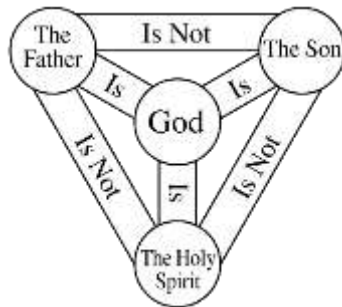


## ***The Holy Spirit in Us!***



***The God Head—One in Three... They each have a specific purpose in the final plan to achieve a successful transition of God's children from earth to heaven.***

***Our salvation: God planned it; Jesus provided it; the Holy Spirit prompts it through conviction and convincing.***

**You and I live in a three-dimensional world.**

All physical objects have a certain height, width, and depth. One person can look like someone else, or behave like someone else, or even sound like someone else. But a person cannot actually be the same as another person. They are distinct individuals.

**God, however, lives without the limitations of a three-dimensional universe.** He is spirit. And he is infinitely more complex than we are.

**That is why Jesus the Son can be different from the Father. And, yet the same.**

**The Bible clearly speaks of: God the Son, God the Father, and God the Holy Spirit. But emphasizes that there is only ONE God.**

If we were to use math, it would not be,  $1+1+1=3$ . It would be  $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$ . God is a triune God.

**Thus the term: "Tri" meaning three, and "Unity" meaning one, Tri+Unity = Trinity. It is a way of acknowledging what the Bible reveals to us about God, that God is yet three "Persons" who have the same essence of deity.**

***For all of eternity, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit have always been in relationship and communication with each other, yet not as three gods...but, as One God.***

**To see the roles of all three persons of the Trinity, the following summary is a brief, though not complete, look:**

- **God the Father's role is to create things.** Things originate with him and flow from him. God the Father is equal with the Son and the Holy Spirit, but things start with him. The Father sent both the Son (John 3:16-17) and Holy Spirit (John 14:26) into the world.
- **God the Son's role is to pay for our sins with his blood, which he did on the cross (Romans 5:9).** The Son also acts as a lawyer for us before God, acting as a "mediator" between us and God (1 Timothy 2:5), and speaking "to the Father in our defense" (1 John 2:1).
- **God the Holy Spirit has many roles.** The Spirit helps us pray (Romans 8:26-27). He gives us new life (John 3:3-6). He is our Comforter, and he helps us understand God's word (John 14:26). He lifts up Christ (John 15:26). He convicts us of sin (John 16:7-11). He helps us to live holy lives (Romans 15:16). He gives us love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). He helps us share our faith (Acts 1:8). He baptizes us with power and a sound mind for understanding life and Scriptures (Luke 11:13, Acts 2:4, Romans 8:26-27). **And he lives inside us (Romans 8:11)**

***The Holy Spirit...according to John, helps us to understand that the Spirit of God dwells in us. (Holy Spirit is the liaison between God and man).***

*1 John 3:24b, "...and this is how we know that He lives in us; we know it by the Spirit he gave us."*

***The defense against Satan...the Holy Spirit will keep us from being seduced by the enemy...***

***Romans 8:9, "You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ."***

***Description of the Holy Spirit from your perspective:***

- ***The person raised in a Pentecostal Church***
- ***The person not raised in a Pentecostal Church***
- ***The person not raised in a church at all.***

***How is the Holy Spirit both powerful and personal?***

***John 14—16***

- 1. Reveals that Jesus and the Father are actually One in spirit. Jesus' works and acts are to glorify the Father.***
- 2. Reveals that The Holy Spirit was sent to us to glorify the Son.***  
***ALL THE MIRACLES, ACTS, WORKS BY THE SPIRIT ARE TO GIVE US A TASTE OF WHO WE ARE IN CHRIST JESUS.***

**Our Commission....The command “...be filled with the Spirit”**  
**(Ephesians 5:18-20, “Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to**  
**debauchery. **Instead, be filled with the Spirit,** <sup>19</sup> speaking to one**  
**another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make**  
**music from your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup> always giving thanks to God the**  
**Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”**

**Note: It is capital “S” (Spirit) i.e. Holy Spirit; not just a spirit**  
**of thanks, not just songs with spirit; but, from the Holy**  
**Spirit.**

**The literal translation shows continuing action....**

**“Be getting filled with the Spirit.”**

**Another translation, “...drink deeply of...”**

**While another renders it as, “...let the Spirit stimulate your**  
**souls...”**

**When the Holy Spirit possesses our spirit, we have a joyful spirit, a**  
**zealous and aggressive (not passive) spirit...one that makes us effective**  
**servants of Christ.**

### **This means the Holy Spirit Brings Freedom**

*Romans 8:1-4, “Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are*  
*in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who*  
*gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup> For what the*  
*law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did*  
*by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering.*  
*And so he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous*  
*requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according*  
*to the flesh but according to the Spirit.”*

- **Freedom is essential to our Christian Faith.**
- **We no longer have to live with guilt and condemnation.**
- **Freedom starts with accepting Christ’s forgiveness.**
- **Sin then...has no power over us.**
- **Our freedom in Christ is sustained by the Holy Spirit.**
- **Freedom is strengthened by our daily experiences with the Holy Spirit.**

**What comes to your mind when the word condemnation is read or**  
**said?**

**What do you think this means---“The life-giving Spirit has freed**  
**you...from the law of sin...and from death”?**

**John 8:36, “So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”**

## **The Holy Spirit Brings Peace**

Romans 8:6-8, "The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. <sup>8</sup> Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God."

**Everybody seems to be looking for peace today.**

**The world can't give us peace. If it does at all, it is temporary.**

**Peace of mind comes through the Holy Spirit.**

### **How does the Holy Spirit bring peace?**

**1. He helps us accept what we can't control (John 16:14-15).**

"He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. <sup>15</sup> All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you."

**2. He helps us trust God's loving care (Isiah 26:3)**

"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you."

**3. He helps us surrender to God's control (Psalm 119:165).**

"Great peace have those who love your law, and nothing can make them stumble."

## **The Holy Spirit Brings Fellowship**

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." 2 Corinthians 13:14

### **Fellowship of the Holy Spirit:**

- **The Holy Spirit wants friendship.** He is a catalyst for helping us understand that God is not a distant deity that we cannot connect with...but, He has always wanted, and still wants, a personal, intimate friendship with us.
- **God has always worked at being involved in a relationship with us.**
  - ✓ God gave us His wonderful creation.
  - ✓ He gave us His salvation through Jesus' death on the cross.
  - ✓ Jesus is preparing a place for us where we can be with Him forever.
  - ✓ Even if we are not aware that God is working, He is making plans for us

NOTE: Fellowship with the Holy Spirit involves sharing our lives in communion with Him.

**THE HOLY SPIRIT MAKES INTERCESSION FOR US (Meaning, He stands as a Witness of our Faith; a testimony of our devotion to the Holy One).**

***Though not a complete list, here are some other Scriptures that show God is one, in Trinity:***

- "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!"<sup>4</sup>
- "I am the LORD, and there is no other; Besides Me there is no God."<sup>5</sup>
- There is no God but one.<sup>6</sup>
- And after being baptized, Jesus went up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove, and coming upon Him, and behold, a voice out of the heavens, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."<sup>7</sup>
- "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit."<sup>8</sup>
- Jesus said: "I and the Father are one."<sup>9</sup>
- "He who has seen Me has seen the Father."<sup>10</sup>
- "He who beholds Me beholds the One who sent Me."<sup>11</sup>
- If anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.<sup>12</sup>
- "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for that which has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit."<sup>13</sup>
- And the angel answered and said to her [Mary], "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy offspring shall be called the Son of God."<sup>14</sup>
- [Jesus speaking to His disciples] "And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you, and will be in you." ... "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him, and make Our abode with him."<sup>15</sup>

**Luke 11:13**, If you then, evil as you are, know how to give good gifts [gifts that are to their advantage] to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask *and* continue to ask Him!

**Acts 2:4** And they were all filled (diffused throughout their souls) with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other (different, foreign) languages (tongues), as the Spirit kept giving them clear *and* loud expression [in each tongue in appropriate words].

**Romans 8:26-27** So too the [Holy] Spirit comes to our aid *and* bears us up in our weakness; for we do not know what prayer to offer *nor* how to offer it worthily as we ought, but the Spirit Himself goes to meet our supplication *and* pleads in our behalf with unspeakable yearnings *and* groanings too deep for utterance. And He Who searches the hearts of men knows what is in the mind of the [Holy] Spirit [what His intent is], because the Spirit intercedes *and* pleads [before God] in behalf of the saints according to *and* in harmony with God's will.