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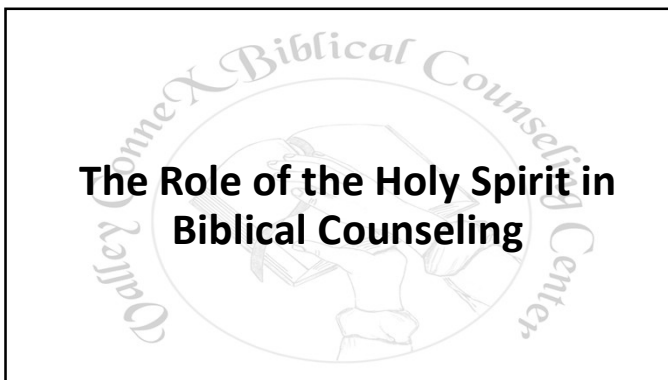
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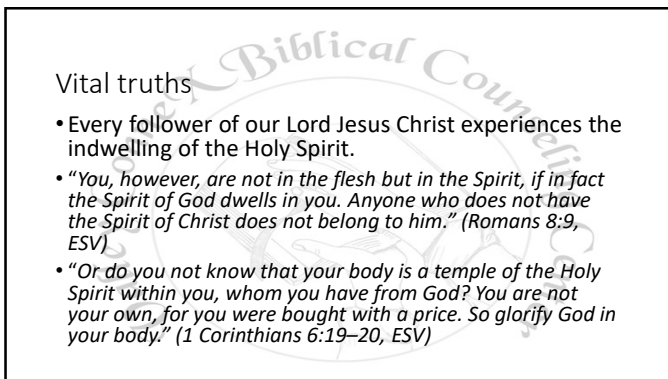
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Vital truths

- Every follower of our Lord Jesus Christ has the opportunity to be continually filled with the Holy Spirit.
  - *“And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,” (Ephesians 5:18, ESV)*

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Vital truths

- The evidence of the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of a follower of Jesus Christ is that the fruit of the Spirit is present and growing.
  - *“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.” (Galatians 5:22–25, ESV)*

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Vital truths

- The defining mark of the work of the Holy Spirit is to bring glory to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
  - *“When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.” (John 16:13–14, ESV)*

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Vital Truths

- The Holy Spirit is not the only real and powerful spiritual influence active in the world.
  - *“Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God,” (1 John 4:1–2, ESV)*

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Vital Truths

- The Holy Spirit is not the only real and powerful spiritual influence active in the world.
  - *“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.” (Ephesians 6:10–12, ESV)*

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Vital Truths

- The Holy Spirit is the most powerful spiritual presence in the world.
  - *“Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.” (1 John 4:4–6, ESV)*

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Vital truths

The Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment

- It is the counselor's place to present the Word of God and then the Spirit of God will take that word and bring revelation and conviction.
- *"Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged."* (John 16:7-11, ESV)

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10

The Holy Spirit in the life of the counselor:

Addresses the inadequacy of individual and collective human wisdom.

*"And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God."* (1 Corinthians 2:1-5, ESV)

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The Holy Spirit in the life of the counselor:

Addresses the gravity of our task. (Our goal is to help a person move steps closer to becoming all God created them to be.)

*"And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling,"* (1 Corinthians 2:3, ESV)

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12

The Holy Spirit in the life of the counselor:

Empowers us to rightly identify and apply the Word of God to the human condition we encounter.

*“And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.” (1 Corinthians 2:1–2, ESV)*

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The Holy Spirit in the life of the counselee:

Reveals God’s wisdom

*“Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him” — these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.” (1 Corinthians 2:6–10, ESV)*

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The Holy Spirit in the life of the counselee:

Reveals what is in the heart of the counselee

*“these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.” (1 Corinthians 2:10–11, ESV) (see Hebrews 4:12–12 and Ephesians 6:17)*

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The Holy Spirit in the life of the counselee:

Exposes the spiritual state of the counselee

*"The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one." (1 Corinthians 2:14-15, ESV)*

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The Holy Spirit reveals truth

- John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13 "Spirit of truth"
- 1 Corinthians 2:6-16
  - Those who have the Spirit of God respond by receiving the truth
  - Those who do not have the Spirit of God react by rejecting the truth

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