

**Stronger Together  
- The Power to Save -**

**We are saved by believing in Jesus Christ; it is the Holy Spirit's power that works out the process of salvation in each of us. We become stronger together as we are birthed through His unifying power. *John 3:3-6; Acts 4:1-12; John 14:6***

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**1. Even as a mother is intimately connected with her unborn baby in the womb and prepares for it's birth, the Holy Spirit intimately knows us and prepares us to be spiritually born. *Psalms 139:15-17; Ephesians 2:18; John 16:8-9***

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**2. Even as a mother labors and gives birth to her baby, the Holy Spirit labors over us and births us into spiritual life. *John 3:6b; Romans 8:11; Titus 3:4-5; Romans 8:14***

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**3. Even as a mother nurtures her child into adulthood, the Holy Spirit nurtures and preserves us until the time comes for us to receive all God has saved us for. *1 Peter 1:3-5; Ephesians 1:13b-14; John 14:16-17a; Romans 8:26-27; 1 Corinthians 6:11b***

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**Next Week's Reading Guide:**

Acts 4:13-22  
Acts 4:23-31  
1 Samuel 17:1-51  
2 Corinthians 3  
Daniel 3:1-30  
1 John 2:7-29  
Daniel 6:1-28

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Where were you born? Share about your mother. What good things did she impart to you?
2. Share about how the Holy Spirit prepared you for being born again. What life experiences did He allow so that you could realize your need to be saved?
3. Share about your spiritual birth. What were the circumstances in your life when you were born again? How did the Holy Spirit labor to bring you to the point of delivery?
4. Share some ways you're aware of that the Holy Spirit has preserved your spiritual life by His power. Share some ways He has nurtured you (comfort, encourage, counsel, etc.,) since being born again?