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WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

“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.” (Acts 1:8)

Objectives

<i>Knowledge of God’s Will</i>	God abides with us through the Holy Spirit.
<i>Knowledge of God</i>	God is Spirit.
<i>Good Works</i>	Open ourselves to teachings of the Spirit. The Spirit gives us wisdom and revelation from God, and convicts us of our sins.

A. Who Is the Holy Spirit?

1. *The Holy Spirit is the one true God:* The Spirit is God’s personal presence in our lives.
2. *The Holy Spirit is Jesus Christ:* The Spirit in our hearts is Jesus Himself, dwelling among us.

B. Characteristics of the Holy Spirit

1. *The Spirit of truth:* The world around us is constantly changing, but the Spirit will never change, because God’s truth is absolute and unchangeable, and this truth will let us see God.
2. *The Helper:* The Spirit is important to us as our comforter, advocate, and counselor.
3. *The Spirit of wisdom and revelation:* The Spirit offers more than a way into heaven. God has promised that the Helper will guide us to follow His will, see the truth, and give us power.

C. The Holy Spirit Convicts the World (Jn 16:8–11)

1. *“...of sin”:* The Spirit shows us what we have done wrong. By being convicted of our sin and reminded of Jesus’ redemption, we will be able to turn away from the world and accept the Lord into our hearts.
2. *“...of righteousness”:* The Spirit isn’t here to make us feel despair over our failures, but to reprove us, show us where we fall short, and help us overcome our weaknesses. This reminds us to be better children of God and to reach for God’s standards, not those of mankind.
3. *“...of judgment”:* Those who allow Satan to be their ruler will receive the same punishment as him. But if we accept Jesus Christ as our Savior, we will be exempt from His wrath (Rom 5:9).

Life Application: How Does the Holy Spirit Help Me?

1. *The Holy Spirit teaches us the truth:* Before we receive the Spirit, we may not understand the truth. But when we do, the Spirit will illuminate His word so that we can understand it and put it into practice.
2. *The Holy Spirit gives us wisdom and revelation:* God wants to equip us so that we can discern right from wrong. All we have to do is be willing to seek after God’s wisdom (Jas 1:5).
3. *The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sins:* The Holy Spirit gives us the spiritual eyes to see, spiritual ears to hear, and a spiritual sense in our heart to know that God loves us. In this way, we can be changed, molded, and brought back to God.

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Lesson 2 Homework Assignment

The Roles of the Holy Spirit

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

Memory Verse (Acts 1:8):

1. What happens when the Holy Spirit abides in us and we rely on His Spirit?
2. "I will put My _____ within you and _____ you to _____ in My _____, and you will _____ My _____ and do them." (Ezekiel 36:27)
3. How does the Holy Spirit convict the world of sin?
4. Why is it important that the Holy Spirit convicts us of God's righteousness?
5. Why do we need wisdom and revelation from the Spirit?
6. Have you ever needed wisdom from God? How did He respond to your need?