

REFLECT

1. Just for fun, is Star Wars really worth the hype? Do you have a favorite movie or least favorite movie?
2. Have you had biblical misunderstandings corrected? What was the issue? What changed your mind?

ENCOUNTER

“The Holy Spirit is not a thing!” That statement, as strange as it sounds to some, is totally true. “Not a thing” does not mean the Holy Spirit is unreal. The Holy Spirit is absolutely real. He is the third member of the Godhead, eternal and equal with God. But the Holy Spirit is not a thing, a force, or a feeling. He is not an energy. The Holy Spirit is not an *it* but *he*. He is a personal being and we must know, interact, and worship him as the third person of the Trinity. Study what Scripture teaches about the personality of the Holy Spirit.

3. Quickly survey the following passages. What do you learn about the personality of the Holy Spirit?

Romans. 8:26–27

Ephesians 4:30

John 16:12–15

Mark 3:28–29

4. If you have time, read John 14:26 in multiple translations (CSB, NIV, ESV, KJV, Message) and note the title for the Holy Spirit. How do the multiple translations expand your understanding of the underlying word, *paraclete*?

TRANSFORM

5. How is a weak or wrong understanding of the Holy Spirit dangerous for believers?
6. How did this week’s sermon comfort, help, encourage you?

PRAYER REQUESTS

One More Disciple

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear. Instead, you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father!” The Spirit himself testifies together with our spirit that we are God’s children,¹⁷ and if children, also heirs—heirs of God and coheirs with Christ—if indeed we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

~ Romans 8:15-16 CSB ~