

The Truth Shall Make You Free Session 6 – The Truth about the Holy Spirit

John 8:31-32 King James Version (KJV)

³¹ Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

³² And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

I. Review

- A. The Word of God Sanctifies/sets us apart
- B. Truth is the key to possessing our inheritance
- C. Wherever there is a lack of truth, there is a lack of blessing
- D. Accept the truth of God's word regarding all beliefs
- E. The truth about righteousness
- F. The truth about the Word of God
- G. The truth about prayer

II. Who is the Holy Spirit?

- A. He is not a what
- B. He is a person, the third person of the Godhead

III. What is the purpose of the Holy Spirit?

- A. He is not a silent partner, He has a purpose
- B. He transforms us through the new birth

John 3:3-6 (KJV) – ³Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. ⁴Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? ⁵Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into

the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

C. He Dwells in the life of the believer

John 14:17 – Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

1. He takes up residence at the time of the new birth
2. He *resides* (*have one's permanent home in a particular place*) with/in the believer.

1 Corinthians 6:19 – *What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?*

D. He is a guide

John 16:13 – Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will **guide** you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

1. Guide Def = to lead the way or a conductor
2. He always guides in the way of truth
3. He speaks to believers
4. Biblical examples of his guidance

Acts 13:2 – *As they ministered to the LORD, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.*

Acts 16:6-7 – ⁶*Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia, ⁷After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not.*

Acts 15:28 – *For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things*

E. He is a teacher

John 14:26 (KJV) – 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.

1. Teacher Def –
 - a. *To impart instruction*
 - b. *Instill doctrine*
 - c. *To explain, expound or enlighten*
 - d. *To hold discourse with others in order to instruct them*

As a guide the Holy Spirit leads us in the right direction.

As a teacher the Holy Spirit reveals to us spiritual truth and insight regarding our Christian life.

F. He is our helper

John 14:16 (KJV) – And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

New American Standard Bible

"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever;

1. Comforter Definition
 - a. Summoned or called to one's side, especially called one's aid
 - b. One who pleads or intercessor
 - c. Helper or assistant

2. His help in prayer

Romans 8:26 – *Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.*

New Living Translation –

And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words.

- *(Words that cannot be expressed in our language)*

3. He can help with all things

Examples – Revelation, instruction, provision, protection, healing, deliverance, guidance

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- *He speaks from the throne room*
- *He shows you things to come*

G. He baptizes believers

1. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is/can be separate from the new birth.

John 20:22-23 – ²²*And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.*

These are the same men who would be instructed to go to Jerusalem and wait for the baptism of the Holy Spirit in Acts 1

Acts 1:4 – *And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me*

2. The baptism of the Holy Spirit prepares the believer for service

Acts 1:8 – *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.*

3. The baptism of the Holy Spirit opens the door to the supernatural

- a. Tongues

Acts 2:1-4 – ¹*And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. ²And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. ³And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

1 Corinthians 14:15 – *What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.*

1 Corinthians 14:39 – *Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues.*

Acts 10:45-47 – ⁴⁵*And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. ⁴⁶For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, ⁴⁷Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?*

b. Gifts of the Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (KJV)

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.

² Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led.

³ Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

⁴ Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

⁵ And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.

⁶ And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

⁷ But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

⁸ For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

⁹ To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

¹⁰ To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

¹¹ But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.