

Sunday, January 26, 2025

1 Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching."

Title: Ministry of the Holy Spirit

Series: Ministry of the Holy Spirit ... 2

Text: Matthew John 14:1 - 31

Purpose: I want to INFORM my congregation of an additional THREE MINISTRIES of the Holy Spirit to BELIEVERS.

Introduction:

We believe in one God who has existed from eternity past in three persons; of the same essence and co-equal, yet unique in their personage.

~ Matthew 3:16 -17

~ Matthew 28:18 – 20

~ There is no illustration of the triune God that is a perfect illustration: how can we perfectly illustrate an infinite, unfathomable God? But this did help my thinking: H₂O (2 hydrogen atoms and 1 oxygen atom comprising the molecule – the substance) but that substance has three unique manifestations – water and ice and steam yet still one substance.

~ Last week we began a series on the 'Ministry of the Holy Spirit.' We considered three actions or ministries performed by the Holy Spirit:

~ 1) Birthed by the Holy Spirit; ~ 2) Sealed by the Holy Spirit; ~ 3) Comforted by the Holy Spirit

~ Today we will consider three more ministries of the Holy Spirit.

1. Holy Spirit Teaches Truth:

~ John 14:16 – 17, "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper (KJV Comforter), to be with you forever, (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."

~ John 14:26, "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."

~ John 15:26, "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."

~ 1 Timothy 4:1, "Now the Spirit expressly says that in the later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons,"

~ 2 Timothy 3:16 – 17, "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, (16) that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good Work."

~ 2 Corinthians 4:2, "But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God."

~ 2 Thessalonians 2:13, "But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth." 1 John 4:6; 5:6; John 17:17

2. Holy Spirit Gives Guidance:

~ John 16:13, "When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come." The Greek word that we translate as "guide" is used 5 times in the New Testament: Matthew 15:14; Luke 6:39; John 16:13; Acts 8:31; Revelation 7:17

~ Exodus 40:36 – 38, "Throughout all their journeys, whenever the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out. (37) But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not set out till the day that it was taken up. (38) For the cloud of the LORD was on the tabernacle by day, and fire was in it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel throughout all their journeys."

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~ Acts 16:6 – 10, "And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. (7) And when they had come to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynai, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. (8) So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. (9) And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." (10) And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them."

~ Proverbs 3:5 – 6, Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. (6) In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."

~ Romans 8:14, "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God."

~ Acts 13:2, "While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."

3. Holy Spirit Gives Peace:

~ John 16:7, "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."

~ Romans 5:1, "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

~ John 16:33, "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

~ Philippians 4:5 – 7, "Let your reasonableness be known to everyone, The Lord is at hand; (6) do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. (7) And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

~ Psalm 91:1 – 4, "He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. (2) I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." (3) For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence. (4) He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler."

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~ Galatians 5:22 – 25, "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. (24) And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. (25) If we live by the Spirit. Let us also keep in step with the Spirit."

Conclusion:

Luke 11:1 - 13