.

- War

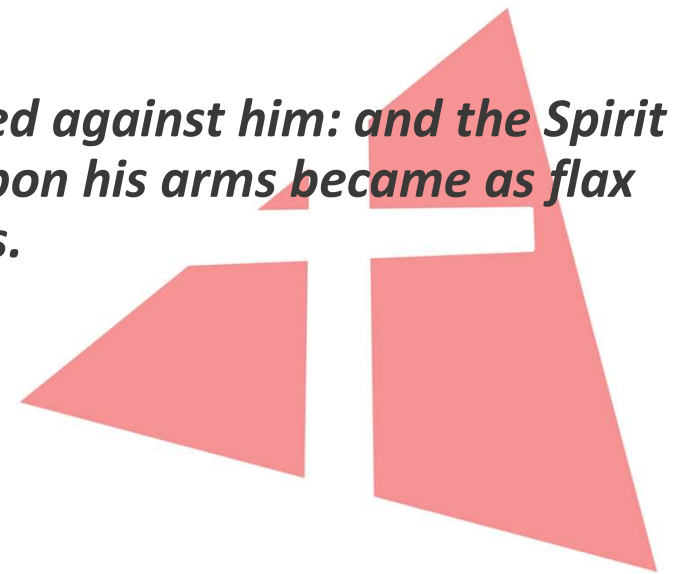
Judges 6:34 But the spirit of the LORD came upon Gideon, and he blew a trumpet; and Abiezer was gathered after him.



In the OT

- Power

Judges 15:14 And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands.



In the NT

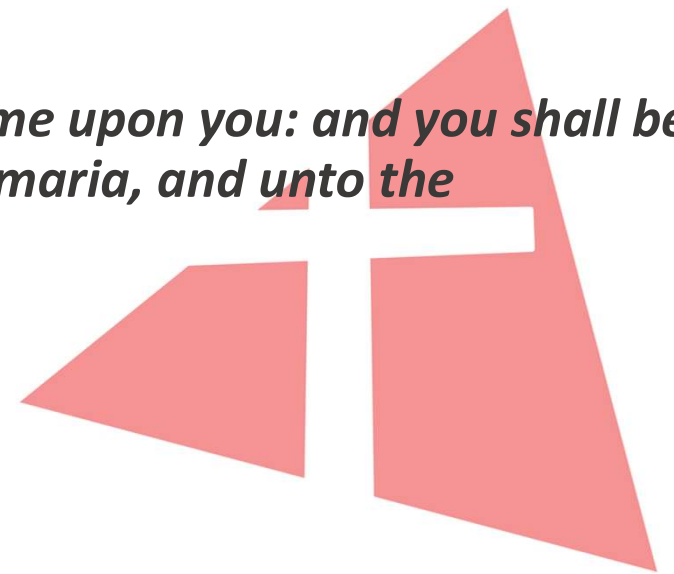
- Jesus

Luke 4:17-21 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

In the NT

- Jesus' disciples

Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power, after the Holy Spirit has come upon you: and you shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.



In the NT

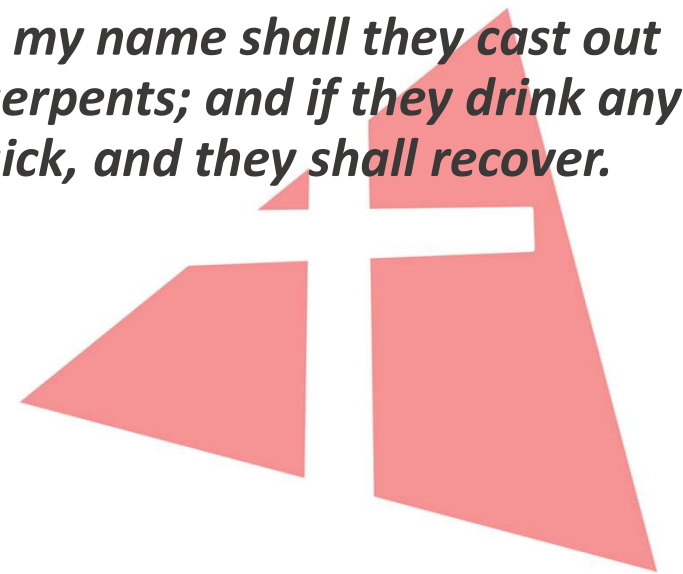
- Jesus' Followers

Romans 15:18-19 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ has not worked by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed, Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.



In the NT

Mark 16:17-18 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out demons; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.



Preaching

1 Corinthians 2:4 And my speech and my preaching were not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

Acts 4:8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said unto them, You rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

Acts 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

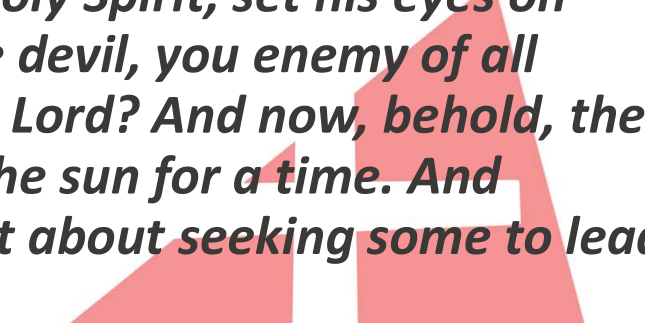
Acts 6:10 And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spoke.



Spiritual warfare

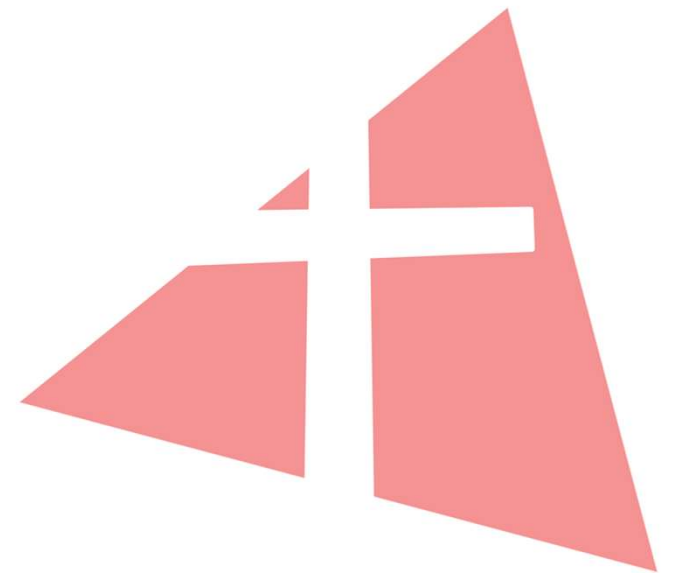
Matthew 12:28 But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

Acts 13:9-11 Then Saul, (who also is called Paul,) filled with the Holy Spirit, set his eyes on him, And said, O full of all deceit and all mischief, you child of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.



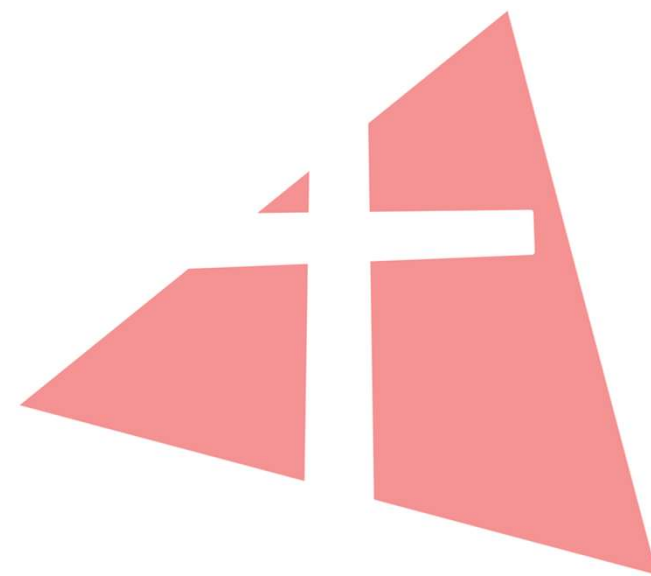
Discerning

1 Corinthians 12:10 ...to another discerning of spirits;...



Spiritual Gifts

- **That's our topic for next week(s)**



In Conclusion

- **We can't serve God in our own strength**
- **We can only do what the Spirit empowers us to do**



Closing Questions

- **What is God calling me to do for His Glory?**
- **Am I responding to His calling?**
- **How am I relying on God's power to fulfill His calling?**

