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The Holy Spirit and the risen Lord

Romans 8:1-13

Heart wrenching grief: Have you seen it? Have you felt a loss that is so painful you not sure if you are going to make it until morning

**Proverbs 13:12** Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life.

* Pentecost indicated that even though Jesus had gone, His presence was with them. They have something to do not something to fear

 **Mt 28:18-20** Into the name of - I will be with you to the end

* Affinity: The coming of the Spirit was also the coming of Jesus

 **John 14:15-18** Helper, with you and will be in you

 Being “in Christ” and “in the Spirit” is the same reality

 **Rom 8**:**1-4** No condemnation for those led by me

 **Phil 2:1-2** New mindset, unity not individuality

* Distinction: Jesus and the Spirit are not interchangeable

 Jesus finishes his work then the Spirit comes John 14:15-18

 **John 16:12-15** The Spirit’s function: guide & glorify Jesus

 **John 15:26-27** Spirit of truthBears testimony – We too

 **1 Peter 4:1-5** You don’t run with the same crowd

* Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom, we reflect His glory **2 Cor 3:17-18** No need to hide –

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Freedom from what?

* + Fear is about judgment
	+ Legalism, Rules that obscure the majesty of Christ, dominion of corrupt desires not freedom from authority for the law of Christ
	+ Law of the Spirit is the impulse to right acting

 For Paul the Lord is present and active in his community through the Spirit

* The Spirit is transforming us into the image of Christ - from death to life
* It teaches, leads and empowers the church on the Lord’s behalf
* Spirit as down payment: **2 Cor 1:22**; **5:5**; **Eph 1:13** –
* Blood on the doorpost

So what? The heart wrenching grief of loss will be. As you lift you face from your hands do you see your savior there? If you see your savior there, you have something to hope for and a mission to live for.

In dying for you, Jesus is calling you to live for him

**Reflecting Jesus, Spirit Guided, Spirit Sustained, Not my will living**