

God the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity. Equal with God the Father, and God the Son sharing in their divinity. He has powerful presence and ministry in the life of a believer, and the advance of the gospel of Christ.

Read John 14:16. How does Jesus describe the Holy Spirit? _____

The Person of the Holy Spirit

Many people refer to the Holy Spirit as an "it" but the bible uses pronouns like "He" and "His" when referring to the Holy Spirit. (John 14:17)

Intellect: The Holy Spirit knows and understands and has a _____ (Romans 8:27); the Holy Spirit searches all things, and knows _____ (1 Corinthians 2:10-11)

Emotion: The Holy Spirit experiences emotion so He can feel and _____ (Ephesians 4:30).

Will: The Holy Spirit determines and acts decisively by giving _____ (1 Corinthians 12:7-11).
The Holy Spirit sets apart for _____ (Acts 13:2)

The Holy Spirit is God

Attributes shared with God the Father, and God the Son

Omniscience (Isaiah 40:13-14)

Omnipresence (Psalm 139:7)

Eternality (Hebrews 9:14)

Truth (1 John 5:7) (John 16:13)

Read Acts 5:3-4. When we lie to the Holy Spirit it is? _____

The Work of the Holy Spirit

Active in creation (Genesis 1:2) (Psalm 104:30) , what did the spirit do at creation?

Active in revelation (inspires, reveals, and illuminates Gods word) (2 Peter 1:20-21)

Read 1 Corinthians 2:10-15, how is a person able to understand the truth revealed from God? _____

Bares witness to Christ (John 15:26) (John 16:13) (John 16:14)

Active in salvation

Read John 16:7-8. What does this teach that the Holy Spirit does? _____

Read John 3:5-8. what does Jesus say must happen to a person in order to see the kingdom of God?

Regeneration describes the work of the Holy Spirit to impart spiritual life, leading to saving faith and salvation (Titus 3:5)

Baptism in the Spirit occurs once at the time of salvation. It describes the work of the Holy Spirit uniting believers into Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:13)

Sealing of the Holy Spirit is the marking and Indwelling presence of the Spirit in the life of a believer. It is God's pledge and promise that believers are sons of God, and will receive the future inheritance. (Ephesians 1:13-14) (Romans 8:15)

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Describe the assurance that comes in knowing that the Holy Spirit seals us. _____

Active in sanctification (1 Peter 1:2) (2 Thessalonians 2:13)

Being led by the spirit means that believers become more and more receptive to the desires and promptings of the Spirit in our life. (Galatians 5:16-18) (Romans 8:14)

Being filled with the spirit is to be under His domination and control. It is to confess sin, and surrender the will to the Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18)

Producing the fruit of the spirit is to grow in the character traits that are a part of greater sanctification and holiness. (Galatians 5:22-23)

Read Galatians 5:22-23. What is the "fruit of the spirit"? Why is it singular? _____

Are you increasing in these traits in your life? _____

If NO, how can you increase in the Fruit of the Spirit? If YES, how can you further grow in the Fruit of the Spirit?

Active in Christian ministry

The Holy Spirit gives spiritual gifts to every believer for the purpose of ministry and building the body of Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:7)

Personal application: list at least 2 ways the person and work of the Holy Spirit helps you think about growing in Christ, and the mission of the church. _____

Give one reason why the Holy Spirit deserves worship.

