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Studies on the First Sunday of the Month in 2018

What does the
Bible teach about
the Spirit?

Scripture Reading

JOHN 14:15–17

JOHN 15:26–27

JOHN 16:6–14

The Spirit . . .

1. is a person.
2. “proceeds from the Father.”
3. promotes Jesus.
4. produced the Scriptures.
5. “will be in” Jesus’s followers.

How the Spirit promotes Jesus in people's lives:

1. He “turns the light on” in people’s hearts about Jesus (aka. *illumination*).
2. He gives life to dead sinners who hear Jesus’s gospel (aka. *regeneration*).
3. He guarantees believers’ inheritance in Jesus’s kingdom (aka. *sealing*).

How the Spirit promotes Jesus in people's lives:

4. He immerses believers into Jesus's work for them (aka. *baptism*).
5. He seeks to control believers' lives with Jesus's authority (aka. *filling*).
6. He leads believers to kill sin in their own lives (aka. *mortification*).

How the Spirit promotes Jesus in people's lives:

7. He produces Christlikeness in believers' character (aka. *fruit*).
8. He comforts suffering believers with Jesus-like confidence (aka. *witness*).
9. He gives Christians service abilities to build Jesus's church (aka. *gifting*).

How the Spirit promotes Jesus in people's lives:

10. He gives Christians courage to tell others about Jesus (aka. *boldness*).
11. He leads the church to long for Jesus's return (aka. *enflaming*).

“You do not go to the theater
to stare at the spotlight...but
to watch the performance that
the spotlight illuminates.”

— Graham Cole