OUR HELPER – DEPENDING ON THE HOLY SPIRIT IN ALL OF LIFE

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Introduction:

THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME TO BE OUR HELPER

"... 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(ESV)

"But I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth." John 14:16,17

Three Observations:

1. THE PROMISE OF A PARTNER

"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 (ESV)

"another Helper" = another of the same kind (John 14:16)

The Spirit is Holy because He is God

2. THE PURPOSE OF OUR PARTNER

The Holy Spirit Wants to Help us Get Right (Salvation)

"When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgement..." John 16:8

The Holy Spirit Wants to Help us Grow Right (Sanctification)

"For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live..." Romans 8:13

The Holy Spirit Wants to Help us Go Right (Service)

"dunimous" means ability (Acts 1:8)

But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He shall glorify Me; for He shall take of Mine, and shall disclose it to you. John 16:13-14

Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price; therefore, glorify God in your body. I Corinthians 6:18-20

3. THE PREPARATION FOR A SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIP

"Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." Acts 1:4

They showed up (Obedience)

They prayed up (Oneness)

"They all joined constantly together in prayer..." Acts 1:14