

YOUR HELPER, THE HOLY SPIRIT

I. WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- A. The Holy Spirit is God. Psalm 139
- B. The Holy Spirit is a member of the Trinity. Matthew 28:19
- C. The Holy Spirit is a spiritual being, one who is invisible. John 3:8
- D. The Holy Spirit is a person, is a personal being.
- E. The Holy Spirit has a mind, and He thinks. Romans 8:27
- F. The Holy Spirit has a will, and He makes decisions. 1 Corinthians 12:11
- G. The Holy Spirit has emotions, and is an emotional being. Ephesians 4:30
- H. The Holy Spirit is relational, and has fellowship. 2 Corinthians 13:14

II. WHAT IS THE HOLY SPIRIT LIKE?

- A. The Holy Spirit is omniscient. 1 Corinthians 2:10, Psalm 139:1-4
- B. The Holy Spirit is omnipresent, is everywhere. Psalm 139:5-12
- C. The Holy Spirit is omnipotent, is all powerful. Genesis 1:26, Matthew 4:1
- D. The Holy Spirit is loving. Galatians 5:22, Romans 5:5, Colossians 1:8
- E. The Holy Spirit is eternal. Hebrews 9:14
- F. The Holy Spirit is holy, for He is the holy Spirit.

III. TITLES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- A. He is called the Spirit of God. 1 Corinthians 2:11
- B. He is called the Spirit of Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:19
- C. He is called the Spirit of the Lord. Isaiah 11:2.
- D. He is called the Spirit of Glory, and He is to bring glory to God. 1 Peter 4:14
- E. He is called the Spirit of Grace, for He is to give grace to people. Hebrews 10:29
- F. He is called the Spirit of Life, for He is to give life to people. Romans 8:2
- G. He is called the Spirit of truth, for He teaches us the truth. John 14:17, 16:13

IV. WHAT IS THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT?

A. The Holy Spirit was and is active in carrying out the work of God:
creation – Genesis 1:1-2; wisdom – Numbers 11:25; ability – Exodus 31:1-5;
leadership – Judges 6:34, 1 Samuel 16:12-13; prophesying – Ezekiel 11:5;
power and courage - Micah 3:8

B. The Holy Spirit was active in the life of Christ and the 1st century apostles:
doing miracles, teaching God's word, evangelizing, bringing about holiness.

V. HOW DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT WORK IN OUR LIVES?

- A. The Holy Spirit works in saving people. He convicts people of sin. He regenerates people, making them children of God, new creatures in Christ. Justification, regeneration, redemption all involve the Spirit's work in your life.
- B. The Holy Spirit sanctifies people. You can only spiritually grow by the work of the Spirit. The Spirit leads you, encourages you, empowers you, enables you to be holy, obedient and fruitful. Romans 8:1-17; 1 Corinthians 6:19; Ephesians 5:18; Galatians 5:16, 22, 18, 25

VI. HOW CAN YOU WALK BY THE SPIRIT?

- A. Believe that God has given you the Holy Spirit, that the Spirit is in you.
- B. Know that you need the Holy Spirit to help and lead you in the Christian life.
- C. Yield to the Spirit. Acts 13:2-4
- D. Be sensitive to the Spirit's promptings. 2 Thessalonians 1:11
- E. Be filled with the word of God. Colossians 3:16, John 17:17, 2 Thessalonians 2:13
- F. Know that the Spirit is your helper, counselor and comforter, the "*paraklete*." He is your teacher. He will be with you forever and ever. He will enable you to have a relationship with God and with Jesus Christ. John 14:16-21

VII. THE HOLY SPIRIT BUILDS THE CHURCH

- A. The Holy Spirit gives spiritual gifts to the members of the church. 1 Cor. 12:4-7
- B. You were baptized by the Holy Spirit and placed into the church.
- C. Acts 1:5, 2:4, 2:17, 2:38, 4:8, 4:31, 5:3, 5:32, 6:5, 7:55, 8:17, 9:17, 9:31, 10:44, 11:12, 11:15, 11:24, 13:2-4, 13:9, 13:52

SO THE CHURCH... ENJOYED PEACE, BEING BUILT UP;
AND GOING ON IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD AND
IN THE COMFORT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT,
IT CONTINUED TO INCREASE.

Acts 9:31