

An aerial photograph of a river with white water rapids. A large, dark rock formation is visible in the center of the river. The water is a deep blue-green color with white foam from the rapids.

The River of God

Part 1 - Come to the River

37 "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. 38 Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'...

John 7:37-39 (ESV)

***...39 Now this he said about the Spirit,
whom those who believed in him
were to receive, for as yet the Spirit
had not been given, because Jesus was
not yet glorified.***

John 7:37-39 (ESV)

***There will be swarms of living things
wherever the water of this river flows.***

***Fish will abound in the Dead Sea,
for its waters will become fresh.
Life will flourish wherever this water
flows...watered by the river flowing
from the Temple.***

Ezekiel 47:9,12 (NLT)

I will pour out my Spirit into your children and my blessing on your descendants.

Isaiah 44:3 (NCV)

Meet The Holy Spirit





1. The Holy Spirit is My Helper

***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.***

John 14:26 (NKJV)



2. The Holy Spirit is My God

I will send you the Helper from the Father; he is the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father. When he comes, he will tell about me.

John 15:26 (NCV)

3 Peter said, "Why has Satan made you keep back some of the money from the sale of the property? Why have you lied to the Holy Spirit?..."

Acts 5:3-4 (CEV)

***...4 The property was yours before
you sold it, and even after you sold it,
the money was still yours.
What made you do such a thing?
You didn't lie to people.
You lied to God!"***

Acts 5:3-4 (CEV)



**3. The Holy Spirit is
My Personal Friend**

***16 And I will ask the Father,
and he will give you another Counselor,
who will never leave you.***

***17 He is the Holy Spirit, who leads
into all truth...he lives with you now
and later will be in you.***

John 14:16-17 (NLT)

Marks of Personhood





The Spirit Has a Will

It is the one and only Holy Spirit who distributes these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have.

1 Corinthians 12:11 (NLT)

Paul and his companions traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia.

Acts 16:6 (NIV)



The Spirit Has Intelligence

***And God, who sees into our hearts,
knows what the thought of the Spirit is.***

Romans 8:27 (TEV)

***I keep asking that the God of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the glorious Father,
may give you the Spirit of wisdom
and revelation, so that you may
know him better.***

Ephesians 1:17 (NIV)



The Spirit Shows Emotions

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23 (ESV)

***And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,
with whom you were sealed for
the day of redemption.***

Ephesians 4:30 (NIV)