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*“You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit,
if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you.*

*Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ
does not belong to him.”*

Romans 8:9

Coming Before Holy Father God

Dear Heavenly Father, I come before You today seeking Your grace support to live entirely according to Your Spirit, the Spirit of Wisdom. Your Word in Isaiah 11:1-3 speaks of this spirit of wisdom incarnating as Your Son Jesus Yeshua the Christ: *“But a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the Lord, and his delight shall be the fear of the Lord.”*

Truly this passage illuminates to me that this spirit of wisdom is multi-faceted, multi-dimensional, as a spirit of understanding, discernment, strength and knowledge of You, to name a few. Lord God, this Spirit of Wisdom is a goldmine of blessings and virtues, the demonstration and fruits of spiritual maturity and attainment. I humbly come before You today to seek Your help in living entirely according to this Spirit of Wisdom.

I ask You to fulfill Ephesians 1:17-19 in me, to *give me a spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of You and Christ Jesus. May the eyes of my heart be enlightened, that I may know what is the hope that belongs to Your calling for me, what are the riches of glory in Your inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of Your power for me who believes.* Thank you Lord God!

Please receive my petitions to overthrow all obstacles, leaven, flaws, weaknesses, bad habits that impair my ability to live entirely according to and IN Your Spirit, and Your Spirit dwelling in me.

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Be Like a Child to Receive True Wisdom

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, Matthew 11:25 teaches the paradox of how to receive true wisdom and makes it clear that true wisdom is denied clever people, those proud of their intellect; but given to the clean and pure of heart, those like a child. *“At that time Jesus declared, ‘I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children.’”*
- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, I release and lay at the feet of Jesus all prideful attachments and beliefs that I hold, all elements of ego that block or seriously impair living in Your wisdom and Your understanding.

Remove the Leaven That Blocks Your Spirit

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, I don't want any more leaven that blocks Your Spirit from living and breathing and fully having its being in me. For Acts 7:51 warns: *“You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you.”*
- ◆ Father God, I don't want to be stiff-necked, blocked in my heart and spiritual ears on account of my own ego constructs, programs and habits. God forgive me for holding on to these. Old habits die hard! I release them to You now. I release to You and Jesus all the ego leaven in me; all the bad habits such as impatience, judgementalness, a critical spirit, an unteachable spirit, the need to be right or superior. God forgive me. Thank you for sending your ministering angels to help me.

Virtues to Receive the Spirit of Wisdom

- ◆ Father God, I take the clues from Luke 2:25 to understand the core virtues required in order to receive Your Spirit of Wisdom: righteousness and devotion to You.
- ◆ *“Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was **righteous and devout**, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.”* Help me Lord God, to possess these virtues as actual habits of my character. Remove from me anything blocking them from being a part of me now.

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Ask for This Grace Gift

- ◆ Holy Father God, Your Word in Luke 11:13 makes clear that we are invited to ASK for Your Holy Spirit, not just wait around hoping for Him to show up!
- ◆ *“If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”* Well Lord God, I am asking You to give me the Holy Spirit as my helper, my counselor, my healer, my consoler, my purifier, my sanctifier, my best friend. Thank you! Come Holy Spirit Come! Come by the power of God and the Lord Jesus Christ!

The Measure of Wisdom

- ◆ Heavenly Father, at the time the Judaic tribes celebrated being cared for in the wilderness, the Feast of Booths (Tabernacles), Jesus taught about another deeper form and source of sustenance. In John 7:38, Jesus says: *“Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’”*
- ◆ Lord God, what is it in me that is blocking or impairing the full flow of living waters in and out of my heart? I give you full permission to remove it all now.
- ◆ From Ezekiel 36:25-27, I ask You Lord God Heavenly Father to *sprinkle clean water over me to make me clean; from all my impurities and from all of my idols cleanse me! Give me a new heart, and put a new spirit within me. Remove the heart of stone from my flesh and give me a heart of flesh. Put Your spirit within me so that I may walk in Your statutes, and LIVE and EMBODY Your teachings.*
- ◆ Holy Father, I now see a connection between my purification and fulfilling my intercessor hope and promises of renewing America; as Ezekiel 36:33-35 proclaims: *“Thus says the Lord God: When I cleanse you of all your guilt, I will resettle the cities and the ruins will be rebuilt. The desolate land will be tilled—once a wasteland in the eyes of every passerby. They will say, ‘This once-desolate land has become like the garden of Eden. The cities once ruined, laid waste and destroyed, are now resettled and fortified.’”* I pray You will cleanse me of my guilt, cleanse America of her guilt; so that You will rebuild our beloved country like a garden of Eden, Eden restored.
- ◆ John 7:39 says: *“Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.”* Well Lord God, I DO believe and I DO want to receive and live in Your Spirit now! Thank you for this profound gift!

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- ◆ Father God, I want Your promised living waters to be living in me, so that I am living entirely according to Your Spirit. For John 4:14 says: *“But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”*

A Spring Whose Waters Do Not Fail

- ◆ Dear Lord God, Isaiah 58:11 says: *“And the Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your desire in scorched places and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.”*
- ◆ Heavenly Father, make me a watered garden, flowing in Your truth; not the rigidity of my own ego-mind and their accompanying programs. Let me be a spring whose waters do not fail, but waters others with Your love and truth.

Beware of False Wells

- ◆ Holy Father, Jeremiah 2:13 warns about false wells: *“For my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.”* Lord God, I repent for drawing from false wells. Remove from me the scales and veils that have prevented me from discerning Your fountain of living waters.
- ◆ Heavenly Father I repent for all the times and ways I missed the mark and did not discern as in John 4:10 when Jesus said to the Samaritan woman: *“If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.”*

Cleansed by the Word

- ◆ Father God, cleanse me with Your Word, as I commit to daily eating Your Word as led by Your Spirit of Wisdom to do so.
- ◆ For Ephesians 5:26 says: *“That he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word.”*

Live in the River

- ◆ Holy Father, Ezekiel Chapter 47 talks about the water rising and coming from the threshold of the temple, which is our Lord; then going from ankle-deep to knee-

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deep to waist-deep until it is a flowing river. Lord God, I don't want to settle for ankle, knee or waist deep in You! I want to live in the fullness of Your river of living waters! Let me do so now!

- ◆ Isaiah 43:2 tells me that living in YOUR living waters, I receive protection. I am not harmed by the slings and arrows of this world: *"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you."*
- ◆ For Isaiah 12:3 proclaims: *"With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation."*
- ◆ Father God, I am the thirsty one in Revelations 21:6 which proclaims: *"And he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.'"*

Discernment Comes from the Spirit

- ◆ Holy Father God, the ego-mind is so clever and persistent, that it can even take religious views and values, and twist and use them to put others down. Love uplifts but ego constricts.
- ◆ 1 Corinthians 2:14 affirms this: *"The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned."*

The Water of Life

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, Revelations 22:17 promises: *"The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come.' And let the one who hears say, 'Come.' And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price."*
- ◆ Oh Father God, how profound and generous! I yield to Your Spirit to receive this holy water of life without price.

Markers of Living in the Spirit of Wisdom

- ◆ Heavenly Father, Your Word provides markers that guide my self-awareness, to gauge how well I am allowing myself to truly live in Your spirit of wisdom. Romans 8:26 advises: *"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."* This tells me I do not have to be clever or spiritually adept to

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ask and receive help from Your Spirit, because He actually helps me when I am weak and struggling. How profound!

- ◆ 1 Corinthians 3:18 tells me that if I or someone is in a stance of superiority, this is not coming from a spirit of wisdom; because the wise are also humble and loving. They are not abusive. They do not club others over the head who do not believe their version of truth. *“Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise.”*
- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, Galatians 5:22 lists the virtues that accompany being truly filled with Your Spirit of Wisdom: *“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.”* Lord God, help me to truly, fully and eternally possess these fruits of the Spirit as personal, godly virtues. Please remove from me all leaven that has prevented me from living the fullness of these nine beautiful virtues of character.
- ◆ Lastly Holy Father, from 1 Corinthians 12:31 - Chapter 13: **The Way of Love**. But I shall show you a still more excellent way, the Way of Love. There is no greater marker for if the Spirit of Wisdom is living in me and is my core operating system: if I am loving the way Jesus loves me, the way He loves humanity as Love Incarnate.

*“I prayed and prudence was given to me;
I pleaded and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I preferred her to scepter and throne,
and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her.
Yet all good things together are to me in her company,
And countless riches at her hands.”*

Book of Wisdom 7-8, 11

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Sealing Prayer:

*“If I speak in human and angelic tongues
but do not have love,
I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal.
And if I have the gift of prophecy and comprehend
all mysteries and all knowledge;
if I have all faith so as to move mountains
but do not have love, I am nothing.
If I give away everything I own,
and if I hand my body over so that I may boast
but do not have love,
I gain nothing.
Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous,
[love] is not pompous, it is not inflated,
it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests,
it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury,
it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth.
It bears all things, believes all things,
hopes all things, endures all things.
Love never fails. If there are prophecies,
they will be brought to nothing;
if tongues, they will cease;
if knowledge, it will be brought to nothing.
For we know partially and we prophesy partially,
but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away.
When I was a child, I used to talk as a child,
think as a child, reason as a child;
when I became a man, I put aside childish things.
At present we see indistinctly, as in a mirror, but then face to face.
At present I know partially;
then I shall know fully, as I am fully known.
So faith, hope, love remain, these three;
but the greatest of these is love.”*