

The Holy Spirit of God (Part 2) Lesson 10

In the last lesson we learned that the Father promised to send another Comforter, and that this Comforter is the indwelling presence of both the Father and His Son. In this lesson we will gain more insights into this marvelous gift.

1. Who will speak in us when we are brought before rulers?

Matthew 10:20 _____

2. How did Luke record this same conversation?

Luke 12:12 _____

When we compare these two verses we find that "the Spirit of your Father" is used interchangeably with "the Holy Ghost." Therefore, the Holy Ghost, or Holy Spirit, is the Spirit of the Father.

3. How did Jesus describe the connection between the Holy Spirit and His Father?

John 15:26_____

- How does the Holy Spirit come to us?
 Titus 3:5, 6_____
- What were the disciples told to wait for at Jerusalem?
 Acts 1:4 ______

6. What did Jesus say His disciples would receive?

Acts 1:8 _____

By what means do we receive the promise of the Father?
 Acts 2:32, 33

In this process we gain the added benefit of receiving the Spirit of Christ, who was "in all points tempted like as we are," and is able to help us when we are tempted (Hebrews 4:15).

8. What did the faithful men of the OT die without receiving and what has God provided for us?

Hebrews 11:39, 40_____

9. What was in the prophets when they testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ?

1 Peter 1:10, 11 _____

10. What enhances Jesus' ability to help us when we are tempted?

Hebrews 2:18

Here is something better that is available to us, today, that could not have been available to the prophets of old. Even though the Spirit of Christ lived in the prophets, Christ had not yet been tempted, and therefore He could not help them in the same way that He can help us now.

11. Who did God send to turn us away from our iniquities?

Acts 3:26 _____

- 12. What did God send into our hearts, and what does it do? Galatians 4:6_____
- 13. How did Jesus say we could be one with God and His Son?John 17:22, 23

Christ comes to live in us, but He does not come alone, He brings His Father with Him, for His Father dwells in Christ.

14. How did the apostles begin most of their letter?

2 John 1:3 _____

Here is a small sample of similar greetings: Galatians 1:3; Ephesians 1:2; Philippians 1:2; 2 Peter 1:2.

15. Who did Paul call to witness His charge to Timothy?

1 Timothy 5:21 _____

If Paul believed that God was made up of three separate persons, why do you think he would exclude the Holy Spirit from this charge and even include the angels?

16. Who did Jesus say bore record to His authenticity?

John 8:16-18

If Jesus knew of another divine person to bare record of Him, it is highly probable that He would have mentioned Him here. Solomon wrote, "Two are better than one... and a threefold cord is not quickly broken" (Ecclesiastes 4:9).

17. If a person hates Jesus who else do they hate?

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John 15:23, 24_____
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18. Who was involved in "the counsel of peace" (or the plan of salvation), and how many were in that counsel?

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Zechariah 6:12, 13 _____
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The man whose name is "the Branch" is Christ Jesus (see Isaiah 11:1-5 & Jeremiah 23:5).

19. Who will be the temple of the New Jerusalem in the earth made new?

Revelation 21:22

20. Who must we know to have eternal life?

John 17:3_

If the Holy Spirit is a third, separate individual in the Godhead, then it would be just as necessary to know him as it would to know God, the Father, and His only begotten Son. If the Holy Spirit is a separate person, our eternal life does not depend upon knowing him.

21. What is our hope of glory?

Colossians 1:27

The great blessing of receiving God's Spirit is that it comes to us with the added benefit of the Spirit of God's victorious Son coming into our hearts to help us in our struggle against sin and temptation. Satan would like you to think that Jesus Christ is not in us, but that He sent someone else to take His place. Friends, that is an invention of Satan, specifically designed to take away your hope of glory. Please don't let that happen. Jesus said, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20).

Some Things to Think About:

- 1. In all the recorded history found in the Bible, there is no record of a conversation between the Father or the Son with the Holy Spirit even though there are many instances of the Father and Son conversing with each other.
- 2. We know that the Father loves us because He gave His Son to die for our sins. We know the Son loves us because He died for us. If the Holy Spirit is a third, separate person, how can we know he loves us?
- 3. The trinity doctrine is never used to convert sinners, but rather trinitarians use what they call heresy to convert sinners. Trinitarians tell sinners that God loves them so much that He gave His Son to die for their sins, yet they do not believe He is really a Son, nor that He could die.

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