THE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

GT SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

The Holy Spirit Revealed in the New Testament

Where we've been: The Funnel (Trinity, OT)

As Revealed in the Gospels

As Revealed in Acts

As Revealed in the Epistles and Revelation

- Conception of Christ The agent whereby Mary becomes the virgin mother of the Son of God on earth (Matt. I:18-20)
- Inspired Prophetic Rejoicing
 - Elizabeth at Christ's birth (Luke I)
 - Zechariah (Luke I)
 - Simeon receives unique revelation (Luke 2:25)
- Divine Endorsement of Christ at His Baptism Luke 3:22

- Empowers Jesus during Temptation Matt. 4, Luke 4 (He'll do it for you!)
- Is Protected A stern warning given that blasphemy against him will not be forgiven (Matt. 12:32)
- Will give Words to Say disciples told by Jesus that they should not worry about what to say should they be arrested, because the Holy Spirit will speak through them. (Mark 13:11) **READ**
- Will be given liberally by the Father Luke 11:13 READ

- Jesus' Exorcism Activities empowered by the Spirit Matt. 12:28
 - Side Note: We have the same Spirit!! ©
- Jesus Taught ABOUT the Holy Spirit:
 - Primarily found in **John 14-16** (these chapters carry significant importance!)
 - Comforter, Helper, Counselor
 - The Spirit of Truth
 - Jesus tells disciples that his Father will send the Spirit
 - The Holy Spirit will indwell believers, permanently (as they live in faith)

Jesus Taught ABOUT the Holy Spirit: (John 14-16)

- Guiding Believers into all Truth (14:25)
- Reminding Believers of the words of Jesus (14:25)
- Bearing witness to who Jesus is (15:26)
- Empowering believers to bear witness (15:27)
- Speaking on behalf of Jesus and glorifying Jesus (16:13-15)
- Convicting the world of sin, righteousness and judgment (16:8-11)
- Revealing things yet to come (16:13)

The Holy Spirit in Acts

- **NOTE:** We will take a deeper look at the Holy Spirit in Acts when we study the topic of Tongues on Week 5.
- Jesus Final Words: The Promise of the Father (Acts 1:4-8)
- Pentecost! (Acts 2)
- 'Full of the Holy Spirit' as a prerequisite to deaconship (Acts 6:3)
- Holy Spirit empowers Philip to evangelize the Ethiopian (Acts 8)
- Holy Spirit given to Samaritans (Acts 8)

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- Holy Spirit given to Gentiles at Cornelius' house (Acts 10)
- Holy Spirit empowers Agabus to prophecy (Acts 11:28)
- Holy Spirit gives <u>JOY</u>! (Acts 13:52)
- Holy Spirit gives specific <u>Direction</u> (Acts 16:6, 7)
- Holy Spirit Baptism given at Ephesus (Acts 19)
- Holy Spirit gives Paul supernatural healing power on Island of Malta (28:9) - READ

The Holy Spirit in the Epistles

More than **I 00 references** in the Epistles, and Revelation, to the Holy Spirit.

- He inspired the writers of the Bible 2 Peter I:21 (READ)
- Of course, we believe in the authorship of the Holy Spirit in the Epistles, thus his presence there is likewise expected

SUMMARY

- He Participates in Salvation
- He Facilitates our Fellowship with God
- He Promotes our Spiritual Growth
- He Leads the Edification of the Church
- He Empowers us for Ministry
- He Delivers Spiritual Truth

He Participates in Salvation

- He empowers the preaching of the Gospel I Peter 1:12
- He <u>revealed</u> the 'mystery of Christ' Eph. 3:5
- He enables us to call Jesus 'Lord' I Cor. 12:3
- He cleanses our conscience with Christ's blood Heb. 9:13-14
- He helps us guard that which we've heard 2 Tim. I:14
- He is the 'mark' sealing our salvation Eph. I:13 **READ**

He Facilitates our Fellowship with God

- He mediates our access to the Father on the basis of Christ's death – Eph. 2:18
- He can be grieved Eph. 4:30
 - How does this help our fellowship with God?? By making us aware when something is out of alignment!
- He energizes our prayer life Eph. 6:18, Jude 1:20

He Promotes our Spiritual Growth

- He is the source of Life 2 Cor. 3:6
- He washes, sanctifies and justifies us I Cor. 6:11 READ
- He gives us joy during suffering I Thess. I:4-6 **READ**
- He enables us to 'overflow with hope' Rom. 15:13
- He <u>renews</u> us! Titus 3:5

He Leads the Edification of the Church

- He intercedes for us Rom. 8:26-27
- He empowers mutual edification through prophecy I Cor. 14
- He affirms our identity as God's children Rom. 8:16 **READ**

He Empowers us for Ministry

- He empowers our worship Phil. 3:3 (ministry to God)
- He gives us Gifts Heb. 2:4 (Tune in next week!)

He Delivers Spiritual Truth

- He is the 'Spirit of wisdom and revelation' Eph. 1:17
- He teaches us I Cor. 2:13
- He gives us spiritual revelation of all kinds! 1 Cor. 2:6-16
 - He is NOT LIMITED to certain subject matters or areas of life!!
 - Close with READING THIS and DISCUSS