

Isaiah 61:1-2 (KJV) 1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me;  
because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek;  
he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the  
captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;  
2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our  
God; to comfort all that mourn;

Jesus the good shepherd is referenced in the book of John, chapter 10. In His own words, Jesus tells us in John 10:11: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:14-15: "I am the good shepherd. I know my own sheep, and they know me just as my Father knows me and I know my Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep."

John 10 the "good Shepherd" 1 Peter 5 "Chief Shepherd"

## **I. The Spirit of God is necessary for the Work of God** The Spirit of the Lord GOD

### **A. True in the Old Testament**

1 Samuel 16:12-14 (KJV) 12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he. 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

14 But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him.

### **B. True in Jesus Ministry**

Matthew 3:16-17 (KJV) 16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: 17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

### **C. True in NT Church**

Acts 1:4-8 (KJV) 4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. 5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. 6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? 7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. 8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

## **II. The Spirit of God of God Starts with One** the LORD hath anointed me

### **A. Jesus**

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### **B. New Testament**

Acts 2:1-4 (KJV) 1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. 3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

## **III. The Spirit of God has a message from God** to preach good tidings

Luke 2:10-11 (KJV) 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David **a Saviour**, which is Christ the Lord.

Today it is referred to in the NT as the Gospel "Good News"

## **A. Content**

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 (KJV) 1 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; 2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.

3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

## **B. Conversion**

John 3:1-7 (KJV) 1 There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. 3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. 4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? 5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

### **1. Not by mere profession**

James 2:14-20 (KJV) 14 What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him? 15 If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, 16 And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? 17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. 19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble. 20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

## 2. Not by Works

Matthew 7:21-23 (KJV) 21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

## 3. Strictly by Faith

Ephesians 2:8-9 (KJV) 8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

# IV. The Spirit of God is to Fulfill the purposes of God

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2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

## A. Free man from the chains of Sin

*Zach Williams*

*You unravel me  
with a melody*

*You surround me with a song  
Of deliverance  
from my enemies  
'Til all my fears are gone.*

*I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God*

*From my mother's womb  
You have chosen me  
Love has called my name  
I've been born again  
Into your family  
Your blood flows through my veins.*

*I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God*

*I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God*

*I am surrounded  
By the arms of the Father  
I am surrounded  
By songs of  
Deliverance  
We're deliver-ed  
From our bondage  
We're the sons and the daughters  
Let us sing our freedom*

*Bridge:*

*You split the sea so I could walk right through it.  
My fears are drowned in perfect love.  
You rescued me and I will stand and sing.  
I am a child of God.*

*You split the sea so I could walk right through it.  
You drowned my fears in perfect love.  
You rescued me and I will stand and sing.  
I am a child of God.  
Yes, I am.  
I am a child of God.*

*I am a child of God.  
Yes, I am.  
I am a child of God.*

*I am a child of God.*

*I am a child of God.*

*I'm no longer a slave to fear*

*I am a child of God*

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*I am a child of God*

**B. Remind us that Jesus is coming again – we need URGENCY in the task**

John 9:4 (KJV) 4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

**C. Focus us on the reality of Hell for those that refuse and the day of vengeance of our God**

**D. Comfort us we have a home in heaven awaiting us to comfort all that mourn**