Welcome to Calvary Chapel of Northern Kentucky



John 16:7-14 The Holy Spirit

Introduction

Pentecost

- Jewish festival held 50 days after Passover celebrating firstfruits of wheat harvest – means "50 days"
- Day when Law was given to Israel Called "shimchath torah"
 "Joy of the Law"
- God descended on Mt. Sinai and Israel received the Law; The New Testament Church received the Spirit of Grace in fullness.

Introduction

Acts 2:1-4

When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and [one] sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Introduction

In these words we find the record of the event which completed the Church, and endowed it with that mysterious power which then was, and ever since has been, the source of its true life and of its highest success.

- Expositor's Bible Commentary.

Our Faith is Supernatural

We have access to God through Jesus as High Priest John 14:13 Hebrews 4:6

The Holy Spirit bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God. - Romans 8:16

Four Truths Relating to the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is divine

The Holy Spirit is a person

His Essential Work
In the World
In Us

His Work Always Points to Jesus

The Divinity of the Holy Spirit

Triunity In the Old Testament

- The Shema Deuteronomy 6:4
- Creation Genesis 1:1, 2, 26; Psalm 104:30

The Divinity of the Holy Spirit

Attributes of God Seen in the Holy Spirit

- He is Eternal Hebrews 9:14
- He is Omniscient Acts 15:18
- He is Omnipresent Psalm 139:7
- He is Omnipotent Luke 1:35
- He is the "another" that Jesus promised John 14:16

The Person of the Holy Spirit

Has characteristics of a person – has intellect, emotion, and prays

- 1 Corinthians 2:10-11 the Holy Spirit searches and has knowledge.
- 1 Corinthians 12:11 the Holy Spirit distributes gifts as He wills.
- Romans 8:27 He has a mind.
- John 15:26, 16:13- He testifies of Jesus and exalts the Father and Son over Himself.
- Personal pronouns are used when referring to the Holy Spirit (John 14:16-17, John 16:7-15).
- "Comforter" in John 14:16 is "parakletos" which means "One who comes alongside of to help".
- Comforts, loves, intercedes.

The Person of the Holy Spirit

Personal Acts Ascribed to the Holy Spirit

- Speaks (separate to Him Paul and Barnabas.) Acts 13:2
- Intercedes for us (when we don't know how to pray). Romans 8:26
- He teaches us. 1 John 2:20-27; John 14:26
- He guides, sometimes forbidding things. Acts 16:6-7
- Strives with man (shortened life span after sin). Genesis 6:3

The Person of the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit Can Be Treated As A Person

- He can be grieved by us by the things we do and the things we neglect to do. Ephesians 4:30
- We can insult Him by 'trampling' on Jesus and treating His shed blood as nothing of consequence. Hebrews 10:29
- He can be lied to (Annanias and Saphira). Acts 5:3
- He can be blasphemed. Matthew 12:31-32

The Essential Work of the Holy Spirit in the World

John 16:8-11 Convict the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment

Salvation – 1 Corinthians 12:3

New Person: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Helper (parakletos – para = alongside; intercessor, comforter, advocate

- · Helping in our infirmities, praying, making intercession.
 - Romans 8
- Conform us to the image of Christ John 14:8-9
- Counselor John 14:15-16

Helper

- Power to live our faith as witnesses to Christ Acts 1:8
- Power to live our lives in obedience to Christ
 - o Romans 7:15-25, Galatians 5:17-18, Matthew 26:41
- Power to identify with Christ Acts 4:5-23
- Power to change Romans 8

Teacher

- John 14:26, 1 John 2:27, 1 Corinthians 2:13-14
- Understanding the things of God 2 Corinthians 4:18
- Brings the Scriptures to remembrance John 14:26

Guide

- Into All Truth John 16:12-13
- Will not stray from the truth; will have everything we need for life and godliness 2 Peter 1:3

The Work of the Holy Spirit Always Looks Like Jesus

- Conform Us to the Image Of His Son
 - o Romans 8:29, Ephesians 4:13
- Jesus is the example of what God intended when creating man Genesis 1:26
- Changes us from glory to glory 2 Corinthians 3:18
- Desire to be delivered from our bodies of flesh and have overflowing life in the Spirit 1 John 3:2, 2 Corinthians 5:4, Romans 8:22,23

The Work of the Holy Spirit In Prophecy

Shows us the things to come
– John 16:13, Joel 2:28

The Works of the Flesh and Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:19-23 – the Fruit of the Spirit is Agape

- followed by 8 adjectives describing that love
- Joy
- Peace
- Longsuffering
- Kindness
- Goodness
- Faithfulness
- Gentleness
- Self-control

True Love

Taking it Home

We are not going to move this world by criticism of it, not conformity to it, but by the combustion within it of lives ignited by the Spirit of God.

- Vance Havner

Taking it Home

"If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95 percent of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament church, 95 percent of what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference."

- A.W. Tozer

Taking it Home

- Let us have ears to hear what the Spirit says to us. Not assuming 'which church' describes us.
- Let us renew our relationship with Christ daily not letting it wane in devotion or excitement.
- Let us commit to walking in the Holy Spirit, personally and as a Body; Remember, repent, return.
- Let us commit to loving in truth.

MEDITATION VERSE

John 16:14-15

"He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare [it] to you. "All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore, I said that He will take of Mine and declare [it] to you.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace."