

# ***WHEN DO WE QUENCH THE SPIRIT?***

Matthew 13:53-58 NIV

## **1. WHEN WE DON'T ASK THE LORD FOR ANYTHING.**

**Matthew 7:7–8** *Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.*

## **2. WHEN OUR HEARTS ARE UNRECEPTIVE.**

**Matthew 7:6 NASB95** *Do not give what is holy to dogs, and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.*

## **3. WHEN WE KNOW ENOUGH BUT STILL DON'T REALLY BELIEVE.**

**Matthew 11:20, 24 NLT** *Then Jesus began to denounce the towns where he had done so many of his miracles, because they hadn't repented of their sins and turned to God. (Jesus said,) "If the miracles I did for you had been done in wicked Sodom, it would still be here today. I tell you, even Sodom will be better off on judgment day than you."*

## **4. WHEN OUR SINFUL DESIRES HAVE BEEN NORMALIZED.**

**Romans 1:18** *The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness,*

**24** *Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts...*

**26** *God gave them over to shameful lusts...*

**28** *God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done.*

## **5. WHEN PROVISIONS BECOME MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE PROVIDER.**

**John 12:37** *Even after Jesus had performed so many signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him.*

## ***IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE!***

### **\*DO YOU RECOGNIZE JESUS AS YOUR LORD?**

**John 1:9–12** *The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—*

### **\*WILL YOU BRING EVERYTHING TO HIM IN PRAYER?**

**1 John 5:14** *This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.*

### **\*WILL YOU RESIST AND PRAY AGAINST YOUR SINFUL DESIRES?**

**2 Peter 1:10–11** *Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*

### **\*YOU ARE INVITED TO START FRESH EVERY DAY WITH A FULL TANK!**

**Lamentations 3:22–23** *Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.*