Teachings of Jesus - #3 The Holy Spirit

This Week's Study: John 14:16-18; John 14:26; John 15:26; Matt. 12:31-32; John 16:8; John 3:5-8; Luke 11:9-13.

John 14:16 (*NKJV*). "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever."

Of the three Persons of the Godhead, the Holy Spirit is the least understood.

2 Corinthians 13:14 (NKJV) The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

The Holy Spirit not only comes in different degrees, but His baptism can come multiple times. In Acts 2, the Holy Spirit is poured out on the disciples, and then again in Acts 4 and 5.

The Representative of Christ

What particular name did Christ use for His representative?

John 14:16–17 (NKJV) And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—¹⁷ the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

*John 14:26 (NKJV) But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

Helper, Counselor, and Comforter are various translations of the Greek *parakletos*, which is made up of the preposition *para*, beside, and the adjective *kletos*, called. It literally means one called to the side of, and may refer to a mediator, an intercessor, a helper, an advisor, or even a legal advocate. Only John uses the term *parakletos* in the New Testament. Interestingly, he also applied this word to Jesus Himself (*1 John 2:1*).

1 John 2:1 (NKJV) My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

During His earthly ministry, Christ was the disciples' Counselor, Helper, and Comforter. Therefore, it is quite appropriate for His successor to receive the same name.

The Holy Spirit Is a Person

John 16:13 "However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. **John 15:26** (NKJV) "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

*1 Corinthians 12:11 (NKJV) But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

Acts 15:28 (NKJV) For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things:

1 Th 5:19 Do not quench the Spirit.

Eph 4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit

Acts 7:51 resist the Holy Spirit;

- Speaks (Acts 13:2),
- Intercedes (Romans 8:26),
- Testifies (John 15:26)
- Guides (John 16:13),
- Commands (Acts 16:6,7),
- Appoints (Acts 20:28),
- Leads (Romans 8:14),
- Reproves and convicts of sin (John 16:8).
- Seals God's promise in believers' hearts (Ephesians 1:13-14)
- Shapes the individual's and life to Christ's (Romans 8:1-17)

The Holy Spirit has intellect, emotions, and will, and can be grieved.

"He must also be a divine person, else He could not search out the secrets which lie hidden in the mind of God. — E. G. White, Ev, pp. 616, 617.

The Holy Spirit Is Divine

Jesus said that the Holy Spirit will tell you things to come (*John 16:13*, *NKJV*). Only a divine Being can announce the future (*Isa. 46:9-10*). The Bible is called the word of God yet inspired by the Holy Spirit. David himself said by the Holy Spirit (*Mark 12:36*, *NKJV*)

Mark 12:36 (NKJV) For David himself said by the Holy Spirit: 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool." 'Psalm 110:1

*Luke 4:1 (NKJV) Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

2 Samuel 23:2–3 (NKJV) "The Spirit of the Lord spoke by me, And His word was on my tongue. The God of Israel said, The Rock of Israel spoke to me: 'He who rules over men must be just, Ruling in the fear of God.

The Work of the Holy Spirit

1. For Understanding the Word

John 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. Weather reading the Bible or listening to a sermon the Holy Spirit gives life to the word, and us ears to hear.

Rev 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches:

*1 Cor 2:14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. Navajo Code Talkers

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

3. For Obeying

Rom 8:13,14 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. Eph 2:1, 2 And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,

2. For Effective Praying

Rom 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. I always sound better singing with someone else who is good.

4. For Love - Like waxing your skis it smooth's resistance.

Rom 5:5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

John 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

Acts 9:31 Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.

Some people go through life with Anxious agony.

6. For Cleansing

Rom 15:16 that I might be a minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

2 Th 2:13 But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through <u>sanctification by the Spirit</u> and belief in the truth, Goop will cut the grease.

7. For Guidance

Elijah heard "a still small voice." 1 Ki 19:12

Isa 30:21 And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. The older ships had two compasses one higher on the mast away from any iron in the ship.

Arabs used pigeons on a string as compass.

Acts 13:4 So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.

Acts 16:6 ...they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia. **Have The Holy Spirit As Organizational Secretary.**

8. For Power

Micah 3:8 But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin. Zec 4:6 ... 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' Says the LORD of hosts... Disconnect spark plug wires, or switch them. 1 inch of rain on an acre produces ?? tons of water.

9. For Witnessing

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Exo 27:20 "And you shall command the children of Israel that they bring you pure oil of pressed olives for the light, to cause the lamp to burn continually. The Oil is to keep the light on. HOVER DAM

10. For Sealing

Eph 4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. **Yellow fever vaccine.**

11. For Joy

Rom 14:17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

Depressed witness.

12. For Salvation

Rom 8:9 Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

John 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Everybody in Heaven is Spirit lead.

Filled With the Holy Spirit

Daily He received a fresh baptism of the Holy Spirit. COL p. 139.

The Church is trying to push a bus that just needs to be connected to the power

Romans 8:9 Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

John 20:22 (*KJV*) And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

Acts 1:4–5 (KJV) And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. ⁵ For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

"How can you get the air out of the tumbler I have in my hand?" One man said, "Suck it out with a pump." But the evangelist replied, "That would create a vacuum and shatter it." Finally after many suggestions, Moody picked up a pitcher and quietly filled the glass with water.