



# SERMON NOTES

## THE HOLY SPIRIT

Week 1 (May 13, 2021):  
"The Holy Spirit  
in Scripture"

*John 14:16-17*

### I. The Holy Spirit in Scripture

- A. On The key to experiencing God's presence, peace and power in our lives is the \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. In Old Testament times, the Spirit of God would actually descend upon people and then it would often \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Jesus promises his disciples that the spirit that is in him would \_\_\_\_\_ in them.

### II. Why Are People Living a Spirit-less Life?

- A. Some people aren't even \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit.
- B. Some people \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit.
- C. Some people allow \_\_\_\_\_ to push the Holy Spirit away.

### III. How the Spirit Ministers to Us

- A. The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ you.
- B. The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ you.
- C. The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ you.

***Things I Would Like to Remember About This Message***

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# ASBURY DAILY STUDY GUIDE

## INTRODUCTION

As Christians we believe in one God comprised of three persons – The Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The trinity is a mystery that is really hard to explain. For many of us, we understand God the Father is the creator of all things. We understand the Son (Jesus) is God in human flesh who came to die for our sins and redeem us. But many followers of Christ do not really understand the third person of the trinity – The Holy Spirit. So, why is it important for us to understand the Holy Spirit?

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### Monday: Genesis 1:2, 26-27; Psalm 33:6-9

We sometimes think the Holy Spirit didn't show up (or maybe even exist) until the day of Pentecost after Jesus' resurrection (cf. Acts 2:2-4). However, the Bible described God's Spirit existing before, and at work during the creation of the world. What was your understanding of the Holy Spirit before this week's message?

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### Tuesday: Ezekiel 37:1-14, Zechariah 4:6

Today's readings showed how Israel's prophets honored God's life-giving Spirit. When have you seen God bring life to a situation or person that seemed beyond hope?

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### Wednesday: John 7:37-39, Matthew 28:18-20

Some popular sources try to say a church council invented the Christian belief in the Trinity in some dark corner of the 4th or 5th century. But in Matthew 28:19, Jesus the victor, risen from the dead, made the Trinity central to his Great Commission: "baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." He didn't explain the Trinity (and a full grasp of it is always elusive); he simply stated it as reality. Do you find the mystery of the Trinity an obstacle to faith, or can you value it as a way of expressing God's constant guiding presence with you?

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### Thursday: John 14:16-18, 26-27

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you. My peace I give you. I give to you not as the world gives. Don't be troubled or afraid" (verse 27). Have you ever found the kind of "peace" the world offers leaving you feeling empty and purposeless? How can opening your life to the gift of the Holy Spirit give you the greater, deeper peace Jesus promised?

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### Friday: 2 Corinthians 3:3-6

Paul said Christians are a letter from Christ, written not with ink "but with the Spirit of the living God." How have you learned to trust God's grace when you realize that in some situation you failed to represent God well? In what ways do you open your heart to the influence of "the Spirit of the living God" so that others can see God's imprint in you?

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## MOVING FORWARD

The key to experiencing God's presence, peace and power in our lives is the Holy Spirit. And if you are a Jesus follower, the Spirit dwells in you. However, many believers do not live Spirit filled lives and miss out on living in the power of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will comfort, counsel, and convict us of truth. This week pray that God fills you with the Spirit.

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*Answers to the sermon notes: IA) Holy Spirit, B) depart, C) dwell. IIA) aware, B) resist, C) sin. IIIA) comforts, B) counsels, C) convicts.*