Saturday, May 9

Scripture

- *Hebrews 9:14*

How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

- *Romans 8:11*

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

Who is God?

The Holy Spirit empowered the Cross and Resurrection

Spiritual Encouragement

Just as Jesus spoke and acted by the Holy Spirit, Jesus also died and rose again by the Spirit. In both cases (Cross and Resurrection), we see the incredible hope and power for Christians.

The Spirit-enabled Cross is able to purify our consciences so we can fully serve God. And, the Spirit-empowered Resurrection means death is not the end of the story for those who have God's Spirit dwelling in them. The Spirit who creates is the Spirit who raises the dead and makes possible new, abundant, and eternal life.

God, may I never think of the Cross and Resurrection apart from the power of Your Spirit at work. Jesus' death was not simply another human execution. Jesus' resurrection was not simply a story made up to keep His legacy alive. The Cross and Resurrection are Your power on display, and the unbelievable part is that Your Spirit brings the effects of the Cross and Resurrection into my life.

Other Verses

- *1 Timothy 3:16*

Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:
He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated by the Spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed on in the world,
taken up in glory.