

## Chapter 1 : Who or What is the Holy Spirit? A Bible Study

*The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity and undoubtedly the least understood member of the Godhead.. Christians can easily identify with God the Father (Jehovah or Yahweh) and his Son, Jesus Christ.*

In any case, many people throughout the ages have thought of the Holy Spirit more as a thing than a Person. Nothing could be further from the truth, and in fact as we begin to know the Person of the Holy Spirit we will want to have a closer relationship with Him just as we would the Father or Son. Although the word Trinity is not mentioned in the Bible, we know God is three in one. They are all equal in every way. Omnipotent " All powerful. Omnipresent " At all places at once. Omniscient " All knowing. Eternal " Hebrews 9: Equal " Acts 5: While it remained, was it not your own? The Holy Spirit was part of all things, from the very beginning of scripture to the very end of scripture Genesis 1: Elohiym is the plural form of God. Therefore, as scripture was inspired and man began to write the Word, it was evident to the writers that God was made of more than 1 Person but at the same time there was one Godhead. There are many scriptural references that show the coexistence of the the entities within the Trinity Luke 3: Here we see the evidence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit all mentioned within one verse. We also see the same reference elsewhere in the Gospels. And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. And immediately the Spirit driveth him into the wilderness. And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him. Deuteronomy demonstrates the God Israel served was one Godhead made of a plurality of entities within that Godhead. What we allow ourselves to be part of we are inviting God to be part of.. What is Jesus mission"to reveal the Father. They never had a crisis management meeting in Heaven. They never tried to sit down and work things out. They never had a power struggle amongst themselves. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God. The Holy Spirit was on the scene long before the day of Pentecost He moved upon the face of the waters and was the active agent in creation. Jesus was the Word, the Holy Spirit moved. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. The Holy Spirit gave us the Word of God. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: The Holy Spirit regenerates our spirit when we accept Jesus Christ into our life. The life and ministry of Jesus " Luke 4: The resurrection of Jesus " Actually all 3 members of the Godhead had a part in the resurrection! Father " Ephesians 1: I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father. Holy Ghost " Romans 1: He shall glorify me: What All Happened on the Day of Pentecost? Jesus said it was imperative that He go or the Spirit would not be sent Jesus felt it important enough for them to wait until the Spirit came to empower them Jesus own mother needed the baptism of the Holy Spirit to be an effective witness. On the day of Pentecost, the believers who were assembled in the Upper Room experience a new Baptism, the one which John referred to. For an in depth study on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

## Chapter 2 : What is Pneumatology?

*The Holy Spirit is not a quality of divine essence. In the words of Lester Sumrall: "I personally feel that these studies are imperative for this generation. One of the greatest needs of the Church today is to understand and possess a personal confrontation with the Holy Spirit, who is known as the Third Person of the Trinity."*

The word Pneumatology comes from two Greek words which mean "wind, air, spirit" and "word" - combining to mean "the study of the Holy Spirit. It answers numerous important questions about the Holy Spirit: There are many misconceptions about the identity of the Holy Spirit. Some view the Holy Spirit as a mystical force. Others understand the Holy Spirit as the impersonal power God makes available to followers of Christ. What does the Bible say about the identity of the Holy Spirit? This discussion is controversial because the ministries of the Holy Spirit are often confused. The filling of the Spirit is an ongoing process in the Christian life. What is the baptism of the Holy Spirit? The baptism of the Holy Spirit may be defined as that work whereby the Spirit of God places the believer into union with Christ and into union with other believers in the Body of Christ at the moment of salvation. How can I be filled with the Spirit? It is important to distinguish between the indwelling and filling of the Spirit. The permanent indwelling of the Spirit is not for a select few believers, but rather for all believers. This is in contrast to the commanded filling of the Spirit found in Ephesians 5: Are the miraculous gifts of the Spirit for today? This is not a question of can the Holy Spirit give someone a miraculous gift. The question is does the Holy Spirit still dispense the miraculous gifts today. Above all else, we entirely recognize that the Holy Spirit is free to dispense gifts according to His will 1 Corinthians Many Christians have an unbiblical perception of the Holy Spirit. Some understand the Holy Spirit as a power or force given to us from God. This is not Biblical. Pneumatology teaches us that the Holy Spirit is a Person, with a mind, emotions, and will. The Holy Spirit is received at salvation Romans 8: Pneumatology helps us to understand these issues and recognize the Biblical roles of the Holy Spirit in our lives today. The study of Pneumatology is of immense benefit to the Christian. In the pages of Scripture, we come face to face with the third Person of the trinity, God himself in spirit, and we see His very personal and intimate ministry to us. When we pursue the knowledge of the Holy Spirit we find, to our great delight, that He not only lives within us, but He does so forever, never to leave or forsake us John All these truths are burned into our hearts when we study Pneumatology. A good summary verse for Pneumatology is John

*The study of the Holy Spirit in theological terminology is called pneumatology. The study of the Holy Spirit raises certain basic questions. The study of the Holy Spirit raises certain basic questions.*

Who is the Holy Spirit or what is the Holy Spirit? Is it a force, an energy, a power, or is He a person? We can find out by reading the Bible. He is not a power, an effect, or just energy. There are three members of the God Family. God the Father draws them John 6: Here are a few examples: And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. Even angels long to look into these things. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to. Be shepherds of the church of God which he bought with his own blood. For it is his mouth that has given the order, And his Spirit will gather them together. The Holy Spirit is the One Who reveals Who the Savior is and opens up our minds to understand the Word of God because flesh and blood does not bring meaning to the Scriptures. We can not understand what we are reading unless the Holy Spirit teaches us and imparts meaning to us. The Spirit is not a force to be drawn upon like a power but drawing on the power of God. He is the very power of God. You can not know Jesus without Him. You can not possibly overcome sin without His power. You can not have eternal life without His revealing the Source of this eternal life John 3. When you sit down to read the Bible , pray for the Holy Spirit to give you understanding. Pray that He will reveal what is being read in the Bible for part of the role of the Holy Spirit is to teach us all things, as Christ told the disciples before He departed. If you want to know a sort of job description of the Holy Spirit, John, chapters 14, 15 and 16 will help immensely. Romans chapter 8 is also a chapter that describes the role and work of God the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is God God the Holy Spirit brings godly repentance and brings about an awareness of when we are not doing the right thing. He will begin to deal with the sins in our life and help us overcome them. We are not the ones necessarily that conquer sin; God the Holy Spirit is the power that dwells in us to help us do this. We can not possibly overcome sin by human effort. God the Holy Spirit enables us to do good works “not to be saved” but because we are saved. The Holy Spirit also points to and always seeks to glorify Jesus Christ. So too should we. That is Who the Holy Spirit is.

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*The Person Of The Holy Spirit Study Guide has 1 rating and 0 reviews. One of the greatest needs of the Church today is to understand and possess a person.*

An Introduction to Christian Belief: Generally this includes such topics as the personality of the Spirit, the deity of the Spirit, and the work of the Spirit throughout Scripture. This is especially so in a culture moving more toward New Age thinking and pantheism. There are several lines of evidence in the NT which argue for the personality of the Holy Spirit. The word for another is *allos* in Greek and refers to another just like Jesus. It is reasonable to conclude from this that the Spirit is a person since Jesus is clearly a person. Further, Jesus referred to him as a *parakletos* enabler, encourager, comforter, etc. Second, the fact that the Spirit makes choices 1 Cor He receives the worship due the Father and the Son 2 Cor He is said to be eternal Heb 9: There is very little room for doubt; clearly the Holy Spirit is divine. Scriptural Metaphors for the Holy Spirit Scripture uses several important metaphorical expressions to refer to the Spirit, his sovereign character and his inscrutable, yet manifested workings. For example, Jesus referred to him as a wind—a metaphor which seems to underline the inscrutable nature of his moving in the hearts of people to give them life and bring them to faith John 3: In connection with his personal and glorious ministry to people, Jesus referred to him as water in John 7: This symbol portrays the Spirit as the One who can fulfill the deepest longings of the heart to know God, i. As such, the metaphor speaks of promised messianic blessing and the presence of the kingdom in a new and powerful way Isa This idea involves being dressed by another person so that one is characterized by this new clothing. In the case of the Spirit, it refers to his gift of power to us so that we might live consistent with the gospel as we boldly preach it throughout the entire world. In this case, the present gift of the Spirit is the guarantee that the totality of what has been promised to us will someday be fulfilled Rom 8: In 2 Cor 1: This does not mean that the Christian will never sin or be chastened by God 1 John 1: The Pentecost Spirit is also likened to tongues of fire in Acts 2: Fire represents the holy presence of God, as for example, in Exodus 3: When we go to the OT we see this phenomenon in several places, not the least of which is the clear example of Ezekiel 2: Other examples of the Spirit speaking to people include Balaam Num Peter uses the analogy of the wind filling the sails of a ship. So we may infer from this that the Spirit took the initiative and directed the work, but in no way suppressed the personalities, including the emotional and intellectual input, of the human authors. The fact that we have an intimate involvement of the Spirit of God with the writers of Scripture speaks not to mechanical dictation or even conceptual inspiration cf. The Spirit was involved in creating the cosmos Gen 1: He is currently intricately involved in sustaining creation Psa The Holy Spirit came upon certain people to impart wisdom and practical skills, strength and ability. He was also the strength and guidance behind the building of the temple Zech 4: The Spirit was involved in the administration of the nation of Israel by giving gifts of administration and wisdom Gen He also raised up national leaders during the dismal period of the Judges. He gave strength, courage, capability in war, and leadership abilities to several people Judges 3: Later on he anointed Saul, David, and Solomon for leadership by giving them strength and ability to prophesy, but in the case of Saul, the Spirit subsequently withdrew because of his disobedience 1 Sam The Holy Spirit was also involved in the regeneration Ezek It is also said that he will produce righteousness and justice among the people of God in the messianic age Isa He was also involved in both the death of Christ as well as his resurrection Heb 9: Further, perhaps the best interpretation of 1 Peter 3: His primary ministry is to mediate the presence of Christ and the knowledge of God to the believer John But there is a difficult textual variant here, i. The point is that not much weight should be placed on this passage. Also, some argue that the demonstrative pronoun in John The masculine pronoun, then, used in reference to the Spirit, demonstrates his personality. This argument, too, is precarious at best. Hagner, Matthew , Word Biblical Commentary, ed. Hubbard and Glenn W. Word, , in loc. It represents the power, cleansing, and illuminating work of the Spirit. Erickson, Christian Theology Grand Rapids: Baker, , See also Louis Berkhof, Systematic Theology, 4th ed. Eerdmans, , ; and especially James I. Packer Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, , Zuck and Darrell L. Moody, , Revell, ,

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The first point is that each Christian has at least one spiritual gift 1 Cor Gifts are not given primarily for the benefit of the gift holder but rather as a ministry for others. Spiritual gifts are not to be self-focused but rather others focused. Fourthly, not all people have the same gift. Lastly, gifts are to be exercised in love. As Paul states, exercising gifts without love is like an annoyance of banging gongs or symbols 1 Cor Most evangelical Christians are at least somewhat aware that there are questions and points of difference and disagreement regarding spiritual gifts. For example, is God giving all gifts today, such as the gift of apostleship, prophecy, tongues, or healing? The gifts of apostleship and prophecy are foundational to the church and on which the church is built. One criteria of apostle in the early church is that the person saw the resurrected Jesus Acts 1: Unless Christ made a special appearance as he did to Paul on the road to Damascus this criteria would not be replicable today. There is no explicitly clear statement that some gifts have ceased but one must also compare the claim of possessing a certain gift with Scripture. What is the nature of the gift in the Bible? What is its purpose? How did or does it function? Lastly, for most evangelicals even if one does not hold to all the gifts functioning today this does not rule out God doing miracles directly such as healing in response to prayer James 5: While the baptism of the Holy Spirit occurs once at conversion, the filling of the Spirit can happen multiple times after conversion and also is commanded. Here the filling of the Spirit is given as a command to be followed. In this analogy the Spirit is compared negatively to wine. Closely related to being filled with the Spirit is being empowered with the Holy Spirit. It is by the power of the Holy Spirit that enables Christians to live lives obedient to God. Lastly, not only does the Holy Spirit fill and empower but he also leads or guides the believer in Jesus Christ. Symbols of the Holy Spirit A final area of discussion is that of some instances where the Holy Spirit is referred to in the Bible with a symbol. Four prominent symbols that refer to the Holy Spirit are the dove, fire, wind and water. When looking at a symbol, one must be careful to make sure the context is identifying the symbol with the referent you are considering in this case the Holy Spirit. For example, even though the Holy Spirit is identified with a dove in Matt 3: Dove Probably the most recognizable symbol of the Holy Spirit is the dove that appeared at the baptism of Jesus. It is recorded in all four gospels Matt 3: The dove as a symbol of the Holy Spirit communicates beauty, gentleness, and peace. The dove also comes from above, perhaps suggesting coming from heaven. The most explicit passage that refers to the Holy Spirit as fire is in Acts 2. Disobedience to the Spirit is like throwing water on a fire. Wind The Greek word for Spirit pneuma can also be translated as breath or wind. Perhaps then it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit is seen and compared to as wind. Two verses in the New Testament communicate this. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit. Jesus makes this explicit connection on one of the feast days of Israel. As physical fresh water is needed for physical life, the living water of the Holy Spirit is needed for spiritual life. Conclusion In conclusion, Christians should not be afraid of the Holy Spirit but rather look to the Spirit for guidance and spiritual strength. The Holy Spirit is alive and active today in the lives of both believers and unbelievers. He is to be respected, followed and cherished. Discussion Questions How would you respond scripturally to someone that said that the Holy Spirit is just an impersonal force like lightening? Why did he pray this? Could God take his Holy Spirit from us today? Does God communicate to us through his Holy Spirit apart from the Bible? If so, how and how can we be sure what the message is? How should the indwelling Holy Spirit affect our daily lives? Can people perform miracles today the same way that the apostles did in the first century? How would you decide if a spiritual gift is being used in an authentic manner or not? Has some gift ever been claimed where you thought something was not biblical about it? Zondervan, , Not all are apostles, are they? Not all are prophets, are they? Not all are teachers, are they? Not all perform miracles, do they? Not all have gifts of healing, do they? Not all speak in tongues, do they? Not all interpret, do they? Walvoord, The Holy Spirit, Biblical Studies Press,

## Chapter 6 : Holy Spirit - Wikipedia

*PREFACE Prayerfully this study course will enlighten the reader to the person and work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the 3rd person of the trinity, co-equal with the Father and the.*

At what point does the Bible show the Holy Spirit being given to new Christians? For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. Peter had preached that those who were baptized would receive the Holy Spirit Acts 2: Is the laying on of hands one of the elementary principles of Christianity? As we have seen in this series of lessons, repentance, faith and baptism are foundational steps in building a relationship with God, and the laying on of hands after baptism is another vital step in the process of conversion. God gives His Holy Spirit to those who submit to this wonderful ceremony. This elementary principle may also include the other types of laying on of hands described in the Bible. These include ordination of deacons and elders, anointing of sick people and blessing of little children Acts 6: What Is the Holy Spirit? How is the Holy Spirit described in Scripture? As our Fundamental Beliefs booklet explains, "The Holy Spirit of God is not identified as a third person in a trinity but is presented in Scripture as the power of God, the mind of God and the very essence and life force of God through which the Father begets human beings as His spiritual children. What does the Holy Spirit help us to understand? For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. It opens a window into the mind of God and helps us to learn to think as God thinks. What fruit can the Holy Spirit help us grow in our lives? Against such there is no law. These are all characteristics of God, and He gives us help to develop them through His Spirit. They are in vivid contrast to the works of the flesh that come naturally to human beings Galatians 5: What else did Jesus Christ call the Holy Spirit? Does the gift of the Holy Spirit make us children of God? 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, Father. Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. As we have been seeing in this series, God wants to have a relationship with you. But not just any relationship. He wants to have the closest of relationships, the family relationship of Father and child. This awesome plan and purpose is beyond our comprehensionâ€”that the Creator God of the vast universe wants you to be His child! Keep this thought in mind, and we will come back to it in a future lesson. Apply Now The wonderful passage in Galatians 5: An entire series of articles about the " Fruit of the Spirit " was printed in The Good News magazine, and you can access all of them through the link. Please pick at least one of the articles and study that fruit in depth. Make notes of specific things you can do to apply that fruit in your life. Questions about this lesson? Feedback about this lesson?

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*Hello Genesis the Holy Spirit always seeks to glorify Christ and points all believers to obedience to God and the Bible, therefore what you can do to let the Holy Spirit work in your life is to yield to God's Spirit and witness to others and to glorify God in your Body.*

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