



Holy Spirit

A Breath of Fresh Air

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While Apollos was at Corinth, Paul took the road through the interior and arrived at Ephesus. There he found some disciples and asked them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" They answered, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." - Acts 19:1-2 NIV

A BREATH OF FRESH AIR

Ruach:

a wind, breath, a violent exhalation, blast of breath.

Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. - Genesis 1:2 NIV

Pneuma:

a current of air, blast of breath, a strong breeze.

"The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life." - John 6:63 ESV

1. Wind is UNSEEN.

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—¹⁷ 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 14:16-17 NIV

2. Wind is UNPREDICTABLE.

"The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." - John 3:8 NIV

3. Wind is POWERFUL.

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you..."
- Acts 1:8 NIV*

4. Wind is REFRESHING.

"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."¹⁰ But it was to us that God revealed these things by his Spirit. - 1 Corinthians 2:9-10 NLT

TAKE A DEEP BREATH

Don't grieve God. Don't break his heart. His Holy Spirit, moving and breathing in you, is the most intimate part of your life, making you fit for himself. Don't take such a gift for granted. - Ephesians 4:30 MSG

1. Let go of FEARS and MISCONCEPTIONS.

Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. - Proverbs 3:5 MSG

2. Go ALL IN.

*You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.
-Jeremiah 29:13 NIV*

3. Develop an INTIMATE FRIENDSHIP with the Holy Spirit.

*The amazing grace of the Master, Jesus Christ, the extravagant love of God, the intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
- 2 Corinthians 13:14 MSG*

THREE THINGS TO REMEMBER

God the Father LOVES ME.

God the Son SAVES ME.

God the Holy Spirit IS WITH ME.

Walk the Talk

A Small Group Guide

Read: John 14:15-27

1. Who was the best counselor you have ever had (a teacher, a coach, a relative, a psychologist, etc.)? What made them so special for you?
2. How does John 14:3 get expanded upon in this section? How can the “place” be more than just Heaven when we die? How can it point to a new way of living in a spiritual temple and how does the Holy Spirit factor into that arrangement?
3. Look through the 4 descriptions of Wind above. Which one helped you the most? Which one challenged you the most?
4. Why is a life of obedience (John 14:15, 21, 23-24) tied so closely with living in the presence of the Holy Spirit (verse 20) in this larger passage?
5. What is the reason for the Counselor (v.16-17, 26) and what is the affect He has on our circumstances (v. 1, 27)? How much are you drawing on your “peace account” given to you by the Holy Spirit?
6. Look through the “Take a Deep Breath” section above. Are you ready to embrace those three things in the coming weeks so you can experience all that the Holy Spirit has for you to experience? If “Yes” then what are you going to do to make it happen?