

Session 5: Who is the Holy Spirit? What is the Trinity?

Session Questions

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- Who is the Holy Spirit
- What is the role of the Holy Spirit?
- What is the Trinity?

Question Review

 Review answers from Participant Guide Session 5: Who is the Holy Spirit? What is the Trinity?

Section 1: Who is the Holy Spirit?

How does the Bible describe the Holy Spirit?

- Helper, One who comes along side
 - John 14:16
 - John 16:13
- Spirit of God, Spirit of Christ
 - Genesis 1:2
 - Romans 8:9

Review the <u>Holy Spirit series</u> for more information.

Section 1: Who is the Holy Spirit?

Is the Holy Spirit an impersonal force or energy?

- Personal pronouns used to refer the Holy Spirit
 - John 14:17
 - John 16:13
- Personal characteristics used
 - He has a mind Romans 8:27
 - He speaks Revelation 2:7
- Has titles or works ascribed to a person
 - Helper or Counselor John 14:16
 - Teacher John 14:26

Is the Holy Spirit God?

Section 1: Who is the Holy Spirit?

	God	Jesus	Holy Spirit
Eternal	Isaiah 57:15	Hebrews 13:8	Hebrews 9:14
All-knowing	1 John 3:20	John 16:30	John 14:26

Comparison Technique

- Psalm 95:7-11 and Hebrews 3:7-11
- Acts 5:3 and Acts 5:4

Three-fold ministry of the Holy Spirit (Greek prepositions)

- With you or 'para'
 - John 16:8
- In or 'en'
 - Romans 8:9
- Upon or 'epi'
 - Acts 1:8

1st ministry - with or 'para'

The Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment (John 16:8-11)

- Holy Spirit reveals the truth about sin.
 - World "There many ways to God"
 - Truth "Jesus is the only way to God" John 14:6
- Holy Spirit reveals the truth about righteousness.
 - World "My good works are enough for God"
 - Truth Jesus is our righteousness 2
 Corinthians 5:21

The Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment (John 16:8-11)

- Holy Spirit reveals the truth about judgment.
 - World "There is no judgment"
 - Truth There is a penalty for sin (Romans 6:23)

Three-fold ministry of the Holy Spirit (Greek prepositions)

2nd ministry - In or 'en'

- The Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Jesus Christ and that He is an abiding Helper, Teacher, and Guide
 - Romans 8:9

Indwelling of the Holy Spirit includes:

- Guiding to truth John 16:13
- Giving life John 6:63
- Providing assurance of salvation –
 Romans 8:16

Three-fold ministry of the Holy Spirit (Greek prepositions)

3rd ministry - Upon or 'epi'

- The Baptism (or filling) of the Holy Spirit is the empowering Spirit for service, subsequent to or simultaneously with the indwelling Spirit for salvation.
 - Acts 4:8
 - Acts 7:55-56

Luke 11:13 – "...how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

What are the gifts of the Holy Spirit?

These are special gifts from the Holy Spirit to build up the church.

- 1 Corinthians 12:4 There are different gifts but the same Spirit
- 1 Corinthians 12:12 Each gift is important for proper functioning of the church
- 1 Corinthians 12:25 All gifts are to work together in unity

Section 3: What is the Trinity?

The Bible teaches that God is three Persons yet one God.

- There is one living and true God, eternally existing in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, equal in power and glory; that this triune God created all, upholds all, and governs all.
- God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit are each fully God with attributes that are unique to God only.

Section 3: What is the Trinity?

Three Statements about the Trinity

- God is three persons.
 - Matthew 28:19-20
- Each person is fully God.
 - God the Father Genesis 1:1
 - God the Son Hebrews 1:3
 - God the Spirit John 14:16
- There is one God
 - Deuteronomy 6:4-5
 - 1 Timothy 2:5

Section 3: What is the Trinity?

The Bible teaches that God is three Persons yet one God.

- Although the word "trinity" is not in the Bible, the Bible does teach the Trinity.
- Scripture evidence of the Trinity
 - Matthew 3:16-17
 - Matthew 28:19
 - Genesis 1:26

Reflections & Wrap Up

- The Holy Spirit is fully God just as Jesus is fully God
- The Holy Spirit has a 3-fold relationship with the believer (with, in and upon)
- The Bible teaches that God is Three in One
- Next session is Monday, October
 16 at 6:30 PM in Room 4.
- Questions for next session:
 Participant Guide Session 6:
 What is the Bible?
- Thank you!