

The Holy Spirit: Who He Is

John 14:15–26

1. *He Is the Counsellor, Comforter and other Helper*

- a. His presence is conditional:
Must love Jesus
- b. His presence is given forever

2. *He is the Spirit of truth*

- a. The world cannot accept Him
- b. The believer receives Him and knows Him

3. *He is the personal presence of Christ*

- a. A spiritual presence, not a physical presence
- b. A living, eternal presence
- c. A living union between God, Christ and the believer

4. *He is the very special manifestation of Christ within the believer*

- a. The special presence is conditional:
Must obey and love Christ
- b. The special presence is questioned

15 “If you love me,
you will obey what I command.

16 And I will ask the Father,
and he will give you another Counsellor
to be with you forever —

17 The Spirit of truth.
The world cannot accept him,
because it neither sees him nor knows him.
But you know him,
for he lives with you and will be in you.

18 I will not leave you as orphans;
I will come to you.

19 Before long,
the world will not see me anymore,
but you will see me.
Because I live, you also will live.

20 On that day you will realize
that I am in my Father,
and you are in me, and I am in you.

21 Whoever has my commands
and obeys them,
he is the one who loves me.
He who loves me
will be loved by my Father,
and I too will love him
and show myself to him.”

22 Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said,
“But, Lord,
why do you intend
to show yourself to us
and not to the world?”

5. *He is the abiding presence of the Trinity*

- a. Is conditional:
Must love and obey Jesus
- b. Is the love and presence of God and Christ
- c. Is not given to those who do not love and obey Christ
- d. Is assured by God Himself

6. *He is the Teacher*

- a. The facts
 - 1) He is promised
 - 2) He is given by the Father in the name of Jesus
- b. His purpose:
To teach the believer

23 Jesus replied,
“If anyone loves me,
he will obey my teaching.
My Father will love him,
and we will come to him
and make our home with him.

24 He who does not love me
will not obey my teaching.
These words you hear are not my own;
they belong to the Father who sent me.

25 “All this I have spoken while still with you.

26 But the Counsellor, 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.