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The same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead is living in you.
Romans 8:11 (TLB)

Read that scripture again. The same Spirit that raised Christ from the dead is living in you, Romans 8:11 (TLB). How exciting to know that the same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead on Resurrection Sunday is the same Spirit that lives in us!

This tells me that no matter what you are going through in life, no matter where you are in life, you can be confident in the Lord because the Lord has made you this promise through Christ's word. What Christ says about you, what Christ has provided to you, how Christ loves you...helps you understand what is yours for being a part of the family of God through Jesus Christ.

When Jesus was raised from the dead on Easter morning, our world was changed! Not just at that moment, but for each of us until we leave earth, and we are called home to be with Jesus Christ, who died for us and was raised from the dead for us! Did you know that you are so much more than flesh and blood if the Spirit of God lives inside you? Your natural existence is secondary to your spiritual existence. Jesus said in John 6, "These words I have spoken to you are Spirit and they are life" (John 6:63). The Spirit inside of you is life; understanding how this operates will give you the victory that Christ purchased for you. As Christians, it is important to understand the spiritual truths of God.

The spiritual is superior in every way. The spiritual side always trumps the natural realm; that is why Jesus provided everything for you in the spiritual realm. Jesus wanted to make sure that Jesus promises were eternal and everlasting. Once they exist in spiritual form, then by release, they will overflow into the natural physical realm, and you will see results. There is evidence of this truth throughout the entire scriptures.

Paul tells us in Romans with our focus scripture (Romans 8:11) that you have the very same Spirit that raised Jesus Christ from the dead living inside of you as born-again believers. This is an amazing revelation! Ephesians chapter 1 gives us more detail on this truth, "...and His incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of His mighty strength, which He exerted in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come" (Ephesians 1:19-21).

Did you know that the grave could not hold Jesus? Of course, you do! The darkness tried to hold Jesus down, but God's power that raised Jesus from the dead was so great that it could only release Jesus! So ladies, as we offer our praise and thanks to God above for His Son, Jesus Christ, know that we have the same Spirit that moved the stone available to us! And knowing we have this kind of power in us, what walls can we bring down and differences can we make together? and bring down together?

