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JOHN 1:11-12

HE CAME TO THAT WHICH WAS HIS OWN,
BUT HIS OWN DID NOT RECEIVE HIM. 12 YET
TO ALL WHO DID RECEIVE HIM, TO THOSE
WHO BELIEVED IN HIS NAME, HE GAVE THE
RIGHT TO BECOME CHILDREN OF GOD.

HEBREWS 4:12

FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS ALIVE AND ACTIVE. SHARPER THAN ANY DOUBLE-EDGED SWORD, IT PENETRATES EVEN TO DIVIDING SOUL AND SPIRIT, JOINTS AND MARROW; IT JUDGES THE THOUGHTS AND ATTITUDES OF THE HEART.

QUOTE

**“I HAVE READ MANY GOOD BOOKS BUT THE
BIBLE READS ME.” - KB**

ACTS 1:2-8

UNTIL THE DAY HE WAS TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN, AFTER GIVING INSTRUCTIONS THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT TO THE APOSTLES HE HAD CHOSEN. 3 AFTER HIS SUFFERING, HE PRESENTED HIMSELF TO THEM AND GAVE MANY CONVINCING PROOFS THAT HE WAS ALIVE. HE APPEARED TO THEM OVER A PERIOD OF FORTY DAYS AND SPOKE ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

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4 ON ONE OCCASION, WHILE HE WAS EATING WITH THEM, HE GAVE THEM THIS COMMAND: “DO NOT LEAVE JERUSALEM, BUT WAIT FOR THE GIFT MY FATHER PROMISED, WHICH YOU HAVE HEARD ME SPEAK ABOUT. 5 FOR JOHN BAPTIZED WITH WATER, BUT IN A FEW DAYS YOU WILL BE BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.”6 THEN THEY GATHERED AROUND HIM AND ASKED HIM, “LORD, ARE YOU AT THIS TIME GOING TO RESTORE THE KINGDOM TO ISRAEL?”

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7 HE SAID TO THEM: “IT IS NOT FOR YOU TO KNOW THE TIMES OR DATES THE FATHER HAS SET BY HIS OWN AUTHORITY. 8 BUT YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES ON YOU; AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES IN JERUSALEM, AND IN ALL JUDEA AND SAMARIA, AND TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH.”

ACTS 2:1-13

WHEN THE DAY OF PENTECOST CAME, THEY WERE ALL TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE. 2 SUDDENLY A SOUND LIKE THE BLOWING OF A VIOLENT WIND CAME FROM HEAVEN AND FILLED THE WHOLE HOUSE WHERE THEY WERE SITTING. 3 THEY SAW WHAT SEEMED TO BE TONGUES OF FIRE THAT SEPARATED AND CAME TO REST ON EACH OF THEM.

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4 ALL OF THEM WERE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND BEGAN TO SPEAK IN OTHER TONGUES AS THE SPIRIT ENABLED THEM. 5 NOW THERE WERE STAYING IN JERUSALEM GOD-FEARING JEWS FROM EVERY NATION UNDER HEAVEN. 6 WHEN THEY HEARD THIS SOUND, A CROWD CAME TOGETHER IN BEWILDERMENT, BECAUSE EACH ONE HEARD THEIR OWN LANGUAGE BEING SPOKEN.

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7 UTTERLY AMAZED, THEY ASKED: “AREN’T ALL THESE WHO ARE SPEAKING GALILEANS? 8 THEN HOW IS IT THAT EACH OF US HEARS THEM IN OUR NATIVE LANGUAGE? 9 PARTHIANS, MEDES AND ELAMITES; RESIDENTS OF MESOPOTAMIA, JUDEA AND CAPPADOCIA, PONTUS AND ASIA,

CONT.

PHRYGIA AND PAMPHYLIA, EGYPT AND THE PARTS OF LIBYA
NEAR CYRENE; VISITORS FROM ROME 11 CRETANS AND
ARABS—WE HEAR THEM DECLARING THE WONDERS OF
GOD IN OUR OWN TONGUES!” 12 AMAZED AND
PERPLEXED, THEY ASKED ONE ANOTHER, “WHAT DOES THIS
MEAN?” 13 SOME, HOWEVER, MADE FUN OF THEM AND
SAID, “THEY HAVE HAD TOO MUCH WINE.”





MATTHEW 5:13-16

“YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH. BUT IF THE SALT LOSES ITS SALTINESS, HOW CAN IT BE MADE SALTY AGAIN? IT IS NO LONGER GOOD FOR ANYTHING, EXCEPT TO BE THROWN OUT AND TRAMPLED UNDERFOOT.¹⁴ “YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. A TOWN BUILT ON A HILL CANNOT BE HIDDEN.


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NEITHER DO PEOPLE LIGHT A LAMP AND PUT IT UNDER A BOWL. INSTEAD THEY PUT IT ON ITS STAND, AND IT GIVES LIGHT TO EVERYONE IN THE HOUSE. 16 IN THE SAME WAY, LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE OTHERS, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD DEEDS AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN



QUOTE

**“THE VOICE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS AS LOUD AS
YOUR WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN TO HIM TALK.”**



ACTS 2:36-41

“THEREFORE LET ALL ISRAEL BE ASSURED OF THIS: GOD HAS MADE THIS JESUS, WHOM YOU CRUCIFIED, BOTH LORD AND MESSIAH.”³⁷ WHEN THE PEOPLE HEARD THIS, THEY WERE CUT TO THE HEART AND SAID TO PETER AND THE OTHER APOSTLES, “BROTHERS, WHAT SHALL WE DO?”³⁸ PETER REPLIED, “REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED, EVERY ONE OF YOU, IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS. AND YOU WILL RECEIVE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

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39 THE PROMISE IS FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN AND FOR ALL WHO ARE FAR OFF—FOR ALL WHOM THE LORD OUR GOD WILL CALL.” 40 WITH MANY OTHER WORDS HE WARNED THEM; AND HE PLEADED WITH THEM, “SAVE YOURSELVES FROM THIS CORRUPT GENERATION.” 41 THOSE WHO ACCEPTED HIS MESSAGE WERE BAPTIZED, AND ABOUT THREE THOUSAND WERE ADDED TO THEIR NUMBER THAT DAY.

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QUOTE

**“IN ORDER TO BE FULL OF THE HOLY
SPIRIT WE MUST BE EMPTIED OF
SELF.”**

JOHN 14:23-27

JESUS REPLIED, “ANYONE WHO LOVES ME WILL OBEY MY TEACHING. MY FATHER WILL LOVE THEM, AND WE WILL COME TO THEM AND MAKE OUR HOME WITH THEM. 24 ANYONE WHO DOES NOT LOVE ME WILL NOT OBEY MY TEACHING. THESE WORDS YOU HEAR ARE NOT MY OWN; THEY BELONG TO THE FATHER WHO SENT ME.

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“ALL THIS I HAVE SPOKEN WHILE STILL WITH YOU. 26 BUT THE ADVOCATE, THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHOM THE FATHER WILL SEND IN MY NAME, WILL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS AND WILL REMIND YOU OF EVERYTHING I HAVE SAID TO YOU. 27 PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU; MY PEACE I GIVE YOU. I DO NOT GIVE TO YOU AS THE WORLD GIVES. DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED AND DO NOT BE AFRAID.

DEFINITION

PARACLETE- ADVOCATE, COUNSELOR OR
HELPER.

WHAT PARACLETE DOES

1. SHOWS US THINGS OF CHRIST
2. SHOWS US THINGS TO COME
3. TEACHES US ALL THINGS
4. REMINDS US OF PAST TEACHING
5. HELPS US WITNESS

JOHN 14:16-17

AND I WILL ASK THE FATHER, AND HE WILL GIVE YOU ANOTHER ADVOCATE TO HELP YOU AND BE WITH YOU FOREVER— 17 THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH. THE WORLD CANNOT ACCEPT HIM, BECAUSE IT NEITHER SEES HIM NOR KNOWS HIM. BUT YOU KNOW HIM, FOR HE LIVES WITH YOU AND WILL BE IN YOU.

MATTHEW 3:16-17

AS SOON AS JESUS WAS BAPTIZED, HE WENT UP OUT OF THE WATER. AT THAT MOMENT HEAVEN WAS OPENED, AND HE SAW THE SPIRIT OF GOD DESCENDING LIKE A DOVE AND ALIGHTING ON HIM. 17 AND A VOICE FROM HEAVEN SAID, "THIS IS MY SON, WHOM I LOVE; WITH HIM I AM WELL PLEASED."

ACTS 2:37-39

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