

# The Results of the Spirit's Coming

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*The Spirit's work brings comfort, peace, power to witness, and vision to the believer, enabling them to glorify Christ and have a perpetual presence of the Lord.*

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## Description

G. Campbell Morgan emphasizes the transformative results of the Holy Spirit's coming, highlighting that believers are no longer orphans but are comforted by the constant presence of Christ through the Spirit. He explains that the Spirit brings peace, which surpasses worldly understanding, and empowers believers to witness for Christ. Furthermore, the Spirit glorifies Christ and provides a vision of Him that was not possible during His earthly ministry. Morgan concludes that the teachings of Jesus about the Spirit are foundational and find their fulfillment in the Acts of the Apostles and the Epistles, showcasing the ongoing work of the Spirit in the Church.

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## Transcript

THE teaching of Jesus is clear also as to the results of the Spirit's work: I will not leave you desolate: I come unto you. Orphanage is to cease; there is to be no desolateness. This has been dealt with as part of the work of the Spirit. Considered from the side of the experience of the believer, it is indeed full of the deepest comfort. The sense of loneliness never comes to the soul born of the Spirit and living in perpetual obedience to Him. Men hunger after the personal presence of the Christ; but, in proportion as they are yielded to the Holy Spirit, they have that presence, and that in a sense which was impossible to His disciples, while He was here upon earth. He was then limited and localized, and men had to wait for an opportunity of converse. To-day He is ever with every member of the Body; and for fellowship, the elements of time and place with their necessary limitations, are absent.

Again: But the Comforter, even the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said unto you. Peace I leave with you; My peace I give unto you. The two verses are intimately connected. All the sense of peace that resulted from the presence and comradeship of Christ, becomes perpetual in the new and clearer realization of Himself and His teaching resulting from the abiding of the Spirit. The way in which the Master gave His peace was not as the world giveth, because He gave it by the gift of the Comforter. The second result of the presence of the Spirit is that of peace.

Again: But when the Comforter is come, Whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He shall bear witness of Me: and ye also bear witness, because ye have been with Me from the beginning. The third result of the Spirit's work is power to witness. This declaration is closely connected with that statement of Peter: We are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit. The power to witness, according to the prophecy of Christ, and the testimony of Peter, was by the coming of the Spirit.

One other result: He shall glorify Me: for He shall take of Mine, and shall declare it unto you. All things whatsoever the Father hath are Mine: therefore said I, that He taketh of Mine, and shall declare it unto you.

"A little while, and ye behold Me no more; and again a little while, and ye shall see Me." The Lord did not here refer to His second coming, but to the fact that when the Spirit came He would come by the Spirit, and men would see Him in the ministry of the Spirit. The last result, then, of the Spirit's work is that of vision.

Gather up these four results. Christians are not orphans, and therefore not desolate. Peace is theirs--peace which Christ gives, as the world cannot give, through the ministry of a Person ever present. In the strength of that peace they become His witnesses, because they have a perpetual vision of the Lord.

This is a brief analysis of the Master's teaching concerning the Spirit. The unfolding of all that is contained within this teaching is to be found, historically, in the Acts of the Apostles and the subsequent history of the Church, and, doctrinally, in the Epistles.

The teaching of Jesus is unified truth; and the interpretation of all that follows must ever be in harmony with the principles laid down in these most wonderful discourses. There is much of glory and beauty revealed in the Acts and in the Epistles, which is the blossoming into flower and fruit of that which is here in root and principle.

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