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The Spirit is personal

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and left it to tick. Nor is God just the one who came in Jesus,



The Spirit is holy

- distinct, perfect, not dependent on us, yet shaping our world

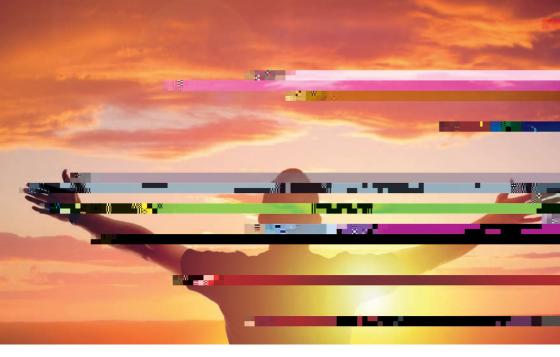
So the Spirit calls us to faith, reminding us of the reality of Jesus and of the truths he brought us (John 14:26). The Spirit bears

'The Spirit calls us to a lifestyle that mirrors and embodies the values of Jesus'

Jesus' name as children of the God whom Jesus called Father (Romans 8:15-17).

values of Jesus. 'Sanctification' is an old name for this - the

shoelaces. It needs to be a gift from God. Surely we have to



custom try to pull us off the path of Jesus, we are not in the

Jesus known. There are many words for this –

'mission, outreach, witness. The church was never meant to be an ingrown community'

us the confidence and credibility to look outward, to declare by word and action that Jesus is alive, and to represent his truth

The Spirit is alive

Finally, it is worth noting that different people in the United Reformed Church would tell parts of this story in different ways. Some would stress the Spirit's role in creation (Genesis the Spirit's relationship to Jesus, and expect to encounter the work of the Spirit specifically in places where Jesus is named and known. Of one thing, however, we can be sure: God's Spirit

to these with faith, hope and joy, for Jesus' sake.

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