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### **Romans 8:12-17**

Do you ever find yourself thinking other Christians have learned a secret that you don't know about living the Christian life? Perhaps it seems as if they've solved the mystery of rejoicing in suffering, forgiving the unforgivable, conquering sin, or showing love in ways you haven't yet discovered.

What you are seeing in these believers is not a secret reserved only for those who have gained a certain level of enlightenment, but a life lived according to the Spirit. He's the one who is producing this amazing fruit in those who are being led by Him rather than by their own fleshly desires and efforts.

Spirit-filled living is not reserved for a select few Christians. On the contrary, it's available to every believer who yields his or her life to the leadership of God's Spirit. As a member of the Trinity, He has all the power, wisdom, and love of almighty God. We can rely on Him to teach us truth (John 16:13), help us in our weakness (Rom. 8:26), intercede for us according to God's will (Rom. 8:27), and give us victory over sin (Gal. 5:16).

The Holy Spirit is a person whom we can know intimately and who continually works to transform us into Christ's image (2 Corinthians 3:18). Like God the Father and Jesus Christ the

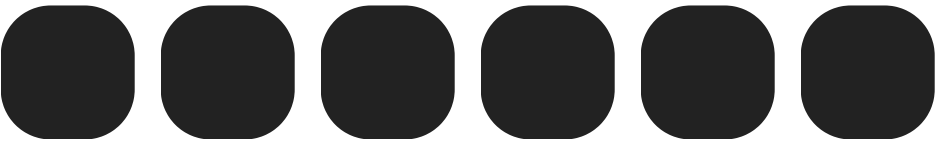
Son, the Spirit of God loves, comforts, guides, and protects us. He is a friend like no other and will reveal Himself to us through the Scriptures.

Considering all this, we should gladly acknowledge our obligation to live according to the Spirit and delight in submitting to His leadership.

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