

The Holy Spirit (continued)

We must add some cautions here. We stated that the Holy Spirit works on the hearts of sinners. However, before moving on, we must **refute** two views.

First is the view that every sinner is totally depraved and, therefore, must be supernaturally caused to believe by an irresistible act of the Holy Spirit. This view comes by way of Augustine in the fifth century AD and persists in Christendom today through the works of John Calvin.

This view says that because of Adam's sin, every child born into this world is conceived in a state of total depravity. (No one has a free will.) Human decisions alone would leave no one saved. Only through a supernatural working of God can anyone be saved. (per Calvinism)

This view is to be rejected! Sinners are depraved but not totally. They still have free will to accept the gospel. Especially through the working of the Word and special providence.

Along with this understanding that sinners have a free will, we must understand that His working is always universal (to all) and resistible, (by all).

Second, we must not forget that the Word is primary. And that God *may* work with the Word through special providence. How God chooses this is up to Him. But this too is resistible. A sinner can resist the Word and any special providence of God in their life. Contrary again to Calvinism that says God's working is irresistible.

TBC.

--In Him, *Gary*.

Medical & Prayer Needs

American Military

Kathy Carter – Procedure May 6.

Tom Carter – MRI.

Lloyd Cisco – Chemo.

The Davis Family – Prayers.

Amy Larson – Head injury. Sue Buck's sister. At Metro.

Morrison – Ill.

Nancy Scarborough – Biopsy.

The family of **Kathy Gassner** upon her death. (Sister to Judy Nafe.)

Extended Prayer List:

Susan Buck, Adele Gall (Lisa's mother), Joyce Herring (Kathy L. sister), Jessi Hruss (Kathy Carter's niece), Barb King (Eileen's niece), Alice Moreland, Haliee O'Connor (Eileen's niece).

Notes

Ladies Meeting.

May 3rd, 4:30 PM.

Men's Meeting.

May 3rd, 4:30 PM.

Ladies Class

May 7th, 5 PM.

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May 11th, 4 PM.

Fellowship Meal for widows.

May 17th. A.M. We will honor our widows. Ham, chicken, pies and drinks provided. Bring a side dish.

Ladies Class

May 21st, 5 PM.

Men's Breakfast

June 6th at Cracker Barrel.
8:00 AM. All are welcome. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board. Must sign-up by June 3rd.

Trivia Answers & Scriptures are given to Gary on paper with your name OR by texting him. C'mon, join in!

Trivia: According to Matthew 4, Jesus began His public ministry in what town? **Answer:** Capernaum.
Answerers: Randy & Laura Kuhn, Anita Mattingly, Noel Letso, Kathy Lindsey, Zah'Rai Porter, Linda Ropog, Sharon Woodrum, Roger & Mary Davis, Nancy Scarborough, Beckey Scarborough, Aiden Scarborough, Margaret Jordan, Kendall Taylor, Becky Kois, Terry & Gail Spriestersbach.

New Trivia: According to 1 Samuel 17, what **city's name** appears in the name of its "biggest" resident---Goliath?

Prison Blues

The preacher was visiting a man in prison. "When you were tempted," asked the minister, "why didn't you say, 'Get thee behind me, Satan!'"
"I did," replied the prisoner, "but Satan said, 'It doesn't matter who leads, since we're both going the same direction.'"

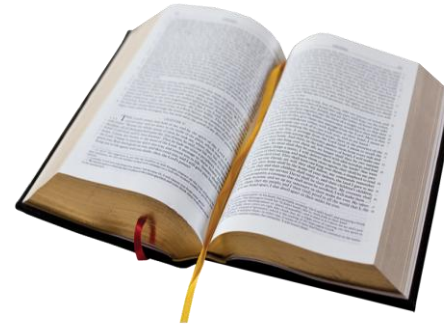
May Birthdays & Anniversaries

Kendall Taylor	11
Diana Wirth	14
Jill Spriestersbach	15
Sharon Woodrum	20
Olivia Scarborough	22
Abigail Gastarini	23
Jessi Hruss	23
Mary Ann Priddy	24
Joe Distel	25
Sarah Baker	27
Margarita Jordan	30
Joe & Jill Spriestersbach	16
Bill & Rosa Morrison	31

Widows & Widowers

Lola Anderson, Joyce Brewer, Frances Brown, Kathy Carter, Linda Caldwell, Joyce Fetzer, Margaret Jordan, Elaine Leonhardt, Kathy Lindsey, Maxine Mathes, Alice Moreland, Mary Ann Priddy, Shirley Sarver, Dora Talbert, Diana Wirth, Sharon Woodrum.

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May 3, 2026

The LORD roars from Zion, and utters his voice from Jerusalem, and the heavens and the earth quake. But the LORD is a refuge to his people, a stronghold to the people of Israel.
Joel 3:16. ESV.

All the churches of Christ greet you. Romans 16:16.

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Assembly Times

Sun. Bible Class	10:00 am
Sun. Worship	11:00 am
Sun. PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study	7:00 pm

WELCOME

We welcome our visitors to the worship services today as our honored guests. Please fill out a Visitors Card and put it in the offering plate. We hope & pray you will return soon.