

The Holy Spirit





How to be Filled with the Holy Spirit

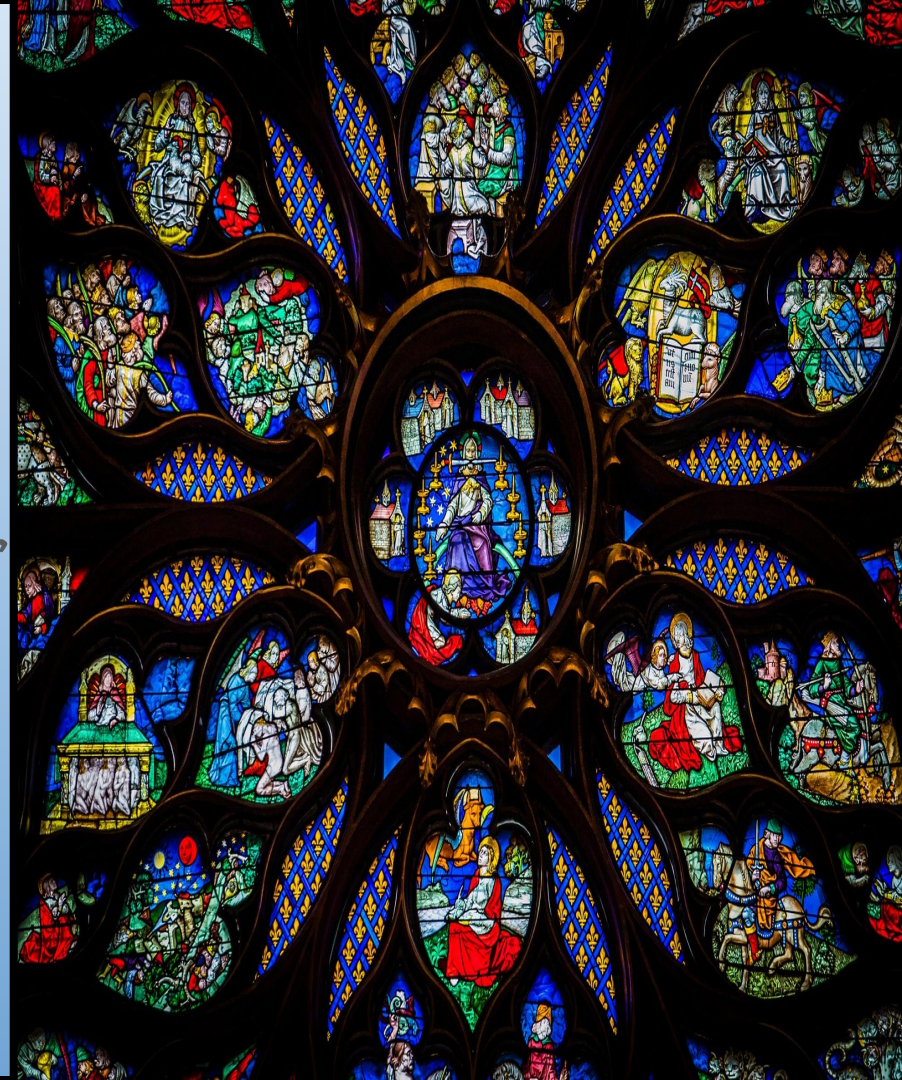
A. W. Tozer



“Satan has opposed the doctrine of the Spirit-filled life about as bitterly as any other doctrine there is. He has confused it, opposed it, surrounded it with false notions and fears. He has blocked every effort of the Church of Christ to receive from the Father her divine and blood-bought patrimony. The Church has tragically neglected this great liberating truth—that there is now for the child of God a full and wonderful and completely satisfying anointing with the Holy Ghost...The Spirit-filled life is not a special, deluxe edition of Christianity. It is part and parcel of the total plan of God for His people.”

John 7:37-39

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.



Genesis 1:2

And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.





“And I have given to all able men ability, that they may make all that I have commanded you: the tent of meeting, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat that is on it, and all the furnishings of the tent, the table and its utensils, and the pure lampstand with all its utensils, and the altar of incense, and the altar of burnt offering with all its utensils, and the basin and its stand, and the finely worked garments, the holy garments for Aaron the priest and the garments of his sons, for their service as priests, and I the anointing oil and the fragrant m incense for the Holy Place. According to all that I have commanded you, they shall do” (Ex. 31:7-11).

“Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied” (Numbers 11:24-25).






“And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses” (Deut 34:9).

Marc Chagall, 1956



And he said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you."
And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me"
(Ezek. 2:1-3)



THE SPIRIT OF GOD,
WHO RAISED JESUS
FROM THE DEAD,
lives in you.

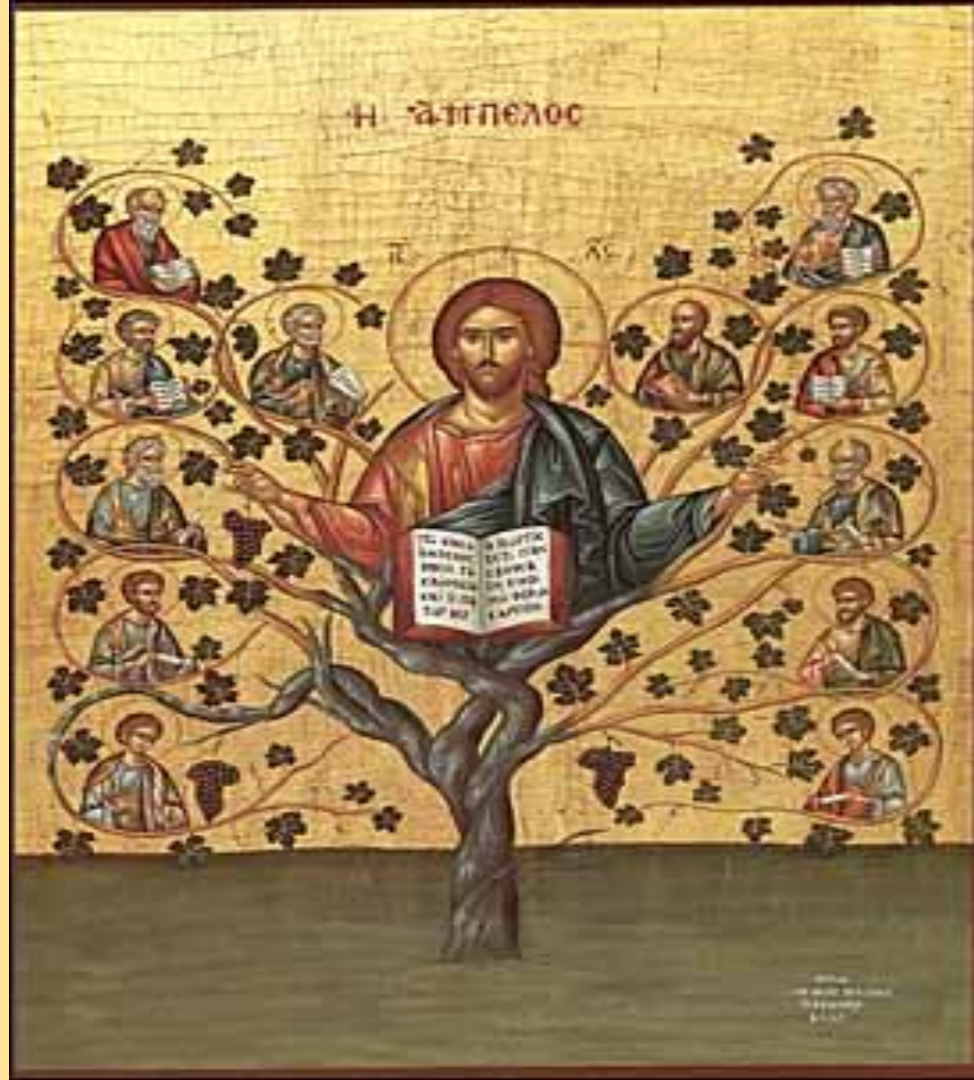
ROMANS 8:11

John 15:5

I am the vine and you are the branches. The one who remains in Me, and I in him, will bear much fruit. For apart from Me you can do nothing.

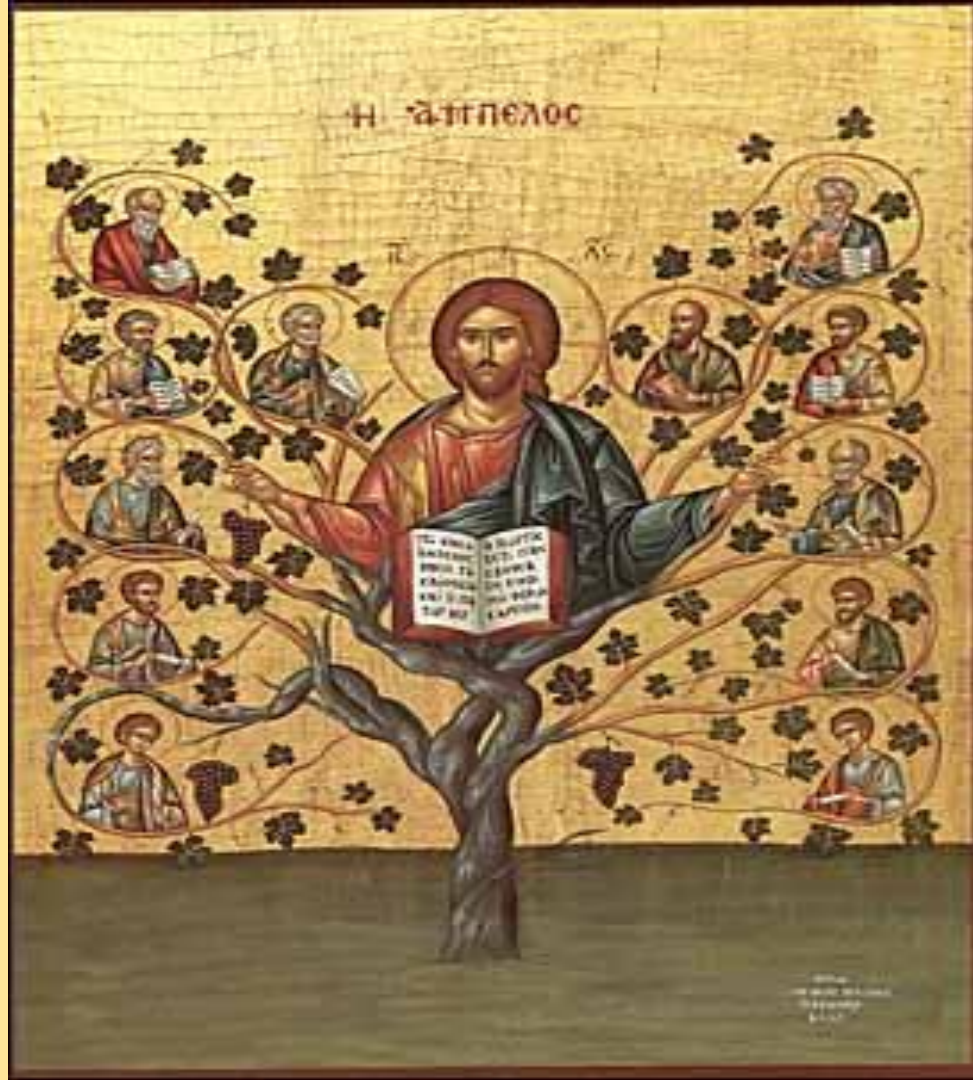
John 15:9

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

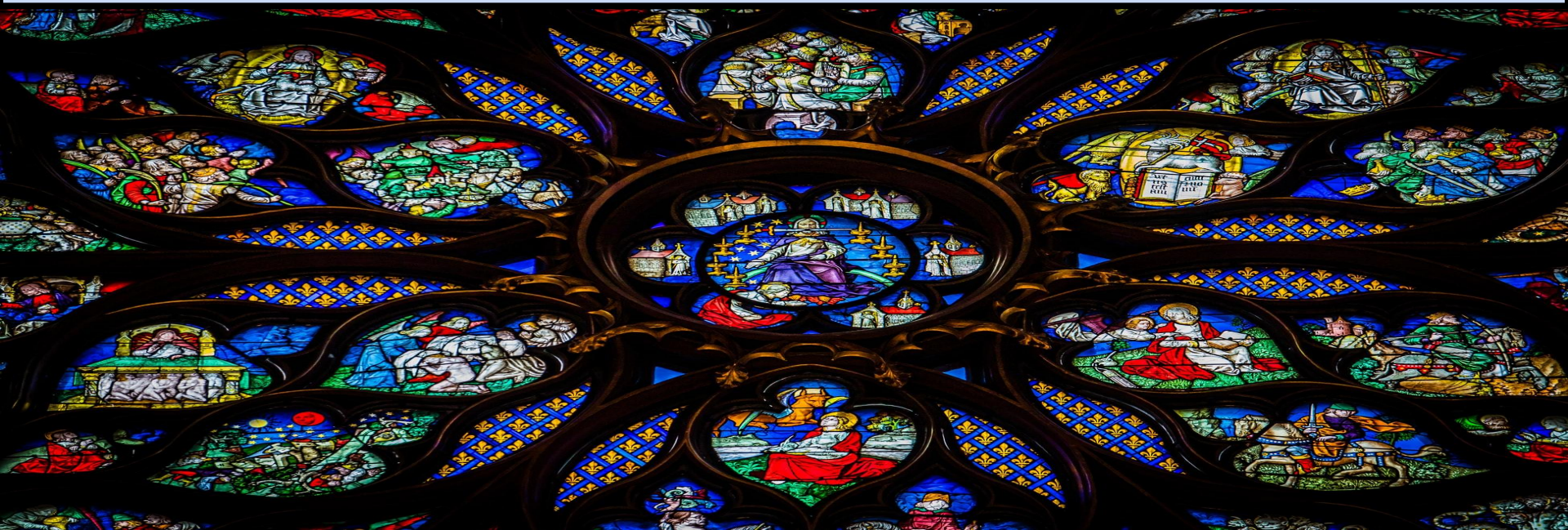


John 15:13-15

*Greater love has no one than this,
that someone lay down his life for his
friends. You are my friends if you do
what I command you. No longer do I
call you servants, for the servant does
not know what his master is doing;
but I have called you friends, for all
that I have heard from my Father I
have made known to you.*



1. The Holy Spirit connects us intimately with the Father as his trusting children.
2. The Holy Spirit connects us with the Father as his collaborating friends.





John 16:1-4

I have told you these things so that you will not fall away. They will put you out of the synagogues...They will do these things because they have not known the Father or Me. But I have told you these things so that when their hour comes, you will remember that I told you about them. I did not tell you these things from the beginning, because I was with you.



John 16:5-7

Now, however, I am going to Him who sent Me; yet none of you asks Me, "Where are You going?" Instead, your hearts are filled with sorrow because I have told you these things. But I tell you the truth, it is for your benefit that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.



John 16:12-15

I still have much to tell you, but you cannot yet bear to hear it. However, when the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. For He will not speak on His own, but He will speak what He hears, and He will declare to you what is to come. He will glorify Me by taking from what is Mine and disclosing it to you. Everything that belongs to the Father is Mine. That is why I said that the Spirit will take from what is Mine and disclose it to you.

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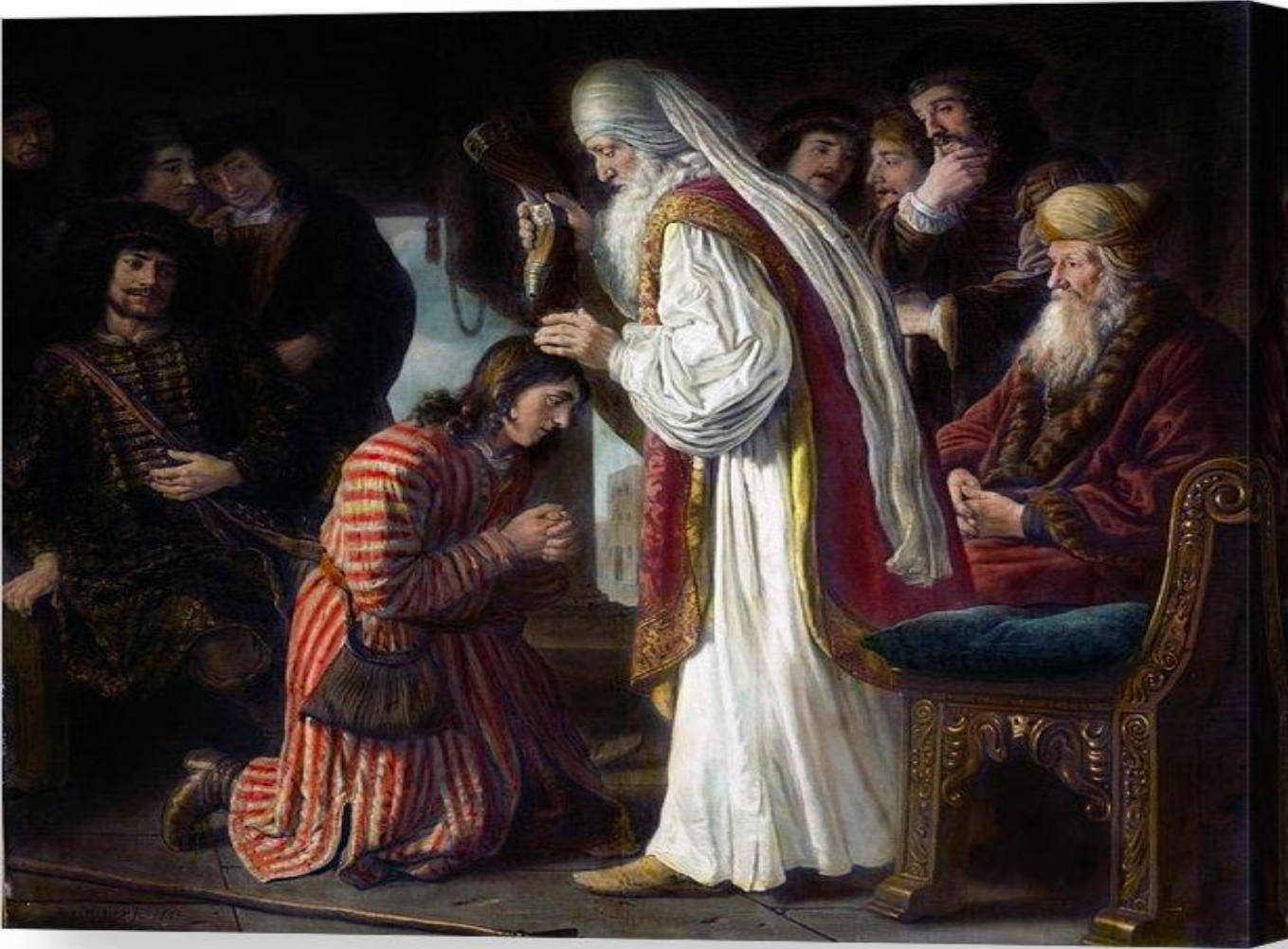


The Holy Spirit confirms:

- We are loved children of God.
- We are secure in the Father's love.
- The Father is with us, always protecting us.

The Holy Spirit transforms and renews (Romans 12:2).





Samuel
anoints King
David.

1 Sam. 16



“Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart” (1 Samuel 16:7).

*“Rise and anoint him;
this is the one.” So
Samuel took the horn of
oil and anointed him in
the presence of his
brothers, and from that
day on the Spirit of the
Lord came powerfully
upon David”
(1 Sam. 16:12-13)*





A.W. Tozer, "[When you are ready to respond to God's call on your life come] in simplicity of heart and ask, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" the Holy Spirit will take all the time in the world to talk to you and explain everything to you. He will correct any false impressions or wrong ideas you have. He is the sweetest, most understanding and wonderful Teacher in the world, and He never panics anybody. It is sin that does that. If there is a sense of panic upon your life, it may be because there is sin in that life of yours which you need to get rid of."

The Holy Spirit connects us with the Father as his collaborating friends.



Duccio di Buoninsegna, 1310



“This prayer winds up and draws together the whole of Jesus’ past ministry and formed the point of transition to the dark scenes of the crucifixion which immediately followed!”



John 17:20: "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me."

John 16:14

*The Holy Spirit will glorify me,
for he will take what is mine
and declare it to you.*





1 Cor. 12:4-7

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.



1 Cor. 12:8-11

To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

1 Cor. 14:2

“For one who speaks in a tongue speaks not to men but to God; for no one understands him, but he utters mysteries in the Spirit.”



The Tower of Babel
- Gen. 11





Genesis 11:6:

“And the Lord said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. 7 Come, let us go down and confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” 8 So the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city.”

The New Covenant as...



an inversion of Babel.

The Holy Spirit connects us intimately with the Father as His trusting children and as His collaborating friends.



