

Strengthening Summit - Wednesday, October 15, 2014 – The Holy Spirit in a Man's Life

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Group discussion

1. What has kept you from full surrender to God's Spirit?
2. What Gift of the Holy Spirit do you need for you to be a better man? Be specific.
3. After reflecting on Gal 5:16-25, what in you is still in the flesh?

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