

The Holy Spirit – Personal, Divine and Active (Part 1: Life in the Spirit Series)

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The Holy Spirit – Active since the beginning

Genesis 1:2 – “The Spirit was active in creation, “hovering over the waters.”

Revelation 22:17 – “The Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let the one who hears say, “Come!” Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.”

The Holy Spirit is IMPORTANT

John 16:7 - “But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you” - *Jesus*

The background of the entire image is an abstract, swirling pattern in shades of deep purple, indigo, and dark blue. The patterns resemble liquid or smoke being stirred, creating a sense of movement and depth. The colors are most vibrant in the center and fade slightly towards the edges.

Who is the HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is: Personal, Divine (God),
and Active.

If you are in Christ, the Holy Spirit is
within you.

The Holy Spirit - Personal and Divine

- ▶ Divine Person!

- ▶ Person with a Mind, Will and Emotions

(Mind) Romans 8:27 “And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God”

(Will) 1 Corinthians 12:11 – “All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.”

The Holy Spirit - Personal and Divine

- ▶ Divine Person!
- ▶ Person with a Mind, Will and Emotions

(Emotions) Ephesians 4:30 - “And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption”.

The Holy Spirit - Personal and Divine

The Holy Spirit is God's Divine Presence in Believers

John 14:15-17 - “If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever. He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive him because it doesn't see him or know him. But you do know him, because he remains with you and will be in you”.

The Holy Spirit – Personal and Divine

The Holy Spirit is co-equal with the Father and the Son

Matthew 28:19 - “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

The Holy Spirit – Powerful and Transformative

Acts 1:8 - “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

The Holy Spirit – Powerful and Transformative

What Power does the Holy Spirit give us?

- ▶ The Power to be Witnesses. (Acts 1:8)
- ▶ To be Our Teacher and Guide.

John 16:13 - “But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.”

John 14:26 – “But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”

The Holy Spirit – Powerful and Transformative

What Power does the Holy Spirit give us?

▶ Sanctifier and Power to Overcome Sin

Romans 8:13 - “For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.”

▶ The Power to Walk in Spiritual Gifts .

Corinthians 12:7 – “Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.”

The Holy Spirit – Powerful and Transformative

What Power does the Holy Spirit give us?

► The Power to Transform Us

Matthew 7:20, “Thus by their fruit you will recognize them.”

Galatians 5:22-23 - “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”

What can WE DO to ACTIVELY Walk in the Spirit

- ▶ Start Each Day with Surrender

Romans 8:14 - “For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.”

- ▶ Read and Meditate on Scripture (be rooted in the Word)

Ephesians 6:17 – “Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.”

What can WE DO to ACTIVELY Walk in the Spirit

▶ Prayer and Thankfulness

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 – “Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

▶ Obey and Trust the Holy Spirit

John 10:27 – “My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.”

What can WE DO to ACTIVELY Walk in the Spirit

- ▶ Repent and ask God for Forgiveness

1 John 1:9 – “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”

- ▶ Cultivate the Fruits of the Spirit

- ▶ Use your Spiritual Gifts

What can WE DO to ACTIVELY Walk in the Spirit

▶ Worship and be in Christian Community

Hebrews 10:24-25 “And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

▶ Be Aware of Spiritual Warfare

Ephesians 6:10-11 - "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes."

Why Should I Walk in the Spirit?

- ▶ *The Holy Spirit is not a luxury for the “super-Christian”*
- ▶ *He is a necessity for every believer.*
- ▶ *It is impossible to live a Christian life as a follower of Jesus without the Holy Spirit.*

2 Corinthians 3:17 - “Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.”



Questions?

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