

9AM & 11:15 Notes Sunday 3/17/19 – Jeff Lyle

“What Jesus Teaches About Holy Spirit” 9AM

In the Old Testament we primarily see God the Father. In the Gospels we encounter God the Son. In the book of Acts and through all the letters in the New Testament, we are introduced to God the Holy Spirit. Scripture reveals one God in three Persons: Father, Son & Spirit. In modern times there is much debate concerning God the Holy Spirit. This message will refresh us concerning what Jesus, the son, teaches about Holy Spirit. Because the Father and Son exist in Heaven, we must remember that, precisely speaking, it is God the Spirit who is upon the earth today. Holy Spirit exists in the Church and is completing the work which Jesus sent Him to complete. Jesus helps us to understand why He sent the Spirit to us. Knowing why the Spirit has come will empower us to better cooperate with what He is doing in our generation.

Opening passage:

John 3:1-8 - “Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” 3 Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” 4 Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” 5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

What does Jesus teach us about the person & work of the Holy Spirit?

A. **To be saved is to be reborn of the Holy Spirit (John 3:5)** - “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.”

B. **The life led by the Holy Spirit cannot be fully explained (John 3:7-8)** - “Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows

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where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

C. We are advantaged by His presence and ministry (John 16:7-8) - "Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send Him to you."

D. Holy Spirit will teach the followers of Jesus (John 14:26) - "The Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you... (John 16:12-13) - "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth..."

E. He will actively work with non-believers (Acts 1:8; John 16:8-11) – "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth...(John 16:8-11) - "When He comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; 10 concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see Me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged."

F. Holy Spirit communicates in complete agreement with the Son of God (John 16:13-14) - "...He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify Me, for He will take what is mine and declare it to you."

H. He will flow forth from all believers (John 7:37-39) – "On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" ³⁹ Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified."

J. The Holy Spirit has unique messages for different local churches (2:7, 2:11, 2:17, 2:29, 3:6, 3:13, 3:22) - "Hear what the Spirit says to the churches..." **(Most frequent command (7X) to believers concerning the Holy Spirit)**

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11:15 Notes Below

“What Paul Teaches About Holy Spirit” 11:15AM

When Jesus was preparing to leave earth to return to the Father, He promised the coming of the Spirit of God. Jesus left His followers with a broad-stroke understanding of why Holy spirit was being sent by Him, but it was the Apostle Paul’s writings that gifted the Church with specific understanding about the personhood, purposes and power of the Spirit of God. This message provides opportunity for all of us to gain a scriptural wisdom concerning Holy Spirit who is God in us. With confusion and debate all across the spectrum of Christianity about Holy spirit, it is healthy for us to learn again the answer to the question, “What does the Bible teach about the Holy Spirit.”

opening passage:

“Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And He who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.” - Romans 8:26-27

What does Paul teach us about the person & work of Holy Spirit?

A. The Holy Spirit leads (Rom. 8:14) - “For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.”

B. The Holy Spirit assures (Rom. 8:15-16) - “For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” 16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.”

C. The Holy Spirit helps us in our limitations (Rom. 8:26) - “Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.”

D. The Holy Spirit thinks & communicates (Rom. 8:27) - “And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.”

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E. Believers partially determine their level of interaction with the Holy Spirit:

3 commands concerning our participation with the Holy Spirit

1. Be continually filled with Him - “And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit.” - Ephesians 5:18

2. Do not grieve Him **{who He is}** - Ephesians 4:30-32 - “And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.” -

3. Do not quench Him **{what He does}** - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19 - “Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 19 Do not quench the Spirit.” -

F. The Holy Spirit imparts spiritual gifts (1 Cor. 12:4-11) - “Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as He wills.”