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THE PERSON, THE WORK, & THE MINSITRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Theology and Me In God's Grand Design.

The Book of Acts 17:16-23

Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him when he saw that the city was given over to idols. 17 Therefore he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and with the Gentile worshipers, and in the marketplace daily with those who happened to be there. 18 Then certain Epicurean and Stoic philosophers encountered him. And some said, "What does this babbler want to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a proclaimer of foreign gods," because he preached to them Jesus and the resurrection. :19 And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new doctrine is of which you speak? 20 For you are bringing some strange things to our ears. Therefore we want to know what these things mean." 21 For all the Athenians and the foreigners who were there spent their time in nothing else but either to tell or to hear some new thing. :22 Then Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus and said, "Men of Athens, I perceive that in all things you are very religious; 23 for as I was passing through and considering the objects of your worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO THE UNKNOWN GOD.... Therefore, the One whom you worship without knowing, Him I proclaim to you: 24 God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. 25 Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things. 26 And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their pre-appointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, 27 so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; 28 for in Him we live and move and have our being, as also some of your own poets have said, "For we are also His offspring."

The Biblical Doctrine of (the) Incarnation – which teaches that God, who is a Spirit, would communicate to us that He would come to us, His creation (humanity), and reveal Himself to us by dwelling among us - is an absolutely glorious truth!

THEOLOGY IS THE STUDY OF GOD.

But the God that we are studying - - made it easy...

John 1:1-3,14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made... :**14** And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

1 John 1:1-3

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— 2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— 3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

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9.) Theology and Me – how it all works

Acts 17:28

For in Him we live

and (in Him we) move and (in Him we) have our being,

live grk: zao; to live, to be alive, to be aware of life/living. to get a living, to get a life, to get a lived – (to come into a life that is worth living because the life you have is greater than you)

Ephesians 2:1

And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,

Colossians 2:13

And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has **made alive** together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, **move grk: kineo**; to be aroused, shaken or awaken from sleep, to be stirred up, surprised by an announcement of call to arms, call to action.

Ephesians 2:2-10

In which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, 3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. :4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), 6 and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.
8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Acts 17:28c and (in Him we) have our being,

Being grk: esmen / are, person, body aware, mind aware, spirit aware.

John 16:7

Nevertheless I tell you the truth. **It is to your advantage** that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.

The Ministry and Work of the Holy Spirit is needed now like never before in our lives

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9a.) Walking in the Holy Spirit

Galatians 5:22-25

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. 24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

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9b.) Serving by the Holy Spirit

Acts 1:7-8

And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. 8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Acts 19:1-7

And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul, having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus. And finding some disciples 2 he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" So they said to him, "We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit." :3 And he said to them, "Into what then were you baptized?" So they said, "Into John's baptism." :4 Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." :5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 6 And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. 7 Now the men were about twelve in all.

Acts 8:14-17

Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, 15 who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. 16 For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 17 Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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9c.) Sealed by the Holy Spirit

Salvation's Security is Guaranteed Ephesians 1:13-14

In Him you also trusted, after you (1) heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having (2) believed, you were (3) sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, 14 who is the (4) guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the (5) purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.

sealed grk: phragizo; from 4973; *to seal:* —put a seal (1), seal up(2), sealed(9), set a seal(3).

John 10:27-30

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. 28 And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My **hand**. 29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's **hand**. 30 I and My Father are one."

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9d.) Taught by the Holy Spirit

John 16:12-15

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. **13** However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. **14** He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. **15** All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.

1 John 2:18-20

Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. **19** They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us. :**20** But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things.

1 John 2:26-27

These things I have written to you concerning those who try to deceive you. **27** But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.

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9e.) Indwelt by the Holy Spirit

Ezekiel 36:26-27

I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. **27** I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

Ezekiel's Prophecy is fulfilled in John's Gospel...

John 20:19-22

Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. :21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

John 14:16-18

And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— **17** the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. **18** I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

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9f.) Sanctified by the Holy Spirit

James 1:2-5

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, **3** knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. **4** But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. **5** If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

How the Holy Spirit sanctifies you throughout life. (Holiness)

As an example, the WUHAN VIRUS / COVID-19 Man had his reasons for managing this mess by whatever man-reason he had -- But God used it to EXPOSE WHAT WAS UNDER THE SURFACE. Physically speaking, Covid 19 caused this and that in the realm of this physical world – but in the realm of the spirit, Covid 19 passed through the camp of believers and revealed our true identity.

1 Peter 1:5-6

You who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. :6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, 8 whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, 9 receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

Having The Holy Spirit vs. The Holy Spirit Having You

Luke 11:5-13

And He said to them, "Which of you shall have a friend, and go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves; 6 for a friend of mine has come to me on his journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; 7 and he will answer from within and say, "Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you'? 8 I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs :9 "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 11 If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? 13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" (the epi experience)

Let's Lay Hands On & Let's Ask

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