

Pneumatology 101 – The Gifting of the Holy Spirit

THE IDENTITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

3 Views of the Holy Spirit (impersonal energy, single person, God-3rd Person of Trinity)

What the Bible Teaches

1. **HE IS GOD** – Interchangeable References | Attributes | Works | Spoken as Equal
2. **HE IS A PERSON** – Personal [Masc] Pronouns | Work | Groupings | Characteristics | Names

THE ACTIVITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: WHAT DOES THE SPIRIT DO?

For Everyone

1. He Testifies: He bears witness of the truth
2. He Convicts: He causes people to understand the truth
3. He Restrains: He prevents sin from overtaking the world

For Believers

1. He Regenerates: He brings believers back to spiritual life
2. He Baptizes: He places believers into the Body of Christ
3. He Seals: He secures and marks believers as belonging to God
4. He Indwells: He lives within believers
5. He Identifies: He witnesses to us that we are God's
6. He Gifts: He gives believers abilities to serve the body
7. He Empowers: He gives the ability to witness
8. He Illuminates: He helps believers understand the Word
9. He Enables: He gives power over sinfulness
10. He Intercedes: He prays for us according to God's will
11. He Connects: He provides the conduit to talk to God

THE LEADING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: HOW DOES THE SPIRIT LEAD?

1. Characteristics of Spiritual Leading in the Early Church
2. Often Cited Passages Need to Be Read in Context (Rom 8:14; Gal 5:18)
3. The Emphasis throughout the Bible is Being Led by the Bible!
"The Bible is fully sufficient to provide all the guidance needed for a believer to know and do God's will." Decision Making and the Will of God (Garry Friesen)
4. 3 Commands Relating to the Spirit Today (Be filled; do not grieve or quench)
5. Simple Summary of Following the Spirit's Leading
 - a. Learn the Bible, Which the Spirit Gave
 - b. Obey the Commands of the Bible, Which the Spirit Gave
 - c. Learn the Life-Directing Principles of the Bible
 - d. Make Wise Decisions Based Upon the Bible, Which the Spirit Gave

The Gifting of the Holy Spirit: The Purpose of Spiritual Gifts

Why Does the Holy Spirit Give Spiritual Gifts?

1. To _____ the Early Church in the Absence of Completed Scripture
 - The Bible was yet to be completed
 - The Church needed guidance as a newly birthed entity (Matt 16 "I will build my church")
 - The Church is built upon the new revelation of key people (Eph 2:20)
2. To _____ Key Changes for the Early Church in the Absence of Completed Scripture
 - The birth of the Church at Pentecost (Acts 2:3-4)

- Salvation for the Gentiles (Acts 10:34-48)
- John's disciples (Acts 19:1-6)

3. To _____ the Church Until Jesus Returns
 - To minister to one another in order to help each other grow, and the Church to grow
 - The remaining gifts are actions we are all required to do. One gifted is given enhanced ability to help and encourage the body towards doing these ministries.

1 Corinthians 12:1-31 – The First Detailed Teaching on Spiritual Gifts

1. God wants us to be _____ about spiritual gifts (1)
2. There are _____ gifts (2)
3. There are clear _____ for true gifts (3)
4. The _____ gifts are from the _____ God (4-6)
5. The Spirit gives gifts to _____ to profit everyone (7)
6. The _____ gifts are listed (7-10; 28-30)
 - What gifts remained when Romans was written? (Rom 12:6-8)
 - Two categories (1 Pet 4:10-11)
7. The same Spirit gives different gifts to each as He _____ (11)
8. The Body is _____, & members serve for the sake of the body (12-14)
9. Each part of the body is _____ (15-20)
 - No one gift can claim unimportance (15-16)
 - We have different gifts for a reason (17)
 - God has given you & your gift on purpose (18)
 - The body functions because we have different gifts (19)
 - We, together, make up one body (20)
10. No one can claim the lack of _____ the other members (21)
11. We _____ every person exercising his/her gift (22)
12. We are to _____ every gift, the less seen even more (23-25a)
13. Gifts help to _____ for the body as a body (25b)
14. The body is to _____ and _____ as one (26)
15. We one body existing as _____ members of that body (27)
16. God _____ (28-31)
 - Notice the order (28)
 - Notice the diversity (29-30)
 - Accept what God has chosen to do! (31)

A Word About Gifted Positions (Eph 4:11-16)