



Holy Spirit

Day 4: Bridge

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Scripture Reference

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

– *2 Corinthians 3: 17-18*



Jesus freed us. Let that truth soak in as you begin today. His ministry is one of freedom. He freed you from your sins, your struggle to be “good enough”, your fear of death. He has overcome it all. And He gave us the Holy Spirit to help us in living out that freedom. Maybe He knew it wouldn’t be easy for us, as mere humans, to overcome the flesh each day. So the Holy Spirit reminds us, guides us, groans for us, encourages us. Through the Spirit, we are assured we are never alone. He is with us. Let us become more aware of His presence.

Are you living a life of freedom? What bondages are holding you back today? Do you recognize the Holy Spirit’s presence in these bondages? Or are you instead fighting His holy power? Today, relinquish those bondages over to the Holy Spirit. Soak up His presence.

With unveiled faces, we come to our Heavenly Father. We come with uncovered faces with no reason to feel shame or condemnation. In the Old Testament, believers could not come before God themselves. They could not approach His throne with uncovered faces. However, because of Jesus’ sacrifice, that is not true of us anymore. We can come before the throne of God as we are, warts and all. Not only can we be aware of His presence, we can revel in His presence. Let us experience His goodness.

Do you come to Jesus uncovered and unashamed? What “veil” might you be using to hide yourself from Him? Why do you think that is? Recall, in Jesus we have freedom. Even – or, perhaps more importantly, especially – with Him. Thank Him for accepting you. Revel in His accepting and loving presence right now.



As we become more aware of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we can more fully experience Him. When we more fully experience Him, we “contemplate” His Glory. The original Greek word means to reflect and is only used once, right here, in the New Testament. Maybe that’s to emphasize the uniqueness, the specialness, of the Holy Spirit’s ability to help us reflect His Glory to the world. Let us experience His glory.

What do you think it means to reflect His Glory? How do you feel about that? Does it encourage you, scare you, overwhelm you, excite you? Do you feel the Holy Spirit empowering you in this process of reflecting His Glory? If not, why do you think that is? Revel in His glory.

Our scripture tells us that we are being transformed into his image. Although we were made in His image and long to reflect His image, our selfish desires hold us back from fully reflecting God’s image. However, the Holy Spirit is working to transform us more and more like Him. We’ll ponder this a bit more tomorrow, but for now let’s focus on the overall idea. The Holy Spirit works in us to lead us closer to the perfect living of Jesus Christ. In this, we become more aware of His presence and His goodness.

Think back over your relationship with God. In what ways have you already been transformed to better reflect Him? In what areas do you recognize you still have much more transformation to undergo? Do not be discouraged by what may seem like a long list. Instead, submit those over to the Holy Spirit. End today praying to your Heavenly Father. Ask Him to continue your transformation. Soak up His goodness.
