

WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

The Holy Spirit is 3rd person of Trinity, not nameless force. Acts 16:7 calls Him “the Spirit of Jesus”. If you could have more of the Spirit of Jesus why wouldn’t you?

John 14:16 “The Comforter”. Greek word ‘*Parakletos*’

- a. Helper - God’s arm around the shoulders
- b. Stirring you up to action
- c. One who walks alongside.
- d. Comforting Advocate

- He speaks : Mark 13:11
- He intercedes: Romans 8:26
- He guides : John 16:13
- He may be grieved : Eph. 4:3
- He testifies: Jn 15:26, Romans 8:1
- He commands: Acts 13:2
- He forbids: Acts 16:6/7
- He oversees: Acts 20:28
- He teaches: John 14:26
- He seals us: Eph.1:13

I. IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

Genesis 1:2 Same word as “breath”

1. He is involved in Creation

- a. He brought order out of chaos.
- b. Genesis 2:7 He brought life

2. He came on people for tasks

3. Joel 2:28/9 Promises a new thing coming...

I will pour out my Spirit upon all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy.

Your old men will dream dreams,

and your young men will see visions.

29 *In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on servants—men and women alike.*

II. IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

John the Baptist talks of baptizing in water and the Spirit. Matt. 3:11

Greek Word “*Baptizdo*” – plunge/immerse/enfold. DRENCH

John 7:37-39

37 *On the last day, the climax of the festival, Jesus stood and shouted to the crowds, “Anyone who is thirsty may come to me! **38** Anyone who believes in me may come and drink! For the Scriptures declare, ‘Rivers of living water will flow from his heart.’”^[e] **39** (When he said “living water,” he was speaking of the Spirit, who would be given to everyone believing in him. But the Spirit had not yet been given,^[f] because Jesus had not yet entered into his glory.)*

Luke 24:49

49 *“And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven.”*

Acts 2 - the fulfilment of promises of the Spirit’s coming! Bringing power, boldness, gifts, conviction

Paul prays (Ephesians 3:19) “that you may know the love of God that surpasses knowledge”. How do you know something that surpasses knowledge? You experience it!

