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THE ROLES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

“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)

Objectives

Knowledge of God’s Will	The Holy Spirit plays important roles in the church, in our lives, and in our salvation.
Knowledge of God	God is Spirit.
Good Works	Experience the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

A. The Roles of the Holy Spirit in the Church

1. Empowers the apostles to preach (Acts 2:14)
2. Guides where the gospel is preached (Acts 10:44–45; 16:6–10)
3. Sends out workers (Acts 13:2–3)
4. Punishes those who deceive the church (Acts 5:3–4, 9–10)
5. Deepens our understanding of the truth (Acts 15:28–29)

B. The Roles of the Holy Spirit in Our Lives

1. Helps us (Jn 14:26): The Spirit is able to give us understanding about and help us remember the things that Jesus Christ has taught in the Bible.
2. Gives us power (Acts 1:8): The Spirit empowers us to do the work of God and gives us internal strength to do the things that we do not think we are able to do.
3. Teaches us what to say (Lk 12:12): The Spirit is able to teach us what to say and helps us to speak, even to those who may be against us.
4. Gives spiritual gifts (Heb 2:4): The Spirit gives us a variety of spiritual gifts to serve the body of Christ.

C. The Roles of the Holy Spirit in Our Salvation

1. Allows us to be born of water and the Spirit (Jn 3:5)
2. Seals our inheritance in heaven (Eph 1:13–14)
3. Baptizes us with the Spirit (Acts 1:5)
4. Washes and renews us (Tit 3:5)

Life Application

We are blessed with the experience of the Spirit’s abidance in our lives. However, more often than not, we don’t feel the Spirit’s presence. What obstacles might be standing between us and the Spirit?

1. *Do we experience the power of the Holy Spirit in our life? If so, what does it look like?*
To experience the Spirit’s power is to feel God’s presence in our life. If our conscience rebukes us or if we feel peace in the midst of a stressful situation, these are the acts of the Spirit.
2. *Do we have doubts?*
For us to experience God’s abidance, we first need to believe in Him (Heb 11:6; Mk 9:24).
3. *Do we have sin in our life?*
The most common and difficult obstacle to overcome is sin. Over time, it can make us numb or desensitize us to what is right in God’s eyes. But with the help of the Spirit, we can overcome the lust of the flesh (Gal 5:16).

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Lesson 2 Homework Assignment

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	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

Memory Verse (John 14:26):

1. What is the Spirit's purpose in our lives?
2. "For the _____ will _____ you in that very hour what you _____ to _____." (Luke 12:12)
3. Pick one of the Holy Spirit's roles in the church, and describe an example from the Bible.
4. What is the purpose of the spiritual gifts that the Spirit gives to us?
5. What is a major obstacle that blocks our experience of the Spirit's power? Why is this the case?
6. Do you have any personal obstacles that block you from experiencing the Spirit's power?