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“I tell you the solemn truth, the person who believes in me will perform the miraculous deeds that I am doing, and will perform greater deeds than these, because I am going to the Father.” – John 14:12

When Jesus became human to be with His twelve disciples, He was full of the Holy Spirit (Luke 4:1). Jesus healed the sick, cast out demons, raised the dead, fed thousands, walked on water, and performed other miracles in the power of the Holy Spirit.

When Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit, it was a life fully submitted to and directed by the Father. When we are filled with the Holy Spirit, it is a life fully submitted to and directed by Christ. Just as the Son is one with the Father, and the Son does nothing except for what he sees the Father do, the Spirit-filled life is the Christ-directed life by which Christ lives His life in and through us in the power of the Holy Spirit (John 15).

The Holy Spirit plays a critical role in the life of a believer from the beginning to the end. One becomes a Christian through the ministry of the Holy Spirit (John 3:1-8). From the moment of spiritual birth, the Christian is indwelt by the Holy Spirit at all times (John 1:12; Colossians 2:9, 10; John 14:16, 17). He guides us into all the truth. The Holy Spirit is the source of the overflowing life (John 7:37-39). His “job” is to glorify Christ (John 16:1-15) and to intercede on our behalf (Romans 8:27). In His last command before His ascension, Jesus promised the power of the Holy Spirit to enable us to be witnesses for Him (Acts 1:1-9).

The indwelling of the Holy Spirit is the proof that a person truly belongs to Christ (Romans 8:9). But the fullness of the Spirit enables a person to live the supernatural and abundant life as Jesus did (see Acts 2:5; 4:8, 31; 9:17; 13:9, 52)

Meditate on the following Bible passages and ask the Holy Spirit to empower you to live a supernatural life!

## **Bible Verses on Our New Life in the Holy Spirit**

“So then, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; what is old has passed away—look, what is new has come!” – 2 Corinthians 5:17

“I pray that according to the wealth of his glory he will grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner person, that Christ will dwell in your hearts through faith, so that, because you have been rooted and grounded in love.” – Ephesians 3:16-17

“Now to him who by the power that is working within us is able to do far beyond all that we ask or think, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.” – Ephesians 3:20-21

“—since the eyes of your heart have been enlightened—so that you can know what is the hope of his calling, what is the wealth of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the incomparable greatness of his power toward us who believe, as displayed in the exercise of his immense strength. This power he exercised in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms.” – Ephesians 1:18-20

“I can pray this because his divine power has bestowed on us everything necessary for life and godliness through the rich knowledge of the one who called us by his own glory and excellence.” – 2 Peter 1:3

“I am able to do all things through the one who strengthens.” – Philippians 4:13

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the farthest parts of the earth.” – Acts 1:8

“For in him we live and move about and exist, as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’” – Acts 17:28

“For we are his creative work, having been created in Christ Jesus for good works that God prepared beforehand so we can do them.” – Ephesians 2:10

“For the one bringing forth in you both the desire and the effort—for the sake of his good pleasure—is God.” – Philippians 2:13

“And this is the confidence that we have before him: that whenever we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in regard to whatever we ask, then we know that we have the requests that we have asked from him.” – 1 John 5:14-15