

## Help! Part 2 WHO IS HE?

### **John 16:7 (AMP)**

*<sup>7</sup> But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the <sup>[a]</sup>Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthenener, Standby) will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him (the Holy Spirit) to you [to be in close fellowship with you].*

#### **1. He's My HELPER (Last Week)**

#### **2. He is My FRIEND (and He's not weird)**

- Some people who talk about the Holy Spirit are weird, but they are weird no matter what they talk about (One of every three people are weird)
- You can be a normal and believe in the person and power of the Holy Spirit
- Satan has twisted our understanding of the Holy Spirit, and that has made some people afraid of Him
- He is the only one who can empower us to win the whole world to Christ. Satan knows it, so he makes the Church afraid of Him.
- Satan is the one that wants us to be scared of Him and not yield our lives to Him completely because he knows that the last Church that did, healed the sick, had thousands saved in one day, and turned the world upside down!

### **Acts 1:8 NKJV**

*"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

- Acts 1:8 is very clear that one of the evidences of the baptism in the Holy Spirit is power to be witnesses **To/Of**
  - Little word but big difference! One means we've been given the power to tell others about Him (for). The other means we've been given the power to demonstrate His ministry to others (to vs. of).
  - This is verified when Jesus tells the disciples they will do the works they see Him do and even greater, not just tell people about them.

### ***The ministry of the Holy Spirit is to reproduce the ministry of Jesus in every believer***

- That's what's scary to Satan and why the enemy wants to keep people away from embracing the fullness of the Holy Spirit.
- I believe in all the gifts but, when the baptism in the Spirit was returned to the Church in the early 1900's, Satan got very nervous, so he shifted the focus to one gift and made it a closet experience.

- Instead of what it was in the book of Acts: The power to “be” witnesses not “do” witnessing.
- They had the power to preach the Gospel with signs following!
- The evidence (benefits) of the Holy Spirit is fruit, love, power and gifts!
- We need the Holy Spirit in all of His power!

### 3. He is My GOD

#### **John 14:26 (AMP)**

*But the <sup>[a]</sup>Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengtheners, Standby), the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name [in My place, to represent Me and act on My behalf],*

#### **Luke 3:22 (AMP)**

*<sup>22</sup> and the <sup>[a]</sup>Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven, “You are My Son, My Beloved, in You I am well-pleased and delighted!”*

- The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit all serve and defer to one another!
- If we could listen in on one of their conversations, it would go something like this, “You’re wonderful!” “No, you’re wonderful!” “No, you are!”
- It’s time to embrace Him as God ... because He is!

#### **How is He a person?**

- It’s easier to relate to the Father and Jesus as persons, but maybe it’s difficult with the Holy Spirit because of His name. Maybe it would be easier if His name was Bill.
- The mind, will, and emotions of the Holy Spirit are what distinguish Him as a person
- He exhibits the marks of personality, making God relatable to people
- Because of the Holy Spirit, we can know the mind, will, and emotions of God. Wow!
- The Holy Spirit helps us think what God thinks, desire what God desires, and feel what God feels!

### 1. He has a MIND

#### **John 16:13a (AMP)**

*<sup>13</sup> But when He, the Spirit of Truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth [full and complete truth].*

- He Knows Everything
  - Think about this. How intelligent is the Holy Spirit? What is His IQ?
  - He can’t think of something that He has never thought of before. Nothing occurs to Him. He never says, “Oh!”
  - He can guide us into all truth because He KNOWS all truth

- He knows everything that God knows, because He IS God!
- Ask Him What He Thinks
  - He lives inside of you and has committed to be your teacher, ask Him what He thinks
  - The reason we don't ask is because we don't see Him as a person
  - What is stressful and problematic to us, isn't to Him. Trust Him, learn or remember what it's like to see Him as a person.
  - The more you practice, the more natural it becomes to think like He thinks...continual fellowship with Him.
  - "Michael, ask me before you form an opinion and speak." It has helped me ... when I do it His way.

**2. He has a WILL**

**3. He has EMOTIONS**

**Response:**

**REPENT:** *from wrong thinking and believing about the Holy Spirit*

**ASK:** *your Heavenly Father to baptize/fill you with the Holy Spirit.*

*This week, be intentional about asking Him what He thinks.*

**Receive:** *the promise of the Holy Spirit by faith*