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*"The Spirit shows what is true and will come and guide you into the full truth."*  
(John 16:13, CEV)

*"Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit."* (Galatians 5:25)

After we ask Jesus Christ to come into our lives, it is not long before we realize that we cannot live for him in our own strength. The flesh is weak. We need to be enlightened and empowered by God's Holy Spirit, which he gives to us at the time of our conversion--a conversion from a life of sin to a life with Jesus Christ.

From that moment, God works continually inside of us to work out his will for our lives and to engage us in his plans for the world. Jesus tells us we can do if we want Christ to do his work through us, it must be done by the power of the Holy Spirit. After we ask Jesus Christ to come into our lives, it is not long before we realize that we cannot live for him in our own strength. The flesh is weak. We need to be enlightened and empowered by God's Holy Spirit, which he gives to us at the time of our conversion--a conversion from a life of sin to a life with Jesus Christ.

As we practice setting our minds on what the Spirit desires, soaking our hearts in the Word of God, and sowing to the Spirit, we reap eternal benefits as he imparts his life into our mortal bodies. His life will sweep away the tendencies to be anxious, depressed, or fearful. We will find ourselves prompted to go in a certain direction, to make a certain decision, to respond to a certain individual.

It works the same as with any form of nutrition: We must eat daily, but eating the right foods begins to bring a residual health. We become stronger and healthier. As we feed on the Word of God, we also become stronger and healthier spiritually, and the Spirit's influence in our lives becomes greater. The result is a greater dependence on the Holy Spirit for strength and direction.

## **Heart Deposit**

Ask God to give you a willing heart and mind to put into action what you are prompted to do by his Holy Spirit.

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on the Holy Spirit's guidance.***

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*"He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit."* (Romans 8:4, NLT)

*"Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, 'Abba, Father.'"* (Galatians 4:6)

*"My food' said Jesus, 'is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.'"* (John 4:34)