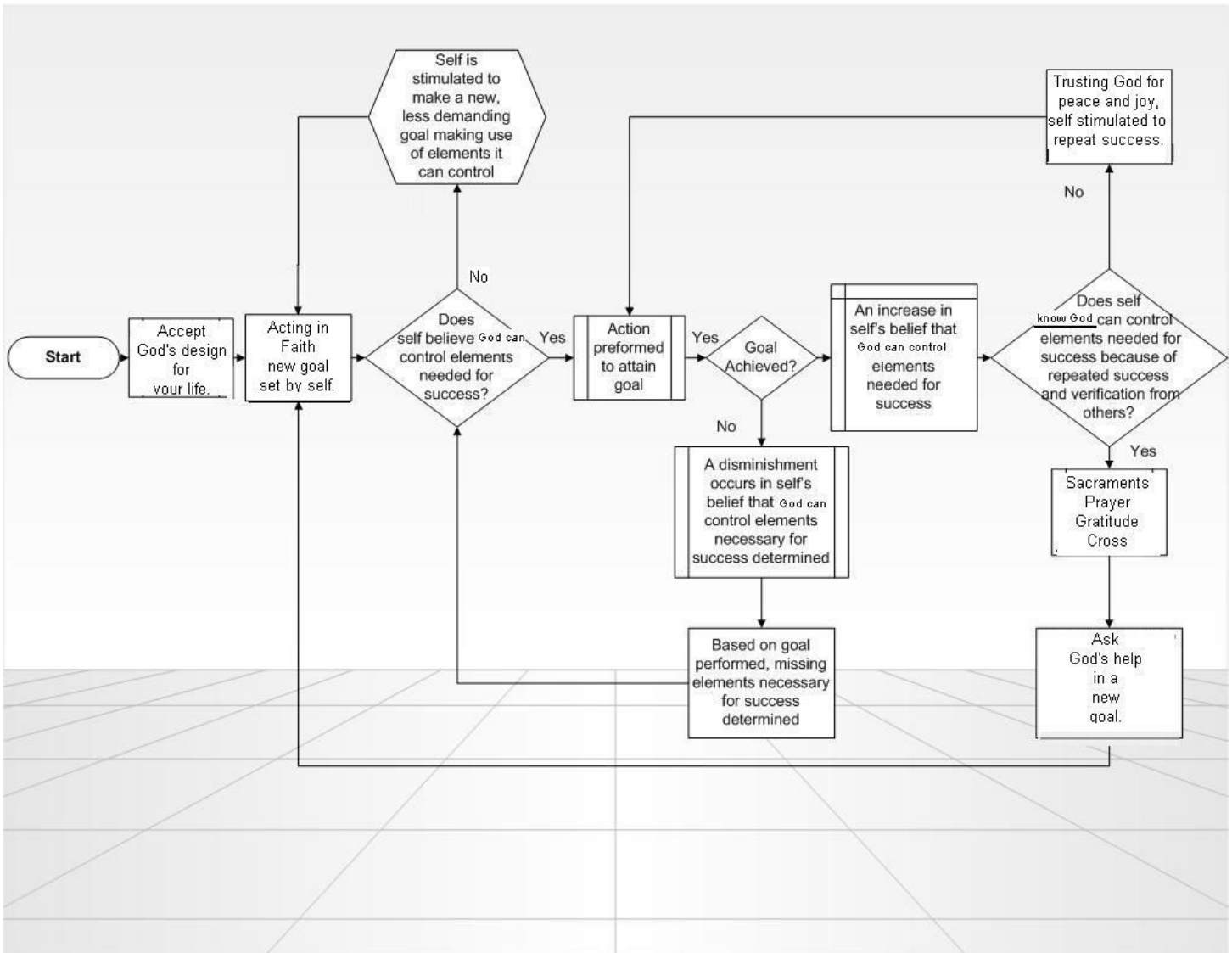


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There are 5 levels of Manifestation of the Holy Spirit. Following the Loquate Success Model above:

1. Does self believe God can control elements needed for success? No.
2. Does self believe God can control elements needed for success? Yes
3. Goal achieved? No
4. Goal achieved? Yes
5. Does self know God can control elements needed for success because of repeated success and verification from others? No

Paradoxical at every level, think of our faith as a path, a direction. Through free will, we can act in faith or not. God will give us confirmation, but only we may know it.

## **Level 1, not Level 5, is the highest faith level**

You can get to Level 5, but not all the time. Therefore Level 1 is the highest faith level, provided you act in charity anyway. Because it shows we have faith. Humility is needed to act in faith. Acting in faith when we do not believe God can control elements needed for success, and performing acts of charity anyway, is the highest faith level.

### **Blocks**

There are blocks to the Manifestation of the Holy Spirit at every level.

Faith and community are needed.

### **Faith**

Faith is the ultimate gift we have to give to God. God has everything, except faith. He seeks us to have faith in Him always. What joy God has when we earnestly seek Him! That is faith. Humility is the ultimate faith journey.

### **Community**

God built man to be in community. Alone, we fail time and again. In community, we are invincible,

#### **Provided:**

1. Our community is a community where work meets faith.
2. Our community is a permanent community.
3. My commitment to my community is for life.

### **What Exactly does the Holy Spirit Want?**

- To hear God.
- To know, love, and serve God.
- To follow God's plan.
- To honor us with abundant life.

### **Why does the Holy Spirit Manifest Himself?**

The power of the Holy Spirit evangelizes others. His power can only be made manifest in a person. Whole lives give testimony. A life well lived as an ordinary person like you and I become the best candidates for the Power of the Holy Spirit to be made manifest in us.

Why?

Because we are so ordinary.

Isn't that the carpenter's son? Don't we know his brothers and sisters? He was altogether too much for them.

### **How does the Holy Spirit Manifest Himself?**

Unless one is born again from on high, he cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

Unless one is like a little child, he cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

Unless one is baptized by water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

Unless one eats the body and drinks the blood of God, he cannot enter the Kingdom.

### **Why does the Holy Spirit Want to Manifest Himself?**

- To honor you.
- To honor your path.
- To confuse the mighty.
- To confound the unbelievers.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for My sake, for their reward in Heaven shall be great.

Unless you fall to the ground and die to yourself, you cannot bring fruit.

Some bring 10 fold, others, 50 fold, still others 100 fold.

It is not you who called Me, but I Who called you.

### **When does the Holy Spirit Make Manifest Himself?**

God's will is a perfect good. It brings abundance to the one thru whom the Holy Spirit acts, and to all those who see and believe.

We cannot know God's will. It is outside of time and space. But we can act in faith. It is that faith that He honors.

Still, at each level of success, we can progress with diligence, commitment, and shared experience. Those who went before us, know the way. No one person has the whole answer, but each has a piece to the puzzle. The pieces to the puzzle all snap into place, when our community is visited upon by the Holy Spirit.

## **Discussion Group Considerations and Questions**

The Faith chart you saw on page 1 relates to satisfying the spiritual need for competence.

There are blocks to the growth of our spirituality, just as there are blocks to any form of competence that we may seek.

In the faith chart, blocks are defined as “missing elements necessary for success (are to be) determined.” Those blocks are up to each of us to determine.

Basically do we give up on God, or do we still act in faith?

## **Discussion Group Considerations**

“Miracles, First Hand” inform us of spiritual breakthroughs. The Holy Spirit alone performs miracles. A miracle is a perfect good. Miracles overcome faith blocks at every level. Publicly praising God for Miracles builds the common good in community. To not publicly acknowledge God as the author of the miracle is to not build God centered community. That is why it is so important to share “Miracles, First Hand.”

Each level of success refers to a stage in the diagram or a stage in our life. The diagram describes achieving success over a period of time.

The five levels refer to five points in time.

The first level occurs when a person has a genuine desire and wonders if he can control the elements needed for success. In community we can be helpful at this point by encouraging the person with the genuine desire.

When we have faith in others, it brings out the Lord in them.

When others seek the Lord, they seek the good. We cannot know what form that good may take but we can know it will be a perfect good because God's will is perfect.

The second level occurs when a person performs some action to attain a goal. We can be helpful at this point only by helping the person succeed.

When we see some element for success is missing, by simply providing that element, we are being as helpful as we can be.

When a person is trying something new, he is under pressure. Trying to teach the person engaged in this new undertaking the right way to do something is inappropriate, because the person is doing all he can to stay above water.

The third level occurs when a person has succeeded one or more times with the help of others. At this point the person will wish to supply the missing elements himself. We can be helpful by teaching the person the bare essentials he will need to succeed on his own.

We must gradually remove ourselves from the picture by providing more and more leeway (time and freedom) to try and retry the basic elements needed for success that we have taught him.

The fourth level occurs when the person knows he can control on his own, the necessary elements of success. We can be helpful at this point by telling the person in no uncertain terms that he can control the basic elements needed for success. It would be inappropriate and unnecessary to teach the person the finer details at this time. He may take it too imply that we do not see the success he has attained.

The fifth level occurs when the person is stimulated to take on a new more demanding goal making use of the elements he can control. The appropriate help at this level is to teach the person the finer details.

By taking into consideration a person's level of success, we can give him the help he wants and needs.

A discussion group may be tasked with overcoming blocks to each level of success.

This may also be done in a [Work Meets Faith small group](#) by examining real life concerns about handling some God thing, at work. One member, or focus person, shares a God concern at work. We all work in some sense of the word. A facilitator encourages others to share relevant resolution stories. When all relevant resolution stories have been heard, the focus person expresses the

alternative or combination of alternatives he likes best. In this way every person gains the experience of the whole group thru God stories, not advice.

Our “Miracles, First Hand” discussion group can pattern itself after a Work Meets Faith small group. If our “Miracles, First Hand” group becomes too large, breakout discussion groups may be formed.

And if we can define universal blocks to faith growth, and share corresponding spiritual breakthroughs, we may become guardian human beings for the manifestations of the Holy Spirit worldwide.

The breakout discussion groups could report back to the main group sharing blocks and breakthroughs at each level of the 5 levels. The blocks and breakthroughs could be loosely organized by the 5 faith levels.

The world is watching what we are doing. Only you. None others. We may publish without expense at Loquate.tv “Miracles, First Hand” and to this we can add blocks and breakthroughs. And we will.

### **Discussion Questions Limited to a Miracle Story**

For each item below the discussion group can ask what is the block, and what is the breakthrough?

**Level 1** Does self believe God can control elements needed for success? No.

1. Let me give you an example, fear and doubt bring on evil.
2. Here is another example, hatred and self will are Satan’s main tools.

**Level 2** Does self believe God can control elements needed for success? Yes

3. Here is the most important example, we must witness every miracle as from the Holy Spirit, or the Holy Spirit will leave us. Instead we must thank the Holy Spirit, and ask for more. We do not ask enough. We are not only to ask for miracles but to expect miracles.

**Level 3** Goal achieved? No

4. Here is another example, we must grow in humility down to holy nothingness. Every block to faith growth is of our own doing. Every spiritual breakthrough is of God’s doing. If we do not acknowledge the miracle

as from God alone, we have no humility, for God alone can provide miracles.

**Level 4** Goal achieved? Yes

5. Here is another example, the best place we can be is in surrender. Our competence can only be God’s competence, for faith to occur.

**Level 5** Does self know God can control elements needed for success because of repeated success and verification from others? No

6. Here is another example. The only gift we can give God is our faith.
7. Here is another example. We demonstrate our faith through our works, satisfying our innate need of relatedness.
8. Here is another example. From all eternity each one of us has God given work to do that no one else can do. This is our area of meaningful expansion for ourself, our interiorly preferred work, which may be offered in a spirit of repentance in declaration as a gift back to God that we might obtain more of that kind of work.
9. Here is another example. God gives us our cross that our surrender might be more complete. Our interiorly preferred work will be our cross. God will use every bit of our suffering in a perfect way to draw others to God within us. He does this thru our interiorly preferred work that we might satisfy our innate need for autonomy.
10. Here is another example. Our interiorly preferred work can never be fully accomplished except in community within a permanent small group to which we commit for life following a [3s](#) protocol to holy nothingness. As we be and become a better form of our self in one functional group with Christ and Mary as spiritual mentors, we will go outward from there bringing happiness or joy to ourselves and increased sense of community to every group of which we are a part.

**Back to Level 1**

11. Here is another example. God does His best work when He is silent. Silence means He trusts us to do our work.
12. Here is another example. Miracles are not needed when we act charitably in blind faith. This is the summit of our faith life.

# Discussion Notes Limited to One Miracle of God

Witness Name and Miracle Description:

Miracle First Hand recording date:      Typed notes from name, phone, email:

**Blocks**

**Breakthroughs**

**One Facilitator Per Breakout Group- In General Follow the Odd Rule** When you as facilitator are tempted to say something in response to what a speaker has said, be silent and call on others to speak. If you want to say something on a controversial point, the chances are high that others will also want to speak. The rule is odd because when you want to speak, the rule says do not talk on the subject. As a facilitator, the more you want to say something in response to what has been said, the more others want to speak, the more you need to be silent and call on others to form consensus to resolve the matter. After everyone has spoken, if what you wished to say still has not been said, then speak. Let consensus form, bottoms up, from the whole group.