

# THE UNSEEN REALM

## **Encountering God**

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John 20:19-22

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On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

#### *Work of the Spirit*

Awaken us to the person of Christ. (The Life of the Spirit)

Form us into the likeness of Christ. (The Fruit of the Spirit)

Empower us to participate in the ministry of Christ. (The Gifts of the Spirit)

### *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

### **John 6:63**

The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you-they are full of the Spirit and life.

### **Romans 8**

Because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free...The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace...But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.

### **2 Corinthians 3:6**

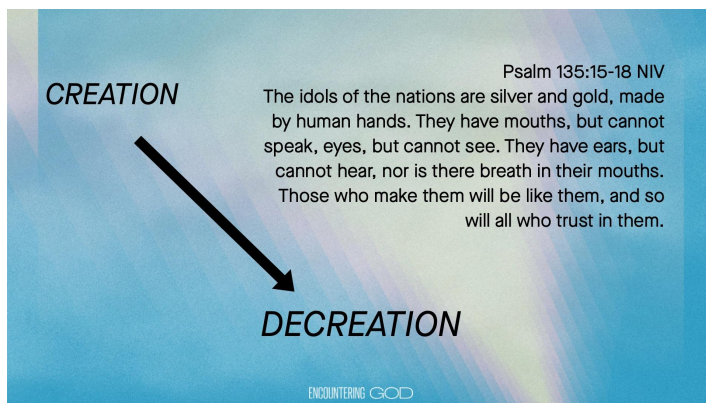
For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

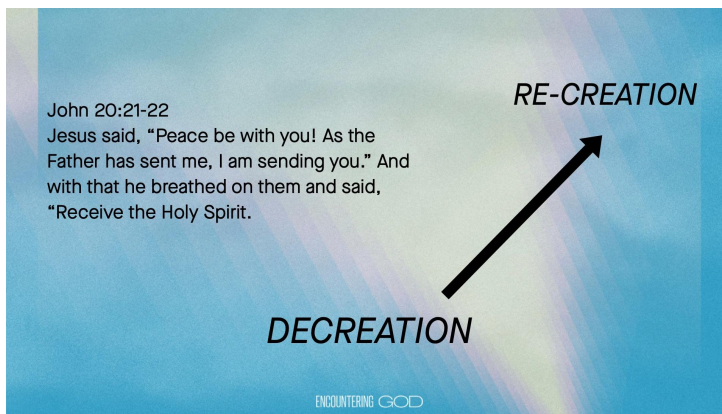
### **Galatians 6:8**

Whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

### [Creation] **Genesis 2:7**

Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.





Life looks healing, liberation, transformation, restoration, and redemption.

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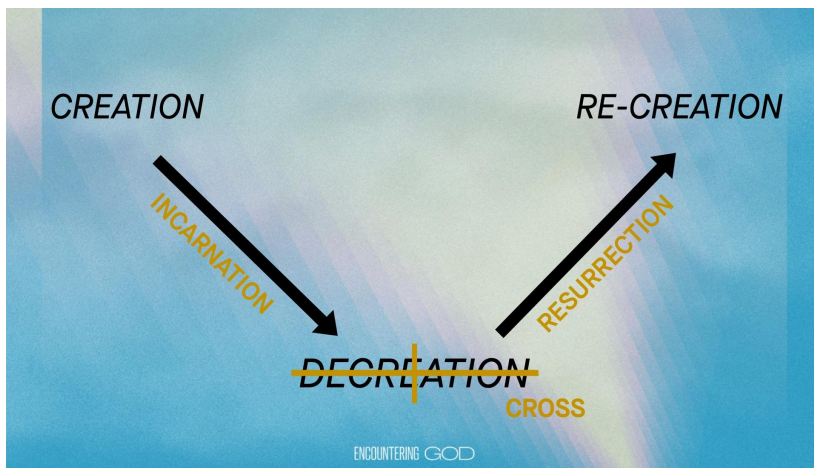
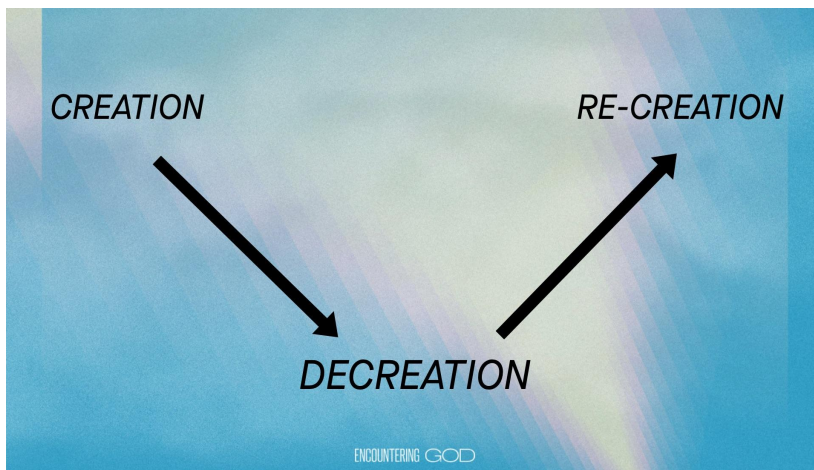
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John 14:15-18, 25-26

"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you *another advocate* to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you." "All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

"Another Advocate" = *Allos Parakletos*





[Incarnation] **Luke 1:34-35**

"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

[Cross] **Hebrews 9:14**

How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

[Resurrection] **Romans 8:11**

And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

[Ministry] **Philippians 2:6-7**

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

[Ministry] **Luke 4:14,18**

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside..."The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free."

**Luke 3:21-22**

When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

**Genesis 1**

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*Targum*

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Jesus is being anointed by the Spirit for a Ministry of Re-Creation.

**John 14:12**

Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

## Gifts of the Spirit [Gospels]

Jesus is described throughout the gospels as a healer, a teacher, a prophet, a miracle worker, a man of wisdom etc.

### **Descriptions of Jesus (Gospels)**

- Prophet
- Healer
- Rabbi/Teacher
- Miracle worker
- Man of Faith

### **Gifts of the Spirit (Corinthians)**

- Gifts of revelation (prophecy)
- Gifts of healing
- Gifts of wisdom (teaching)
- Gifts of miracles
- Gifts of faith

### **1 Corinthians 12:7-11**

Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

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