

★ How can laying down your life make you joyful?

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# John

15.9-17



An ancient text about Sophia - divine wisdom:

“In every generation she passes into holy souls and makes them the friend of God. [Wisdom 7.27]”

John is the only NT author to mention the Paraclete, which is tricky to translate into English (Advocate? Helper?)



In 1 John 2.1 Jesus is called the Paraclete, and in John 14.16 Jesus asks for another Paraclete to continue his presence. So Jesus is with us now, on Earth, even though he has left.

Flipped preaching



Pray that you might more deeply love people in your church.

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# John

15.26-27 16.4-15



★ How does the Paraclete guide you?

Pray that people you know might experience Jesus in the Paraclete.

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★ How has the Holy Spirit appeared in your life so far?

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# Acts

2.1-21



Pray that our churches might experience God's power in a dramatic way!

There are several Greek words here that have double meanings:



another: again / above  
pneuma: spirit / wind  
phone: sound / call.  
How does swapping them change the meaning of your Bible translation?

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# John

3.1-17

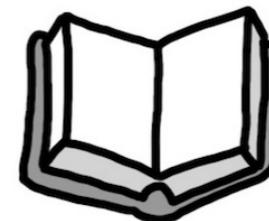


★ The Spirit blows where it wishes. How do we allow for spontaneity in worship?

Pray that you'll be even more accepting of the work of the Spirit in you.

# Reflection

How has God spoken to you through:



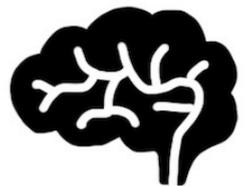
Scripture



Experience



Tradition



Reason



There were actually three Pentecost festivals each year, 50 days apart, when different produce was celebrated: grain, wine and then oil. Maybe this happened at the new wine festival?