

8. What did Jesus say in John 16: 8-11, the Holy Spirit, when He comes, will reprove the world of? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Fill in the blanks. (John 16:13,14 ) - *Howbeit \_\_\_\_\_ He, the Spirit of truth is come, He will \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_: for He shall \_\_\_\_\_; but \_\_\_\_\_, that \_\_\_\_\_: and He will \_\_\_\_\_.*  
*He \_\_\_\_\_: for He shall \_\_\_\_\_, and shall \_\_\_\_\_.*

10. According to John 16:15, what does the Father and the Son share? \_\_\_\_\_

As the Comforter and Guide (John 16:7,13) into all truth, the Holy Spirit will also influence the world with respect to sin (John 16:9); show things to come (John 16:13; things related to Christ's coming and to the desired end of the age); and glorify (exalt) Jesus Christ our Lord and take what is Christ's and quicken the spiritual ability of men that they can and do understand it (John 16:14).

The Spirit will glorify the God-Man, will augment the luster of His blessed name, will crown Him with honour, and multiply the mirrors of His majesty and the subjects of His power. <sup>1</sup>

## ELEVENTH STUDY

THE PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (John 13: 31,32; 14:16,17,26; 15:26; 16:7-14)

Jesus spoke more precisely to the twelve in this discourse in the upper room.

1. In John 14:16, Jesus said to the disciples, *I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter...* What does He say next that makes you know the Holy Spirit is a person? \_\_\_\_\_

In this verse, Jesus calls the Holy Spirit by the name "*Comforter*."

The Greek word translated **Comforter** is *parakletos*, which has been Anglicized (to make English) to "paraclete"---meaning an "advocate," "intercessor," "pleader"---and personalized as the Holy Spirit. The Greek word "originally meant in the passive sense 'one who is called to someone's aid,' " and has the more general meaning "*one who appears in another's behalf, mediator, intercessor, helper*." Various translations have used different words in an effort to wring from the Greek word it's full and significant meaning---e.g., "Counselor" (RSV), "Helper" (Moffatt, NASB), "Divine Helper" (Philips), "Advocate" (Weymouth). It is translated "Advocate" in I John 2:1, where it refers to Christ.<sup>1</sup>

1- The Pulpit Commentary, John 16:14, p. 304.

1- Beacon Bible Commentary, John, p. 168.

His words show that the Spirit is a person, but distinct from the Father and the Son, though having a close relationship to both. For He proceeds from the Father, and He is sent by the Son.

2. What is the Holy Spirit called in John 14:17? \_\_\_\_\_

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The Paraclete is identified as **the Spirit of truth** (17), “which brings truth and impresses it on the conscience of the world.” But this gift is not for all men. <sup>1</sup>

3. Why cannot the world receive Him? (John 14:17)

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4. What reason does this same verse give to show that the believer knows the Holy Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_

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“The spiritual cannot be apprehended by the worldly.” This promise is intimate, personal, and precious for those who know Him, *because He dwells with you and shall be in you* (17; reference, Acts 2:4; Romans 8:9; I John 2:27; II John 2). At the time of this discourse, the Spirit dwelt in Jesus, but He was with the disciples.

I believe that when Jesus breathed on the disciples (John 20:22), after His Resurrection, is when the Spirit came in them, but the Spirit came upon them and baptized them on the day of Pentecost.

1- Beacon Bible Commentary, John, p. 168.

5. (a) Who does Jesus say is the Comforter in John 14:26? \_\_\_\_\_

(b) In this same verse who was to send the Holy Ghost? \_\_\_\_\_

(c) In whose name was the Father to send the Holy Ghost? (same verse) \_\_\_\_\_

(d) In this same verse, what would the Holy Spirit do for the believers? \_\_\_\_\_

6. In John 15:26, Jesus says He will send the Comforter from the Father. (a) Is there a contradiction with this verse and that of John 14:26? \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Give the reason for your answer

7. According to John 15:26, what will the Comforter, the Spirit of truth, do? \_\_\_\_\_

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In John 16:7, Jesus said, *Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you.*

Jesus is saying, “It is to your advantage that I go away. It is necessary for Me to die and go away or the Spirit cannot come to save men and anoint them to spread the Gospel.”