THE SPIRIT OF GOD

Angles, Anchors, & Answers Bible Study
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LIFEWAY RESEARCH

Findings from a study of evangelical Christians:

- 56% said the Holy Spirit is a force rather than a person
- 28% said the Spirit is a divine being, but not equal to God the Father and Jesus
- 51% said the Holy Spirit is not God
- 21% said they were not sure

MAIN POINTS

- Jesus intended that His followers would continue to have a personal relationship with Him after His ascension.
- The Holy Spirit secures this relationship.
- The Holy Spirit is our Helper in every aspect of life.
- The Holy Spirit want to fill us and use us to speak boldly, yet gently, of Christ as the reason for the hope that is within us.

HIS PRIMARY PURPOSE

To secure and empower a people to glorify Christ and advance His glorious gospel

The Holy Spirit wants to kindle in every person a passion to glorify Christ.

THE SPIRIT'S MINISTRY AN OLD TESTAMENT PORTRAIT (GEN. 24)

- Abraham sends his servant, Eliezer, from Palestine to Mesopotamia to bring back a bride for Isaac his son.
- Eliezer goes forth on the 500 mile journey with specific instructions from his master.
- Eliezer moves purposefully and prayerfully, and God prospers him in his effort.

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 In what ways do Eliezer's actions typify or display the work of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life?

ACCOMPLISHING THIS PURPOSE

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth. For he will not speak on his own, but he will speak whatever he hears. He will also declare to you what is to come. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. (John 16:13-14, CSB)

ACCOMPLISHING THIS PURPOSE

"I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you."

(John 14:16-17, NASB)

The Holy Spirit connects everything that we've studied.

The Sovereign The Spirit knows the answer every question we encounter.

Salvation

The Holy Spirit

The Scriptures

The Son of God

The Father imparts the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit intercedes for the believer and identifies him or her as a child of God.

The Sovereign

Intercession Rom. 8:26-27

Rom. 8:16; John 14:18

The Spirit of God or The Spirt of Him Who Raised Jesus from the Dead, Rom. 8:9, 11

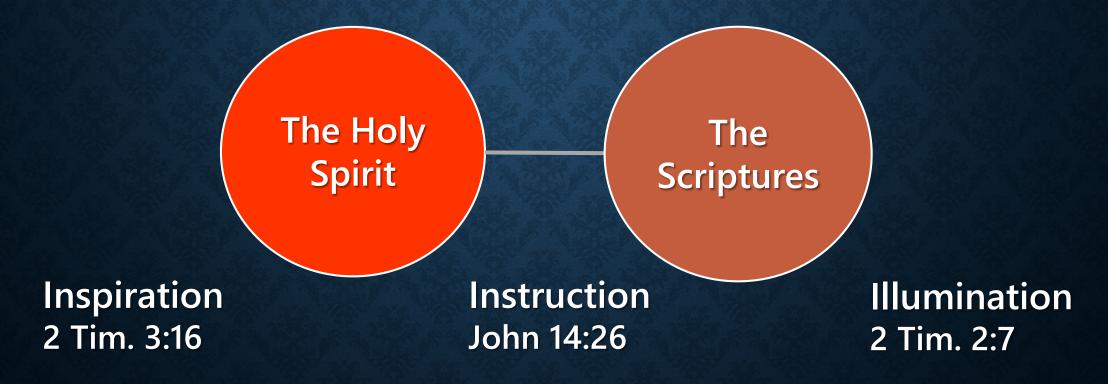
The Holy Spirit

Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6). The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ. He reveals truth to us, in us, and through us as believers in Jesus. He brings "Christ in you, the hope of glory."

The Holy Spirit Indwelling Informing Rom. 8:9b-10 John 15:26 and Col. 1:17 16:13-15 The Son of God

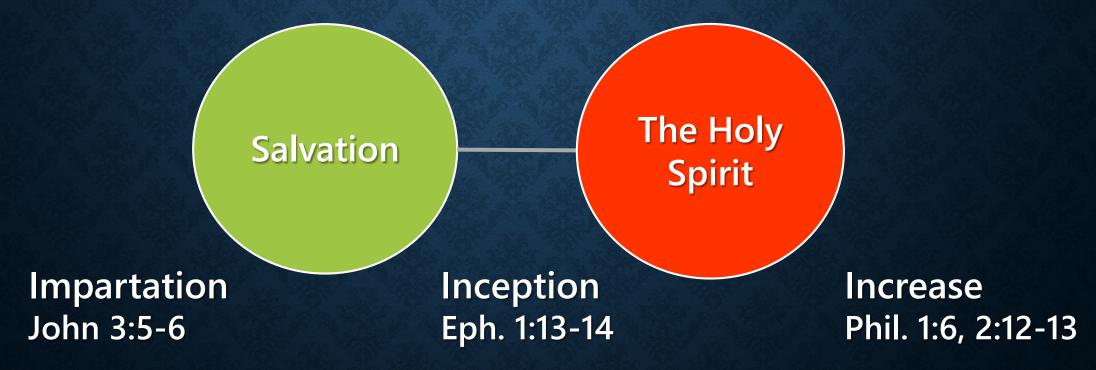
The Spirit of Jesus, Acts 16:7

The Holy Spirit uses the Word of God to transform the believer's life and prepare him or her to bear witness to Christ.



The Spirit of Truth, John 15:26

The Holy Spirit imparts the life of Christ to those who receive Him by faith. The new birth is the beginning of an ever-expanding outworking of our salvation.



The Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus, Rom. 8:2

A PRAYER FOR THE SPIRIT'S FILLING

Holy Spirit, take complete control of my mind, my heart, and my will. Show Jesus and His glory to me and through me. Make me keenly aware of His holiness and power in my life. Make me fully responsive to Your Word and will that I might become more like Christ and fulfill His purposes in this world—starting right now.

Source: Transforming Presence by Daniel Henderson, p. 141