

Indwelled

1. 1 Corinthians 6:19 (Or) do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?

- The implication is that we **SHOULD KNOW** that we are God's
- Since our body is a temple – it is sacred and holy – for God's use
- God lives **IN US** by the Holy Spirit—not just “on us”(OT) or “with us”(NT)
- The HS in us is God's gift
- We are “marked” for God by the HS – like the circumcision of the Jews or the branding of cattle, and we must never forget our ownership

Sealed

2. Ephesians 1:13, 14 In Him [Jesus] you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation – having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory.

- We are not only indwelled, but **SEALED** by the HS – protected and kept for Him
- This happened when we listened and responded to the gospel message – at the moment of salvation, i.e. “in Him” (Jesus)
- This Holy Spirit is the “down payment” of all that is coming to us – a taste of His glory
- God's plan is to fully redeem us, and this HS sealing is the promise of this event
- This should all be “to the praise of His glory”
- “Sealing” is another way of describing our eternal security

Unified

3. 1 Corinthians 12:13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

- It is amazing that we have so much in common with believers everywhere we go – and it's because of this communal “baptism” = “immersion” we have experienced by the HS
- This is not speaking about water baptism, but Spirit baptism at the moment of salvation
- All Christians have therefore experienced the same baptism, sealing and filling
- We are indeed one “body” – part of a family – because of this common experience
- Our common spiritual nourishment (“drinking”) is from the same source (H

Empowered

4. Acts 1:8 You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.

- “Power” can be also translated “boldness.” This should occur when the HS take over.
- Our power in witnessing is not our own – therefore is not dependent on personality
- The HS came upon the disciples at Pentecost, and the HS came upon us at our salvation
- This verse calls us to “go” locally as well as globally

Conviction

5. John 16: 7, 8 But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper shall not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin, and righteousness, and judgment.

- We do not convince anyone of their need for Jesus – it is the HS who convicts.
- Our “job” is to tell, His “job” is to convict.
- Jesus’ going allowed the HS to “come” and convict
- He convicts of the AWFULNESS of sin, the POSSIBILITY of righteousness and the CERTAINTY of judgment.
- You do your “job” and let Him do His!

Fruit

6. Galatians 5: 22, 23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

- The fruit of the flesh is rotten. I by myself cannot manufacture love, joy, etc.
- These wonderful character qualities are available only through the Spirit.
- They come as a cluster – note “fruit” not “fruits”
- There is no law against being loving, joyful, patience, etc.!
- So, let the Spirit do His “thing” and get out of the way!

Filled

7. Ephesians 5:18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit.

- This is not speaking of INDWELLING – this is speaking of consciously keeping filled up with the Spirit’s influence.
- To do so, we need to get out of the way – “die to self” and ask Him to fill us
- This should happen constantly, and particularly when we are aware of our own fleshly control

- “Drunk” is the same Greek word as is translated “filled,” therefore Paul is really saying that just as we can be sadly intoxicated by “spirits” we can be rightly intoxicated by THE SPIRIT – i.e. controlled by Him
- Although the HS lived in us, we must constantly get ourselves out of the way and ask the HS to “fill” us with His control – giving Him permission to do “His thing” in us