

John 14:15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments. 16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, (allos parakletos) that He may abide with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

John 14:26 But the 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], He will teach you all things. And He will help you remember everything that I have told you.

The Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit 96 times	Eternal spirit Heb 9:4	Spirit of burning Is 4:4
Spirit of the Lord 28 times	Holy one Ps 78:4	Spirit of life Ro 8:2
Spirit of God 26 times	The Lord 2 Co 3:17	Spirit of love, power, sound mind 2 Tim 1:7
Spirit of Truth 4 times	Spirit of your Father Mat 10:20	Spirit Prophecy Rev 19:10
Helper 4 times	Spirit of Glory 1 Pt 4:14	Spirit of revelation Eph 1:17
Spirit of Christ 2 times	Spirit of Grace He 10:29	Spirit of holiness Rom 1:4
Spirit of Jesus Christ Comforter	Spirit of Judgement Is 4:4	Spirit of the Holy God

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Adorable Godhead (Trinity)

John 21:25 And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen.

There are not enough books to contain what Jesus did in 3.5 years

Imagine there are not enough words or books that can come close to fully telling us about the Holy Spirit.

But we will look A LITTLE BIT at who He is, His personality, what interests Him, what grieves Him, a little bit on how to interact with Him

Our approach: We attempt to know His power, and His work before coming to know Him as a person.

We must first establish in our hearts and minds who He is otherwise we end up with experience and no relationship

- He is God the Holy Spirit,
- He is the third person in the adorable Godhead, proceeding from the Father and the Son
- He is infinitely Holy - infinitely wise - infinitely powerful— yet wonderfully loving, tender, sensitive, and compassionate

- He is to receive Glory, honor, love, reverence, affection, faith, devotion, and complete surrender.
- He is not a divine mystical power or force from God
- That's what many believe and this is why many will refer to the Holy Spirit as an "it"
 - Furthermore, when people do this they miss out on the fullness of the Holy Spirit's presence because by doing so they refuse to honor Him as a person.
 - We're not calling Him human, what we're saying is that He possesses attributes of what we consider to be personality.
 - Remember we were created in God's image, so He's not like us rather we are like Him
- This is why many say I want more of the Spirit
- But, when we know that God the holy spirit, the 3rd person of the Godhead and is infinite in majesty, glory, splendor, wisdom, knowledge, and holiness.
- We can say "How can I give more of myself to Him"
 - The Holy Spirit is Deity, not a human being
 - The Holy Spirit is no a commodity to be desired, He is a Person to be honored and invited
 - The Holy Spirit is not a nice addition to life in Christ, BUT RATHER THE ESSENCE OF CHRIST on the earth,
- As we read the book of Acts we can see in Acts chapter 2 how the church After Jesus ascended to the right hand of the Father and commanded His disciples not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise **Acts 1:4** And being assembled together with *them*, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," *He said*, "you have heard from Me; **5** for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."
- The Holy Spirit is the promise of God the Father for the church
- We see the Promise come to pass in **Acts 2:1** When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all [a]with one accord in one place. 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 Then there appeared to them [b]divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
- The Holy Spirit is our lifelong companion *Another Helper, He may abide with you forever: the Holy Spirit is with us*
- **Allos:** another, another of the same kind another like me
- **Parakletos:** comes alongside, legal counselor
 - *I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you:* Jesus is with us through the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit will come and be your Father to love you, protect you, teach you, correct you, provide for you, to lead you, to reveal beautiful things to you.

- Many think that if they only walked with Jesus they could have asked Him so many questions and learned so much.
- The reality is that we can present those questions and walk with The Holy Spirit.

Jesus totally depended on the Holy Spirit

He was conceived by the Spirit

He was taught by the Spirit

He was empowered by the Holy Spirit: He didn't do one miracle until he was empowered by the Spirit

He was led by the Spirit **Matthew 4:1** Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

Jesus didn't do anything by himself **John 5:19** Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself,

When talking about Jesus **Isaiah 11:2** The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

Jesus when he started His ministry **Luke 4:14** Then Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee **v.18** "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel

We then see the Apostles begin their ministry being filled and led by the Holy Spirit

- It's amazing how the early church leader and members interacted with, depended on, and Spoke of the Holy Spirit
- He was the most important person in their lives
- The Holy Spirit was involved in everything they did in their daily lives both personally and as a church, in their ministry outreach, team gatherings, prayer meetings, team meetings, and strategic meetings. The Holy Spirit was always involved in their activities
 - **Acts 2:4** And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
 - **Acts 4:8** Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders of Israel:
 - **Acts 5:3** But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit
 - **Acts 5:9** But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit
 - **Acts 5:32** And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him."

- **Acts 7:51** “You stiff-necked[g] and uncircumcised in heart and ears! You always resist the Holy Spirit; as your fathers did, so do you.
- **Acts 11:12** Then the Spirit told me to go with them, doubting nothing.
- **Acts 11:28** Then one of them, named Agabus, stood up and showed by the Spirit that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world,
- **Acts 13:4** So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.
- **Acts 15:28** For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us,
- **Acts 16:6** Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in [a]Asia.
- **Acts 16:7** After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the [b]Spirit did not permit them.
- **Acts 18:5** When Silas and Timothy had come from Macedonia, Paul was compelled [a]by the Spirit,
- **Acts 19:2** he said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?”
- **Acts 19:21** When these things were accomplished, Paul purposed in the Spirit,
- **Acts 20:23** except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me.
- **Acts 20:28** Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church [g]of God which He purchased with His own blood.
- Here is a sad reality that the pattern we see in the early church we are not seeing in churches and the lives of believers today
- I’ve used a phrase and I’ve heard it many times “Let’s go back to Pentecost”
- We desperately need to go back to Pentecost, not only to the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. But to live like the Ealy church, to be filled like the early church
- To seek out, enjoy, and depend on The Holy Spirit's leadership, guidance, fellowship, interaction, and powerful influence in our lives and our church.

There is no Christian life without the Holy Spirit

1. Without the Holy Spirt, there is no fellowship with God
2. Without the Holy Spirit, this will be dry, boring, and irrelevant.
3. Without the Holy Spirit, this work would be draining and tiresome.

If we remove or don’t allow the Holy Spirit to lead in a church

- A church will become just a social club that signs karaoke on Sunday mornings
- Or a religious institution that will be more attached to costumes rather than the Word of God

- There is no vision without the Holy Spirit
- There is no Joy without the Holy Spirit
- There is no peace without the Holy Spirit
- There is no freedom without the Holy Spirit **1 Corinthians 3:17** Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.
 - But He is with us right!!! Where ever the Holy Spirit is Lord there is liberty
- There is no revelation of the Word of God without the Holy Spirit, the Word of God becomes a weapon of manipulation and hurting people **2 Corinthians 3:6** who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the [a]Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

He desires to be our loving Father, our closet friend, our greatest helper, our provider, our defensor,

Yet we have limited His involvement in our lives.

We have rejected the most important and fulfilling relationship that we can have and that is available to us as children of God.

John 16:7 Nevertheless 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 depart, I will send Him to you.

Jesus tells His disciples that the Holy Spirit would be the best companion for them and the generations of believers to come

Holy Spirit

You are welcome here