

The Spirit Within

John 20:19-23, Romans 8:11

**“Jesus didn’t come to make bad people good.
He came to make dead people live.”**

–Ravi Zacharias

John 20:19

In the evening of that first day of the week, the disciples were gathered together with the doors locked because of their fear of the Jews. Then Jesus came, stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!”

John 20:20

Having said this, He showed them His hands and His side. So the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

John 20:21-22

**Jesus said to them again, “Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.”
After saying this, He breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”**

John 20:23

“If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

**The gift of the Holy Spirit
is not grasped with human hands,
but received by faith in Christ.**

Everything Jesus did was in obedience to the Father and accomplished through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Genesis 2:7

Then the Lord God formed the man out of the dust from the ground and breathed the breath of life into his nostrils, and the man became a living being.

**Our life in Christ requires a faithful,
devoted dependence upon the Holy Spirit
within us and upon us.**

Romans 8:11

And if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you, then He who raised Christ from the dead will also bring your mortal bodies to life through His Spirit who lives in you.

**The impossible becomes attainable
where the Holy Spirit dwells!**