

The Person and Ministry of the Holy Spirit

Lesson # 6 Homework

Memorize: John 14:16

"And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever."

The Holy Spirit is God. The Bible identifies Him as one of the three Persons existing as one God, that is God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. In this lesson, we will study who the Holy Spirit is and His presence and ministry in the believer's life.

I. The Holy Spirit is a Person.

A. Recognized as a Person

Personal pronouns like "He" or "Him" are used to refer to the Holy Spirit rather than "it". List the number of times "He" or "Him" is used in John 14:17 to refer to the Holy Spirit: _____

B. Attributes of Personality

1. Intellect. He possesses the ability to know and understand reality.

a. Romans 8:27: The Holy Spirit has a _____

b. 1 Corinthians 2:10: The Holy Spirit searches _____

c. 1 Corinthians 2:11: The Holy Spirit searches _____

2. Emotion. He possesses the ability to experience emotion. Record the emotion attributed to the Holy Spirit in Ephesians 4:30:

3. Volition. He possesses the ability to determine or act decisively.

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List the decision or judgment in which the Holy Spirit demonstrates His attribute of volition:

a. 1 Corinthians 12:7, 11

b. Acts 13:2

c. Acts 15:28-29

II. The Holy Spirit Is God.

A. Conviction of Sin

THE HOLY SPIRIT: ATTRIBUTES OF DEITY		
Omniscient	All-knowing	Isaiah 40:13-14
Omnipresent	Present everywhere	Psalm 139:7
Eternal	Without beginning or end	Hebrews 9:14
Truth	Veracity; integrity	John 16:13

B. Statements of Deity

1. Write the key statement that shows that the Holy Spirit is God (2 Corinthians 3:17):

2. According to Acts 5:3-4, lying to the Holy Spirit is the same thing as lying to _____.

III. The Work of the Holy Spirit

A. According to Psalm 104:30, the Holy Spirit is active in_____.

B. 2 Peter 1:20-21 tells us that the Holy Spirit was also active in

The Holy Spirit Bears Witness of Christ
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Attests that Jesus is the Christ.....John 15:26◆ Will disclose or reveal Christ.....John 16:14◆ Will not speak of Himself.....John 16:13 |
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IV. Application

One of the most important areas of the Spirit's work is with respect to God's plan of salvation.

A. What special work does the Holy Spirit do (John 16:7-8)?

B. By whom are sinners born into God's kingdom (John 3:5-8)?

C. What work does the Spirit do when a person is saved?

1. Titus 3:5-6

2. 1 Corinthians 12:13

The Baptism by the Spirit occurs only once-- at the moment of salvation!

What is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is the act of the Holy Spirit by which He places a person into the church, the body of Christ. The first "baptism of the Holy Spirit" took place in the upper room at Pentecost when the church began (Acts 2:1-13). Today it occurs the moment a person receives Jesus Christ as his Savior. Referring to this time when every believer is baptized by the Holy Spirit into the church, Paul wrote, "For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body" (1 Corinthians 12:13).

Some Christians disagree. They maintain that the baptism of the Holy Spirit is the same as the filling of

the Spirit. They say that it takes place sometime after salvation, and that it is accompanied by the sign of speaking in tongues. Those who hold this view say that their teaching is found in the book of Acts. But the phrase "baptized with the Holy Spirit" appears only twice in Acts (1:5; 11:16), and in neither place are we told that it is something we should seek sometime after salvation.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit was first announced by John the Baptist (Matthew 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33). And the Lord Jesus promised the baptism of the Holy Spirit before He ascended to heaven (Acts 1:4,5). That promise was fulfilled on the Day of Pentecost, the

day the church was born (Acts 2:1-13,32,33). The disciples were baptized into the church in the upper room. When Peter preached later that day, some 3,000 people believed (Acts 2:41,42). Then we are told, "The Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved" (2:47).

The book of Acts records three additional mini-Pentecosts. They took place with three different groups: the Samaritan believers, whose religion and ancestry were part Jewish (Acts 8:14-25); the Gentile family of Cornelius (10:44-48); and 12 people who had believed in Christ and received John's baptism but knew nothing about what had happened at Pentecost (19:1-7). When Peter saw that the Holy Spirit had come upon the Gentiles, He remembered the Spirit-baptism promised by Christ. He wrote:

Then I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, "John indeed baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God? (Acts 11:16,17).

By giving visible signs in these three instances, the Holy Spirit confirmed the fact that Jesus Christ was building His church. These signs were given during the transition from the Jewish beginnings of the church to the full inclusion of the Gentiles. When the transition was over, the baptism of the Holy Spirit was no longer accompanied by visible signs. When a person trusts Christ today, he is placed into the church, the body of Christ, that very moment. Paul wrote:

For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free--and have all been made to drink into one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:13).

The words translated "we were all baptized" speak of an action that took place in one instant of time. The baptism of the Spirit takes place at the moment of salvation, is not repeated, and is not to be sought after salvation. The baptism of the Holy Spirit, therefore, is the placing of the believer into the body of Christ by the Holy Spirit at the moment of salvation.

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D. How does the Holy Spirit guarantee a believer's salvation (Ephesians 1:13-14)?

A seal was an ancient devise, usually a signet ring or cylinder seal engraved with the owner's name or design. A seal indicated:

- ***Ownership***
- ***Security***
- ***Authenticity***

V. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit in the Believer's Life.

A. What is the relationship between the Holy Spirit and the believer (Romans 8:9)?

B. Is it possible to be a Christian and not be indwelt by the Holy Spirit?

C. What is another ministry of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer (1Corinthians 2:12-13)?

D. What exhortations are given to all believers concerning the Holy Spirit?

1. Ephesians 4:30 _____

2. 1 Thessalonians 5:19 _____

3. Ephesians 5:18-19 _____

<p>A person who is drunk with wine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• walks differently• talks differently• acts differently• thinks differently• feels differently <p>Alcohol's control results in <i>impaired</i> judgment</p>	<p>A person who is filled with the Spirit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• walks differently• talks differently• acts differently• thinks differently• feels differently <p>The Spirit's control results in <i>improved</i> judgment</p>
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The Spirit filled person gains his vision from the Word of God.

E. How does a Christian keep from sinning (Galatians 5:16)?

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F. When a believer is filled with the Holy Spirit, he will exhibit the fruit of the Spirit. Notice it is fruit not fruits. Examine Galatians 5:22-23 and list the qualities of this fruit below.

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____.
4. _____.
5. _____.
6. _____.
7. _____.
8. _____.
9. _____.

VI. Application

Read 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 and list the significance it has to you, and how you can glorify God in your body.
