

Growth Institute Week 12: The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit (Part 1)

Who is the Holy Spirit?

Why do we use “person” for the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is God (Acts 5:3-4)

The Holy Spirit is eternal (Hebrews 9:14)

The Holy Spirit is omnipresent (Psalm 139:7-8)

The Holy Spirit is omniscient (1 Cor. 2:10-11)

The Holy Spirit is at work in creation (Genesis 1:2)

The Holy Spirit gifted God’s people in the OT, but did not constantly indwell all believers until the NT (Deuteronomy 34:9, Exodus 28:3, 31:3-5).

The indwelling of the Spirit was promised in the OT (Ezekiel 36:25-27).

How do we get the Holy Spirit (Eph. 1:13-14, John 14:16-17)?

Can we lose the Holy Spirit (John 14:16-17, Eph. 4:30, 1 Thess. 5:19, Eph. 5:18)?

What does the Spirit do?

1. The Spirit inspires the Word (2 Peter 1:21)
2. The Spirit illumines the Word (John 16:13-14, 14:26)
3. The Spirit convicts of sin, righteousness, and judgment (Jn. 16:8-11)
4. The Spirit makes us new creations (Titus 3:5)
5. The Spirit is active in adopting us in salvation (Rom. 8:15-16)
6. The Spirit dwells inside you (1 Cor. 6:19)

7. The Spirit assures you of salvation (Eph. 1:13-14, Romans 8:16)

Questions for tonight/next time?

Homework:

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/essay/baptism-indwelling-spirit/>

Read John 14-16 and note the ways Jesus talks about the Holy Spirit.

Prepare for Next Week:

<https://www.crossway.org/articles/5-myths-about-spiritual-gifts/>