

# Why Should I Care?

## THE GOD WE GET WRONG

### Benefit #1

The Holy Spirit Gives \_\_\_\_\_ In Life

\_\_\_\_\_ Your Life

**John 3:6** "Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life." (NLT)

**2 Corinthians 5:16** So we have stopped evaluating others from a human point of view. At one time we thought of Christ merely from a human point of view. How differently we know him now! **17** This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! **18** And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. **19** For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. **20** So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!" (NLT)

\_\_\_\_\_ Your Mind

**John 14:26** "But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you

everything and will remind you of everything I have told you." (NLT)

\_\_\_\_\_ Your Desires

**Galatians 5:19** When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, **20** idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, **21** envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God. **22** But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! **24** Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. (NLT)

### Benefit #2

The Holy Spirit Builds \_\_\_\_\_

In My Life

\_\_\_\_\_ Of Truth

**John 15:26** "But I will send you the Advocate—the Spirit of truth. He will come to you from the Father and will testify all about me." (NLT)

**John 14:6** Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." (NLT)

**Ephesians 4:21** Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, **22** throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. **23** Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. **24** Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy. *(NLT)*

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### In Obedience

**1 John 3:23** And this is his commandment: We must believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he commanded us. **24** Those who obey God's commandments remain in fellowship with him, and he with them. And we know he lives in us because the Spirit he gave us lives in us. *(NLT)*

**1 John 5:3** Loving God means keeping his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome. **4** For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith. **5** And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God. **6** And Jesus Christ was revealed as God's Son by his baptism in water and by shedding his blood on the cross—not by water only, but by water and blood. And the Spirit, who is truth, confirms it with his testimony. *(NLT)*

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### Toward Love

**1 John 2:7** Dear friends, I am not writing a new commandment for you; rather it is an old one you have had from the very beginning. This old commandment—to love one another—is the same message you heard before. **8** Yet it is also new. Jesus lived the truth of this commandment, and you also are living it. For the darkness is disappearing, and the true light is already shining. *(NLT)*

### Benefit #3

## The Holy Spirit Is My \_\_\_\_\_

**John 14:16** "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you." *(NLT)*

**Matthew 28:18** Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. **19** Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **20** Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." *(NLT)*

**John 16:7** "But in fact, it is best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Advocate won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you. **8** And when he comes, he will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment. **9** The world's sin is that it refuses to believe in me." *(NLT)*

**2 Timothy 3:16** All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do

what is right. **17** God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work. *(NLT)*

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**Hebrews 12:5** And have you forgotten the encouraging words God spoke to you as his children? He said, "My child, don't make light of the Lord's discipline, and don't give up when he corrects you. **6** For the Lord disciplines those he loves, and he punishes each one he accepts as his child." *(NLT)*

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**Matthew 5:4** God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted. *(NLT)*

**Romans 15:13** I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit. *(NLT)*

**1 Thessalonians 4:13** And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. **14** For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died. *(NLT)*

**Ephesians 4:29** Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them. **30** And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, he has identified you as his own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption. **31** Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. *(NLT)*

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**Isaiah 61:1** The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is upon me, for the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed. **2** He has sent me to tell those who mourn that the time of the Lord's favor has come, and with it, the day of God's anger against their enemies. *(NLT)*

**2 Corinthians 1:3** All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. **4** He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us. *(NLT)*

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**Galatians 5:22** But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, and self-control. *(NLT)*

**Acts 13:52** And the believers were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit. *(NLT)*

**Benefit #4**

**The Holy Spirit Gives Me \_\_\_\_\_**

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**John 14:16** “And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you.” (NLT)

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**1 John 2:1** My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. (NLT)

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**Luke 4:1** Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan River. He was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, **2** where he was tempted by the devil for forty days. Jesus ate nothing all that time and became very hungry. (NLT)

**Luke 4:14** Then Jesus returned to Galilee, filled with the Holy Spirit’s power. Reports about him spread quickly through the whole region. (NLT)

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**Romans 8:26** And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don’t know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words. **27** And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God’s own will. **28** And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. (NLT)

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**Romans 12:2** Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. (NLT)

**John 14:16** “And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. **17** He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn’t looking for him and doesn’t recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you. **18** No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you. **19** Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Since I live, you also will live. **20** When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.” (NLT)

**Romans 8:5** Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. **6** So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. (NLT)

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**2 Corinthians 10:3** We are human, but we don't wage war as humans do. **4** We use God's mighty weapons, not worldly weapons, to knock down the strongholds of human reasoning and to destroy false arguments. *(NLT)*

**Ephesians 6:10** A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. **11** Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. **12** For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. **13** Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm. *(NLT)*

**Ephesians 6:18** Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere. *(NLT)*

**1 John 4:4** But you belong to God, my dear children. You have already won a victory over those people, because the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world. *(NLT)*