

The Holy Spirit

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In our meeting this month we reflect on the Holy Spirit following our recent celebrations of Pentecost and Trinity Sunday.

SCRIPTURE VERSES

- [Matthew 1:18](#)

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

- [Luke 3:21-22](#)

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, ²² And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.

- [John 14:16-18](#)

¹⁶ And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; ¹⁷ Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

- [John 14:26](#)

²⁶ But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

- [John 16:7-11](#)

⁷ Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. ⁸ And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: ⁹ Of sin, because they believe not on me; ¹⁰ Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; ¹¹ Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

- [Matthew 28:19](#)

¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

- [Ephesians 1:12-14](#)

¹² That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. ¹³ In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴ Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

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DISCUSSION THOUGHTS:

1. Who is the Holy Spirit?

- Breath of the Almighty [Job 33:4](#)
- Comforter/Counsellor [John 14:16](#)
- Spirit of Christ [Rom 8:9](#)
- Spirit of the Father [Matt 10:20](#)
- Spirit of grace [Heb 10:29](#)
- Spirit of prophecy [Rev 19:10](#)
- Spirit of adoption [Rom 8:15](#)
- Spirit of wisdom [Eph 1:17](#)
- Spirit of holiness [Rom 1:4](#)

2. Is the Holy Spirit a force (as some believe) or a person? If a person what evidence is there that confirms this? [John 14:16,15:26](#) , [Acts 5:1-4](#) , [Eph 4:30](#)

3. What relationship between the Holy Spirit and Christ is recorded in scripture concerning His:

- Conception [Matt 1:18-20](#)
- Baptism [Mk 1:9-12](#) , [John 1:32-33](#)
- Walk and service [Luke 4:1,14](#)
- Resurrection [Rom 8:11](#)

4. What is the work of the Holy Spirit in the world?

- Convicts of sin [John 16:9](#)
- Of righteousness [John 16:10](#)
- Of judgment [John 16:11](#)

5. What is the importance of the Holy Spirit for the Church?

- Scripture [2 Pet 1:21](#) ; [2 Tim 3:16](#)
- Confirms those added [Acts 10:44-48](#)
- Gives gifts [1 Cor 12:8-11](#)
- Leads in all truth [John 18:38](#)

6. What is the importance of the Holy Spirit for each of us personally?

- Indwells us [John 14:17](#) ; [Rom 8:11](#) ; [1 John 4:13](#)
- Is our seal [Eph 1:13](#) and earnest [Eph 1:14](#)
- Helps us to witness [Luke 12:11-12](#)
- Helps us to pray [Rom 8:26](#)
- Produces fruit [Gal 5:22-23](#)