

Jesus Promises to Send the Holy Spirit

John 14:15-18 and 25-28

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The Holy Spirit, along with Jesus, is seen all the way back in Genesis 1:26-28:

We shall make man in our own image (Trinity in Gen 1:26-28).

Only Believers have the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit:

Convicts

Nevertheless, I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. 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. **John 16:7-11**

The Spirit convicts us of our sin (both as Unbeliever coming to repentance and Believer) and shows us the way.

The Believer knows when they are out of step with the Spirit. Praise the Lord for conviction!

Comforts

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

John 14:18

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

The Holy Spirit comforts us in times of need, uncertainty, unrest and trouble.

Gives us Courage

Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba,^[e] Father.” ¹⁶ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together. **Romans 8:12-17**

Acts 2:1-21

Is our Advocate

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ² And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world. **1 John 2:1-2**

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 groaning's which cannot be uttered. **Romans 8:26**

Is our Teacher

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. **John 14:26**

Two of the best things that we have as Believers is the Word of God and the Holy Spirit of God. One will never contradict the other.

Testifies we are His

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together. **Romans 8:16-17**

The world doesn't understand the Holy Spirit; it is a foreign concept to them.

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. **John 14:17**

Parachute - yield to the Holy Spirit

How do we be in tune with the Spirit?

His Word

Communication with the Spirit

Other Believers

Danger of solitude Believer

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. ³² And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you. **Ephesians 4:30-32**

Prayer Focus:

Thank the Lord for His Spirit

Ask, "Am I in tune with His Spirit?"

Is there anything I am doing to grieve the Spirit?