

# The Person & Work of the Holy Spirit

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The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Godhead. Jesus sent Him in His place on the earth. I want to help you learn to lean into the person and work of the Holy Spirit in your life. We must know the person of the Spirit of God before we know His works and power, otherwise we will try and work our way into being good enough for God to get Him to help us.

**I John 4:4** - You belong to God, little children, and have overcome; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.

- What would our life look like if we believe that?
- Jesus was never lost, He found us.

**Psalms 107:2** - Let the redeemed of the Lord say so

- Say what God says about you in your everyday life.
- In every circumstance you face God says something to you, first in His word, then He was to speak to you through His spirit.
- We have to learn to bow our knee and humble ourselves before God.

**Psalms 19:14** - Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight

**Psalms 65:11** - You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance. (NLT)

- We must make a choice as a believer, to say what God says about the hard path.
- God will move in any environment.
- We don't have to drag God into our problems and circumstances.

**Hebrews 13:5** – For He Himself said, “I will never leave you or forsake you.”

- He never left. He already lives on the inside of you and He's not going anywhere.
- We need to be God “inside” minded.

**By Faith and in Submission to our God, we Declare:**

- *A spirit of fear cannot reside in our lives, our church, our families or our community.*
- *God has not given us a spirit of fear, but a Spirit of love, power and a sound mind.*

- *We will see others through the lens of God's love, for human anger does not achieve God's righteous purpose. Rage and anger will not dominate our lives.*
- *We are free from the dominion, power and authority of the kingdom of darkness and its power is broken over our lives, our church and our families.*
- *Our children will not be dominated by a spirit of fear, but will live in freedom and in the truth of God's Word.*
- *A spirit of faith resides over us, our families and our community.*

### **Why Christians don't yield to the person of the Holy Spirit that abides on the inside of us.**

**Romans 8:14-16** - For as many as are led by the spirit of God, these are the children of God. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage, making you fearful slaves, but you received the spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba Father", the Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.

- God wants to speak to us in our everyday life.
- The primary way God speaks to all us is through His word.
- God also wants to speak to us intimately through His Holy Spirit.
- What would it look like if we could hear God's voice every day and obey it?

### **Many Christians see God through an "orphan spirit", as distant or hard.**

**John 14:16-18** - And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another comforter, who will never leave you. He is the Holy Spirit, who leads you into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you. No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you.

- Seeing yourself as an orphan rather than a child of God, will drive you into a spirit of fear.

### **God wants to be the definer of who you are. Not your past, circumstances or successes.**

- Most Christian live like God is a deadbeat dad.
- Do you see God as distant, detached, or uninterested in your everyday life?

### **The Holy Spirit wants to lead us from the inside out, not externally through circumstances.**

**Psalms 32:7-9** - You are my hiding place. You protect me from trouble. You surround me with joyous songs of salvation. The Lord says, "I will instruct you. I will teach you the way that you should go. I will advise you, as my eyes watch over you. Do not be like a senseless horse or mule that needs a bit and a bridle to keep them under control or able to be directed."

- Everything that happens is not the will of God.
- God is not in total control, He gave us free will.

God wants to be our “Abba” father, our “daddy”.

- What would your life look like if you knew you were adopted and birthed by God?
- Your service doesn’t make you a child of God, you serve because you’re a child of God.

**John 16:14** - I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. However, when He, the Spirit of Truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will show you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.

- God’s Spirit bears witness with our spirit. An inner knowing. (Romans 8)
- What would it look like if God could speak into the intimate decisions of our life?
- He will guide you and show you things to come.
- **He loves you because that is who He is.**
- **You won’t submit to God until you know He loves you.**
- **The Lordship of Jesus is the Lordship of love.**
- **The plan of God for your life doesn’t go away because you messed it up.**

**Psalms 118:6** - The Lord is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?

**Romans 8:31** - If God is for us, who can be against us?