

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE BELIEVER

February and March 2019 Outline

Please use this outline to study the upcoming lesson each week. Although the verses to be presented on Sunday are listed here, please stop and look them up in your favorite translation reading the scriptures within their context. Also, take time to use a study Bible or commentary to help you better understand the verses.

Lesson 1 – February 3, 2019 – The Holy Spirit in the Old Testament

The Triune God

- **Genesis 1:2 (ESV)** ² *The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.*
- **Genesis 1:26 (ESV)** ²⁶ *Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”*

The Holy Spirit Has Not Always Had Its Special Residence in the Child of God

- **1 Samuel 16:14 (ESV)** ¹⁴ *Now the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and a harmful spirit from the LORD tormented him.*
- **Psalms 51:11 (ESV)** ¹¹ *Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.*
- **Judges 16:20 (ESV)** ²⁰ *And she said, “The Philistines are upon you, Samson!” And he awoke from his sleep and said, “I will go out as at other times and shake myself free.” But he did not know that the LORD had left him.*

Lesson 2 – February 10, 2019 - Life and Ministry of Jesus Saturated with the Presence and Power of the Holy Spirit

Jesus’ Dependence on the Holy Spirit was Prophesied in the Old Testament

- **Isaiah 42:1 (ESV)** ¹ *Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.*
- **Matthew 12:18 (ESV)** ¹⁸ *“Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles.*

Jesus Was Conceived by the Holy Spirit

- **Luke 1:35 (ESV)** ³⁵ *And the angel answered her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.*

Holy Spirit Participated in Jesus’ Baptism

- **John 1:32 (ESV)** ³² *And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.*

Jesus was Led by the Spirit

- **Luke 4:1-2 (ESV)** ¹ *And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ² for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry.*
- **Luke 4:14 (ESV)** ¹⁴ *And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country.*
- **Luke 4:18 (ESV)** ¹⁸ *“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,*

Lesson 3 – February 17, 2019 – Filled with the Spirit Then and Now

Waiting

- **Acts 1:4-5 (ESV)** ⁴ *And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”*

The ‘Birth of the Spirit’

- **Acts 2:1-4 (ESV)** ¹ *When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

Obedience to the Leading of the Spirit

- **Romans 12:1 (ESV)** ¹ *I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.*

Thirsting and Trusting

- **John 7:37-39 (ESV)** ³⁷ *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.*

Lesson 4– February 24, 2019 – The Holy Spirit in the Gospels

The majority of Christ’s teaching concerning the Holy Spirit can be found in **John 14-16**.

The Comforter/Helper/Counselor and the Believer’s Permanent Possession

- **John 14:16 (ESV)** ¹⁶ *And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever,*

Spirit of Truth

- **John 15:26 (ESV)** ²⁶ *“But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.*

The Believer is Intimately Joined with the Spirit.

- **John 14:17 (ESV)** ¹⁷ *even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.*

Lesson 5 – March 3, 2019 –Why Was the Holy Spirit Sent?

To Impart Christ’s Life to Us

- **John 14:26 (ESV)** ²⁶ *But 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.*

For Fruit Bearing

- **John 15:16 (ESV)** ¹⁶ *You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.*

The Work of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer

- **Galatians 5:22-23 (ESV)** ²² *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,* ²³ *gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.*
- **John 4:14 (ESV)** ¹⁴ *but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”*

Lesson 6 – March 10, 2019 – Sealed by the Holy Spirit

What Being Sealed by the Spirit Means

- **Ephesians 1:13-14 (ESV)** ¹³ *In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,* ¹⁴ *who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.*
- **2 Corinthians 1:21-22 (ESV)** ²¹ *And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us,* ²² *and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.*

First Installment of Our Inheritance

- **Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)** ⁸ *For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,* ⁹ *not a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

Lesson 7 – March 17, 2019 – Indwelt by the Spirit

God Lives In Us

- **1 Corinthians 3:16 (ESV)** ¹⁶ *Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you?*

The Purpose of the Indwelling Spirit

- **Romans 8:9-11 (ESV)** ⁹ *You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.* ¹⁰ *But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.* ¹¹ *If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.*

Indwelling is Not Filling (Indwelling has to do with our faith and not our behavior. Filling has to do with our behavior.)

- **Ephesians 4:30 (ESV)** ³⁰ *And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.*

Lesson 8 – March 24–The Holy Spirit Convicts, Regenerates, Baptizes

Convicts

- **John 16:7-11 (ESV)** ⁷ *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.* ⁸ *And 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.*

Regenerates

- **John 3:6-7 (ESV)** 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.’*

Baptizes

- **Mark 1:7-8 (ESV)** ⁷ *And he preached, saying, “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.”* ⁸ *I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”*

Lesson 9 – March 31, 2019 –Walking Daily in the Spirit

The Biblical ‘Norm’ is to Walk in the Spirit

- **Galatians 5:25 (ESV)** ²⁵ *If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.*
- **Romans 8:14 (ESV)** ¹⁴ *For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.*
- **John 3:6 (ESV)** ⁶ *That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*

Walking in the Spirit Means Relying on the Holy Spirit in Thought, Word, and Deed

- **Romans 6:11-14 (ESV)** ¹¹ *So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.* ¹² *Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions.* ¹³ *Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.* ¹⁴ *For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.*

Last Mention of the Holy Spirit in the Bible

- **Revelation 22:17 (ESV)** ¹⁷ *The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.*