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Introduction

In Romans 8:1 it says, **“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.”**

How do we walk after the Spirit? There is a lot more to walking after the Spirit than what many Christians understand. What men teach is not always what the Holy Spirit teaches. We need to be taught by the Holy Spirit, if we want to know what the Scriptures are telling us.

In John 6:45, Jesus said, **“It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God...”** In 1 John 2:27 it says, **“But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.”** This is talking about abiding in the Holy Spirit.

How can the Holy Spirit teach us all things, if we do not abide in the Holy Spirit? How do we abide in the Holy Spirit if we have not received the Holy Spirit after we were born again into the body of Christ?

We must first receive the Holy Spirit in a similar way as we received Jesus Christ as our LORD and Savior. When we received Jesus as our LORD we did it by asking Jesus to come into our lives and be our LORD. When we asked Jesus to become LORD in our lives, we received Him as LORD. The word LORD, means “supreme in authority.”

When Jesus is “supreme in authority” in our lives, He makes the decisions as to what we should do. We no longer make the decisions in our lives as we did before we were born again. If we keep making the decisions as to what we do and how we do it, then we are “supreme in authority,” in our lives, not Jesus. Making Jesus supreme in authority in our lives is the beginning of our new life in Christ Jesus.

But, that is not all there is to walking after the Spirit. Jesus is not the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit is not Jesus. Therefore, what it tells us in Romans 8:1, is that it is the Holy Spirit that we should be walking after.

Now the question is, how do we walk after the Holy Spirit? In Romans 8:14, it says, **“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.”** If we are to be led by the Holy Spirit, then we must follow the Holy Spirit, as He leads us. Following someone and walking after someone is the same thing. When we follow the Holy Spirit, we will be walking after the Holy Spirit (with the Holy Spirit leading us as we follow).

Therefore, for Christians to be led by the Holy Spirit they must first receive the Holy Spirit the same way they received Jesus and became **“born again of the Word and the Holy Spirit”** (1 Peter 1:23, John 3:5,6).

Jesus’ disciples were first born again in John 20:20, when Jesus breathed upon them and said, **“Receive ye the Holy Spirit.”** Then, forty days later in Acts 1:4,5, it says, **“And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me...For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.”**

Baptized means “completely submerged.” Being completely submerged in the Holy Spirit, means that we are in the Holy Spirit. Being filled with the Holy Spirit means that the Holy Spirit is in us.

As we study Acts, Chapter Two, we will see that the disciples were both baptized in the Holy Spirit and filled with the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Day. From that day forth in the lives of those

disciples, it was up to them (each one personally), to walk after the Holy Spirit. This is the same with Christians today. To walk after the Spirit, Christians must be filled with the Spirit and baptized in the Holy Spirit.

When Christians are baptized in the Holy Spirit, there is usually the evidence of speaking in tongues (Acts 2:4). If they are not baptized (submerged), in the Holy Spirit it may not be possible for them to walk after the Spirit.

Taught by God

In John 6:45, Jesus said, **“It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God...”** How were the disciples first taught by God? It is simple, they did what Jesus told them to do.

The first thing they did was to obey Jesus when He said to them, **“Follow Me”** (Matt. 4:18-22, 9:9; John 1:43). These disciples all left their families and followed Jesus.

In following Jesus, they saw what Jesus did and heard what Jesus said. When they asked Jesus questions, He answered them, explaining what He did and what they should also do. These disciples saw Jesus with their eyes, and they heard Him with their ears. Yet, many things He taught them was not according to their natural understanding.

Jesus taught many things by parables, using figurative speaking, types and shadows, and examples of things in this life. That is the same way God teaches a lot of things throughout the Old Testament and New Testament.

In one example in Mark 4:1-8, Jesus gave the parable of the seed and the sower to those around Him. Then later, Jesus explained the parable of the seed and the sower to His disciples in Mark 4:13-20.

In another example, Jesus talked in figurative language in John 15:1-7, when He said to His disciples, **“I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman...Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit...Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you...Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me...I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing...If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned...If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.”**

When Christians understand what Jesus was saying, they will also understand how to be led by the Holy Spirit, and walk after the Holy Spirit.

What Jesus was saying in John 15:1-7, is this: (1) Christians are like the branches on a vine. (2) God the Father is like the husbandman that takes care of the vine. (3) Jesus is like the vine itself.

When the branches of the vine do not produce any fruit, God the Father removes them from the vine. When some of the branches bear some fruit, God the Father works on them, removing those things that keep the branches from bearing more fruit.

Then Jesus said, He is the Vine, and born again Christians are the branches. The branches cannot do anything without the Vine. For the branches to bear fruit, the life in the branches must come from the Vine. The life in the Vine comes from the Roots of the Vine, (which is God the Father). Jesus said in John 5:26, **“For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself.”** The eternal life that was in Jesus came from the Father. The eternal life that is in Christians came from the Father, through Jesus into those in the body of Christ.

The life that is in the Roots, flows through the Vine into the Branches, and the fruit grows on the Branches. For the fruit to mature and bring forth good fruit, the branches must get their life from the Vine, and the Vine must get it's life from the Root.

Therefore, Jesus said, unless Christians abide in Him, and His Words abide in them, they cannot bear fruit. The Words that Jesus was speaking of were the very life of the Branches.

Eternal life is in the Word of God, which is the Seed of the new birth. Why is it that way? Because Christians are Born again of the incorruptible Word of God by the Holy Spirit (1 Peter 1:23; John 3:5,6).

Jesus is the incorruptible Word of God. The eternal life of a Christian came from the Seed, which is the Word of God. The Seed received it's life by the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, that which is born of the Spirit is spirit (John 3:6). This is why Jesus said, **"Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me"** (John 15:4). If the life of the Vine is not flowing through the branches, they cannot bear any fruit.

Then Jesus went on to explain, **"I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing"** (John 15:5).

By saying, **"...for without me ye can do nothing,"** Jesus was saying, without Him we cannot bear any fruit in the Kingdom of God.

Then Jesus went on to explain, **"If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned"** (John 15:6). If Christians do not bear fruit in the Kingdom of God, they can be taken out of the Kingdom. That is not good to say the least.

But, then Jesus added the good part, saying, **"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you"** (John 15:7). Whatsoever we need to bear fruit will come from the Father, through the Son (which is to say, from the Root through the Vine, into the Branches). Yet, the Branches must do their part for the fruit to mature and become good fruit.

Christians are important in bringing more fruit into the Kingdom of God. Christians must do their part, just as the Father did His part and the Son did His part.

What Christians need to understand is that God the Father did His part when He sent Jesus into this world, born of a virgin woman and the Holy Spirit. Jesus did His part when He did the will of God the Father.

Jesus never did His own will. In John 5:30, Jesus said, **"I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me."**

This is how that Christians must be led by the Holy Spirit and walk after the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:1,14). Christians must be led by the Holy Spirit in everything they do. Christians must walk after the Holy Spirit and not after the flesh. Christians cannot bear fruit by doing their own will. They must be doing the will of Jesus and the Father.

When Jesus completed everything the Father sent Him into the world to do, Jesus went back to be with the Father. Then Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to carry out the works that are to be done within the Body of Christ. In Acts 1:1,2 says, **"The former treatise (The Gospel of Luke), have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach...Until the day in which he was taken up (Acts 1:9), after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen."** After Jesus was taken up in Acts 1:9, He sent the Holy Spirit in Acts 2:4, to finish those things that He could not do before He was taken up.

Jesus told His disciples of the coming of the Holy Spirit in John 16:12-14, saying, **"I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now...Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but**

whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come...He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you."

Then Jesus reminded His disciples of the coming of the Holy Spirit in Acts 1:4,5. In Acts 1:8, Jesus said, **"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."** How does this power work? It works by the anointing, This is explained in 1 John 2:27, saying, **"But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him."**

For this anointing to teach us all things, we must abide in the Holy Spirit. If we are not baptized (submerged), in the Holy Spirit, how can we abide in the Holy Spirit? To abide in the Holy Spirit we must be baptized in the Holy Spirit. This is so simple, that those who think they are someone great in the body of Christ usually miss the most important part. That is "the anointing."

Jesus Himself, did not do any teaching or miracles until He received the Holy Spirit at about the age of thirty (Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:10; Luke 3:22). Christians who think they can do the same works that Jesus did without the baptism in the Holy Spirit could be deceived.

Today, Christians cannot follow Jesus like the disciples followed Jesus, for Jesus is no longer here in the flesh. He has gone to be at the right-hand of the Father in heaven. Therefore, the Holy Spirit was sent to continue doing what Jesus began to do, before He went to be with the Father.

Now that Christians are born again of the Word of God and the Holy Spirit and have eternal life in Christ Jesus, they are to walk after the Holy Spirit in the realm of the Spirit. In the realm of the Spirit, we cannot see God. But we can know God by His Word and the leading and teaching of the Holy Spirit within us.

We must learn how the Holy Spirit helps, guides, comforts, leads, and teaches us. When we know how the Holy Spirit does these things we can walk after the Spirit and not after the flesh.

The Holy Spirit does things the same way Jesus did things when He called certain people to follow Him. If Christians will receive the Holy Spirit the same way they received the LORD, they can also be led by the Holy Spirit and taught by the Holy Spirit the same way Jesus' disciples were taught by Jesus.

When we receive the Holy Spirit, He immediately starts working in our lives. We must learn to listen to our Spirit, not our mind. The Holy Spirit works from our spirit, not from our minds.

What Christians should do is the same as the disciples of Jesus did. Christians should watch and observe what the Holy Spirit is doing today. Then Christians should talk to the Holy Spirit, and ask Him questions concerning what is happening in the world, and in our lives individually.

When the disciples of Jesus did not understand what Jesus was saying to the multitudes, they asked Jesus to explain to them what He meant? When they asked Jesus, He explained it to them so they could understand it. The Holy Spirit will do the same as Jesus did, if Christians will ask Him.

Jesus said in John 15:7, **"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."** There is a condition in what Jesus said. That is, **"...if we would abide in His Word, and His Words would abide in us..."** then, we can ask anything, and it will be done.

Asking what we will includes, ***"asking the Holy Spirit to teach us and reveal to us what we need to know, so we can do what the Father and the Son would have us do."***

What would the disciples of Jesus have learned if they had never asked Jesus to explain things to them? The same applies to Christians today. What will Christians learn about spiritual

things if they never ask the Holy Spirit to explain spiritual things to them?

Christians should be talking to the Holy Spirit and asking the Holy Spirit everyday, things that they do not understand. The Holy Spirit will teach us, and reveal things to us, *“if we ask Him.”* The Holy Spirit will do anything we ask Him *“according to God’s will.”* (James 1:5). If we ask things that are not according to the will of God, the Holy Spirit may not answer us (James 4:3).

Therefore, we must get to know what the will of God is for us here on earth. Then ask the Holy Spirit to help us do the will of God here on earth.

The Holy Spirit has already told us things that we need to do in the Scriptures. In Romans 12:1-3, it says, **“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service...And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God...For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.”** This is a good place to start learning the will of God for our lives.

According to Romans 12:1, if we have sickness and disease in our physical bodies, it is our responsibility to do something about it. God has already done His part in making it possible for us to do our part.

God sent His Son, Jesus Christ into this world as a man in the flesh to take upon Himself all our sickness, diseases, and infirmities, that we could receive salvation from the works of the enemy in our bodies. Now it is up to us, to study the Scriptures, and see what we should do about our physical bodies. When we do our part, we can live in health all the days of our lives.

Before we can do everything it tells us in Romans 12:1 concerning our bodies, we must do what it tells us in Romans 12:2. We must stop trying to live like the world lives. We must renew our mind upon the written Word of God, so that we no longer live by the knowledge of good and evil.

The way the world lives today is by the knowledge of good and evil that came upon mankind in the garden of Eden. In 1 John 5:8 it says, **“And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water (the Word), and the blood: and these three agree in one.”** These three witnesses are for us today. Not the Old Covenant witness of two or three men (Deu. 20:15). When we renew our minds and live “by the leading of the Holy Spirit, the written Word of God, and the blood of Jesus,” we can control what happens in our physical bodies according to Romans 12:1.

The process of renewing our mind is dependent upon us “being taught and led by the Holy Spirit,” not by the knowledge of good and evil. To be free of the knowledge of good and evil, we must do what we are told in Romans 8:1,2, where it says, **“There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit...For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.”**

The law of sin and death came when Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil in the garden of Eden (Gen. 2:16,17; 3:6,17). The law of sin and death is revealed in Genesis 2:17. Where it says, **“But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die”** (Gen. 2:17). The words **“surely die”** are speaking of two deaths (eternal separation from God and physical death of the flesh). Neither of these two deaths overtook mankind when Adam and Eve ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. But, they did become resident within mankind from the day Adam and Eve ate of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

Why didn't Adam and Eve die the day they ate of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil? Because God had a plan for every individual person born of the flesh into this world. God's plan included a second birth into the Spirit of Christ, which is a new creation of mankind (John 3:5-7; 2 Cor.5:17). Every person is given an opportunity to receive eternal life in Christ Jesus. God searches the hearts of every individual person to see the desires of their heart. By the desires of their heart, God works to help them receive eternal life in Christ Jesus.

As an example, the LORD God saw the desires of the heart of Abel in Genesis, 4:1-4. Abel was making an offering to the LORD by faith. Hebrews 11:4 says, **“By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.”** The LORD also saw the desires of the heart of Cain, Abel's older brother.

In Genesis 4:5-7 it says, **“But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wrath, and his countenance fell...And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wrath? and why is thy countenance fallen?...If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.”** The LORD told Cain that Satan was at his door, trying to get him to follow the Devil. Cain needed to make a choice between the LORD and the Devil. Cain made the wrong choice. Therefore in 1 John 3:11,12, it tells us, **“For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another...Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.”** Why does it say that Cain was of the wicked one? It says in Romans 6:16, **“Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?”** Cain yielded himself to serve the Devil, when he did not resist the thoughts that the Devil put in his mind.

Cain was the firstborn son of Adam and Eve (Gen. 4:1). Abel was the second son of Adam and Eve (Gen. 4:2). Abel's heart was to do the will of God, therefore he made an offering to the LORD of that which he possessed from his labors. Cain also made an offering of that which he possessed from his labors. Abel's heart was right with the LORD, but Cain's heart was not right with the LORD. Therefore, the Devil was able to control what Cain did in his offering and in his response to the LORD when his heart was revealed to him by the LORD (Gen. 4:6,7). Cain obeyed the Devil, rather than obeying the LORD.

Everyday, everyone born into this world has a choice to make between the knowledge of good and evil, and the LORD. The Holy Spirit is always looking at the hearts of people, to see what is the desire of their heart? Then the Holy Spirit tries to help them make the right choice and choose life over death, righteousness over sin (Ex. 30:19; Rom. 6:16).

Even after a person makes the right choice and chooses to receive Jesus Christ into their lives as their LORD, Satan still continues to put thoughts in their minds to sin against God, so he can gain control in their lives. That is why it is so important that Christians follow the instructions in Romans 12:1-3. If Christians do not follow their instructions in Romans 12:1-3, and they give place for the Devil in their lives, they also can be deceived by the spirits of this world.

There is a lot more for Christians to do than what is mentioned in Romans 12:1-3, but it is a good place to start. If we do what it tells us in Romans 12:1-3, the Holy Spirit will help us in every area of our lives. If Christians are not willing to do what they are told in Romans 12:1-3, they will hinder the Holy Spirit from working in their lives.

Going back to Romans 8:1,2, when Christians do not walk after the Spirit, they hinder God

from working in their lives. In Romans 8:5 it says, **“For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.”** Then in Romans 8:6,7 it says, **“For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace...Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.”** Therefore, when Christians walk after the flesh, they put themselves right back under the law of sin and death, and Satan has a place in their lives.

To stay free, once we have been set free, we must walk after the Holy Spirit, and not after the flesh. We must be led by the Holy Spirit and not by the five senses of the natural man of the flesh. When we are led by the Holy Spirit, we will walk in agreement with the Word of God and the Blood of Jesus.

The benefits of Walking after the Holy Spirit

Once a born again Christian receives the baptism in the Holy Spirit with the evidenced of speaking in tongues, they have *“the power of God within them”* (Acts 1:8). Without this power of the Holy Spirit within us, we cannot be taught by God. Many born again Christians are living and attending Churches today that do not have the Holy Spirit within them.

I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit on May 7, 1981. Once I received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, things started to happen in my life that I did not do of my own ability. It was the LORD working in me and through me by the anointing of the Holy Spirit. One of the first things that happened, took place only weeks after I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

I was doing what I could of my own ability to operate my business honestly. I never believed it was right to over-charge anyone. I paid my bills, and got along on the income I was making the best I could. Yet I was not taking in enough money at the time to pay my upcoming bills. I knew I needed about three-thousand dollars by the fifteenth of June. I only had about six-hundred on the day following memorial day, which was the last Tuesday of the month of May. I knew that within about two weeks I needed about three-thousand dollars.

On the last Tuesday of the month of May, 1981, (without my saying anything to the LORD concerning my need for the money to pay my upcoming bills), there came from my spirit these words, *“Send a certain individual one hundred dollars!”* It was not an audible voice, but it was the same as if it was. I knew I needed about three thousand dollars by the fifteenth of June and didn't have anywhere near that amount. Without thinking, I said, *“LORD, I don't have one hundred dollars to spare.”*

The next day, about noon, from my spirit came these same words, *“Send a certain individual one hundred dollars!”* I said, *“LORD, I don't have one hundred dollars to send, I need three thousand dollars by the fifteenth of June, if I had it, You know I would send it.”* After I said that, I began to check all the money I had. I totaled everything up, my home money, my personal checking account, my shop checking account, and my shop cash. I had about six hundred dollars total.

Again, on Thursday about noon, from my spirit came these same words, *“Send a certain individual one hundred dollars!”* This time I answered, *“LORD, I'll send the money, but You will have to take care of the three thousand dollars I need by the fifteenth of June.”* I wrote out the check and went to the corner mail box and mailed it. When I was entering the door to the shop the telephone was ringing. I got one phone call after another for service work.

I started working long hours every day, trying to get all the jobs done on time. By the fifteenth of June I had over three thousand dollars. By the first of July I had another one thousand dollars, and by the end of July I took in about five thousand dollars more than any year previous during those three months.

The LORD cares about everything in our lives. The LORD wants to meet our everyday needs, by the anointing of the Holy Spirit within us. Following that experience, I found that I did not need to work hours and hours to find the problems in the Television sets I was repairing. The thought came to me one day, *“The LORD knows everything. Therefore, I can ask the LORD to show me what the problem is in the Television sets that I needed to repair, and He will show me.”* I began laying my hands upon each television set before I started to work on them. I would say, *“LORD, You know what is wrong with this television set, show me what to do. Thank You Jesus!”* By the time I had the television set opened up, I knew which part had failed, and I changed the part and the television set

was working. It saved me many hours of tracing down the circuits to locate the parts that caused the television sets to fail.

The LORD wants us to live *“in peace and joy”* while doing His will here on earth. In Romans 14:17 it says, **“For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.”** It is not “how will we make a living so we have food to eat and shelter from the elements of this world.” It is all about, letting the Holy Spirit become our source and supply of everything we have need of.

Every day in our lives we should be asking the LORD to help us when we need help. Jesus said in John 16:24 **“Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.”** The LORD wants to help us when we need something.

One day I was helping a brother in the LORD repair his storm door. We took off the handle and adjusted the door. We laid the parts on a concrete slab while we worked on the door. Then when we were putting the handle back on we could not find one of the screws for the handle. We looked everywhere we could. We even got a magnet and used that to check if the screw may have fallen off the concrete into the grass. We could not find the screw anywhere.

Then I asked the LORD, *“LORD, help me to find that screw.”* Then I said, *“Thank You LORD!”* When I looked down, I saw the screw laying on the concrete right where the two of us had looked first, before getting the magnet to search for it in the grass. How did the screw get there? It wasn't there when we first looked there for it.

The LORD has ways of doing things beyond our ability. Nothing is too hard for the LORD. If we will ask the LORD, He will do things for us that we cannot do ourselves in the natural. Sometimes the LORD may send an angel to do what we need done.

When we are first born again by receiving Jesus Christ as our LORD and Savior, we enter into the body of Christ (John 3:3). Following that, we need to receive the Holy Spirit to enter into the Kingdom of God, where the Holy Spirit is in control of everything we do (John 3:5).

Multitudes of Christians have never received the Holy Spirit with the power to become witnesses unto Jesus (Acts 1:8). Therefore, they are still walking after the flesh, and not after the Holy Spirit. They are following the teachings of men, and not being taught by the Holy Spirit. Their lives are still controlled by the knowledge of good and evil, rather than by God working in them and through them to do His perfect will. In Philippians 2:13 it says, **“For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.”**

Once the LORD went to be with the Father, He sent the Holy Spirit to work within us to do the will of God the Father. Now it is up to us to receive the Holy Spirit as our helper, guide, comforter, leader, and teacher. Why? So that the Holy Spirit can work all things together for our good (Rom. 8:28).

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