

## **GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT (WE BELIEVE SERIES – PART 4)**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, co-creator with the Father and Son who is now sent by the Father through the Son to convict the world of sin, lead us into all truth and empower and equip the church to carry on Christ's work on the earth.

We see the divine person of the Holy Spirit not only in the new testament but also in the old testament.

We see the Holy Spirit as creator.

The Holy Spirit is God.

The Holy Spirit is prophetic, speaking through men that were prophets and are prophets.

In the new testament, Jesus reveals the Holy Spirit as a helper.

Just as the Father sent the Son, the Son sent the Holy Spirit to be revealed to us and in us.

God wants to live inside of us.

The Holy Spirit has always been here, but Jesus could not send the Holy Spirit in his role as helper until after he ascended to heaven.

We are to pray to the Father in the name of the Son through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit has the following attributes:

- He is eternal.
- He is omnipotent (all powerful).
- He is omnipresent (present everywhere at all times).
- He is omniscient (all knowing).
- He is called God.
- He has a mind.
- He has a will.

We can inquire of God what is on the mind of Holy Spirit and he wants to show us.

The Holy Spirit gives us each spiritual gifts, but he does not force anyone to operate in them.

You must accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior before you can receive the Holy Spirit.

Based on our choices, we either honor Holy Spirit or we dishonor Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit has feelings and can feel dishonored.

What the Holy Spirit does:

- He speaks.
- He intercedes.

- He teaches.
- He testifies or confirms.
- He leads.
- He gives commands.
- He guides.

God wants to speak to you.

If we really want to hear God and are willing to listen even if what God says is not what we wanted to hear, then we will hear God.

To hear God, the first thing we need to do is spend time in his word.

As we inquire of God, the Holy Spirit will give us a fruit of his Spirit and one of those fruits is peace.

If we have truly heard the Lord, we should have peace about it.

The Holy Spirit will sometimes tell us to do something without telling us why or what all the steps are.

He may only give us one step at a time.

If we choose to obey God's commands or God's leading, we honor him, if we choose to disobey, we dishonor him.

The Holy Spirit can be lied to.

The Holy Spirit can be insulted.

The Holy Spirit can be sinned against.

The Holy Spirit can be grieved.

The Holy Spirit comforts and encourages us.

God wants us to have a fruit salad of spiritual fruit.

The Holy Spirit is Holy, which means he is set apart, he is special.

When we see God for who he is, we can feel like shrinking back.

Don't shrink back, God has given his son and his Spirit to touch your life, to make you Holy, to cleanse you and then to set you up in relationship with him for all of his benefits.

## SCRIPTURE LIST

Genesis 1:2

John 1:1

Isaiah 6

John 14:16-17

Hebrews 9:14

Luke 1:35

Psalms 139:7

1 Corinthians 2:9-11

Acts 5:3-4

Romans 8:27

1 Corinthians 12:11

Acts 13:2

John 14:26

John 15:26

Acts 8:29

Acts 16:6-7

Acts 5:3

Hebrews 10:29

Matthew 12:31-32

Ephesians 4:30

Romans 8:16

Ephesians 1:13-14

Galatians 5:22-23