

THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. The Holy Spirit is God:

a) The Trinity is God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit.

b) To deny the Holy Spirit is to deny God.

John 4:24

(24) "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth".

2. The Holy Spirit is God because:

a) He is eternal.

b) All powerful (omnipotent).

c) All knowing.

d) All wise (omniscient).

e) Everywhere (omnipresent).

The power of the Holy Spirit is tremendously effective today because He is in all places and at all times.

Psalm 139:7

(7) "Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?".

3. Because the Holy Spirit is God, He is Eternal:

Deuteronomy 33:27

(27) "The eternal God is your refuge, And underneath are the everlasting arms; He will thrust out the enemy from before you, And will say, "Destroy!".

4. The Holy Spirit created this world:

Genesis 1:2-3

(2) "The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

(3) Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light".

5. In the absence of Christ the Holy Spirit was to descend, in one sense He was to take the place of Christ:

a) Jesus was with them.

b) The Holy Spirit was to come in the place of Christ.

John 14:17

(17) "the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you".

c) THE DISCIPLES WERE WAITING FOR JESUS CHRIST:

- i) They were praying for the Holy Spirit.
- ii) When the Holy Spirit came because they knew Jesus they knew the Holy Spirit, because Jesus is the embodiment of the Father and the Holy Spirit.

6. To know the Holy Spirit is to know Jesus:

- a) To know the truth is to know Jesus Christ.

7. He is our advocate for our Salvation:

- a) He helps us to accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour.
- b) He completely changes our lives - through Jesus Christ we are converted and born again.
- c) He comes into our hearts when we are converted.
- d) The Holy Spirit is with the believer forever.
- e) We should be baptized with the Holy Spirit.

8. The Jesus I know is the One who is the power of the Holy Spirit.

9. Our body is His Temple:

1 Corinthians 3:16

(16) "Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

(19) "Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?" (20) For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's".

10. The Holy Spirit is Helper (Paraclete means called alongside):

John 14:16

(16) "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever".

John 15:26

(26) "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me".

11. The Holy Spirit is our Comforter:

John 14:16-17

(16) "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever - (17) the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know

Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you".

12. The Holy Spirit gives Life:

John 6:63

(63) "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life".

13. The Holy Spirit is the Strengtheners:

- a) The Holy Spirit strengthens us and empowers us.
- b) Without the Holy Spirit there is no power.
- c) His purpose is to equip us with power:

Acts 1:8

(8) "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth".

- d) He refreshes our mind and renews our strength:

1 Corinthians 2:4-5

(4) "And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, (5) that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God".

14. The Holy Spirit is the Teacher:

John 14:26

(26) "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you".

15. The Holy Spirit Convicts:

John 16:8-11

(8) "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: (9) of sin, because they do not believe in Me; (10) of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; (11) of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged".

16. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth:

John 16:13

(13) "However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come".

17. The Holy Spirit is the river of living water:

- a) He is the river of living water:

John 4:14

(14) "but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into

everlasting life".

John 7:37-39

(37) "On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink". (38) He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of His heart will flow rivers of living water". (39) But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified"

- b) He was poured out:
 - i on the prophets
 - ii on the kings
 - iii on the Messiah
- c) God pours out His Spirit on all flesh

Acts 2:17

(17) "And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams"

- d) The Holy Spirit pours out:
 - i joy
 - ii love
 - iii power

This flows out of the Spirit for the healing of others.

18. The Holy Spirit is our Intercessor:

- a) His mercy endures forever:

Romans 8:26-27

(26) "Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. (27) Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God".

- b) Through him we have access to the presence of God.

19. The Holy Spirit empowers us:

Romans 8:14

(14) "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God".

- a) Position of God in prayer is power.
- b) Position of God in my life is power in my life - without Holy Spirit there is no power.

20. The Holy Spirit gives us power to witness:

Acts 1:8

(8) "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit

has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth".

21. Power to Heal:

Acts 14:8-10

(8) And in Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother's womb, who had never walked. (9) This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, (10) said with a loud voice, "Stand up straight on your feet!" And he leaped and walked.

22. The Holy Spirit is Holy:

Ephesians 4:30

(30) "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption".

23. The Holy Spirit is wisdom and grace:

Isaiah 11:2

(2) "The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord".

24. The Holy Spirit has a mind:

1 Corinthians 2:16

(16) "For 'who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct Him?' But we have the mind of Christ".

25. The Holy Spirit gives us choices:

Acts 16:6-7

(6) "Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia. (7) After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit did not permit them".

26. His mercy endures forever:

a) The Holy Spirit is working with God.

27. Our conscience must be educated by works of the Holy Spirit:

Romans 9:1

(1) "I tell the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit".

28. Our mind is renewed by the Holy Spirit:

1 Corinthians 2:13

(13) "These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual".

29. God speaks to the world by His Spirit:

a) John 16:23

(23) "And in that day you will ask Me nothing. Most assuredly, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you".

b) He listens by the Holy Spirit.

c) The Holy Spirit gives us inspiration.

30. When we are born of the Spirit the words we speak should be the Word of the Spirit:

Psalms 107:20

(20) "He sent His Word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions".

31. The Holy Spirit testifies of Jesus:

a) John 15:26

(26) "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me".

32. Receiving the Holy Spirit:

a) God freely offers us the Holy Spirit as a gift:

Luke 11:13

(13) "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

b) Rooms of the heart (John 20:27) - open up every room in our heart to God.

c) Some people do not receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit because of fear.

d) We should learn to trust. The Holy Spirit is Christ's representative on earth.

33. Holy Spirit prayer:

a) We can pray in our own strength or we can pray with the Holy Spirit.

b) The Holy Spirit helps our Bible study.

c) If we are not baptized in the Holy Spirit the Bible will only be read as a book.

d) The Holy Spirit is a divine person because He is God - if we deny the Holy Spirit we deny God - we deny the Essence, the Deity of God.

e) The Holy Spirit provides the Word of God which is proclaimed by the man of God (Jesus told His disciples

not to fear when they came before judges, for He would be with them).

- f) Whatever you say in prayer by the Holy Spirit is said in Heaven.

34. He Gives Gifts:

1 Corinthians 12:7-11

(7) "But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: (8) for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, (9) to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, (10) to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. (11) But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills."

35. Like the apostles we should pray, preach and teach in the power of the Holy Spirit:

- i) GOD WANTS TO TRANSFORM ORDINARY MEN INTO EXTRAORDINARY WITNESSES:

Acts 4:13

(13) "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus."

- ii) 120 believers were transformed to 3,000 in one day.

- iii) Signs and wonders:

Acts 5:12-15

(12) "And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. (13) Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. (14) And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, (15) so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them."

Acts 13:7-12

(7) "who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man. This man called for Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. (8) But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood

them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. (9) Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him (10) and said, "O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord? (11) And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time." And immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand. (12) Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had been done, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord."

They had power to heal:

Acts 3:3-8

(3) "who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms. (4) And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us." (5) So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them. (6) Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk." (7) And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. (8) So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God."

Acts 6:8

(8) "And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people."

Acts 8:4-8

(4) "Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word. (5) Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. (6) And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. (7) For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed. (8) And there was great joy in that city."

36. We must not grieve the Holy Spirit (e.g. sin):

Ephesians 4:30

(30) "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. We should be filled with the Holy Spirit."

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