

The CONNECTING WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture Reading — 2 Corinthians 13:11-14

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. — 2 Corinthians 13:14

We hear the word synergy a lot today. Synergy usually refers to two or more agents working together for greater effect. Synergy captures an essential truth about the Holy Spirit, his connecting to great effect.

Paul demonstrates the connecting work of the Holy Spirit in the blessing at the end of 2 Corinthians. This blessing, -often used at the end of a time of worship, vividly portrays Father, Son, and Holy Spirit working together with grace, love, and fellowship in perfect harmony to carry out their grand plan of salvation.

But this trinitarian blessing also reminds us of the connecting work of the Spirit in our life together as Christ's body, the church. It's in our worship together through singing, hearing the Word, and praying that we receive the renewing and strengthening fellowship of the Holy Spirit, our comforter and helper. It's through our fellowship together as sisters and brothers, made possible through the connecting work of the Holy Spirit, that we too play a part in God's plan of salvation, his kingdom coming.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, connecting in your life today, remind you of God's great love and his desire for you to join in the work of his kingdom.

Prayer

Triune God, thank you for the connecting work of the Holy Spirit. Connect us today with you and each other in doing your will on earth. Amen.

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