

- I. Review of Session 1 The Significance of the Holy Spirit
 - A. The Holy Spirit is witnessed being significant from the Beginning in creation.
 - B. The Holy Spirit is significant throughout the Old Testament era.
 - 1. He anointed men to speak the Word of God as needed for every circumstance.
 - 2. He empowered people for supernatural works.
 - a. David Goliath
 - b. Samson
 - C. He was the force behind every supernatural miracle that occurred.

Examples.

- **1.** The parting of the Red Sea and Jordan.
- **2.** The confusing of Israel's enemies.
- 3. The miracle of the widow's oil.
- **4.** Raising the dead and healing the sick.
- D. Conclusion from Session 1.
 - 1. Everything that God has done or will do will include the work of the Spirit.
 - 2. Everything that God does in us, for us, and through us will always be by His spirit.
 - 3. This is a "Spirit Life"!



- II. The Role of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer
 - A. His role may be seen throughout history, Old and New Testament examples.
 - 1. He leads and guides.
 - 2. He empowers and equips.
 - 3. He teaches and reveals.
 - 4. He confirms the Word with signs, wonders, and miracles.
 - 5. He helps and assists.

Pastor's Note:

- These functions of the Holy Spirit were the same in the Old Testament as they are in the New Testament.
- Because of the "New Birth," the Holy Spirit is capable of doing MORE in and through us because He abides in us.
- B. I Can EXPECT the Holy Spirit to perform these functions in my life!

They are to be expected!

- 1. I expect Him to lead me and guide me He is MY guide.
 - a. <u>John 16:13 (NKJV)</u> However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come



John 16:13 (GWT) – When the Spirit of Truth comes, he will guide you into the full truth. He won't speak on his own. He will speak what he hears and will tell you about things to come.

b. **Guide = a leader of the way – a teacher of the ignorant**Just as the cloud and pillar of fire led the way for Israel through the wilderness, the Holy Spirit is showing us the way! TO GO BEFORE YOU!

2. I expect Him to empower and equip me – He is my power source!

- a. Acts 1:8 (KJV) But ye shall receive **power**, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.
- b. Power (Gr) pronunciation doo'nam-is Strength – power and ability Inherent power residing in a thing.
 - power for performing miracles.
 - moral power and excellence of soul
 - the power and influence that belongs to riches and wealth.
 - power and resources arising from numbers.
 - power consisting of in or resting upon armies, forces, or hosts.

c. Other Translations

Acts 1:8 (AMP) – But you will receive power and ability when the Holy Spirit comes upon you; and you will be My witnesses [to tell people about Me] both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and Samaria, and even to the ends of the earth

Acts 1:8 (GNT) – You will be filled with power

Pastor's Note: The power to be witnesses, is not just power to testify and witness to others. It means that the power of the Holy Spirit will be witnessed upon you – upon your life – working in and through you – so that people cannot deny the reality of His power working in you.

This power is always available to me – proceeding from within – to enable me to do anything required or needed!



I AM SPIRIT EMPOWERED!

3. I expect Him to teach me and reveal God's truths to me.

- a. <u>John 14:26 (KJV)</u> But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.
- b. John 14:26 (AMP) But the Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthener, 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.
- c. Teach = to impart instruction to instill doctrine to explain and expound a thing

Pastor's Note: When people cannot learn and increase in understanding, it is a sign that there is an issue with their ability to receive instruction from the Holy Spirit.

There are things that will hinder the teaching role of the Holy Spirit.

- Filtering everything through traditional mindsets rather than being open to the Word of God to change what we have been taught be others.
- Some have and UNTEACHABLE SPIRIT
 - a mental attitude that resists receiving new knowledge.
 - a person who has an "Unteachable Spirit" is unreachable.
- 4. I expect Him to confirm God's Word in my life with supernatural results, (signs, wonders, and miracles).
 - a. <u>Mark 16:20 (NKJV)</u> And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen



- b. <u>Mark 16:20 (NLT)</u> And the disciples went everywhere and preached, and the Lord worked through them, confirming what they said by many miraculous signs.
- 5. I expect Him to help and assist me in everything that I need help and assistance with.
 - a. <u>John 14:26 (NKJV)</u> But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Other translations – Helper

- <u>John 14:26 (NKJV)</u> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you
- b. **Comforter** one that is summoned to one's side called to one's aid/help. *Helper, aider, assistant He literally takes Christ place with the Apostles after His ascension to the Father.*
- c. Romans 8:26-27 (NKJV) ²⁶Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. ²⁷Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God
- d. Helps = to lay hold along with
 To obtain with others Help in obtaining.
 Whatever I need help obtaining He helps me to obtain.
 Whatever I am lacking in in my ability to obtain, He makes up the slack.



III. Closing thoughts:

A. My experience with the Lord is not "Religion."

If I can turn over a new leaf and change – I am accepted.

If I can keep every rule and produce change by self-effort, I'm OK.

B. My experience is a "Spiritual Experience."

I am born of the Spirit – born again.

I have the Spirit of God dwelling in me.

I rely on Him to work along side of me to HELP me to be whatever I am to be.

When I make mistakes or sin, I rely on HIS help to put me back on course.

C. I am not without HELP.

I have the Holy Spirit – to assist with everything I am supposed to become!