

# THE ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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NEVERTHELESS, I TELL YOU THE TRUTH: IT IS TO YOUR ADVANTAGE THAT I GO AWAY, FOR IF I DO NOT GO AWAY, THE HELPER WILL NOT COME TO YOU. BUT IF I GO, I WILL SEND HIM TO YOU. ST. JOHN 16:7

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- All the gifts given to mankind by God, there is none greater than the presence of the Holy Spirit.
- The Spirit has many functions, roles, and activities.
- He continues to do His work in the world
- First, He does a work in the hearts of all people everywhere.
- Everyone has a “God consciousness,” whether or not they admit it.
- The Spirit applies the truths of God to minds of men to convince them by fair and sufficient arguments that they are sinners.

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## He Is Our Standby/ Our Advocate

- “And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever” ([John 14:16](#)).
- The Greek word translated here “Counselor” means “one who is called alongside” and has the idea of someone who encourages and exhorts.

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## **He Seals us-** Eph. 4:30

- He is our covering
- Once we are saved and belong to God, the Spirit takes up residence in our hearts forever
- He seals us with the confirming, certifying, and assuring pledge of our eternal state as God's children.
- The gift of the Spirit to believers is a down payment on our heavenly inheritance, which Christ has promised us and secured for us at the cross.
- It is because the Spirit has sealed us that we are assured of our salvation. No one can break the seal of God.

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## He Is Our Comforter

- The Holy Spirit takes up permanent residence in the hearts of believers. Romans 8:9; I Corinthians 6:19-20, 12:13.
- Jesus gave the Spirit as a “compensation” for His absence, to perform the functions toward us which He would have done if He had remained personally with us.
- The Spirit comforts believers with fellowship and joy as they go through a hostile world. I Thessalonians 1:6; 2 Corinthians 13:14.
- The Spirit, in His mighty power, fills believers with “all joy and peace” as they trust the Lord, causing believers to “overflow with hope”.



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## He Is Our guide

- He will guide you into all truth”. John 16:13
- He reveals to our minds the whole counsel of God as it relates to worship, doctrine, and Christian living.
- He is the ultimate guide, going before, leading the way, removing obstructions, opening the understanding, and making all things plain and clear.
- He leads in the way we should go in all spiritual things. Without such a guide, we would be apt to fall into error.

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## He Is Our Helper

- Helps us understand the word of God
- Among those functions is that of revealer of truth.
- The Spirit's presence within us enables us to understand and interpret God's Word.
- A crucial part of the truth He reveals is that Jesus is who He said He is. John 15:26; 1 Corinthians 12:3.

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## He Gives Glory

- The Spirit convinces us of Christ's deity and incarnation, His being the Messiah, His suffering and death, His resurrection and ascension, His exaltation at the right hand of God, and His role as the judge of all.
- He gives **glory** to Christ in all things John 16:14.



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## He is Our Gift-Giver

- 1 Corin. 12-describes the spiritual gifts given to believers in order that we may function as the body of Christ on earth.
- All these gifts, both great and small, are given by the Spirit so that we may be His ambassadors to the world, showing forth His grace and glorifying Him
- There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them”. 1 Corinthians 12:4.
- The spiritual gifts that believers possess are given by the Holy Spirit as He determines in His wisdom. (verse 11)

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## He is a Fruit Producer

- The Spirit also functions as fruit-producer in our lives.
- When He indwells us, He begins the work of harvesting His fruit in our lives—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23.
- These are not works of our flesh, which is incapable of producing such fruit, but they are products of the Spirit's presence in our lives.

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## He Prays for us

- The Holy Spirit assists believers in prayer (Jude 1:20) and “intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God.” Romans 8:26–27.
- 26. 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. <sup>27</sup> 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. Rom. 8:26-27

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## He Convict Us

- Jesus told the disciples that He would send the Spirit into the world to “convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment” John 16:7-11.
- There is a righteous standard we are all held to, despite the world’s stubborn denial of absolute truth.
- The Holy Spirit he will “convict” the world; that is, He will reprove it or show it to be wrong.
- Responding to that conviction brings men to salvation.

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- The Holy Spirit has one other important role, and that is to give believers wisdom by which we can understand God.
- “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”. I Corinthians 2:10–11.
- Since we have been given the amazing gift of God’s Spirit inside ourselves, we can comprehend the thoughts of God, as revealed in the Scripture. The Spirit helps us understand. This is wisdom from God, rather than wisdom from man.
- No amount of human knowledge can ever replace the Holy Spirit’s teaching I Corinthians 2:12–13.



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## 7 Spirits of God Is. 11:2

1. The Spirit of the **LORD**
2. The Spirit of **wisdom**
3. The Spirit of **understanding,**
4. The Spirit of **counsel**
5. The Spirit of **power,**
6. The Spirit of **knowledge**
7. The Spirit of **the fear of the LORD**



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- We can know that the Holy Spirit is indeed a divine person (Holy) because He possesses a mind, emotions, and a will. The Holy Spirit thinks and knows. I Corinthians 2:10.
- The Holy Spirit can be grieved Ephesians 4:30.
- The Spirit intercedes for us Romans 8:26-27.
- He makes decisions according to His will. I Corinthians 12:7-11.
- The Holy Spirit is God, the third Person of the Trinity.
- As God, the Holy Spirit can truly function as the Comforter and Counselor that Jesus promised He would be. John 14:16, 26, 15:26.

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- The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.”
- The knowledge that the Holy Spirit of God has taken up residence in our lives, that He performs all these miraculous functions. He is our Helper.
- He dwells with us forever
- He will never leave or forsake us is cause for great joy and comfort.
- Thank God for this precious gift—the Holy Spirit and His work in our lives!

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- Next Week
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- Resource
  - [Got Questions?org](http://GotQuestions.org)-The Role of the Holy Spirit