

The Holy Spirit is OUR ADVOCATE ~ Romans 8.26-27

INTRODUCTION

John 14:16-17 (NIV) And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you FOREVER - [17] the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know HIM, for He lives with you and will BE IN YOU.

We believe that the Holy Spirit NEVER takes His departure from the church, nor from the feeblest of the saints, but is ever present to testify of Christ; seeking to occupy believers with Him and not with themselves NOR with their experiences. We believe that His abode in the world in this special sense will cease when Christ comes to receive His own at the completion of the church. DTS

On-Going Work IN Reaching the LOST ~ John 16:7-11

[7] ...it is BEST for you that I go away, because if I don't, the COMFORTER won't come. If I do go away, then I will send Him to you. [8] And when He comes, He will CONVICT the world of its SIN, and of God's RIGHTEOUSNESS, and of the coming JUDGMENT. [9] The world's sin is that it refuses to believe in ME. [10] Righteousness is available because I go to the Father, and you will see Me no more. [11] Judgment will come because the ruler of this world has already BEEN judged. (NLT)

→ Nobody is SAVED apart from the WORK of the Holy Spirit CONVINCING them of the TRUTH

Work of the Holy Spirit at SALVATION ~ Ephesians 5.18

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit...

- is for all believers without exception - 1 Corinthians 12:13
- occurred for the FIRST TIME on the day of Pentecost - Acts 11:15-17
- happens to each believer ONLY ONCE - 1 Corinthians 12:13
- joins believers TO CHRIST and to all other BELIEVERS - Galatians 3:26-28

We believe that the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity, though omnipresent from all eternity, took up His ABODE in the world in a special sense on the day of Pentecost according to the divine promise, DWELLS in every believer, and by His BAPTISM unites all to Christ in one body, and that He, as the INDWELLING One, is the source of ALL POWER and all acceptable worship and service. DTS

IMPLICATION

→ Because I WAS Baptized IN the Spirit I am IN Christ

Galatians 3:26-27 (NIV) You are ALL sons of God through FAITH IN Christ Jesus, for ALL of you who were BAPTIZED into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ...

Romans 8:1 (NIV) ...there is now NO CONDEMNATION for those who are IN Christ Jesus...

On-Going Work IN BELIEVERS ~ Ephesians 5.18

1- FILLING of the Spirit

Ephesians 5:18 (NIV) Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, BE FILLED with the Spirit.

Being FILLED with the Holy Spirit... MoodyHT

- is a COMMAND
- is CONDITIONAL
- is REPEATED

Repeated FILLINGS may be necessary because new areas of life come to light which need to be brought under the control of the Spirit. Of course it is also true that a Christian needs to be filled again and again when sin breaks the control of the Spirit. Ryrie

- is Essential for spiritual GROWTH and MATURITY - 1 Corinthians 3:1-3, Romans 8:8

BAPTISM 1 Cor. 12.13

occurs ONCE in each Believer's life
 NEVER happened before Pentecost
 TRUE for ALL Believers
 Cannot be UNDONE
***Results in a POSITION**
 occurs when we BELIEVE in Christ
 No PREREQUISITE

FILLING Eph. 5.18

is a REPEATED experience
 occurred THROUGHOUT O.T.
 Not ALWAYS experienced by ALL
 Can be LOST
***Results in POWER**
 Occurs throughout the Christian life
 Depends on SURRENDER

IMPLICATIONS**To be FILLED with the Holy Spirit...**

- do not GRIEVE the Spirit - Ephesians 4:29-3
- do not QUENCH the Spirit - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19
- Walk by the Spirit - Galatians 5:16
- Confession of SIN - 1 John 1:9
- Daily Surrender- Romans 12:1-2

2- EMPOWERING of the Spirit

Romans 8:12-13 (NLT) Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. [13] For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through the power of the Spirit you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live.

3- TEACHING of the Spirit

John 14:26 (NIV) But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will TEACH you all things and will REMIND you of everything I have said to you.

4- The GIFTS of the Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:7, 11 (NIV) Now to EACH ONE the manifestation of the Spirit is given FOR the COMMON good. ...[11] All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and HE gives them to each one, just as HE DETERMINES.

1 Peter 4:10 (NIV) Each one should use whatever gift he has RECEIVED to SERVE OTHERS, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

Spiritual Gifts are GIVEN...

- to EACH believer - 1 Cor. 12.7
- for the GOOD of OTHERS - 1 Cor. 12.7
- according to His PLAN and PURPOSE - 1 Cor. 12.11
- as a GIFT for the PURPOSES of SERVING others - 1 Pet. 4.10

Basics for Discovering Spiritual Gifts

- be GROWING
- be SERVING
- be PATIENT

TAKE AWAY??

Romans 8:26-27 (NIV) In the same way, the **Spirit HELPS US in our weakness**. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. [27] And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.