

# God the Holy Spirit

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## **I. God the Father—God the Son—God the Holy Spirit**

### **A. John introduced the idea that the Father and the Son are One**

**Joh 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**Joh 10:30** I and *my* Father are one.

**Joh 14:9** Jesus saith unto him....he that hath seen me hath seen the Father...

### **B. Jesus introduced the idea that He and the Holy Ghost are One**

**Joh 14:16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

**Joh 14:17** *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

**Joh 14:18** I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

### **C. John unequivocally stated the idea that the Three are One**

**1Jn 5:7** For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

### **D. From the beginning—The Bible introduced the idea of the Three-ness of the One**

Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Gen 1:2 ...And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

Gen 1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

## **E. The Holy Spirit is the misunderstood and forgotten God**

### **1. The Father is readily recognized, acknowledged and glorified**

Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son...

### **2. The Son is readily recognized, acknowledged and glorified**

1Jn 3:16 Hereby perceive we the love of *God*, because he laid down his life for us...

### **3. The Spirit is unknown, misunderstood, turned into a spectacle and rejected**

Act 19:2 ...Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.

1Co 14:23 If therefore the whole church be come together into one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in *those that are* unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that ye are mad?

1Co 14:27 If any man speak in an *unknown* tongue, *let it be* by two, or at the most *by* three, and *that* by course; and let one interpret.

1Co 14:33 For God is not *the author* of confusion...

1Co 14:39 Wherefore, brethren...forbid not to speak with tongues.

1Co 14:40 Let all things be done decently and in order.

## **II. The Father sent the Son—The Father and the Son send the Spirit**

Gal 4:4 ...God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

Gal 4:5 To redeem them that were under the law...

Joh 14:26 But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send...

Joh 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you...

**Joh 16:7** ...It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

### **III. In Jesus' day—The apostles “*understood not*”—(They just really didn't get it)**

**Luk 22:24** ...there was also a strife among them, which of them should be...the greatest.

**Luk 22:26** But ye *shall not be* so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.

**Luk 22:27** For... I am among you as he that serveth.

**Luk 22:28** Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations.

**Luk 22:29** And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me;

**Luk 22:30** That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

**Joh 7:38** He that believeth on me...out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

**Joh 7:39** (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet *given*; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

### **IV. After Jesus' day—The Holy Ghost taught the apostles about Jesus**

**Joh 16:12** I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

**Joh 16:13** Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

**Joh 16:14** He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.

**Joh 14:26** But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

**Joh 15:26** But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

**Joh 15:27** And ye also shall bear witness...

Act 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

## **V. Without the Holy Spirit there would be no gospel in any “*form of sound words*”**

2Ti 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

2Ti 1:8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

2Ti 1:10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:

2Ti 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

2Ti 1:12 For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

2Ti 1:13 Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

2Ti 1:14 That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.

## **VI. Without the Holy Spirit—No person can understand the gospel**

1Co 2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

1Co 2:10 But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit...

1Co 2:11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

1Co 2:12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

1Co 2:13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

1Co 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

## VII. What's the big deal about the Holy Spirit? —What if there was no Holy Spirit?

### A. Without the Holy Spirit—There would be no Bible

2Pe 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

### B. Without the Holy Spirit—There would be no new birth (no spiritual life within)

Joh 3:3 ...Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Joh 3:8 The wind bloweth where it listeth...so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

### C. Without the Holy Spirit—There would be no faith

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering...faith,

### D. Without the Holy Spirit—There would be no Christians

Rom 8:15 ...ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

Rom 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God

### E. Without the Holy Spirit—No preacher is able to preach

1Co 2:1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

1Co 2:2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

1Co 2:3 And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

1Co 2:4 And my speech and my preaching *was* not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

1Co 2:5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

### F. Without the Holy Spirit—No hearer is able to hear

**Joh 8:43** Why do ye not understand my speech? *even* because ye cannot hear my word.

**Rev 2:7** He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches...

**G. Without the Holy Spirit—No willingness to come—Yet He moves you to come**

**Joh 5:40** And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

**Joh 16:8** And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

**Act 2:37** ...they were pricked in their heart...

**Act 2:41** Then they that gladly received his word were baptized...

**Rev 22:17** ...the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.