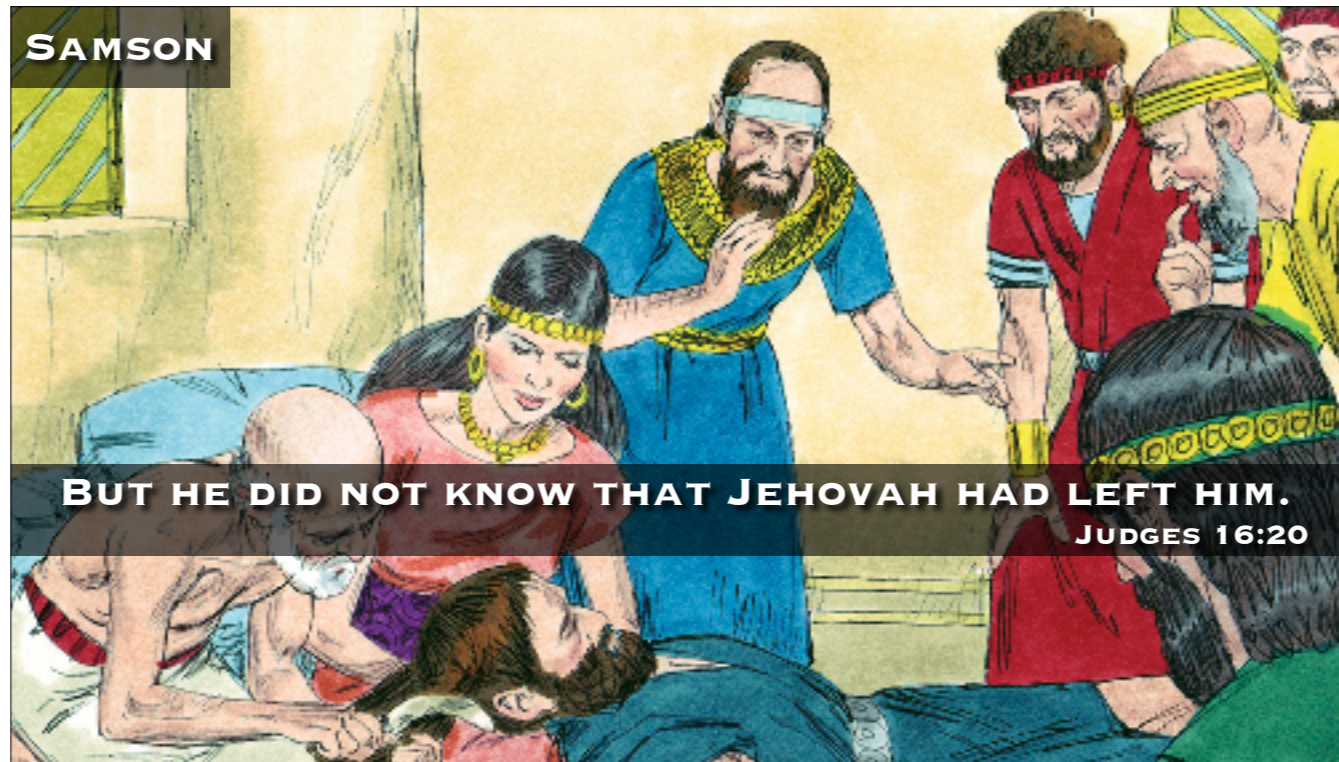


- 1 Thessalonians 5:19: Do not quench the Spirit.
- Talking about zeal... Jehovah's zeal; Jesus' zeal; next lesson seemed obvious: Holy Spirit's zeal

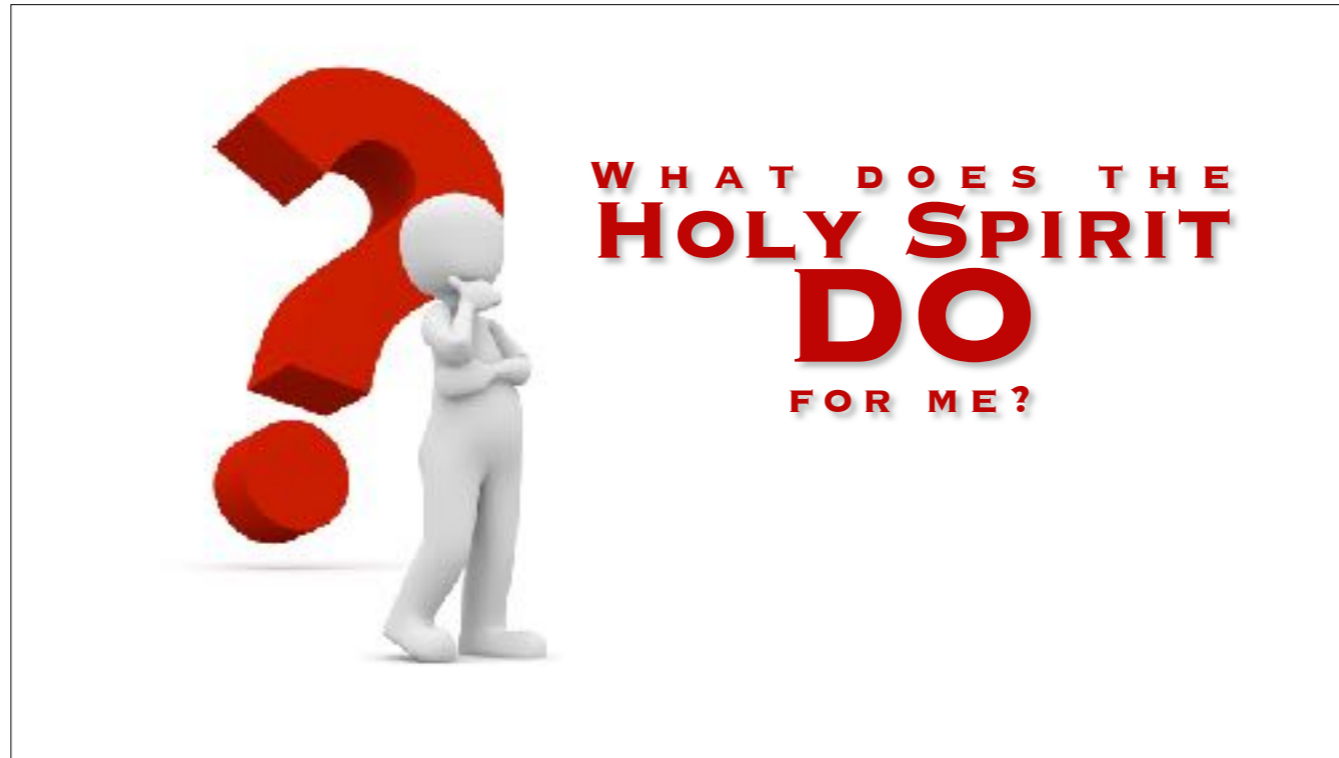
SAMSON

AND THE SPIRIT OF JEHOVAH BEGAN TO STIR IN HIM
JUDGES 13:25

- Judges 13:24-25 (ESV) 24 And the woman bore a son and called his name Samson. And the young man grew, and Jehovah blessed him. 25 And the Spirit of Jehovah began to stir him in Mahaneh-dan, between Zorah and Eshtaol.

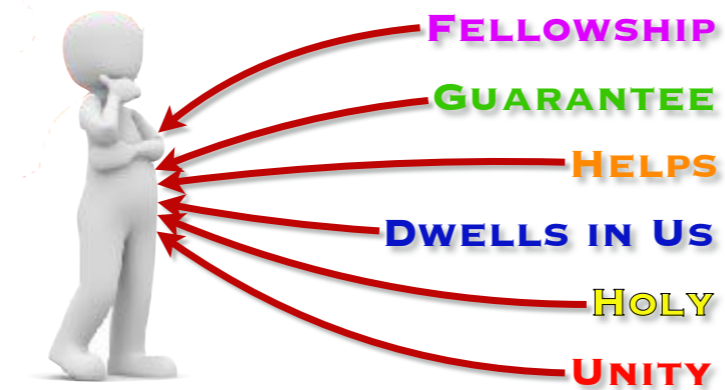


- Judges 16:20 (ESV) 20 And she said, “The Philistines are upon you, Samson!” And he awoke from his sleep and said, “I will go out as at other times and shake myself free.” But he did not know that the Lord had left him.



- What does the Holy Spirit do for me?

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Acts 5:32

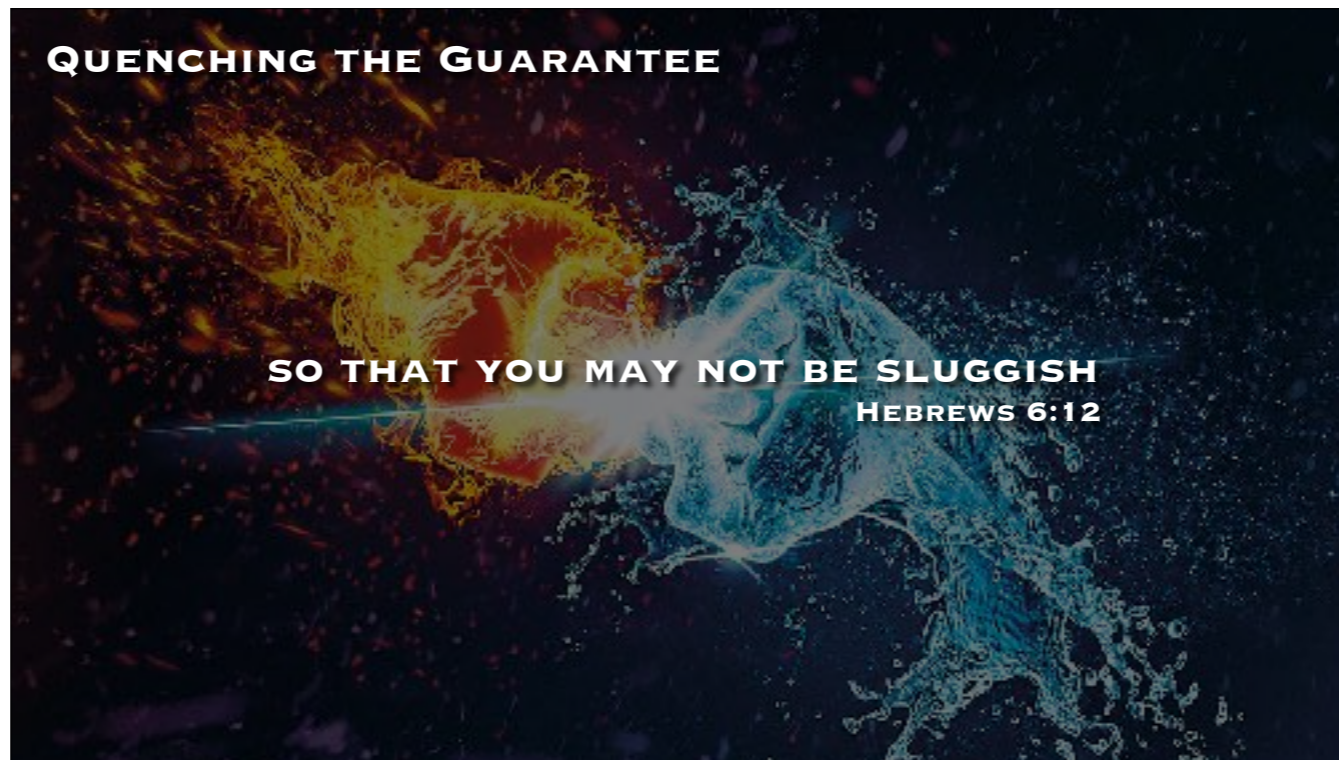
- Fellowship; Guarantee; Helps; Dwells in Us; Holy; Unity
- Acts 5:31-32 God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. 32 And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”



- 1 Thessalonians 5:19: Do not quench the Spirit.
- Quench:
 - To extinguish; go out
 - to suppress or stifle
- How might I quench the Spirit in my life?



- Quenching the Fellowship (Deity), relationship
- I stifle my relationship with the Spirit
- 2 Corinthians 6:14 - 7:1 (ESV) 14 Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness? 15 What accord has Christ with Belial? Or what portion does a believer share with an unbeliever? 16 What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, “I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 17 Therefore go out from their midst, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing; then I will welcome you, 18 and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty.” 1 Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.



- Spirit is my Quarantee.
- I stifle my confidence in salvation: doubt, losing hope, quitting
- Hebrews 6:11-12 (ESV) 11 And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, 12 so that you may not be **sluggish**, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.



- Romans 8:26: Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.
- I stifle my prayer life:
 - focus on suffering, selfishness, possessions
 - becomes routine; words said without real meaning



- James 4:3 (ESV) You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.



- 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 (ESV) 7 So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited. 8 Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. 9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.



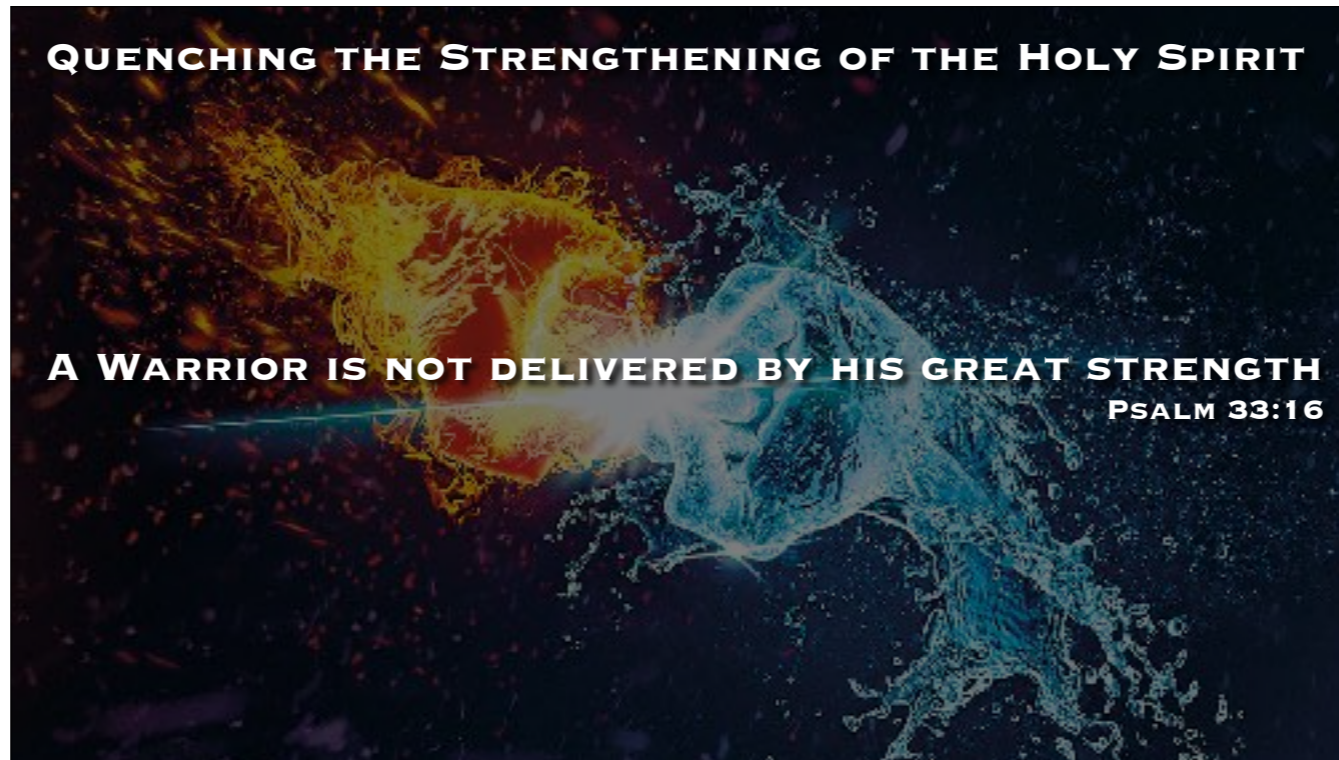
- I stifle the strength through the Spirit; depending on my own strength.
- Ephesians 3:16 (ESV) 16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being,



- Psalms 33:16-17 (ESV) 16 The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength. 17 The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.
- Example of man who depended on own strength
 - Samson
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- Ephesians 6:10-20 (ESV) 10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. 14 Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. 16 In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; 17 and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, 18 praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, 19 and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.



- Examples of God's Power
 - Samson
 - Elijah
 - Gideon
 - Hezekiah
 - Elisha and Servant



- I stifle the Holiness by giving in to sin; failing to glorify God
- 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (ESV) 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.



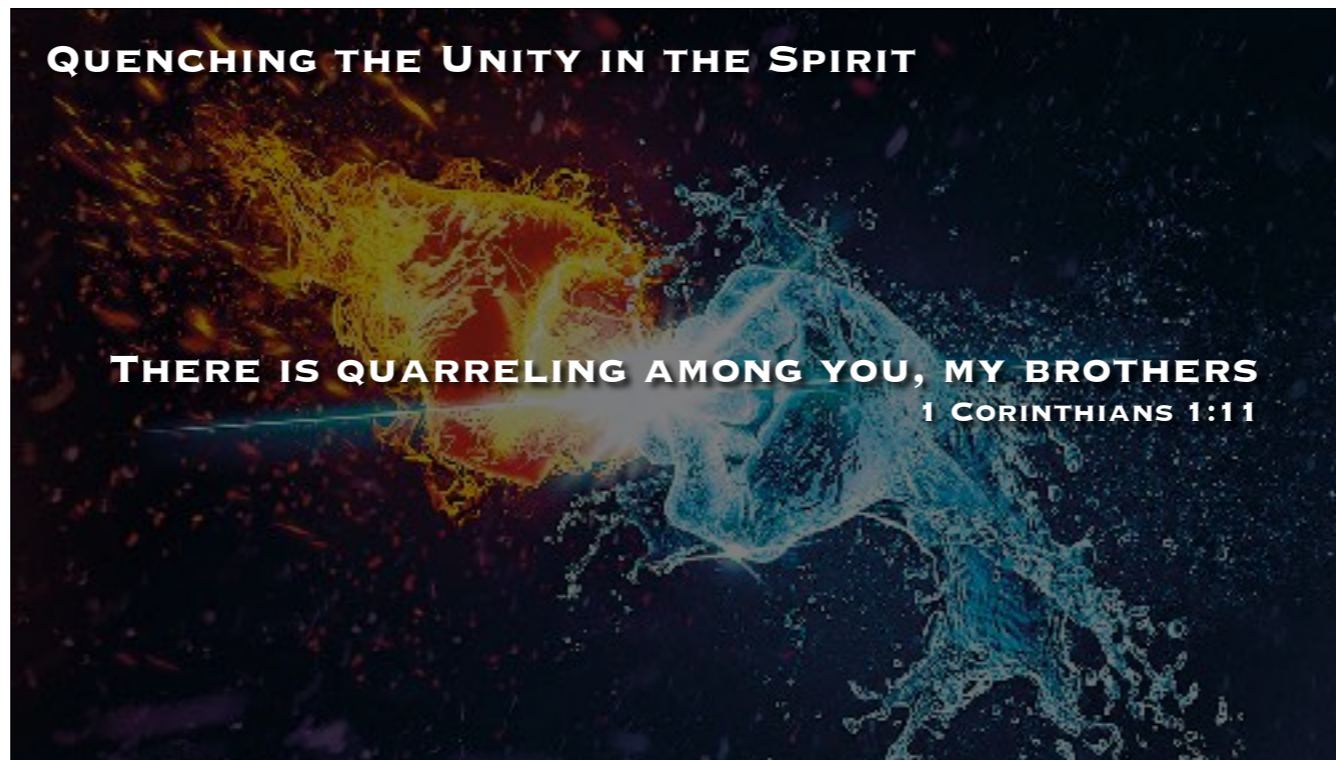
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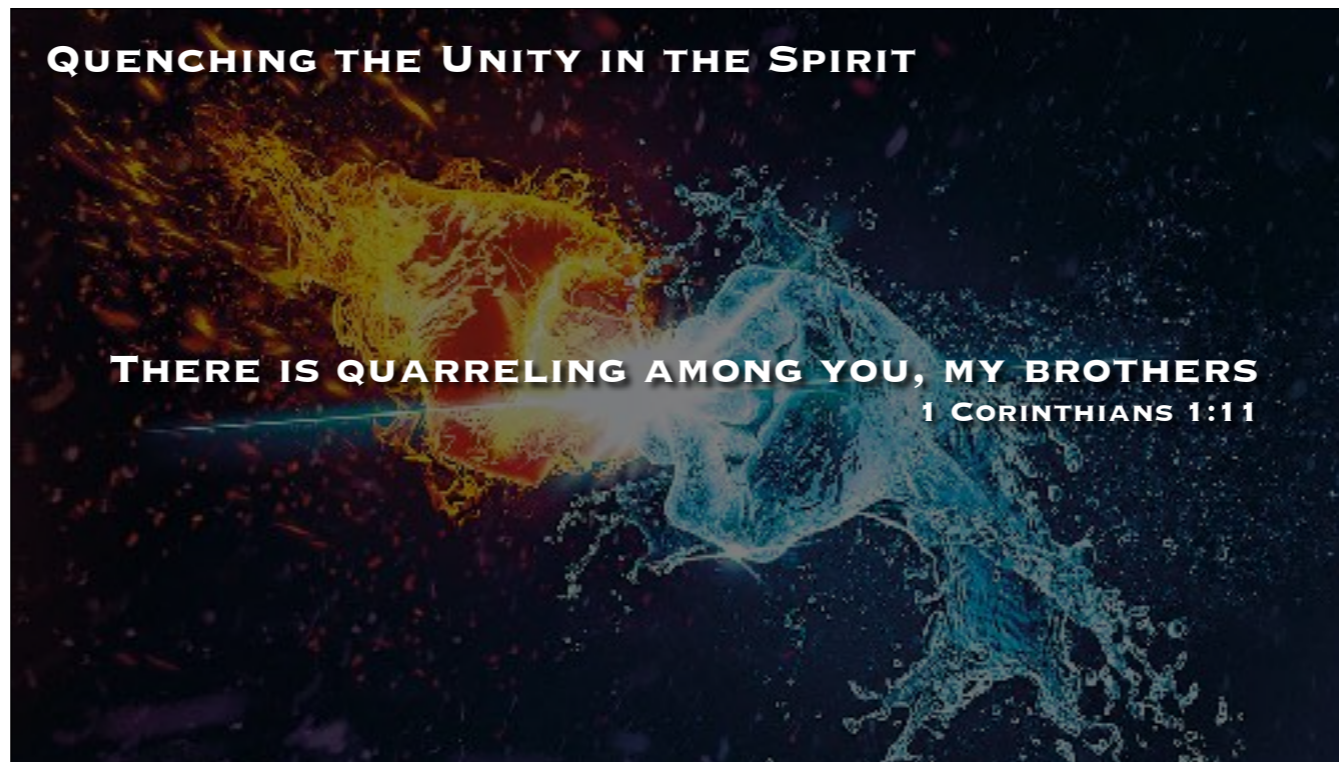
- Romans 6:12-14 (ESV) 12 **Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body**, to make you obey its passions. 13 Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. 14 For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.



- I stifle the unity between brothers
 - 1 Corinthians 12:13 For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.



- 1 Corinthians 1:10-13 (ESV) 10 I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. 11 For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. 12 What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." 13 Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?



- Ephesians 4:15-16 (ESV) 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.



- Let the Holy Spirit Help you!
- Ephesians 4:30 (ESV) 30 And do not **grieve** the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.
- Acts 7:51 (ESV) 51 “You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always **resist** the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you.



- Hebrews 6:4 (ESV) 4 For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit,



- Ephesians 5:18-21 (ESV) 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be **filled** with the Spirit, 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, 20 giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, 21 submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.



- Singing:
 - 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart,



- Thankfulness
 - 20 giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,



- Submission
 - 21 submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

**We implore you on
behalf of Christ,
be reconciled to God.**

2 Corinthians 5:20

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Do Not Quench the Spirit - 2

1 Thessalonians 5:19

Synopsis: Samson reminds us that no matter the purpose and preparation God has given us, nor how much he fills us with his spirit, we can quench the Spirit in our lives. We can quench the Spirit in all the ways that he should be helping us: in our relationship; losing hope; lack for real prayer; strength in myself; sin and quarrelling.

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