



Day 1

Sermon Sentence: The Holy Spirit confirms we are in Christ.

1 John 4:13 & 1 John 5:7

We have all heard that when we come to Christ and believe upon Him to be saved we are sealed with the Holy Spirit but have you ever really considered what that means? The Holy Spirit is God! The Holy Spirit is the third member of the Trinity and has many important functions in the believer's life, one of the most important being to seal us as proof that we belong to Him. John is telling us that we can be assured we belong to Him because He sent His spirit to dwell within us.

- Have you ever really considered what it means to have part of God residing in you?
- In the OT, the Holy Spirit would empower people for short periods of time but what is the promise of Jesus concerning the Holy Spirit's role in the NT?
- In the OT, God's presence would literally fall on the Tabernacle and later the Temple, what is the temple of the Holy Spirit now in the New Testament?
- Can you find scriptures that tell us some of the roles of the Holy Spirit in our lives?



Day 2

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1 John 4:14 & John 14:6

John qualifies once again that the person who professes that Jesus Christ is the literal Son of God and that God sent Him to be the savior of the world are the only ones who will ever have the Holy Spirit residing within them. If you do not have the Son, you do not have the Father or the Holy Spirit either. Many were claiming different things about Jesus and this is still true today, many claim and add to Jesus their own thoughts and ideas but if they do not profess that Jesus is God, and the literal Son of God, who came in the flesh, died, and rose again for the sins of the world, they are not preaching the Gospel of Christ.

- Do you know people who profess things that are not Biblical concerning Jesus?
- What about Jews who do not accept Jesus, is God with them?
- What should you say to someone claiming to be a Christian but who has the wrong idea about the Gospel?

Jude 1:3

- What does this scripture tell us concerning our duties when it comes to relaying the Gospel to others?

1 Peter 3:15

- What does this tell us about how we should witness to others?



The Spirit's Witness

Day 3

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1 John 4:15

John tells us that whoever professes that Jesus is the Son of God has God! Wow, that is incredible to think about! John is saying that everyone that makes this statement and believes it, has been saved by God! Think about it, it is only by God's power that you can truly believe the truth and be saved, you can't fake it but once you truly believe He is with you forever! Yes, people can say anything with their mouth but saving faith is believing with your heart as well.

Romans 10:9-10

- Do you know people that claim to be Christians but you doubt it?
- Why, what causes you to doubt their sincerity?
- Where do you think your discernment comes from?
- What are some characteristics that you find in people who claim to be Christians but don't pass the test in your heart?
- What would you expect to find if you were to ask them to explain the true Gospel of Christ?



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Acts 1:8

A brand new Testament and a brand new way of thinking, is it of any surprise that Jesus literally told them to wait on the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is the guide and teacher for believers in this new covenant that is alive in the spiritual and dead to the letter of the Law. Imagine this from the vantage point of the Jewish nation at that time. They were used to having everything spelled out for them to the smallest detail and now they were being told that the Spirit of God would provide the power and guidance under the New Testament not stone tablets.

- Can you relate to how significant this change would have been to the Jewish believer?
- Do you understand what the role of the Holy Spirit is in your life?
- Why did God want to leave His Spirit within every believer?
- Do you feel like you are being guided by the Holy Spirit?
- Compare the lives of nonbelievers to your life, can you relate to living a life without the guiding spirit of God?



The Spirit's Witness

Day 5

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Ezekiel 36:27 & John 14:17

As believers, we have the Holy Spirit. The Spirit guides us, teaches us and comforts us. If we were to have somehow have had a religious experience without having true saving faith and did not receive the Holy Spirit, our lives would be vastly different and we would remain unchanged by God. If you look at your life since you have been saved, no doubt you see changes. Even the newest Christian is aware that God is changing their behavior and the longer we are Christians the deeper and more profound those changes become. However, conversely if we know a professed Christian whose life bears no change and no fruit chances are they had a religious experience without the true saving faith in Jesus that saves and brings the Holy Spirit.

- Have you ever been part of a church that did not preach the Gospel message regularly?
- What was the spiritual condition of the congregation?
- Did you question the salvation of many of them?
- Why do you think these churches wander away from the truth of the Gospel message?
- The Bible says that God will chastise those that belong to Him. Should this give us pause if we lack any chastisement or feelings of conviction and correction in our lives?