THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the divine third person of the true godhead (1). He is eternal (2), possesses and imparts life (3), and can be called the truth (4). His divinity is demonstrated by his universal presence (5), mighty power (6), and infinite knowledge (7).

The Holy Spirit has been present in the world since the very beginning (8). His ministry has been, among other things, to reveal sin (9), to fill (10), come upon (11), guide (12), speak through (13), provide leaders (14), empower (15), and strive with men (16).

His present-day ministry in the life of the Christian believer involves regeneration (17), indwelling (18), baptizing (19), sealing (20), filling (21), giving gifts (22), and producing fruit (23). His presence is the trademark of the genuinely authentic Christian (24) whose faith rests on the power of God (25).

His present-day objective regarding the unregenerate world is to convict it of sin, righteousness, and judgment (25). He does not work according to His own initiative but discloses Jesus (27).

In the future He will signify the beginning of the tribulation by being removed in order that the Anti-christ may be revealed (28).

In the life of the church, the Holy Spirit empowers and fills it (29), appoints church leaders, and makes them overseers of the flock (30). The Spirit sends out missionaries (31), directs and comforts (31), and sets believers apart for God's purposes (32).

Lord, may your Spirit reveal the depths of the Father's heart toward us that we can fully receive the things you have freely given us (37)!

1...Acts 5:3-4 2...Hebrews 9:14 3...Romans 8:2; John 6:63 4...John 16:13; 1 John 5:7 5...Psalms 139:7-13 6...Luke 1:35 7...1 Corinthians 2:10-11 8...Genesis 1:2 9...John 16:8; Micah 6:8 10..Exodus 31:3; Acts 2:4 11..1 Samuel 16:13: Acts 11:15-18 12...Nehemiah 9:20; Acts 15:28 13..2 Samuel 23:2; Acts 16:6,7 14..Numbers 11:16-30; Acts 20:28 15..Ezekiel 7:12; Acts 1:8 16..Isaiah 6:9: Acts 28:25 17..Titus 3:5; 2 Thessalonians 2:13 18..John 14:16-17; Psalms 51:10-13 19...1 Corinthians 12:13 20...2 Corinthians 1:22 21...Ephesians 5:18 22...1 Corinthians 12-14 23...Galatians 5:22-23 24...Romans 8:9 25...1 Corinthians 2:1-5 26...John 16:8-11 27...John 16:13-14 28...2 Thessalonians 2:3-8 29...Acts 2:4 30...Acts 20:17, 28 31...Acts 8:29; 9:31 32...Romans 15:16 33...1 Corinthians 2:10-16