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*"He therefore who bountifully supplies to you the Spirit . . . does He do it out of the works of the law or out of the hearing of faith?" Galatians 3:5*

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### Life-Study of the Bible

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*Dear Life-study Listener,*

By the time you read this, we hope you have heard the first few weeks of *Life-study of Philippians* and enjoyed its subject, the experience of Christ. We will spend almost three enlightening months of radio programs on the four chapters of this book. Whether you listen to the programs or read the printed messages, we believe you will agree with us that this life-study is quite experiential in helping us magnify Christ (1:20), live Christ (1:21), take Christ as our pattern (2:5), our goal (3:8), and our strength (4:13). We hope you will give the Lord the time in His Word so that you are among those who are "holding forth the word of life" (2:16) found in Philippians.

If you are unable to hear the radio programs in your area, or if you want to go back and review the programs, you can hear all the past programs over the Internet at our web site, [www.lsm.org/radio](http://www.lsm.org/radio). If you don't have Internet capabilities, or if this is not convenient for you, all past programs are available on cassette tape by contacting us at (888) 543-3788.

We want to thank all of you who responded to our recent survey. It is helpful to us to get feedback from you, our listeners. If you still want to write us, it is never too late, and we appreciate all your comments.

*Living Stream Ministry*

## WHAT IS THE ALL-INCLUSIVE SPIRIT OF JESUS CHRIST?

In the midst of his sufferings, Paul wrote to the Philippian believers of his experience of the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ: "For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:19). He did not refer here to the Spirit as the Spirit of God, but the Spirit of Jesus Christ. What is this all-inclusive Spirit of Jesus Christ that bountifully supplied Paul and enabled him to live and magnify Christ in his sufferings? If we could see and be inspired by this revelation, we also can be bountifully supplied to face any difficult situation as Paul did nearly 2000 years ago.

The "Spirit of Jesus Christ" is a unique phrase in the Bible used after Christ's resurrection. It was through Christ's death and resurrection that He became

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## ALL-INCLUSIVE SPIRIT

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the Spirit (1 Cor. 15:45b) to breathe Himself into His disciples (John 20:22) and be poured out upon all flesh for the salvation of mankind (Acts 2:17, 21). Now this Spirit of Jesus Christ, which includes not only His divinity, but also His perfect humanity and human living, death, and resurrection, is the all-inclusive bountiful supply to meet our need so that we can magnify Christ. The Spirit of Jesus Christ is "the Spirit" mentioned in John 7:39 that was "not yet" before Christ's being glorified through His resurrection. This rich Spirit of Jesus Christ is typified by the holy anointing oil in Exodus chapter thirty.

"Moreover Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying, You also take the finest spices...and a hin of olive oil. And you shall make it a holy anointing oil, a perfume compounded according to the perfumer's art; it shall be

environment, signifying Christ's resurrection. Cassia was a spice used as an insect and snake repellent, signifying the power of Christ's resurrection which is able to keep all the "bugs" and "snakes" away from us.

In the Old Testament, the tabernacle with its furnishings and utensils as well as the priests were anointed with this compounded ointment (Exo. 30:26-30). Today the church is God's house (1 Tim. 3:15), and all the New Testament believers are priests (1 Pet. 2:5, 9; Rev. 1:6). The Spirit of Jesus Christ is the sweet and effective compound ointment, which includes the wonderful ingredients of His divinity, humanity, human living, death, and resurrection. As such a rich and all-inclusive Spirit, He is in us as the bountiful supply to meet our every need. May we learn

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a holy anointing oil" (Exo. 30:22-25). The spices in this holy anointing oil were myrrh, cinnamon, calamus, and cassia (Exo. 30:23-24). Olive oil signifies the Spirit of God with His divinity, and each spice that was compounded with the oil is an excellent picture of what was added to the Spirit of God through Christ's incarnation, crucifixion, and resurrection. Myrrh signifies the sweetness of Christ's death and cinnamon the effectiveness of Christ's death. Calamus is a reed that grows in a muddy

to enjoy this bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, as Paul did, by applying Him through our prayers in the midst of the sufferings which come to us that Christ may be magnified in us.

*For further reading on this subject, please see The All-Inclusive Spirit of Christ; The Spirit with Our Spirit; and God's New Testament Economy, published by Living Stream Ministry.*

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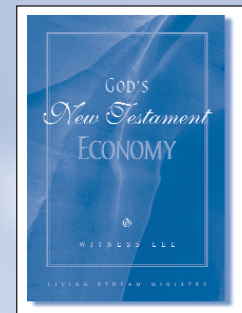
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