

Huddle

*The Third Person - What
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What have you learned through this series about who the Holy Spirit is and how He works in your life?

Pastor Phil has helped us understand the Holy Spirit is a person. He is both the only God and a distinctive Person. One God in three persons is the mystery of the divine Trinity; or as Pastor Phil says the "tri-unity" of God.

As a distinctive person, the Holy Spirit has purpose which He offers to us through our relationship with Him. These purposes are the "what" of the Holy Spirit.

3. The Holy Spirit regenerates (John 3:5,6). Regeneration is when the power of the Holy Spirit transforms one from a life that is dead in trespasses and sin into the new life of Christ. As we place our trust in Him, we are born again, "made alive" in Christ!

John 3:5 Jesus replied, "I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. 6 Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life. NLT

What spiritual life has the Holy Spirit birthed or "made alive" in you recently?

4. He glorifies Christ (John 16:14).

5. He reveals Christ to us and in us (John 16:14,15).

The Holy Spirit brings glory and honor to Jesus by revealing who Jesus is to us and through us. The Holy Spirit is the Revealer, Representative, and Reality of Jesus!

Describe a recent time when the Holy Spirit worked through you as the Revealer and Representative of Jesus?

6. He is our leader - willing to lead us (Romans 8:14).

Romans 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the [mature] sons of God".

The only way to Christian maturity is to be led by the Spirit. It is not following a path determined by ourselves and our understanding of God's laws, but the path in which He leads us. We need the Holy Spirit to be mature.

How has the Holy Spirit lead you into greater spiritual maturity this year?

In what ways do you need His leading so you will fully know your identity as a son/daughter of God?

7. He sanctifies. Sanctification is the process of being made holy. The Holy Spirit sets us apart for God, cleanses us and puts us in order so we can more truly show forth the love of

1. He convicts the world of sin, righteousness and judgment (John 16:8-11).

How have you become more sensitive to His conviction?

2. He guides us into all truth (John 16:13). He will reveal, illuminate, explain, interpret, and make known the inspired Word of God, the nature of Jesus, and the will of our Father. He exposes lies or untruths we believe.

Give an example of how you have become better at recognizing and responding to the voice of the Holy Spirit.

Let's Get Real!

God and the nature of Jesus. John Wesley said "sanctification is possessing the mind of Christ and all of the mind of Christ." It is not based on "working harder". It is believing God's Word and yielding to Holy Spirit leadings. As we do this, a transformation takes place in our mind, will and emotions.

1 Thessalonians 4:3 For this is the will of God, that you should be consecrated (separated and set apart for pure and holy living): that you should abstain and shrink from all sexual vice, 4 That each one of you should know how to possess (control, manage) his own body in consecration (purity, separated from things profane) and honor, 5 Not [to be used] in the passion of lust like the heathen...7 For God has not called us to impurity but to consecration [to dedicate ourselves to the most thorough purity]. 8 Therefore whoever disregards (sets aside and rejects this) disregards not man but God, Whose [very] Spirit [Whom] He gives to you is holy (chaste, pure). AMP

What areas of your life need to be sanctified more by the Holy Spirit so you can correctly think through situations, make decisions, and have control of your actions/emotions?

8. He empowers us! (Acts 1:8) That last question was tough but the Holy Spirit EMPOWERS US!

1 Corinthians 2:3 I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling. 4 And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. NKJV

The Baptism (immersion) in the Holy Spirit is the normal introduction of a believer into personally flowing in the power of God. Through brokenness and surrender to the Holy Spirit, we can enjoy total dedication to God.

9. He fills us (Ephesians 5:18) We are commanded to be filled continually with the Spirit. Being filled by the Holy Spirit effects our whole personality, our ministry for Christ, the focus of our minds, and wholeness of our body.

Walk it Out

10. He teaches us to pray (Romans 8:26,27, 1 Cor 14:15)

11. He teaches us we are children of God (Romans 8:16)

12. He produces in us the fruit of the Spirit (Gal 5:22,23)

13. He gives supernatural gifts (1 Corinthians 12:8-10)

"What" do you most desire the Holy Spirit to do in and through your life?