

# The Holy Spirit

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# The Holy Spirit Is A “He”

- John 14:17 – “even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.”
- John 16:13,14 – “When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

# The Attributes Of The Holy Spirit

- He Has A Mind
  - Romans 8:27 – “And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God

# The Attributes Of The Holy Spirit

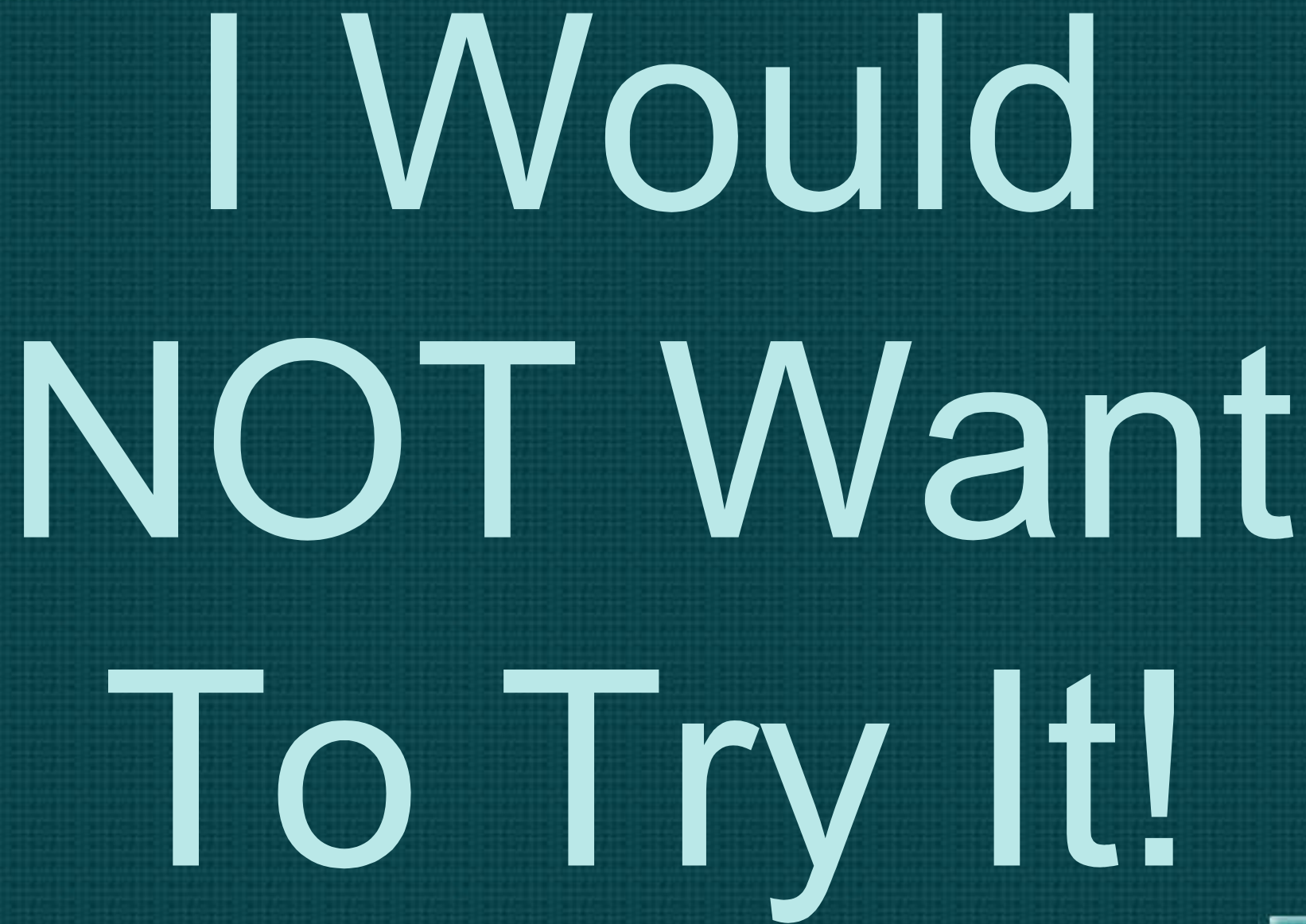
- He Can Be Grieved – He Has Feelings!
  - Israel’s Rebellion In The Wilderness:  
Isaiah 63:10 – “But they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit; therefore he turned to be their enemy, and himself fought against them.”
  - Ephesians 4:30 – “And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.”

# The Attributes Of The Holy Spirit

- He May Be Blasphemed
  - Matthew 12:31,32 – “Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come. cf. Mark 3:29

# The Attributes Of The Holy Spirit

- Can He Be Blasphemed Today?
  - Some say this was a sin that could only be done during the days of the ministry of Christ.
  - Remember To Interpret Scripture By The Limits Of Other Scripture –
    - e.g. 1 John 5:16 – “If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and God will give him life--to those who commit sins that do not lead to death. There is sin that leads to death; I do not say that one should pray for that.”
  - So, Can He Be Blasphemed Today?

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I Would  
NOT Want  
To Try It!

# The Attributes Of The Holy Spirit

- He Bears Witness
  - John 15:26 – “But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.”
  - Romans 8:16 – “The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.”

# The Acts Of The Holy Spirit

- He Speaks

- Zechariah 4:6 – “Then he said to me, ‘This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts.’”
- John 16:13 – “When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.”

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- He Speaks To Christians – Through The Word
  - 1 Timothy 4:1 – “Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons.”
  - Revelation 2:10,11 – “Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have tribulation. Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. The one who conquers will not be hurt by the second death.”

The Holy Spirit Reveals  
Nothing To The  
Christian In Addition To  
What Is Written In The  
Bible

# The Acts Of The Holy Spirit

- He Searches The Mind Of God
  - 1 Corinthians 2:9-11 – “But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him, these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.”

# The Acts Of The Holy Spirit

- He Reveals The Mind Of God
  - 1 Corinthians 2:10 – “these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.
  - Ephesians 3:4,5 – “When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit.”

# The Acts Of The Holy Spirit

- He Determined Spiritual Gifts
  - 1 Corinthians 12:8-11 – “To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.”

# The Acts Of The Holy Spirit

- He Directed The Apostles
  - Acts 16:6,7 – “And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them.

# The Acts Of The Holy Spirit

- He Intercedes For Us
  - Romans 8:26,27 – “Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.”

# The Abiding Work Of The Holy Spirit

- The Question Is Not IF He Abides In The Christian
- The Question Is HOW He Abides
- Personally or Representatively?

# The Indwelling Of Deity

- God, The Father, Dwells In Us
  - 1 John 4:12 – “No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.”
  - 1 John 4:16 – “So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.”
  - Is The Father’s Dwelling Personal or Representative?

# The Indwelling Of Deity

- Christ Dwells In Us

- Galatians 2:20 – “I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”
- Ephesians 3:17 – “so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith--that you, being rooted and grounded in love.”
- Colossians 1:27 – “To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.”
- Is Christ’s Dwelling Personal or Representative?

# The Indwelling Of Deity

- The Holy Spirit Dwells In Us
  - Romans 8:9 – “You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.”
  - Galatians 4:6 – “And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, ‘Abba! Father!’”
  - 1 John 4:13 – “By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.”
  - These Scriptures show the FACT, not the HOW or manner of the Holy Spirit’s abode

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Is The Holy Spirit's  
Dwelling Personal  
Or Representative?

# Representative Indwelling

- Representative Because He Is A Revealer By Nature
- Representative Because His Revelation Is Complete
- Representative Because He And His Word Should Not Be Separated
- Representative Because A Personal Dwelling Forces Divinity Into Flesh, Which ONLY Happened Once In Christ

# The Gift Of The Holy Spirit

- “Gift Of God” Is Greatly Connected
  - Jesus — John 4:10 — “Jesus answered her, ‘If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.’”
  - Passing On The Power Of The Holy Spirit — Acts 8:20
    - “But Peter said to him, ‘May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money!’”
  - Forgiveness — Romans 6:23 — “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

# The Gift Of The Holy Spirit

- “Gift Of God” Is Greatly Connected
  - Grace — Ephesians 2:8 — “For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.”
  - God Empowered Ministry — Ephesians 3:7 — “Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power.”
  - Spiritual Gifts? — 2 Timothy 1:6 — “For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands.”

# The Gift Of The Holy Spirit

- “Gift Of The Holy Spirit” – Twice In Bible
  - Acts 2:38 – “And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”
  - Acts 10:45 – “And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles.”

# The Gift Of The Holy Spirit

- Possible Meanings In Acts 2:38
  - The Personal Embodiment
  - The Period Of Miracles In The 1<sup>st</sup> Century
  - The Precious Gift Of Salvation

# What About Miracles Today?

- Miracle – “The Biblical idea of miracle as an extraordinary work of God, generally though not invariably, transcending the ordinary powers of nature, wrought in connection with the ends of revelation, is illustrated by the terms used to describe miracles in the Old Testament and New Testament.” - ISBE
- Original Purpose Of Miracles – John 20:30,31 – “Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”

# What About Miracles Today?

- Sufficiency Of The Scriptures
  - 2 Peter 1:3 – “His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence,”
  - 2 Timothy 3:16,17 – “All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

# What About Miracles Today?

- How Were Miracles Passed On?
  - Apostle – Their qualifications – Acts 1:15-26, esp. v.21,22
  - “Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money,” Acts 8:18
- With The Death Of The Apostles, The Ability To Pass On Miracles Ceased
- The Bible Was Complete By The End Of The First Century – Hence, No More Need For Miracles