

The Guide Into Truth

John 16:13-14 (NIV)

13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. 14 He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you.

John 14:1-6 (NIV)

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. 2 My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4 You know the way to the place where I am going.” 5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” 6 Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

2 Timothy 2:15 (NIV)

15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

- “correctly handling” or, “rightfully handling”
- **Orthotomeo (Greek)** - to carve a clear path / make the way straight.

5 Stems of T.R.U.T.H.

1. The truth can be **T**rusted.
2. The truth is **R**epeatably **R**eliable.
3. The truth is **U**nrelenting.

4. The truth can be **T**ested.

5. The truth leads to **H**onor.

The question is how does the Holy Spirit accomplish this all-important role in the life of the believer? Here are three ways the Holy Spirit guides us into all truth:

1. **The Holy Spirit receives and communicates the will of God to us.**

The TRUTH is, your name is on God's lips!!!!

2. **The Holy Spirit bears witness with our spirit.**

As believers, we have been born of God's spirit. Let's look at Romans 8:14-16

Romans 8:14-16 (NIV)

14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. 15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

When we are filled with the spirit, we have God breathed, super-natural connection with God that allows us to hear those whispers from God that are delivered to us from the Holy Spirit.

We should expect the Holy Spirit to speak to us more frequently than our flesh does! And even more so, we should respond more to the Holy Spirit than we do our flesh. Our victories and our failures result in which of those voices get our response and cooperation.

The TRUTH is, the Holy Spirit wants to testify to your spirit! Are you willing to listen? BE STILL and know I am God! Stop and listen!

3. The Holy Spirit desires to guide us to the will of God.

I have heard of various types of the will of God, and I'm not sure that we can validate the concept of various types of the will of God. I have heard people say that there is a "permissible" will of God, and then there's the "perfect" will of God.

I believe that the Lord is mostly pleased not by what we label as "permissible", or "perfect". Instead, I believe that there is a will that requires our submission. That's the will that His heart is most pleased with.

The voice of the Holy Spirit guides us to a place of total submission to the Father. It's a perfect circle of how God the father testifies to the Holy Spirit, and then the Holy Spirit testifies to our spirits. Then, we hear from the Holy Spirit, and act upon it, and the Lord gets all the glory!

Romans 12:2 (NIV)

2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Why did God call 3 men to return to a previous location? It was the will of God!

The TRUTH is, God is guiding us into His perfect will !