Sunday, February 3, 2019 Pastor Bryan Durrett Contender



## Jude 1:3-4

Beloved, while I was making every effort to write you about our common salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you appealing that you contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all handed down to the saints. For certain persons have crept in unnoticed, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation, ungodly persons who turn the grace of our God into licentiousness and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

### Are you a Contestant or a Contender

- A <u>contestant</u> is someone who is simply participating in a competition
- A <u>contender</u> is someone who believes they will win the competition.

### **Holy Spirit**

### John 14:16

"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; <sup>17</sup> that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you."

The Holy Spirit is a person

The Holy Spirit is the third person in the <u>trinity</u>

## Acts 1:4-5

"Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," He said, "you heard of from Me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

### 1. He provides me understanding

### John 16:8-9

And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment, concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me.

1Corinthians 12:3

## John 14:26

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 that I said to you.

2. He is my <u>Helper</u>

# John16:7

But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

### 3. He empowers me to do ministry

### Acts 1:8

..you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.

## 1Corinthians 12:13

For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or *Greeks, whether* slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

## Galatians 5:22-23

## Acts 8:14-17

### 1Corinthians 2:4-5

My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.

# <u>Serving</u>

### 1 Peter 4:10

As each one has received a *special* gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

Ephesians 4:11-12 Philippians 2:4-5, 7

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James 2:14-17