

The Holy Spirit—The Giver of Life

Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. Genesis 2:7 (NIV)

I. We have been formed for God's purposes for our life

Before God ever created us, He knew exactly what role He wanted us to play on earth.

Jeremiah 1:5 (MSG) says, *"Before I shaped you in the womb, I knew all about you. Before you saw the light of day, I had holy plans for you.."*

To equip us for what He called us to do, God forms and shapes us for His intended purposes.

In his book, *The Purpose Driven Life*, Rick Warren outlines how God shapes us for His purpose:

- a. Spiritual Gifts
- b. **Heart**
- c. Abilities
- d. **Personality**
- e. Experiences

II. The Holy Spirit breathes life into lifeless situations

Without the breath of the Holy Spirit, Adam was a lifeless shell

Job 34:14-15 (NLT) says, *"If God were to take back his spirit and withdraw his breath, all life would cease, and humanity would turn again to dust."*

Sometimes we face challenges that appear lifeless and need the breath of the Holy Spirit

Some marriages have become lifeless

Some of our hope for better situations have become lifeless

Some parent's relationships with children have become lifeless

III. The Holy Spirit gives a new spiritual life to those who believe.

Why do we need a new spiritual life?

Romans 3:23 (NLT) says, *"For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard."*

Romans 6:23 (NIV) says, *"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in^[a] Christ Jesus our Lord."*

How do we obtain this new spiritual life?

John 3:5-7 (NLT) says, “Jesus replied, “I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit.^[b] ⁶ Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life. ⁷ So don’t be surprised when I say, ‘You^[d] must be born again.’”

Romans 10:9 (NIV) says, “If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

When the Holy Spirit gives us new life in Christ, we are able to put our past behind us and walk in the newness of life.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (TLB) says, “When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same anymore. A new life has begun!”

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