

The Spirit of Jesus

Assumption

Only Jesus can perform miracles
because only Jesus was the son
of God.

Jesus didn't perform miracles
because of his divinity.

He performed miracles despite
his humanity.

Too often, Christians limit faith
and discipleship
to what our flesh will allow.

Mark 6: 35 By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. “This is a remote place,” they said, “and it’s already very late. 36 Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.”

Mark 6: 37 But he answered, “**You give them something to eat.**”

They said to him, “That would take more than **half a year’s wages!** Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?”

By what power was Jesus able
to do and say
what he did in spite of his
humanity?

Isaiah 11: There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

2 And the **Spirit** of the Lord shall rest upon him, the **Spirit** of wisdom and understanding, the **Spirit** of counsel and might, the **Spirit** of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

Luke 4: He unrolled the scroll and found the
place where it was written,

Luke 1: He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, 14 And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, 15 for he will be great before the Lord...he will be **filled with the Holy Spirit**, even from his mother's womb...17 and he will go before him in the **spirit and power** of Elijah

Luke 4: 18 “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me...

Matthew 3: 16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the **Spirit of God** descending like a dove and coming to rest on him...

Acts 10: 37 You yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the **Holy Spirit and with power.**

Jesus' life was not recorded to
show us what we CAN'T do
because of our humanity.

It was recorded to show us what
we CAN do because of God's
divinity.

Ephesians 1: 18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, 19 and **his incomparably great power for us who believe.**

Ephesians 1: That power is the same as the mighty strength **20 he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead** and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms...

Romans 8: 9 You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. 10 But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, **the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.**

Romans 8: 11 And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is **living in you**, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies **because of his Spirit who lives in you.**

Through the power of the Holy
Spirit...

We overcome the world.

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37 In **all these things** we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

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God gives us all things through
the Spirit

so that by the Spirit we may
overcome all things

because the Spirit convicts us of
God's love for us.

Through the power of the Holy
Spirit...

We partner with God in mission
and ministry.

1 Corinthians 3: 9 For we are co-workers
(**sunergos-to work together**) in God's service;
you are God's field, God's building.

Through the power of the Holy
Spirit...

Our service is strengthened by
God's strength.

1 Corinthians 12: 4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working (energema), but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work (energeo).

Acts 2: 42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.

46 They **broke bread** in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts

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Spirit...

Our witness is emboldened.

Acts 2: 31 After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

In order to be empowered by the
Holy Spirit
we must learn to open ourselves
up to the Spirit's power.



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“God breathes into every individual a spirit that can be filled with understanding, a spirit that rolls over the tongue in a flood of peculiar eloquence, a spirit that can be the locus of holiness, or, under the care of the careless, a commodity that can be traded for lucre(money gained in a dishonest way).

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