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The Holy Spirit

John 14:12-17; John 15:26 – John 16:15

John 14:12-17 (CSB)

“Truly I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do. And he will do even greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

John 14:12-17 (CSB)

15“If you love me, you will keep my commands. 16And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever. 17He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive him because it doesn’t see him or know him. But you do know him, because he remains with you and will be in you.

Who the Holy Spirit is?

- Holy Spirit is a HE not an IT.
- Counselor/Advocate sent by the Father (and the Son)
- Counselor. *Paraclete*. Root of word is compound word: means to call alongside.
 - Formally, a *legal advocate* and attorney who makes the right judgment-*call* because He is *close* enough to the situation. The Counselor/Paraklete is one who, *gives evidence that stands up in court*.
- **The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity. He is the believers' advocate who enables them to continue daily living with Jesus and empowers them to carry forth the presence of Jesus on earth.**

What does the Holy Spirit do?

- John 15:26-16:15
 - V.26. *When Counselor comes...[the One from the Father and sent by the Son]...He will testify about me.*
 - Holy Spirit's job is to testify about Jesus.
 - *"The wind blows where it pleases, and you hear its sound, but you don't know where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."* John 3:8
- **The Holy Spirit pushes us toward Jesus so that we'll testify of the Son and glorify Him.**

What does the Holy Spirit do?

- John 16:1-15.
 - V.1-4. Persecution is coming.
 - V. 5-7. As the Son departs bodily, He will remain spiritually.
 - V. 8-11. Here are 3 more gentle yet bold functions of the HS
 - Convict. Word used here is very rarely used. It means, to *convince* with solid, compelling *evidence*, especially to expose, prove wrong. To rebuke or to tell a fault.
 - About sin b/c they don't believe in Him.
 - About righteousness. B/c we can never forget that God is holy.
 - About judgement. B/c Satan's days are numbered.
- **The Holy Spirit dwells with us to keep Jesus ever with us (inside us) and He convicts the world about sin, righteousness, and judgement.**

What does the Holy Spirit do?

- V. 12-15.
 - Guide us into all truth.
 - Speak what He hears.
 - Declare what is to come.
 - Glorify Jesus thru passing on Jesus' teaching to His disciples.
- **The Holy Spirit guides us into truth, speaks what He hears, declares things to come, and glorifies Jesus.**