

# Recap

Focusing on the daily activity of the Holy Spirit

- **Water** – the Holy Spirit refreshes and restores us; He gives us life
- **Fire** – the Holy Spirit refines us
  - **He purifies our hearts** – makes our character more like the character of Jesus (Gal 5.22-23)
  - **He strengthens our faith** – deepens our trust in the Father
- **Oil** – anoints; the Holy Spirit empowers us to bear fruit that will last/to do the work the Father has called us to do



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# John 14.16-17:

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth.



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# Another Advocate

- **Advocate** - one who is called to someone's aid; someone called alongside to help another
- **Another** – implies that disciples currently had an Advocate (Jesus)
- The Holy Spirit carries on the ministry of Jesus:
  - **To the world** – just as Jesus was empowered by the Holy Spirit for the work of ministry so is the Church
  - **To the Church** – the Holy Spirit is to us what Jesus was to the 12 disciples



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# Another Advocate

The Holy Spirit comes alongside us to help us (to carry on the ministry of Jesus to the world and to the Church):

- Refreshes us
- Refines us
- Empowers us
- Leads us into the truth (John 16.13)
- Guides us (Gal 5.25)
- Reminds of our adoption (Rom 8.15-17)
- Pours the Father's love into our hearts (Rom 5.5)



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# Our Daily Responsibility

- **To call on the Holy Spirit** – to ask Him to come alongside us and help us
- **We don't call on Him because:**
  - **We are proud** – we like our independence and to ask for help is to acknowledge neediness; God opposes proud but gives grace to humble
  - **It is not in our routine** – be intentional; add some structure i.e. a reminder on your phone
  - **Our lives don't seem very spiritual** – seems weird to ask the Holy Spirit for help with most of the stuff we do everyday; ask Him to come alongside you in everything that matters to you



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# Our Daily Responsibility

- **To surrender** – to cease resistance and give ourselves to the control of another; to give something up/hand something over to another
  - Act of giving the Holy Spirit more territory in our lives
  - Much of our lives don't seem very spiritual because much of our lives are not surrendered to God



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# Prayer of Surrender

Father, I thank You for being my Rock and my Refuge; the One I can lean on and run to.

Thank You for being a Good Father whom I can trust with all of my life.

Thank You for demonstrating Your love for me by sending Jesus to die in my place in order to make reconciliation with You possible.



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# Prayer of Surrender

As I take this communion:

- I surrender my whole self to You: my heart, my mind, my will, my emotions, my body, and my desires.
- I surrender every person in my life to You.
- I surrender every situation in my life to You.
- I surrender my time, my money, and my energy to You.
- I surrender my past, my present, and my future to You.
- I surrender to You every concern I have, every fear I have, every doubt I have, all confusion I have, all sadness I have, each wound I have, and all anxiety and worry.



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# Prayer of Surrender

As I have emptied myself, and surrendered everything to You, I ask You now, Father, to fill me with Your Holy Spirit and all the gifts and fruit of Your Spirit.

Holy Spirit, come alongside me to help me with \_\_\_\_\_.



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