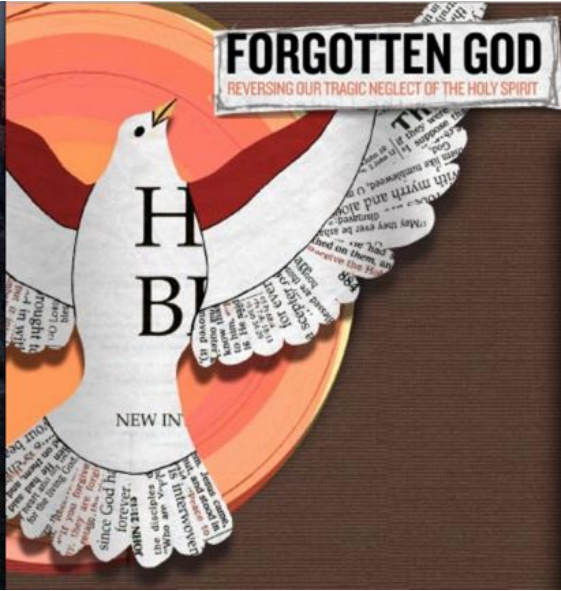


# Chapter 7:

# Supernatural Church

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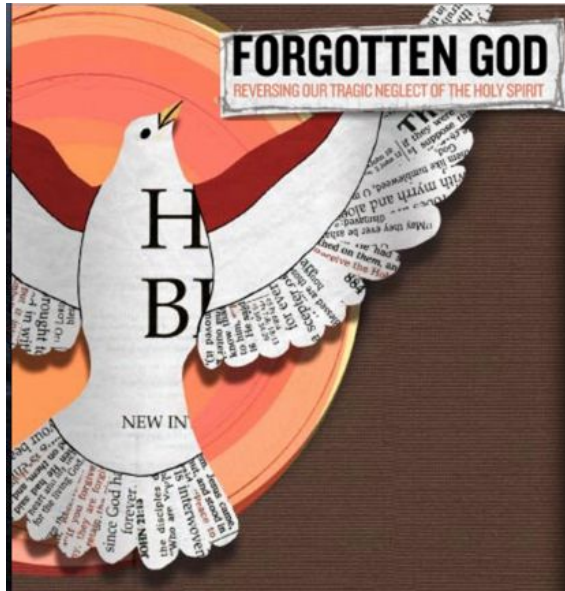
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Most of us want  
to take credit for  
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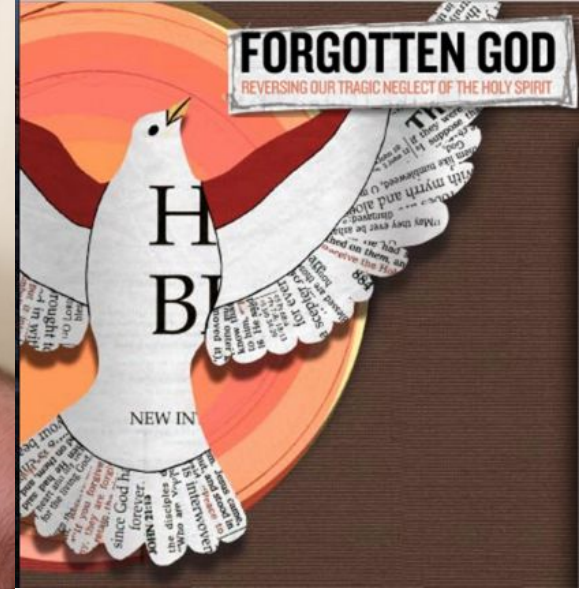
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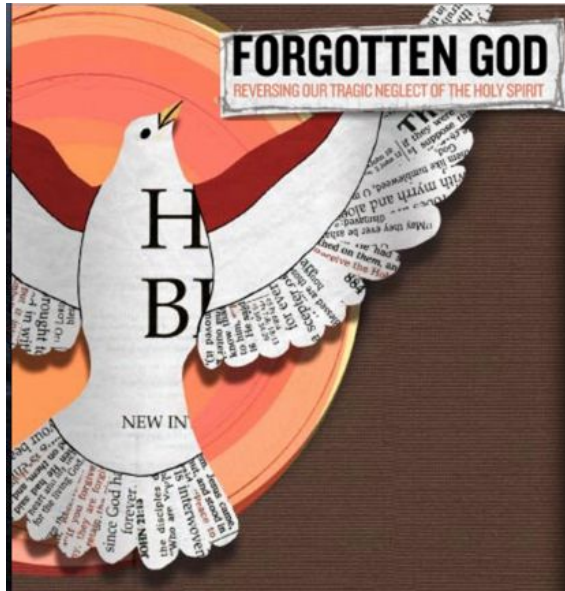
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**What does  
depending  
on God  
look like?**



# “Elijah is a great speaker”



Then he said to them, “Fill four large jars with water and pour it on the offering and on the wood.”

34 “Do it again,” he said, and they did it again.

“Do it a third time,” he ordered, and they did it the third time. 35 The water ran down around the altar and even filled the trench.

36 At the time of sacrifice, the prophet Elijah stepped forward and prayed: “LORD, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, let it be known today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant and have done all these things at your command. 37 Answer me, LORD, answer me, so these people will know that you, LORD, are God, and that you are turning their hearts back again.”

38 Then the fire of the LORD fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench.

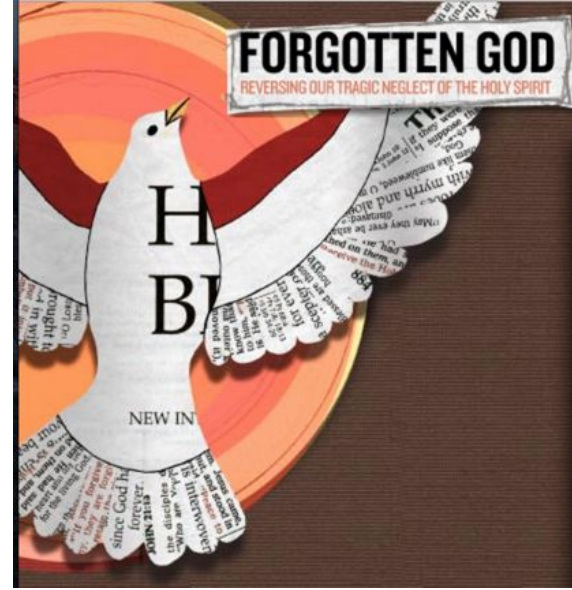
39 When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, “The LORD —he is God! The LORD —he is God!”



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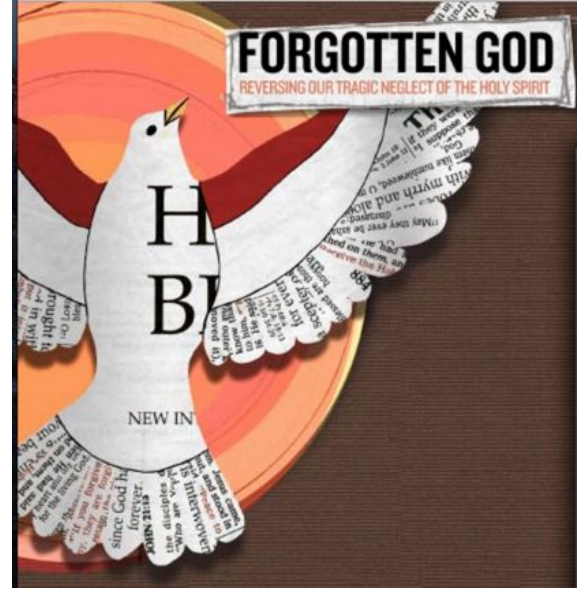
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God raised Jesus from  
the dead - & we think  
our problems are too  
big?

“I keep asking that the  
God of our Lord Jesus  
Christ, the glorious  
Father, may give you the  
Spirit of wisdom and  
revelation, so that you  
may know him better.”  
Ephesians 1:17

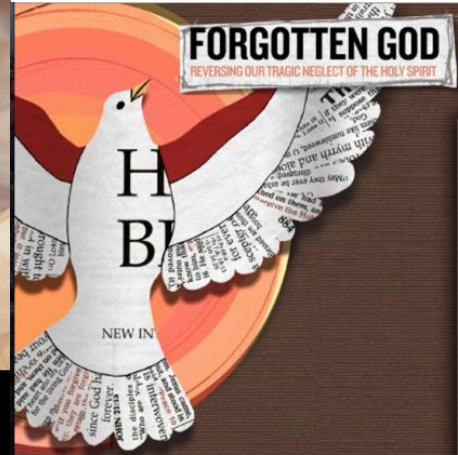


“God is NOT coercive”





# Fruit of the spirit



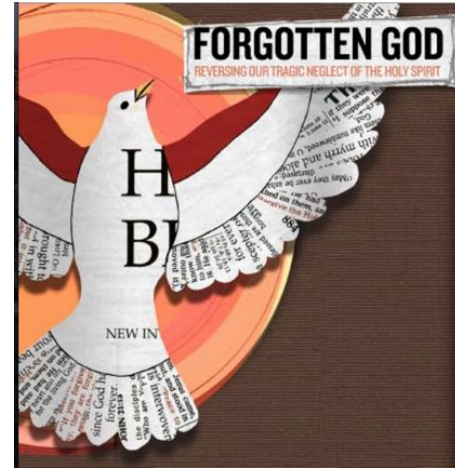


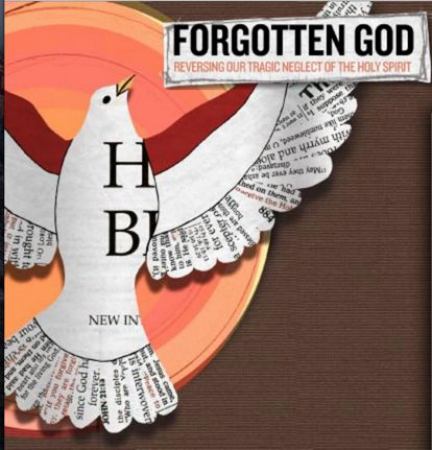


19 The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; 20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions 21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

# fruit not fruits





# *supernatural?*

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peace,  
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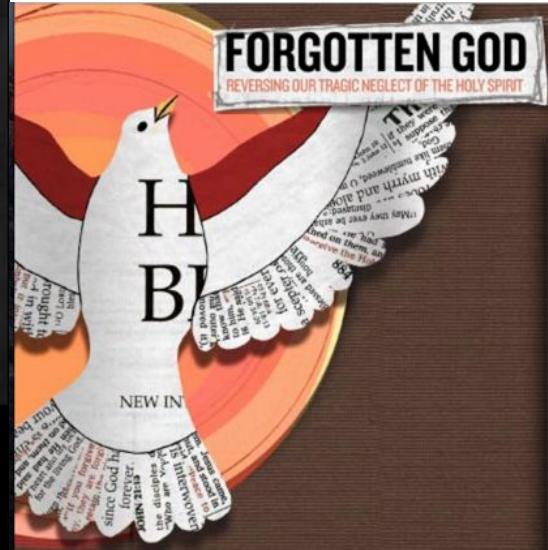


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# Desperate season?



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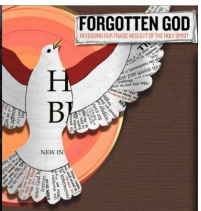






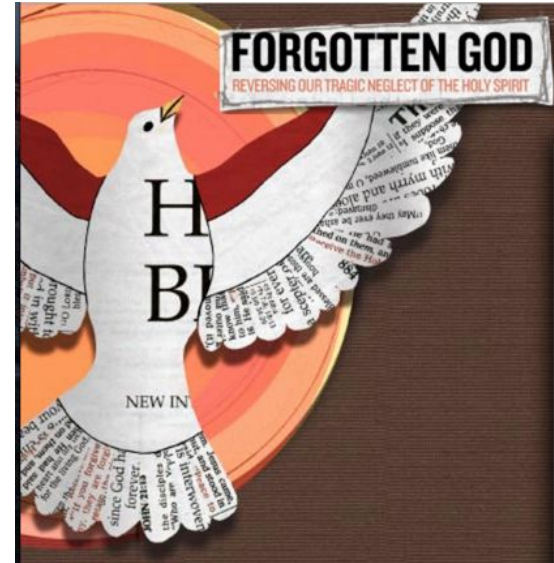
**What would  
living in  
complete  
dependence on  
God look like in  
my life today?**

“I have found that through spending time with those I respect, I become more like them than I would by simply trying to ‘do what they do.’”





# time with God?



# “pray fervently”

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/ˈfɜrvənt/ 

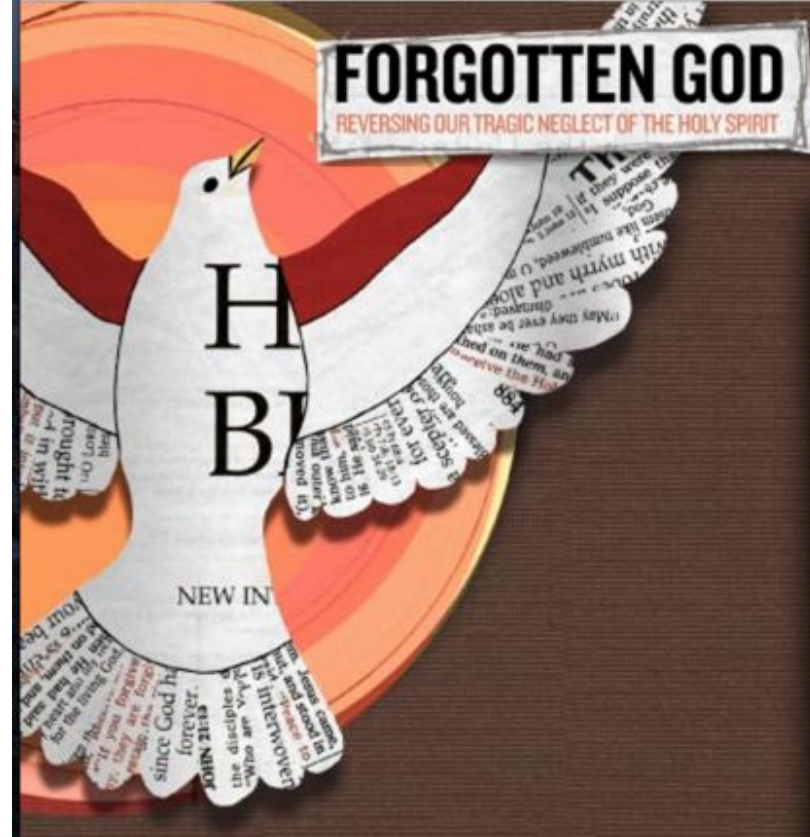
*adjective*

having or displaying a passionate intensity.

"a fervent disciple of tax reform"

*synonyms:* impassioned, passionate, intense, vehement, ardent, sincere, fervid, heartfelt;

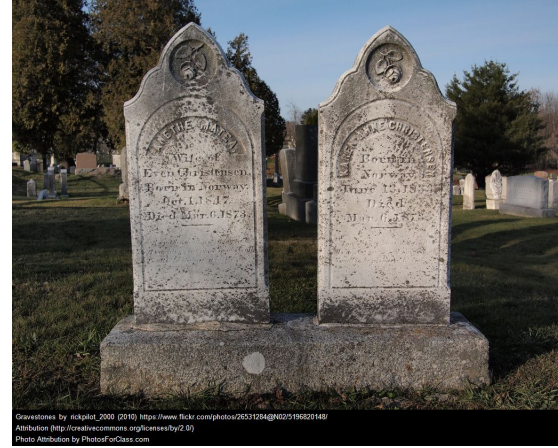
- *archaic*  
hot, burning, or glowing.



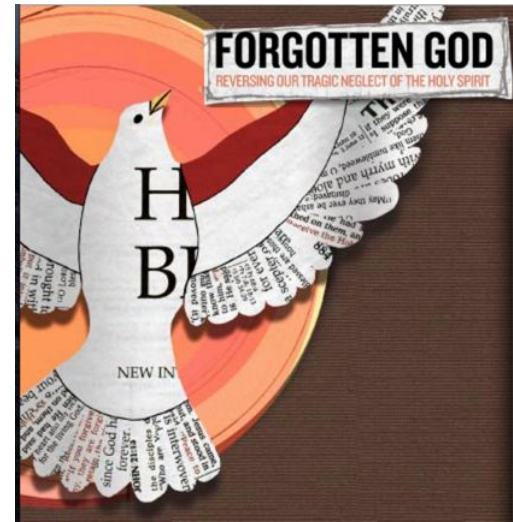




“Life is too short. I don’t want to speak about Jesus; I want to know Jesus. I want to be Jesus to people. I don’t want to just write about the Holy Spirit; I want to experience His presence in a profound way.”



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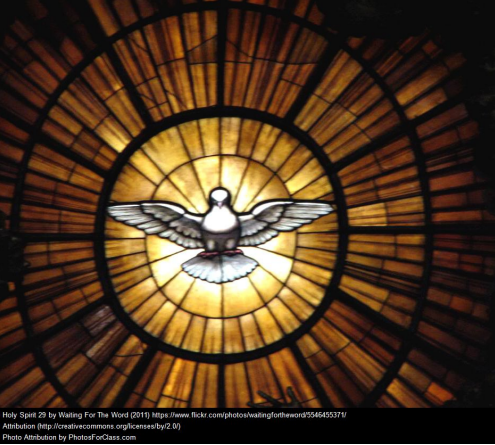
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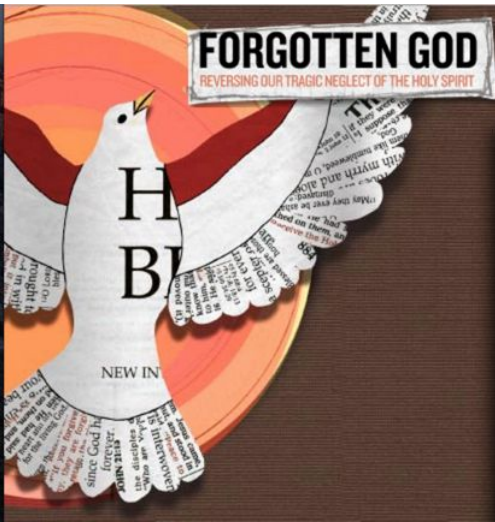
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“No matter where you live and what your days look like, you have the choice to depend on yourself, to live safely, and to try to control your life. Or you can live as you were created to live - as a temple of the Holy Spirit of God, as a person dependent on Him, desperate for God the Spirit to show up and make a difference.”



What are the audacious prayers you can pray for yourself? For your family? Our community? Our nation? Our world?



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