

LESSON 4: THE HOLY SPIRIT

- 1. "What Are the Functions and Attributes of The Holy Spirit in My Life?"
 - a. The day you received the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, the Holy Spirit of God took up permanent residency inside your body. This third person of the trinity is perhaps the most misunderstood and ignored part of a Christian's relationship with God.
 - b. The purpose of this lesson is to give the individual a basic understanding of who the Holy Spirit of God is and what He does in your life.
- 2. Where do I find the Holy Spirit?
 - a. The Holy Spirit of God lives on this earth inside your body if you are saved. He came in at the moment of salvation and took up permanent residency. Every believer is indwelled by the Holy Spirit in the same manner.
 - i. <u>I Corinthians 6: 19-20</u> is the definitive passage.
 - b. See also:
 - i. <u>John 14:17</u>

- ii. Galatians 4:6
- iii. Ephesians 2:22
- 3. What is the function of the Holy Spirit?
 - a. The Holy Spirit convicts of sin. John 16:8-9
 - i. In the lost, -he convicts of sin to bring them to salvation.
 - ii. In the saved, he convicts of sin to keep them clean and show them how to live for Jesus Christ.
 - iii. You must understand the difference between conviction and guilt.
 - Conviction is God pointing out that something is wrong so you can make it right. <u>Isaiah 1:18</u>
 - Guilt is often the devil accusing you of being unworthy to receive God's blessing. Revelation 12:10
 - a. NOTE: However, guilt is not always bad. It can be the natural consequence of wrong doing.
 Healthy guilt can be the result of a sensitive conscience. False guilt is what Satan tries to use to defeat us.
- 4. The Holy Spirit creates and regenerates.
 - a. The Holy Spirit is active in creation.
 - i. Genesis 1:2
 - ii. <u>Job 33:4</u>
 - b. In Jesus Christ, you are a new creature (regenerated, made anew), born again by the Holy Spirit.
 - i. <u>John 3:3-8</u>
 - c. The Holy Spirit seals you once you are saved.
 - i. <u>Ephesians 1:13-14</u>; <u>4:30</u>
 - d. The Holy Spirit bears witness to you of your salvation.

- i. <u>1 Johns 4:13</u>
- ii. Romans 8:16
- e. The Holy Spirit teaches you the Bible.
 - i. John 14:26,16:13-15
 - ii. 1 Corinthians 2:9-10
- f. The Holy Spirit intercedes in prayer for you.
 - i. Romans 8:26-27
 - ii. Ephesians 2:18
- g. The Holy Spirit comforts you in time of need.
 - i. John 14:15-18
 - ii. II Corinthians 1:3-4
 - iii. <u>II Timothy 1:7</u>
- h. The Holy Spirit empowers you to serve God.
 - i. Zechariah 4:6
 - ii. Ephesians 3:16
 - iii. II Corinthians 4:7
- 5. What is the result of the Holy Spirit in my life?
 - a. The Holy Spirit of God produces a set of character Qualities as you give your life to Him and walk in His power. This set of character qualities is called the fruit (singular) of the Spirit in <u>Galatians 5:22-23</u>. It is singular because ALL of these qualities are produced at the same time by a close relationship with the Holy Spirit.
 - b. The fruit of the Spirit consists of:
 - i. Love
 - ii. Joy
 - iii. Peace
 - iv. Longsuffering
 - v. Gentleness

- vi. Goodness
- vii. Faith
- viii. Meekness
- ix. Temperance
- 6. Basic questions.
 - a. What is 'being filled with the Spirit" and how can I accomplish this?
 - i. Comparing <u>Ephesians 5:18-19</u> and <u>Colossians 3:16</u> shows that investing your life in the Word of God and letting it dwell in your heart will produce the same results in your life as being filled with the Spirit. The more you saturate your mind with the Word of God, the closer your relationship to the Holy Spirit will be.
 - ii. Simply <u>WALK</u> in the Spirit. Walking is a steady, consistent, natural process of growth.
 - 1. <u>Galatians 5:16-18,25</u>
 - 2. Romans 8:1
 - iii. Allow God to control your life by consciously and regularly yielding to Him.
 - 1. <u>Ephesians 4:30</u>
 - iv. The filling of the Holy Spirit is NOT you getting more of the Holy Spirit. You got all of Him there is at the time of salvation. It is the Holy Spirit getting more of you.
- 7. BE PATIENT, PERSISTENT AND CONSISTENT
 - a. Being Consistently controlled by the Holy Spirit does not happen overnight. It is a <u>lifelong process of spiritual</u> <u>growth</u>.

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Your name
1. Where do you find the Holy Spirit?
List three scripture references to support your answer.
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2. At what time does the Holy Spirit come into the believer's life?
3. Why does the Holy Spirit convict the lost of sin?
4. Why does the Holy Spirit convict the Christian of sin?
 List seven other ways that the Holy Spirit works in the life of the Christian. A.
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7. Galatians 5:22-23 lists for us the	of the ies are produced in the Christian
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8. In order for the Christian to be "fil time learning and living the	lled with the Spirit", they must invest

9. True or False

- I must get more of God's Holy Spirit each day.
- Being controlled by the Holy Spirit is a lifelong process of spiritual growth.
- Romans 8:1 teaches that you must walk after the flesh.
 John 16:13 shows us that the Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth.
 Romans 8: 26-27 shows us that the Holy Spirit intercedes for us in our prayers unto God.
- A Christian does not get all Of the Holy Spirit at salvation.
 The Holy Spirit can leave you if you sin.
- The filling of the Holy Spirit is limited to certain individuals, and therefore not available for the average Christian.
- 10. Briefly explain the primary purpose of this lesson.

Key memory verses: (write these out on the back page)

I Corinthians 6:19-20

Galatians 5:22-23

Galatians 5:16

