

Review:

- Foundational principles
 - A relationship with Jesus Christ, based on our repentance and his forgiveness, opens us to the Holy Spirit's presence in us. (Lesson 1)
 - The Holy Spirit is the foundational gift (Lesson 1)
 - Gifts are *given to each one for the profit of all*. (1 Cor. 12:7)
- Talents v. gifts:

“Whereas you're able to express a talent without the enabling of the Holy spirit, it's impossible to express a spiritual gift unless you're walking in the Holy Spirit and being empowered by Him.” (Lesson 2)

 - 1 Peter 5:10-11 – Use your gifts (a) to serve one another and (b) so that God is glorified through Christ (Lesson 2)
 - The key characteristic of every person who is used of God is “a humble estimation of self and a reverent esteem for God. His eyes are upon those who have a deep hunger for the bible; for they know it leads to the way of life.”
- God sent the Holy Spirit on assignment. The question we must there for ask is this: In each of our lives, what is that assignment? Why was the Spirit sent to you and what is He doing in your life? How do you get in step with Him and enjoy abundant life as Christ promised?
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Our response the Spirit can be the reason that...

- 1) we see/experiencing him working in power
- 2) we are frustrated in our walk with Christ – we don't see that stuff
- 3) *or maybe this is the reason we are in the wilderness (see Luke 4:1)*
[Remember that the wilderness experience was a prelude season for Jesus...]

The “O” word...

- Read Philippians 2:12-13
 - Look carefully at the grammar and how different parts of v. 12 relate to one another. What is the implication?
- A good word: “To ‘work out’ one's own eternal welfare or salvation does not mean that [one] can or must work and accomplish it [oneself] for God does that (verse 13); but that the believer must finish, must carry to conclusion, must apply to its fullest consequences what is already given by God in principle. The believer is called to self-activity, to the active pursuit of the will of God, to the promotion of the spiritual life in himself, to the realization of the virtues of the Christian life, and to a personal application of salvation. [S/he] must ‘work out’ what God in His grace has ‘worked in.’”¹
- “WDJD”?
 - Mark 14:35-36 – He did Jesus pray EXACTLY? Did Jesus *want* to undergo what was going to happen? What was the result of Jesus' **o** _____?
- “WDJS”?
 - Read Matthew 19:17, John 14:23

¹ Jac. J. Müller, *The Epistle of Paul to the Philippians. The New International Commentary on the New Testament*. (Grand Rapids: Wm B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1955) 91.

- What do people tend to do? How do you do this? Consider if, and how, you might do this?
 - Read Acts 7:51
“You stubborn people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are always resisting the Holy Spirit, like your ancestors did! (NRSV)
 - Read 1 Thessalonians 5:19-22
¹⁹Do not extinguish the Spirit. ²⁰Do not treat prophecies with contempt. ²¹But examine all things; hold fast to what is good. ²²Stay away from every form of evil. (NET)

- Isaiah 30:15 (NASB)
For this is what the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, has said: “In repentance and rest you will be saved, In quietness and trust is your strength.” But you were not willing...

Quietly reflect on where you think you might be resisting the Spirit’s work in your life. What is the Spirit asking of you personally? Talk to the Lord about that this week.