- **Gift giver: distributes gifts** as He wills (1 Cor. 12:11).
- a pledge or assurance (2 Cor. 1:22)
- **seal or pledge** for the future (2 Cor. 1:22)
- our **guarantee** of our **inheritance** of salvation and heaven. (2 Cor. 1:22)
- gives life to Christ's message (2 Cor. 3:6)
- Spirit empowers man to overcome sin (Rom 8:37).
- **transforms** us into the image of Christ (2 Cor. 3:18)
- renews our inner man day by day
 (2 Cor. 4:16); Holy Spirit unifies us as we
 focus on Jesus (2 Cor. 5:17-23)
- reconciles us, man to man, and man to God (2 Cor. 5:17-21)
- Indwelling Holy One Is the evidence of a believer's new birth (Acts 2:38)
- **Baptizes** believers into the body of Christ, the church (Acts 1:5, 2:38-39).
- Commander (Acts 8:29; Commissioner (Acts 13:2-4); Controller (Gal. 5:23) He glorifies Jesus (John 16:14).
- Inspirer; Faith Builder (2 Cor. 4:13) "still small voice;" Wisdom and Revelation (Eph. 1:17)

Somewhat Controversial Actions and Attributes of Holy Spirit:

- **Tongues** prays in other languages [of men and angels] (Acts 2:4).
- **Special discernment** to see into the spiritual world and distinguish dark from light (Acts 13:9-10).

- The Spirit translated people, picked them up and moved them to another area (Acts 8:39).
- Holy Spirit wants to be wanted; must be received – ask for infilling/Spirit baptism!
 - o (Acts 8:15-17; Luke 11:9-13).
- He falls upon people (Acts 10:44).
- Prompts **deliverance** (Acts 16:18)
- Holy Spirit speaks forth prophecy
 (Acts 2:17).
- Demons can be cast out by the Holy Spirit (Matt. 12:28).
- Holy Spirit shall <u>not</u> be blasphemed (meaning attributing Jesus' work to the devil) (Matt. 12:31-32).

Jesus and John the Baptist, were filled with the Holy Spirit before they were born (Luke 1:15).

Prayer Time: Father God, I am sorry for my sins, I repent. I confess your Bible is right and I am wrong. I renounce Satan and all darkness. Wash me clean with the blood of Jesus. Wash me with the Words of your Good Book. Thank you, Jesus, for giving your life for me on the cross. Thank you for guidance on this earthly journey. Thank you for eternity. Now Jesus, would you baptize me in the Holy Spirit, give me that living water, empowerment, boldness to do kingdom work, in Jesus' name. Amen

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1-Why study the Holy Spirit

(Class 1 of Ministry and Work of the Holy Spirit)B

Holy Spirit is the most ignored person in the church, but without Him there is NO power in the pulpit, NO power in the pew, and NO power at the altar, NO deliverance, NO healings.

We know a lot about God the Father. We know a lot about God the Son, but we know very little about God the Holy Spirit. Yet the Holy Spirit the Third Person of the Trinity/Godhead and is Co-equal with the Father and the Son.

The Holy Spirit is the Agent of change on the earth. It is the Holy Spirit who empowers a Christian person to become a psalmist, a minstrel, a worship dancer, an inventor, a creator, a teacher, a comforter, a healer, a deliverer, an evangelist, and He inspires and authors the manuscript. He is the gift giver, He is the intercessor, he is the empowerment behind spiritual warfare, He gives the vision, He's the "worker bee" down here on earth, His still small voice brings guidance, direction, and correction in daily living. He brings boldness into our speech and to our prayer. He is the Equipper!

The Holy Spirit is the *minister* in the ministry. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit empowers Christians to do the work of the kingdom. It is His inspiration that initiates the spiritual work on the earth. The Holy

Spirit is the one that brings a man or a woman to their **destiny.** It is He who conforms us to the **image of Christ.** The Holy Spirit gives out the **gifts**, as needed and "as he wills." The Holy Spirit is the **Presence of the Living God. Lord Holy Spirit is the anointing/unction.**

- The Holy Spirit helps us pray, intercede, and warfare (Zech. 12:10). He is our ability (Ex.31)
- The Holy Spirit **teaches** us the Word (John 14:26).
- The Holy Spirit helps make us *holy* (Gal. 5:16).
- The Holy Spirit helps us **worship** (John 4:24).
- The Holy Spirit convinces us of **Sonship** (Rom. 8:15).
- The Holy Spirit preforms the **miraculous** (Gal. 3:5).
- The Holy Spirit builds our **faith** (2 Corin.4:13).
- The Holy Spirit gives us **boldness** (2 Tim.1:7).

Holy Spirit is our:

helper (John 14:16-18, 26); truth (John14:1); teacher and reminder (John 14:26); our peace (John 14:27); guidance and discloser (John 16:13); searcher of all things (1 Cor. 2:10); Provides Fellowship (2 Cor. 13:14); liberty and freedom (2 Cor. 3:17); empowerment (Acts 1:8); witness ability (Acts 4:8-16); boldness in our speech (Acts 4:13, 29); wisdom and leadership (Acts 6:3-4); special discernment (Acts 13:9-10); leader (Acts 13:4, 16:7); speaker of truth and prophecy (Acts 2:17); giver of directions (Acts 16:6-7); comforter (Acts 9:31); prompter of exhortations (Acts 13:15); Hope and power (Romans 15:13); Sanctification (Romans 15:16); strength (Ephesians 3:16); restorer of believers (Galatians 6:1-2); preserver (Acts 20:23).

The Holy Spirit is all Knowing, all Powerful, all Present One, who:

- Is the **paraclete** who walks beside us, like a brother.
- Gives life to and quickens your mortal body (Romans 8:11).
- **Is renewing** those whom Jesus saves (Titus 3:5); and is our **enabler** (1 Cor.12).
- Reveals the heart and motives (Acts 8:20-21).
- **Helps you walk** in the Spirit (Galatians 5:25).
- Brings the **anointing** (1 John 2:20) and the **anointing teaches us** (v. 27).
- **Bears witness** of the truth about Jesus (John 15:26).

- Convicts the world concerning sin, righteousness, and judgment (John 16:7).
- Knows the thoughts of man (1 Cor. 2:11; the devil does NOT).
- **Is evidence** of a believer's new birth (Acts 2:38).
- Our confidence (Phil.3:2).
- Baptizes believers into the body of Christ, the church (Acts 1:5, 2:38-39).
- Speaks forth truth and prophecy (Acts 2:17).
 Our Comforter (John 14).
- Brings dreams and visions (Acts 2:17, 7:55-56).
- Performs signs and healings (Acts 8:6).
- Comes upon you (Luke 2:25).
- Witnesses to the truth (Romans 9:1).
- Knows and shares the things of God (1 Cor. 2:12).

Lord Holy Spirit is also:

- Our Counselor (Is.11:2)
- Our **Mighty** One (Is. 11)
- Our **Restrainer** (2 Thess.2:7)
- Our **Victory** (Eph. 6:17-18)
- The **Second Work** of Grace.
- Our **Assurance!** (Rom. 8:16)
- Our **Revealer** (1 Cor.2:10)
- Our Encourager! (Phil. 2:1-2)
- Our **Spirit Baptism** (Acts)