## THE PERSON MORKOF THE HOLY SPIRIT

If you love me, you will obey what I command.

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor/advocate to help you and be with you forever— the Spirit of truth.

The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

John 14:15-17

# Who or What is the Holy Spirit?

- •The Holy Spirit is a person, not an 'it'
- •The Holy Spirit is Jesus in you

#### He wants to Abide in us.

Twice Paul asks the Corinthians if they know their bodies are the temple/dwelling place of God.

Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst?

1 Corinthians 3:16

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;

1 Corinthians 6:19

In the Old Testament God's Spirit, "Came Upon" a person...

3 Illustrations: Samson/Saul/David Samson went down to Timnah together with his father and mother. As they approached the vineyards of Timnah, suddenly a young lion came roaring toward him. The Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon him so that he tore the lion apart with his bare hands as he might have torn a young goat. But he told neither his father nor his mother what he had done. Then he went down and talked with the woman, and he liked her.

Judges 14:5-7

Saul- When he and his servant arrived at Gibeah, a procession of prophets met him; the **Spirit** of God **came** powerfully **upon** him, and he joined in their prophesying.

1 Samuel 10:10

David- So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the **Spirit** of the Lord **came** powerfully **upon** David.

1 Samuel 16:13

## Can a Person be Saved Apart from the Holy Spirit?

The short simple answer is NO
No one can come to me unless the
Father who sent me **draws** them, and I
will raise them up at the last day.
Jn. 6:44

The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

1 Jn 3:24

This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit.

1 Jn 4:13

# What is the Ministry of the Holy Spirit in Our Lives?

He is our Counselor/ Advocate

"All this I have told you so that you will not fall away. 2 They will put you out of the synagogue; in fact, the time is coming when anyone who kills you will think they are offering a service to God. <sup>3</sup> They will do such things because they have not known the Father or me. 41 have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them. I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, <sup>5</sup> but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' 6 Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. <sup>7</sup> But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. 8 When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 about sin, because people do not believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; 11 and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

<sup>12</sup> "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. 13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. 14 He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. 15 All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you." 16 Jesus went on to say, "In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me."

#### As Counselor/Advocate: John 16:1-16

- 1. Guide or lead into all truth v 13
- 2. Convict the world of guilt concerning: sin, righteousness & judgment vs 8-11
- 3. Reveals "what is to come", the Spirit of Prophecy-Rev. 19:10
- For it is the **Spirit of prophecy** who bears testimony to **Jesus**.
- 4. Glorify Jesus

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Sin- The Spirit opens unbelievers hearts to understand the essence of sin: failure to believe in Jesus. Jn 16:8-9 Righteousness- He opens their minds to understand that their own righteousness does not measure up to God's standard: the Risen Christ (perfection, ie Matt 5:48) Jn 16:10 Judgment- He clarifies the result of siding with the world instead of Christ which brings certain judgment. Jn 16:11

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It's never about Him, always about Jesus

# Do Some have more of the Holy Spirit Than Others?

No Spirit/No Salvation!

We have ALL the Holy Spirit because remember, HE is in us! Therefore, it is not a quantitative issue but a qualitative one.

We have ALL of Him but does He have ALL of us?

## Does The Holy Spirit Give Gifts?

Yes, all believers are given The Gift and gifts! Gifts are not earned or deserved!

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The 2<sup>nd</sup> word is *charismata* which informs us the gifts are given by Grace (*charis*) and not based on our worthiness or personal abilities!

#### 3 Categories of Grace Gifts: Sign, Service, Support

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7

3 Main Bible Passages Where Gifts are Found:

Romans 12

1 Corinthians 12

1 Peter 4:10-11

Gifts are never given for: Enjoyment but for our employment! Never as a toy but as a tool!

#### SIGN GIFTS:

Tongues (gr. *dialectos*- languages)
Interpretation of tongues
Miracles
Healings

#### SERVICE GIFTS:

Teaching
Evangelists
Prophets
Exhorters
Shepherds (pastors)

#### SUPPORT GIFTS:

Serving
Hospitality
Givers
Administrators

## Gracious God

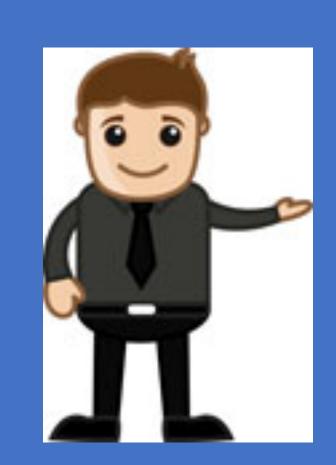
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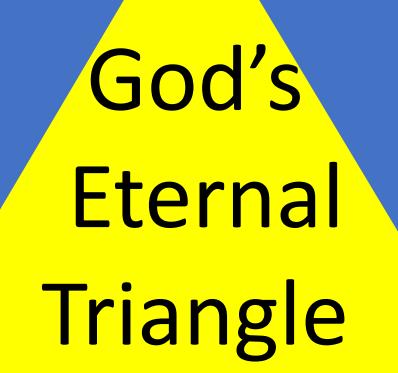
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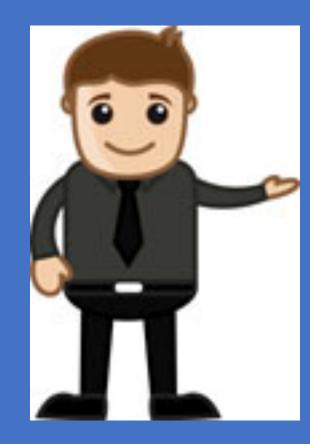


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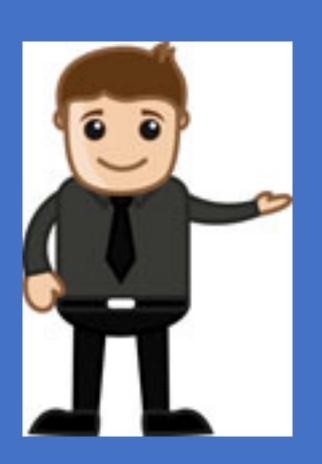




The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 2 Pt 3:9

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Philip
Ananias
Peter

The Marines say they are looking for a few *Good* Men!

God says He is looking for a few *Available* Men and Women?

Are YOU Available?