

“And it happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. 2 And he said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” And they said, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” - Acts 19:1-3

How is the Holy Spirit revealed in Scripture?

His titles - He is referred to by such names as the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Christ, the Comforter, the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit of promise, the Spirit of truth, the Spirit of grace, the Spirit of life, the Spirit of adoption, and the Spirit of holiness.

His symbols - He is illustrated with such symbols as fire (**Acts 2:1, 2**), wind (**Acts 2:1, 2**), water (**John 7:37–39**), a seal (**Eph. 1:13**), oil (**Acts 10:38**), and a dove (**John 1:32**).

The Holy Spirit is equally divine with the Father and the Son

The Holy Spirit possesses the divine attributes of the Godhead: He is eternal (**Heb. 9:14**), omnipresent (**Ps. 139:7–10**), omnipotent (**Luke 1:35**), and omniscient (**I Cor. 2:10, 11**).

The Holy Spirit has all the characteristics of an individual being:

Acts 13:2 – “While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.”

Acts 8:29 - “And the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over and join this chariot.”

He possesses the attributes of mind (Rom. 8:27), will (I Cor. 12:11), and feeling (Eph. 4:30).

He has a relationship with human beings: He can be grieved (Eph. 4:30), lied to (Acts 5:3), and blasphemed (Matt. 12:31,32)

The Holy Spirit is the agent of revelation:

He engages in such activities as revealing (**2 Pet. 1:21**), teaching (**John 14:26**), witnessing (**Heb. 10:15**), interceding (**Rom. 8:26**), speaking (**Rev. 2:7**), commanding (**Acts 16:6, 7**), and testifying (**John 15:26**).

What did Jesus teach about the role of the Holy Spirit?

- * He will teach the disciples (Jn. 14:26)
- * His ministry will bear witness to Jesus Christ (Jn. 15:26-27)
- * He will convict the unregenerate people of their sin, His righteousness and the coming judgment; He will guide believers into all truth, hear from Jesus, speak what He hears and glorify Jesus (Jn. 16:8-15)
- * He will empower believers to become advancing witnesses for His name (Acts 1:8)

What did the Apostle Paul teach about the role of Holy Spirit?

- The Holy Spirit leads (**Rom 8:14**)
- The Holy Spirit witnesses (**Rom 8:16**)
- The Holy Spirit helps us in our limitations (**Rom 8:26**)
- The Holy Spirit thinks (**Rom. 8:27 – mind**)
- The Holy Spirit grieves (**Eph 4:30**)
- The Holy Spirit imparts spiritual gifts (**1 Cor. 12:4, 11**)
- The Holy Spirit works in cooperation with believers obedience (**1 Thess. 5:19**)