

# Sunday, February 2, 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 ... 3

**Text:** Matthew John 16:1 - 15

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

## Introduction:

Two weeks ago we began a series on the ‘Ministry of the Holy Spirit.’ So far we have considered six ministries performed by the Holy Spirit:

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

Last week we considered three more ministries of the Holy Spirit:

~ 1) Holy Spirit Teaches Truth; ~ 2) Holy Spirit Gives Guidance; ~ 3) Holy Spirit Gives Peace

For the purpose of this current devotional series we will conclude with THREE more ministries of the Holy Spirit. This is not to suggest that these nine ministries are the only ministries of the Holy Spirit; limiting it to nine at this juncture is to help in memory: Birthed, sealed and comforted by the Holy Spirit Taught, guided and granted peace by the Holy Spirit

~ 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.”

## 1. Holy Spirit Convicts:

~ John 16:8, “And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;”

Used 17 times in the New Testament. To convict to bring to the light, to expose, reprove, to call to account, show one his fault. Matthew 18:15, Luke 3:19, \*John 3:20, Ephesians 5:11,

1 Timothy 5:20, \*2 Timothy 4:2,

Hebrews 12:5, \*Revelation 3:19

~ John 1:9, “concerning sin, because they do not believe in me;”

As I understand this is not just individual sins or trespasses; this is the sin nature inherited from Adam,

a condition of being spiritually dead that can only be remedied by the new birth.

~ John 16:10, “concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer;”

~ Romans 1:4, “and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.”

~ John 16:11, “concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.”

~ Colossians 2:15, “He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.”

~ Hebrews 1:13, “And to which of the angels has he ever said, “Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.”?

~ Hebrews 10:12–13, “But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, (13) waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet.”

~ 1 John 4:2–6, “By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, (3) and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. (4) Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. (5) They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. (6) We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the of error.”

## 2. Holy Spirit Anoints:

~ Acts 1:8, “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth.”

~ Consider some Old Testament individuals: Noah, Bezalel (Exodus 31:2), Daniel, Hananiah, Mishaiah, Azariah

Consider some New Testament individuals:  
Stephen, Philip, Peter, Paul

## 3. Holy Spirit Restrains:

~ 2 Thessalonians 2:7, “For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way.”

~ Genesis 6:7, “So the LORD said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them.”

~ 1 Peter 3:20, “because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through the water.”

~ 2 Peter 2:5, “if he did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;”

## Conclusion:

Luke 11:1 - 13

1 John 5:14 – 15