

THE HELP YOU NEED TO SUCCEED!

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*I will ask the Father, and He will give you **another Helper**, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you. "I will not leave you as orphans; **I will come to you.**"*

John 14:16-18 (NASB)

*These things I have spoken to you while abiding with you. 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 that I said to you."* **John 14:25-26 (NASB)**

*When **the Helper comes**, whom I will send to you from the Father, **that is the Spirit of truth** who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me.*

John 15:26 (NASB)

*But 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 go, **I will send Him to you.***

John 16:7 (NASB)

When a person decides to wholeheartedly trust and follow Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, at that very moment, the Holy Spirit comes into their life.

Essential truths about the Holy Spirit that we need to understand:

1. The Holy Spirit is A DIVINE PERSON.

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2. The Holy Spirit is **GOD**.

*Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the **Father** and the **Son** and the **Holy Spirit**. **Matthew 28:19 (NASB)***

But there was a certain man named Ananias who, with his wife, Sapphira, sold some property. He brought part of the money to the apostles, claiming it was the full amount. With his wife's consent, he kept the rest.

*Then Peter said, "Ananias, why have you let Satan fill your heart? **You lied to the Holy Spirit**, and you kept some of the money for yourself. The property was yours to sell or not sell, as you wished. And after selling it, the money was also yours to give away. How could you do a thing like this? **You weren't lying to us but to God!***

As soon as Ananias heard these words, he fell to the floor and died. Everyone who heard about it was terrified.

By the way, in the subsequent verses, verses 6-11, Ananias' wife also falls dead for lying the Holy Spirit. The point here is that lying to the Holy Spirit is tantamount to lying to God. **Acts 5:1-5 (NLT)**

