

## What does the Holy Spirit do?

Among other things (!)....

**In Creation** – Gen.1.2 He is active in creation of the Universe (Ps.104.30) and of human beings (Gen.2.7)

### **In the OT**

- strives against sin in human beings (Gen. 6.3);
- anoints individuals....
  - for special tasks e.g. Joseph + dreams (Gen.41.38); Moses & his leaders (Ex.11.17 +25); craftsmen - Bezalel (Ex.31.1-6); warrior/leader – Joshua (Num.27.18); Judges likes Gideon (Judg.6.34) and Samson (14.19); Kings like David (1 Sam.16.13);
  - for prophecy – the prophets (2 Pet.1.20-21); Ezekiel (Ez.2.2); Micah (Mic.3.8); Daniel (Dan.4.8-9+5.11).

**In Jesus' life** – Jesus is conceived by (Lk. 1.35 & Mt.1.18-20); baptised by (Lk.3.21-2); filled by (Lk.4.1); led by (Mt.4.1); anointed by (Lk. 4.18, Acts 10.38); empowered by (Mt.12.28); raised by the Holy Spirit (1 Pet. 3.18).

**In the World** – Convicts of sin, righteousness and judgement (Jn.16.8-11).

### **In Believers** –

Makes God's love real to us (Rom.5.5)	Seals us as God's own (Eph.1.13)	Guides us (Jn.16.13)
Testifies about Jesus (Jn.15.26)	Dwells within us (1 Cor.6.19)	Comforts us (Jn.14.16, 26-7)
Gives new birth (Jn.3.3)	Teaches us (Jn.14.26 + 1 Jn.2.27)	Inspires us to worship (Jn.4.24)
Makes us a new creation in Christ (2 Cor.5.17)	Makes us holy (2 Thes.2.13)	Can be received through prayer (Lk.11.13)
Gives freedom from sin & death (Rom.8.2)	Enables us to overcome the lusts of the flesh (Gal.5.16-18)	Helps us in weakness incl. in prayer (8.26)
Baptises us into the Body of Christ (1.Cor.12.13)	Makes us like Jesus (2 Cor.3.18)	Prays (Rom.8.26)
Gives assurance we belong to Christ (Rom.8.16 + 1 Jn.3.24)	Leads us (Rom.8.14)	Creates fruit in us (Gal. 5.22-23)
Adopts us His children (Rom.8.15) and heirs (8.17)	Gives us strength (Eph.3.16)	Shows us what to say (Mark 13.11)

**In the Church** – He gives birth to it (Acts 2); is the power Jesus promised and the disciples waited for (Lk.3.16 + 24.49, Acts 1.8); Gives gifts to make the Body effective (1 Cor.12.4-12); dwells in it (1 Cor.3.16); directs its mission (Acts 13.1-2); guides its decisions (Acts 15.28); unites it (1 Cor.12. 12-13); speaks to the churches (Rev. 2+3).

**In the Scriptures** – He reveals (2 Pet.1.20-21), inspires (2 Tim.3.16-17) and illuminates (John 14.26).