

The Holy Spirit

He Magnifies Christ
John 14:1-25

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Introduction: How do you know when the Spirit is _____?

- For some an encounter with the Holy Spirit is a _____ you get at a point in a song or a sermon. Sometimes accompanied by goose bumps.
- For others an encounter is a sense of _____ beyond our understanding | our hearts that we made the right vision.

There are others who see the HS in powerful, _____ manifestations during a good prayer time, sometimes accompanied by falling or dizziness.

In John 14-16 Jesus is preparing his disciples for his departure so he teaches them:

- His departure secures their _____ destiny (14:1-6)
- His departure _____ his revelation of the Father (14:7-11)
- His departure will equip them for living a Christ centered life and serving the mission he's laid out for them (14:12-26)
 - The Spirit will impart _____ for serving Christ "greater things" (12-14)
 - The Spirit will unite the disciples to the risen Christ at a _____ of communion. 'you in me, I in you.' (18,20)
 - The Holy Spirit will give the disciples a new level of communion with the Father- it has always been God's will to _____ among his people. "I will dwell among the people of Israel and will be their God. And they shall know that I am the Lord their God, who brought them out of the land of Egypt that I might dwell among them. I am the Lord their God." (Exodus 29:45-46) "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14)
 - The Holy Spirit will empower them to _____ to the words of Christ. This is a fulfillment of the new covenant of the Old Testament. "And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules." (Ezekiel 36:26-27)
 - The Holy Spirit will teach us _____ that the world can't understand. He make the truth come alive.

Key thought: When the Holy Spirit is powerfully present Jesus is _____ and honored. How is Jesus magnified and honored by the Holy Spirit.

- I. He is glorified in the _____. "Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith?" (Galatians 3:2)
 - A. The gospel is about Jesus. "For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures," (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)
 - B. The gospel is illuminated by the Holy Spirit to our hearts. "And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in me;" (John 16:8-9)
 - C. The gospel saves and the gospel sanctifies. Galatians 1-3 is about justification (God declaring us righteous). Galatians 4-6 is about sanctification (God making us righteousness). Justification is a declaration. Sanctification is transformation. Justification is focused on what Christ has done. Sanctification is about what the HS is doing. These works are different, but they are not to be separated. The HS does both.

- D. Old Testament example. The glory of God was revealed to Moses in words “The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, “The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,” (Exodus 34:5–6)
- E. New Testament Reality. The glory of God today is Jesus Christ. “No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father’s side, he has made him known.” (John 1:18) “And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.” (2 Corinthians 3:18)
- II. He is glorified by assuring us we are _____ . “For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.” (Romans 8:14–17) How does the Holy Spirit do this? In the gospel!
- A. The gospel reveals we are loved by God. “In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” (1 John 4:9–11)
- B. The gospel says of us what was said of Jesus at his baptism. “and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”” (Matthew 3:17) “Put on then, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved..” (Colossians 3:12–13)
- III. He is glorified through our transformation into _____
- A. The Holy Spirit brings the fullness of God to us. “For the entire fullness of God’s nature dwells bodily in Christ, and you have been filled by Him, who is the head over every ruler and authority.” (Colossians 2:9–10) Draw circles
- B. As Christ was “Father-centered” we are to be Christ-centered. “Therefore, as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, overflowing with gratitude.” (Colossians 2:6–7)
- C. Christlikeness is something we must grow into. “For this reason also, since the day we heard this, we haven’t stopped praying for you. We are asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding, so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him, bearing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of God.” (Colossians 1:9–10)
- D. The baptismal pattern of death and resurrection is to be the patter of our life. “We always carry the death of Jesus in our body, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body.” (2 Corinthians 4:10)
- E. Law-keeping is the way to fulfill the law of Christ. “The commandments: Do not commit adultery; do not murder; do not steal; do not covet; and whatever other commandment—all are summed up by this: Love your neighbor as yourself. Love does no wrong to a neighbor. Love, therefore, is the fulfillment of the law.” (Romans 13:9–10)
- F. The fruit of the Spirit is Christ. “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness, self-control. Against such things there is no law.” (Galatians 5:22–23)

Conclusion: Testimony of a Spirit-filled man: For me to live is _____ and to die is gain. God wants to live with you and He wants you to know it. He wants to make His home with you and he does this through the gospel.