

Our Liquid Life in Christ

How does the Spirit of God work in the life of the believer?

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Background

- Arkansan (Woo Pig Sooie!)
- Physics (USNA '90)
- Navy Nuclear – Submarines (SSN 676)
- GWU (MS Information Management)
- Lockheed Martin Software Engineer (20 years)
- Member of IBC (~25 years)
- Elder IBC (~12 years)

IBC Constitution

1. From Article V of Immanuel's Constitution regarding statements of our faith. On God the Holy Spirit:

- At the moment of salvation the Holy Spirit comes to live within every believer forever (John 14:16; Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 1:13-14; Eph 4:30). He fills believers with His power (Acts 1:8; Ephesians 3:16), enables them to live in obedience to the will of God (Galatians 5:16-26), teaches them (1 Corinthians 2:13-15; 1 John 2:27), and gives them His gifts "to each one individually just as He wills," to serve the church (1 Corinthians 12:7-11; Romans 12:4-8; 1 Peter 4:10; Ephesians 4:11).

Liquid metaphors for Holy Spirit

- References to God's Spirit:
 - Pouring
 - Drinking
 - Filling
 - Flowing
 - Fountain
 - Breeze/Breath/Wind (alternate translation for Spirit)

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- God frees us from ourselves
 - Christ's Example of Humility
 - Humility in our life (the absence of pride)
 - God's glory rests on the humble

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- **God fills us with His Spirit**
 - What does it mean to be “filled with the Spirit?”
 - What is the Holy Spirit doing?
 - What is our response?

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 - How does HS flow through us?
 - The prime directive –Sharing Christ
 - Love, Learn, Lead

PVC (Publically Venerate Christ!)



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- What happens when I sin against God (and grieve the Holy Spirit)?
- Breath!
- Remember who you are

Discussion

- Andrew Murray observed “Christ **lost nothing** by **giving all** to God.” What are some fears you have about giving full and unfettered access to God in your life? What lies may might lurk behind that fear?
- Can you share a time when you took a step of faith and found God was faithful beyond your expectations?