



Preaching God's Grace, Teaching God's Truth

DISCIPLESHIP I

Lesson 4 *The Holy Spirit*

***"We have suffered from the preaching of cheap grace. Grace is free,
but it is not cheap. People will take anything that is free,
but they are not interested in discipleship.
They will take Christ as Savior but not as Lord."***

- Vance Havner

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Lesson 4:**The Holy Spirit****“What are the Functions and Attributes of the Holy Spirit in My Life?”**

The day you received the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, the Holy Spirit of God took up permanent residence inside your body. This third person of the Trinity is perhaps the most misunderstood and ignored part of a Christian's relationship with God.

I. Where do I find the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit of God lives on the earth inside your body if you are saved. He came in at the moment of salvation and took up permanent residency.

A. God gives his Spirit to dwell in you.

John 14:17; Galatians 4:6

B. Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 6:19, 20; Ephesians 2:22

II. What is the function of the Holy Spirit?

A. The Holy Spirit convicts us of sin.

John 16:7-9

- a) In the unsaved, he convicts of sin to bring them to salvation.
- b) In the saved, he convicts of sin to keep them clean and show them how to live for Jesus.

B. The Holy Spirit creates and regenerates.

a) The Holy Spirit is active in Creation.

Genesis 1:2, 2:7; Job 33:4

b) In Jesus Christ, you are a new creature - born again by the Holy Spirit.

John 3:3-8; 2 Corinthians 5:17

C. The Holy Spirit seals you once you're saved.

Ephesians 1:13, 14; 4:30

D. The Holy Spirit bears witness to you of your salvation.

1 John 4:13; Romans 8:16

E) The Holy Spirit teaches you the Bible.

John 14:26; John 16:1-15; 1 Corinthians 2:9, 10

F) The Holy Spirit intercedes in prayer for you.

Romans 8:26, 27; Ephesians 2:18

G) The Holy Spirit comforts you in time of need.

John 14:15-18; 2 Corinthians 1:3, 4; 2 Timothy 1:7

H) The Holy Spirit empowers you to serve God.

Zechariah 4:6; Ephesians 3:16; 2 Corinthians 4:6, 7

I) The Holy Spirit gives discernment in decision making.

1 Corinthians 2:11-16

III. What is the result of the Holy Spirit being in my life?

- A. The Holy Spirit of God produces a set of character qualities as you give your life to him and walk in his power. This set of character qualities is called the fruit (singular) of the Spirit found in ***Galatians 5:22, 23***. It is singular because ALL of these qualities are produced at the same time by a close relationship with the Holy Spirit.
- B. The fruit of the Spirit consists of nine qualities that can be broken down into three categories:

- 1. INWARD (witness to self)
 - a) Love
 - b) Joy
 - c) Peace
- 2. OUTWARD (witness to others)
 - a) Longsuffering
 - b) Gentleness
 - c) Goodness
- 3. UPWARD (witness to God)
 - a) Faith
 - b) Meekness
 - c) Temperance

VI. Basic Questions

- A. What is “being filled with the Spirit,” and how can I accomplish this?
 - a) Allow God to control your life. The filling of the Holy Spirit is NOT you getting more of the Holy Spirit. You got all of him there is at the time of salvation. It is the Holy Spirit getting more of YOU.

Romans 14:7-9

b) Saturate your mind with the Word of God. Comparing **Ephesians 5:18, 19** and **Colossians 3:16** shows that by getting into the word and letting it dwell in your heart, you can produce the same results in your life as being filled with the Spirit. The more you saturate your mind with the Word of God, the closer your relationship to the Holy Spirit will be.

c) Simply walking in the Spirit. Walking is a steady, consistent, natural process of growth. Being controlled by the Holy Spirit does not happen overnight. It is a lifelong process of spiritual growth.

Galatians 5:16-18; Romans 8:1; John 8:29

B. How do I understand the difference between conviction and guilt?

a) "Conviction" is God pointing out that something is wrong so you can make it right.

Isaiah 1:18

b) "Guilt" is the devil accusing you of being unworthy to receive God's blessing.

Revelation 12:10

Lesson 4 Review - The Holy Spirit

1. Where do you find the Holy Spirit? List three scripture references to support your answer.

2. At what time does the Holy Spirit come into the believer's life?

3. Why does the Holy Spirit convict the unsaved of sin?

4. Why does the Holy Spirit convict the Christian of sin?

5. What is the difference between conviction and guilt?

6. List seven other ways the Holy Spirit works in the life of the Christian.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6.
 - 7.

7. What is the result of the Holy Spirit in your life?

8. **Galatians 5:22, 23** lists for us the _____ of the _____.
These qualities are produced in the Christian by a _____ with
the _____.

9. In order for the Christians to be "filled with the Spirit," they must invest
time into learning and living the _____.

10. True or False?

-> I must get more of God's Holy Spirit each day.

True False

-> Being controlled by the Holy Spirit is a lifelong process of spiritual growth.

True False

-> **Romans 8:1** teaches that you must walk after the flesh.

True False

-> **John 16:13** shows us that the Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth.

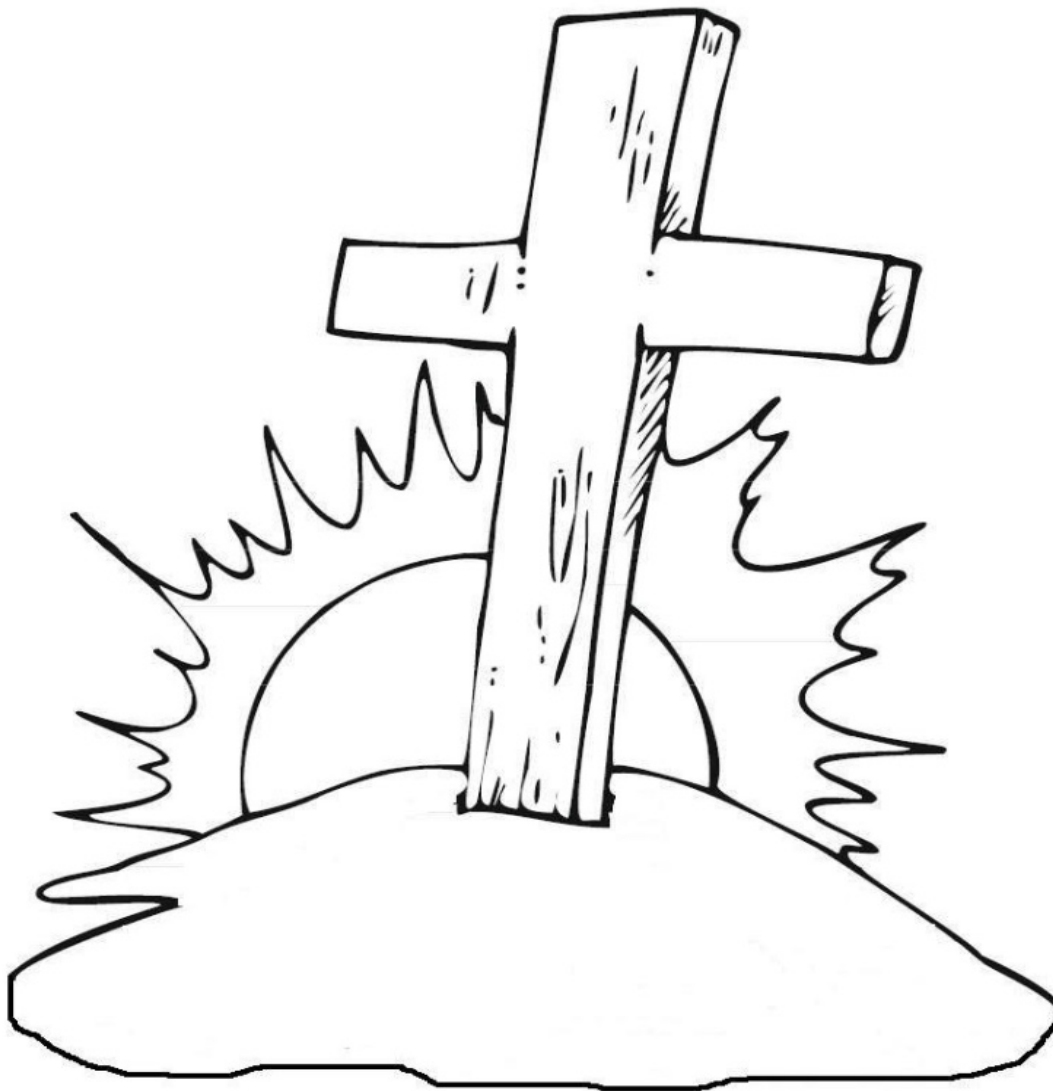
True False

-> **Romans 8:26, 27** shows us that the Holy Spirit intercedes for us in our
prayers unto God.

True False

KEY MEMORY VERSES

1 Corinthians 6:19, 20; Galatians 5:22; Galatians 5:16



Ephesians 6:10, 11

"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

A Merry Heart

(Proverbs 17:22)

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine, good like a medicine

A merry heart!

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine, a merry heart doeth good
But a broken spirit drieth the bones, but a broken spirit drieth the bones

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine, good like a medicine

A merry heart!

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine, a merry heart doeth good!

God Is So Good

1. God is so good; God is so good
God is so good. He's so good to me.

2. Jesus is Lord; Jesus is Lord
Jesus is Lord. He's so good to me.

3. He's coming back; to take me home
he's coming back. He's so good to me.

4. He answers prayer; He answers prayer
He answers prayer. He's so good to me.

5. I love him so; I love him so
I love him so. He's so good to me.

Ephesians 6:14

*Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; **and having on the breastplate of righteousness;***



BREASTPLATE OF
RIGHTEOUSNESS