

The Gift of the Spirit

The Spirit is another Helper, presently indwelling; the truth Teacher, eternally proceeding; and the great Reprover, constantly testifying.

Sermon Questions

1. Where's the best place in the Bible to start a study on the Holy Spirit? _____
2. List the six truths about the person and work of the Holy Spirit. You'll have to return to this question throughout the sermon:
 - i. Another _____ (John 14:16).
 - ii. Presently _____ (John 14:17).
 - iii. Truth _____ (John 14:25–26).
 - iv. Eternally _____ (John 15:26).
 - v. Great _____ (John 16:8).
 - vi. Constantly _____ (John 16:13–14).
3. The Holy Spirit is a divine person, and we should call him "he" not "it." (Yes/No)
4. Perichoresis means that each person of the triune God indwells the other two. (Yes/No)
5. Who is the *ultimate* writer of the Bible? _____
6. The procession of the Spirit is also called spiration. (Yes/No)
Bonus: Draw a line to match Father, Son, and Spirit with Filiation, Spiration, and Paternity.
7. The Spirit convicts of sin so that we might find _____.
8. The Spirit is under the authority of the Son in the plan of salvation *and* in essence. (Yes/No)
9. The Spirit is neglected today and should be worshipped the same as Father and Son. (Yes/No)
10. If the Spirit is present, _____ is exalted.

Discussion/Meditation Questions

1. Read Romans 8:9–11 and note the use of terms “Spirit,” “God,” “Christ,” “Spirit of God,” “Spirit of Christ.” How does this help us understand the unity of the persons or *perichoresis* and indwelling?
2. Read Ephesians 1:3–14. How does the unity of the triune God in will and action help us in understanding whom the Father chooses, whom the Son died for, and whom the Spirit seals?
3. How do the eternal relations of origin (paternity, filiation, and spiration) help us to understand our salvation and order our worship and prayer? (Bonus: consider John Bunyan’s book on prayer.)
4. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon? Share this with another brother or sister in the fellowship.

Extras for the Children

What song did you enjoy the most today? _____

What did you learn about God today? _____

What words did you not know today? _____

