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Introduction

In my years as a Christian and going to church each week, the topic of the Holy Spirit is often avoided for fear of blasphemy. Many people are scared to approach this topic and when you share the identity of the Spirit, they shut down their ears and might even comment that when they get to Heaven, they will be able to meet him (Holy Spirit). Some have commented that it is the Spirit, as a he, is the one running things down here (on earth). I have even come across a group in another country that is teaching the Holy Spirit is a female. All of these things are the net result of not studying their Bible which results in a gap in understanding and wisdom that allows for total confusion.

Prior to the topic of the Comforter which shows up in the gospel of John in the New Testament, the Holy Spirit was known as the Spirit of God. Sadly, the translators of the King James version of the Bible used the word “ghost” instead of “Spirit” in most cases on this. Most other translations have it correct as the Holy Spirit instead of a holy ghost. But with today’s religious dogma, this Spirit has been made into a mystery ghost, a third divine being, a third person of supposedly one God, and even a third co-eternal—co-equal being. This is not what the Scriptures teach unless you seriously make assumptions or add to the word of God. Most of this starts at the Jesuit universities and is taught to almost all pastors, including those that are suppose-to be Protestant.

Names for the Holy Spirit

How many times are these words found in the King James Version?

Holy Spirit	7x
Holy Ghost	89x
holy Spirit of God	1x
Spirit of the Lord God	1x
Spirit of your Father	1x
Spirit of God	26x
Spirit of the LORD	31x
Spirit of the Living God	1x
His Holy Spirit	3x
Thy Holy Spirit	1x
Spirit of Truth	4x

My Spirit	14x
Spirit of Adoption	1x
Spirit of Jesus Christ	1x
Eternal Spirit	1x
Spirit of His Son	1x
Spirit of Christ	2x
His Spirit	9x
The Spirit	275x
That Spirit	2x
God's Spirit *	9x
Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus	1x
Spirit of Counsel and Might	1x
Spirit of Wisdom (& Understanding	4x
god the holy spirit	0x

One of the above names or titles, "God's Spirit" is not found in the King James, but in the International Standard Bible Version. You will notice that the words, "god the holy spirit" are NOT found in the Bible whatsoever.

John 14, 15, 16

These chapters are full of Jesus giving witness and speaking to his disciples. He speaks in what is referred to as first person and third person language. In doing this, these chapters are loaded with **PARABLES**, or referred to as **PROVERBS**.

Mark 4 gives us an explanation of why Jesus used parables. Let's start with **verse 10**: And when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve asked of him the **parable**. **11** And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are without, all *these* things are done in **parables**: **12** That seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and *their* sins should be forgiven them.

We see the discussion of this late in the chapter of John 16.

John 16:25 – **"These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs:** but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father."

And here we have confirmation from the disciples that they understood how, and what was being said to them by Jesus.

John 16:29 – “His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.”

Illeism

Definition: Illeism is the act of referring to oneself in the third person instead of the first person. - Wikipedia

Third person language by Jesus will be illustrated in this presentation as well as first person examples.

Now lets read some vital verses in John 14 and view them without colored lenses. All through this chapter we are given clues as to **who** is the Comforter.

John 14 Who is this Comforter?

v1 “Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, **believe also in me.**”

v2 “In my Father’s house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.”

v3 “And if I go and prepare a place for you, **I will come again**, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.”

v4 “And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.”

v5 “Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?”

Jesus said, v6 “**I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**”

v7 “If ye had known me, **ye should have known my Father** also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.”

v8 “Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.”

v9 “Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? **he that hath seen me hath seen the Father**; and how sayest thou *then*, Shew us the Father?”

v10 “Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? **the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.**”

v11 “Believe me that I *am* in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.”

v12 “Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.”

v13 “And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.”

V14 “If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.”

v15 “If ye love me, keep my commandments.”

v16 “And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever;”

v17 “*Even the Spirit of truth*; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but **ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.**”

v18 “**I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.**”

v19 “Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but **ye see me: because I live**, ye shall live also.”

v20 “At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.”

v21 “He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved by my Father, and I will love him, and **will manifest myself to him.**”

v22 “**Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?**”

v23 “Jesus answered and said unto him. If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and **we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**”

V24 “He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and **the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.**”

v25 “These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.”

v26 “But the **Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost**, whom the Father will **send in my name**, he shall teach you all things, and

bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.”

v27 “Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”

v28 “Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.”

v29 “And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.”

v30 “Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.”

v31 “But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.”

John 14:16 - “And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever;”

Don't let this single verse trip you up. We have the weight of evidence being laid out here for your ease of understanding. Jesus was using third person language to explain that he would come to them in another form, another comforter that would be more of the same. How was the Lord working with them?

He was in **another form** than what they were use to. He was dwelling with them in the flesh as their **Comforter**, on the earth in human form, but in the next verse in **John 14:17**, he said he would be in them. This is how he would be another Comforter. **In the Spirit!**

An example of this can be found as “Another” in the Old Testament.

1 Samuel 10:6 - “And the **Spirit of the Lord** will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into **another man**.”

Saul was about to be turned into **another** man. Saul had been thru an experience, and he received the Holy Spirit. But he was still Saul even though he was “**another man**”. And Jesus was still Jesus after

his experience even though he was “**another comforter.**” So, Saul was **another** man in the same way that Jesus was **another** comforter. **Another** in this context means, **another of the same.**

John 14 Clues

Jesus

The world seeth me no more-v19

but ye see me-v19

(Jesus was with them at the time)

I will come to you – v18

I in you – v20

Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world-

(Matt.28:19)

Comforter

The world seeth him not-v17

but ye know him-v17

he dwelleth with you-v17

shall be in you – v17

give you another comforter – v16

he may abide with you forever - v16

Strong's Concordance showing the Greek.

Text Analysis

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Strong's	Greek	English	Morphology
2504 [e]	Κἀγὼ kago	And I	Pro-N1S
2065 [e]	ἑρωτήσω erotēsō	will ask	V-FIA-1S
3588 [e]	τὸν ton	the	Art-AMS
3962 [e]	Πατέρα Patera	Father,	N-AMS
2532 [e]	καὶ kai	and	Conj
243 [e]	ἄλλον allon	another	Adj-AMS
3875 [e]	Παράκλητον Paraklēton	Helper	N-AMS
1325 [e]	δώσει dōsei	He will give	V-FIA-3S
4771 [e]	ὑμῖν hymin	you,	Pro-D2P
2443 [e]	ἵνα hina	that	Conj
1510 [e]	ἢ ↔ ē	He may be	V-PSA-3S
3326 [e]	«μεθ' meth'	with	Prep
4771 [e]	ὑμῶν hymōn	you	Pro-G2P
1519 [e]	εἰς eis	to	Prep
3588 [e]	τὸν ton	the	Art-AMS
165 [e]	αἰῶνα», aiōna	age,	N-AMS

G243 ἄλλος

The Greek word for “another” is “allos,” which means another of the exact same kind. Jesus was present with His disciples in physical form in the flesh, but after the cross He comes back in another form; that is by His Spirit. Hence the “another,” is His Spirit. Another way to consider this is, Jesus was present in his human nature. Think of him as the Son of man here. But by coming back again in the Spirit, he would be by his divine nature. Now think of him as the Son of God.

HELPS Word-studies

243 állos (a primitive word) – *another* of the *same* kind; *another* of a *similar* type.

Because Christ's Spirit can function independently of Himself, it is like His Spirit is “**another**.” And because it is His Spirit, it is “**another**” of the same kind.

G2087 héteros

If the meaning of the word was another, **as in a different kind**, then the proper Greek word would have been **G2087 héteros** – another (of a different kind), (“another but distinct in kind”)

HELPS Word-studies

2087 héteros – *another* (of a *different* kind). **2087 /héteros** (“*another* but *distinct in kind*”) stands in contrast to **243 /állos** (“*another* of the *same* kind”). **2087 /héteros** (“*another* of a *different quality*”) emphasizes it is *qualitatively* different from its counterpart (comparison).

[**2087 (héteros)** sometimes refers to “another” of a *different class* group or type (as in *Plato; Oxy. papyri*).]

Another = “of the same kind” OR “of a different kind” ?

If the Comforter was a different person, then John would have used the word “heteros” meaning, another of a different kind. But he didn't. Let's take a quick look at Mark 16.

Mark 16 - v9 “Now when *Jesus* was risen early the first *day* of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.”

v10 “*And* she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept.”

v11 “*And* they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.”

v12 “*After* that he appeared in **another form** unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.”

v19 “*So* then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.”

v20 “And they went forth, and preached every where, **the Lord working with them**, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.”

The “he” in verse 12 is Jesus, appearing in another form. A spirit form. How was the Lord working with them but wasn’t there in person after the fact? **BY HIS SPIRIT!!**

Now let’s analyze the word Comforter in the text and see what other parallels to it we can see within Strong’s Concordance.

Advocate, Intercessor, Consoler, Comforter, Helper, Paraklete (Strong’s Greek 3875)

Strong’s Concordance, Greek Lexicon # G3875 illustrates the same meaning for these words in the above header in the following 5 texts: John 14:16, 14:26, 15:26, 16:7 and **1 John 2:1**. (five times we have the use of G3875 in the NT)

John 14:16 – “And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another **Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever;”

John 14:26 – “But the **Comforter**, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.”

John 15:26 – “But when the **Comforter** is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me.”

John 16:7 – “Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the **Comforter** will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.”

1 John 2:1 – “My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an **advocate** with the Father, **Jesus Christ the righteous**.”

But that last verse says we have an **advocate** with the Father and it is **Jesus Christ the righteous!!**

Advocate

Παράκλητον (Paraklēton)

Noun - Accusative Masculine Singular

Strong's Greek 3875: (a) an advocate, intercessor, (b) a consoler, comforter, helper, (c) Paraclete. An intercessor, consoler.

◀ 3875. paraklétos ▶

Strong's Concordance

paraklétos: called to one's aid

Original Word: παράκλητος, ου, ὁ

Part of Speech: Noun, Masculine

Transliteration: paraklétos

Phonetic Spelling: (par-ak'-lay-tos)

Definition: called to one's aid

Usage: (a) an advocate, intercessor, (b) a consoler, comforter, helper, (c) Paraclete.

HELPS Word-studies

3875 paraklétos (from **3844 /pará,** "from close-beside" and **2564 /kaleō,** "make a call") – properly, a *legal advocate* who makes the right judgment-call because *close* enough to the situation. **3875 /paraklétos** ("advocate, advisor-helper") is the regular term in NT times of an *attorney* (lawyer) – i.e. someone *giving evidence that stands up in court.*

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NAS Exhaustive Concordance

Word Origin

from parakaleō

Definition

called to one's aid

NASB Translation

Advocate (1), Helper (4).

Englishman's Concordance

John 14:16 N-AMS

GRK: και ἄλλον παράκλητον δώσει ὑμῖν

NAS: you another *Helper*; that He may be with you forever;

KJV: another *Comforter*; that

INT: and another *Helper* he will give you

John 14:26 N-NMS

GRK: ὁ δὲ παράκλητος τὸ πνεῦμα

NAS: *But the Helper*; the Holy Spirit,

KJV: *But the Comforter* [which is] the Holy

INT: but [the] *Helper* the Spirit

John 15:26 N-NMS

GRK: ἔσθι ὁ παράκλητος ὃν ἐγὼ

NAS: When *the Helper* comes, whom

KJV: But when *the Comforter* is come, whom

INT: is come the *Helper* whom I

John 16:7 N-NMS

GRK: ἀπέλθω ὁ παράκλητος οὐ οὐκ

NAS: I do not go away, *the Helper* will not come

KJV: not away, *the Comforter* will not

INT: I go away the *Helper* no not at all

1 John 2:1 N-AMS

GRK: τις ἁμάρτη παράκλητον ἔχομεν πρὸς

NAS: we have *an Advocate* with the Father,

KJV: we have *an advocate* with

INT: anyone should sin *an advocate* we have with

Strong's Greek 3875

5 Occurrences

This confirms who the comforter is. Jesus is the way, the channel, the only mediator, our only **advocate** to the Father, not someone else or another being called god the holy spirit.

Remember the word, Illeism? Illeism is the act of referring to oneself in the third person instead of the first person. - Wikipedia

Third Person Language

Now let's see what happens when Jesus is speaking about himself in "Third Person language." For some reason people get tripped up on this. This is a grammatical type of language used more common than you would think. Jesus is speaking about himself as if he had "ANOTHER" of himself standing before him plus whoever he is conducting his conversation with. It creates the "**proverb**" that is mentioned late in John 16.

So now Jesus is speaking about himself as "**the Son**", the "**Son of man**", "**he**", "**his**", "**him**", "**himself**", and the "**Son of God**".

- **Matthew 16:28** - Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see **the Son of man** coming in **his** kingdom.
- **Matthew 25:31** – "When the **Son of man** shall come in **his** glory, and all the holy angels with **him**, then shall **he** sit upon the throne of his glory."
- **Mark 8:38** – "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of **me** and of **my** words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the **Son of man** be ashamed, when **he** cometh in the glory of **his** Father with the holy angels." ("me", "my" is in the First person; "Son of Man", "he", "his" is in Third person language)
- **Mark 9:31-32** - For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, **The Son of man** is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill **him**; and after that **he** is killed, **he** shall rise the third day. v32 But they understood not that saying, and were afraid to ask him.
- **Mark 14:41** – "And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take *your* rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the **Son of man** is betrayed into the hands of sinners."
- **Mark 14:62** – "And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the **Son of man** sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven."
- **Luke 5:24** – "But that ye may know that the **Son of man** hath

- power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.”
- **Luke 6:5** – “And he said unto them, That the **Son of man** is Lord also of the Sabbath.”
- **Luke 18:8** – “I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the **Son of man** cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?”
- **John 1:51** - And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon **the Son of man**.
- **John 1:51** – “And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the **Son of man**.”
- **John 3:13, 14** - And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but **he** that came down from heaven, *even the Son of man* which is in heaven. **v14** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must **the Son of man** be lifted up:
- **John 3:16-18** – “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten **Son**, that whosoever believeth in **him** should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17 For God sent not his **Son** into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through **him** might be saved. 18 He that believeth on **him** is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten **Son of God**.”
- **John 5:19-23** – “Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The **Son** can do nothing of **himself**, but what **he** seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth **the Son** likewise. 20 For the Father loveth **the Son**, and sheweth **him** all things that himself doeth: and he will shew **him** greater works than these, that ye may marvel. 21 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them*; even so **the Son** quickeneth whom he will. 22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto **the Son**: 23 That all *men* should honour the **Son**, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not

the **Son** honoureth not the Father which hath sent **him**.”

- **John 5:25-27** – “Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the **Son of God**: and they that hear shall live. 26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to **the Son** to have life in **himself**; 27 And hath given **him** authority to execute judgment also, because he is the **Son of man**.”

Who is the Son of man? Its Jesus! 79 times, Jesus is using these three words in third person language out of 84 times in total in the New Testament to expressly discuss himself.

Matthew 8:20, 9:6, 10:23, 11:19, 12:8, 12:32, 12:40, 13:37, 13:41, 16:13, 16:27, 16:28, 17:9, 17:12, 17:22, 18:11, 19:28, 20:18, 20:28, 24:27, 24:30, 24:37, 24:39, 24:44, 25:13, 25:31, 26:2, 26:24, 26:45, 26:64.

Mark 2:10, 2:28, 8:31, 8:38, 9:9, 9:12, 9:31, 10:33, 10:45, 13:26, 13:34, 14:21, 14:41, 14:62.

Luke 5:24, 6:5, 7:34, 9:22, 9:26, 9:44, 9:56, 9:58, 11:30, 12:8, 12:10, 12:40, 17:22, 17:24, 17:26, 17:30, 18:8, 18:31, 19:10, 21:27, 21:36, 22:22, 22:48, 22:69, 24:7.

John 1:51, 3:13, 3:14, 5:27, 6:27, 6:53, 6:62, 8:28, 12:23, 13:31.

Five times out of the 84, the “Son of Man” is mentioned, but it is other individuals talking about Jesus in the conversation: John 12:34, Acts 7:56, Hebrews 2:6, Revelation 1:13 & 14:14

John 14:17 - “*Even the Spirit of truth*; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but **ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.**”

The world can’t have the Spirit of truth because it doesn’t know him. But the disciples know him. They can have the Spirit of truth. How said in **John 14:6** that he is the truth? Jesus did!

Who was dwelling with them at that moment? Christ!
And now Christ will be in them thru the Spirit.
Spirit of truth now will be in the disciples.
Spirit + Christ = Spirit of Christ.
Christ in His Spirit is the Spirit of Truth.

Now we will take a look at what most people are use to in common language, and that is a direct usage of “First Person language.”

It is obvious and easy to tell when Jesus is speaking in “First Person language.” It is a direct communication that leaves nothing to guess. He speaks of himself as “**I**”, “**me**”, “**my**”, “**own**”, “**myself**”.

First Person Language

- **John 4:14** – “But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.”
- **John 5:24, 30-32,34,5:46-47** – “Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent **me**, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. v30 I can of mine **own self** do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and **my** judgment is just; because I seek not mine **own** will, but the will of the Father which hath sent **me**. 31 If I bear witness of **myself**, my witness is not true. v32 There is another that beareth witness of **me**; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of **me** is true..... v34 But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I **say**, that ye might be saved. v46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed **me**: for he wrote of **me**. v47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe **my** words?”
- **John 6:32-33** – “Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but **my** Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.”
- **John 6:35, 38-39, 47-48, 51, 54** – “And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on **me** shall never thirst. 38 For I came down from heaven, not to do mine **own** will, but the will of him that sent **me**. 39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent **me**, that of all which he hath given **me** I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. 47 Verily, verily, I

say unto you, He that believeth on **me** hath everlasting life. 48 **I** am that bread of life. 51 **I am** the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that **I** will give is **my** flesh, which **I** will give for the life of the world. 54 Whoso eateth **my** flesh, and drinketh **my** blood, hath eternal life; and **I** will raise him up at the last day.”

- **John 8:12** – “Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, **I** am the light of the world: he that followeth **me** shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.”
- **John 14:14, 18, 21** – “If ye shall ask any thing in **my** name, **I** will do it. v18 **I** will not leave you comfortless: **I** will come to you. v21 He that hath **my** commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth **me**: and he that loveth **me** shall be loved of **my** Father, and **I** will love him, and will manifest **myself** to him.”

This is Jesus speaking in **first person language** telling you directly that it is **HE** that will not leave you without a Comforter or comfortless. He says that **HE** will come to you, not someone else. Not a friend, not a stranger, but **JESUS HIMSELF**. Reading through this in its context, it is Jesus who would return to them in another form. In the Spirit, not in the flesh.

Again we read, **John 14:18** - “**I** will not leave you comfortless: **I** will come to you.”

John 14:19 – “Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.”

Jesus tells them that the world is not going to see him any more. But they will still see Him because He lives. Why? He will be invisible to the unbeliever, the world, but the disciples will see Him again because he will come upon them in the Spirit.

John 14:20-21 – “At that day ye shall know that **I** am in my Father, and ye in me, and **I** in you. v21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved by my Father, and **I** will love him, and **will manifest myself to him.**”

“Manifest myself to him” = come upon him in the Spirit. Lets see how this is possible. Many will remember the words, “as we are One.” This comes from **John 10:30** – “I and *my* Father are one.”

Now, here is a different combination that makes up one. Is this the Biblical trinity if there is one??

John 14:20 – “At that day ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.” (The Father, the Son, and YOU the believer!)

John 17:11 – “And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we *are*.”

John 17:21-23 – “That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. v22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: v23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.”

As we are One?

Jesus prayed that his disciples might be one as he was one with his Father. This prayer did not contemplate one disciple with twelve heads, but twelve disciples, made one in object and effort in the cause of their master. They are one in purpose, in mind, in character. With the unity that exists between Jesus and His Father, they are not one in person, and they are not parts that make up a “three-one God.” The unity in the above description is how God and Christ are one in bringing about the redemption of man.

John 14:22 - “Lord, **how** is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?”

Judas, (not Iscariot) asks Jesus, **HOW, not WHO**. They understood that Jesus was telling them that He was coming back to them. They were just puzzled in “**How are you going to do this?**” **How are you going to manifest (come to us) and not the rest of the**

world? If Judas asked who, then it would be a mystery as to who was to come to them. But that was not the case.

John 14:23 - “Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and **we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**”

Who is the “**we**” spoken of here? **It is the Father and the Son. The Father and Son will come and make their abode with you.** In other words, **it is them that will dwell with the true believer.** Not someone else.

John 14:26 - “But the **Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost**, whom **the Father will send in my name**, he shall **teach you all things**, and **bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.**”

The Comforter = Holy Ghost (Spirit)
Sent by the Father in Christ’s name
Comforter = Holy Spirit + Christ name
Holy Spirit of Christ also known as the **Spirit of Christ**

Comforter = Spirit of Truth = Holy Spirit = Spirit of God =
Spirit of Christ

John 15:26 – “But when the **Comforter** is come, whom I will send unto you **from the Father**, *even* the **Spirit of truth**, which **proceedeth from the Father**, **he shall testify of me.**”

John 14:26 – “But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will **send in my name....**”

Romans 8:9 – “But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the **Spirit of God dwell in you**. Now if any man have not the **Spirit of Christ**, he is none of his.”

John 14:28 - “Ye have heard how I said unto you, **I go away, and come *again* unto you**. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, **I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.**”

Jesus reminds them that he told them that he would need to go away. However, he is coming back “**unto you**” he says. He tells them that he is going “unto the Father”.

This is one of many clues as He is telling us He is the Comforter. **Remember, this is PARABLE language!**

John 14:29 - "And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe."

JESUS TELLS THEM THIS BEFORE IT HAPPENS SO WHEN IT DOES HAPPEN, THEY WILL REALIZE WHAT IS GOING ON AND BELIEVE!

John 14 Clues from Jesus

- I will come again, and receive you unto myself.
- I am the way, **THE TRUTH**, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me
- whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son
- ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*
- the Spirit of truth - ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you
- I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.
- ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.
- and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him (**COME TO HIM IN SPIRIT FORM**)
- how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?
- we will come unto him, and make our abode with him (**FATHER AND SON COME AND DWELL WITH THE BELIEVER**)
- Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost , the Father will send in my name (**CHRIST NAME – THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST**)
- Ye have heard how I said unto you, I GO AWAY, and COME AGAIN UNTO YOU.

John 16:13 - "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he **shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak:** and he will shew you things to come."

Remember, John 14, 15 and 16 contains parable language. Pay close attention to the following verses from Jesus. He speaks what he hears from the Father. Just as the Spirit of truth does. Who said that he was "the truth?" **Jesus!**

Jesus, the Son of Man, the Son of God Speaks as He hears (from God the Father)

John 12:49-50 – "For I have not spoken of myself; but **the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.** v50 And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, **even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.**"

John 14:10 – "Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? **the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.**"

John 14:24 – "He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and **the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.**"

John 8:28 – "Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am *he*, and *that* **I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.**"

John 17:8 – "For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received *them*, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me."

John 5:30 – "I can of mine own self do nothing: **as I hear, I judge:** and my judgment is just; because **I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.**"

John 7:17-18 – "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or *whether* I speak of myself. v18 He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that

seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.”

Revelation 1:1 – “The Revelation of Jesus Christ, **which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel** unto his servant John:”

Keep in mind this forward-looking clue from Jesus:

John 16:16 – “A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.”

Jesus was going to return to them in the Spirit! Not in human form as before.

In John 14, verses 17 and 18, the disciples questioned what Jesus meant by they won't see him, then they will see him. They were completely puzzled by this.

Jesus followed this in **John 16:20** telling them that “the world shall rejoice” and that their “sorrow shall be turned into joy.”

v22 “....but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.”

The Spirit of God

Can you blaspheme against someone who is not God?

Matthew 12:31 – “Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.”

Luke 12:10 – “And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.”

So it is stated in the above that you can speak against the Son of man who is Jesus Christ, but it is blasphemous to speak against the Holy Spirit (or Ghost per the KJV). We will not fear approaching this topic as we are not saying anything evil against the Holy Spirit, but helping to reveal the identity of this Spirit. We will unwrap the “mystery” that shouldn’t be a mystery to begin with. And once you realize this, the personality of God becomes much more real and personal. Let’s start with a popular verse in the book of Acts.

Acts 5:3, 4, 9

Acts 5:3 - “But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to **lie to the Holy Ghost**, and to keep back part of the price of the land.?”

v4“Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not **lied** unto men, but **unto God**.”

Every single time I hear this topic mentioned in Acts 5, these two verses are quoted and that is it. And they say, “see, there you go. God the Holy Spirit is right there.” But they are reading something additional into this. If they would go further, even down to verse 9, it connects the dots.

v9“Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt **the Spirit of the Lord**? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband *are* at the door, and shall carry thee out.”

The Holy Ghost belongs to God, and it is stated that it is the Spirit of the Lord. Lord here should have been capitalized, LORD It belongs to God, as in the Father. It is His very own Spirit! His personality and identity is “the” God. It is man that makes him divisible by multiple persons, but Scriptures don’t say that. The word “person” and “persons” is in the Scriptures 56 times in 54 verses. You will not find a definition or description of this being a part of God as one-half or one-third of Him.

Acts 5

v3 lie to the Holy Ghost (Holy Spirit). v5 lied unto God. v9 tempt the Spirit of the Lord

Blaspheming God Himself is the issue here. He is represented here to us through His own Spirit also known as the Holy Ghost or Spirit of the Lord or even more commonly used, the SPIRIT OF GOD!

God (the Father) is a Spirit

John 4:23-24 – “But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. **v24 God is a Spirit:** and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.”

God is the Holy Father

John 17:11 – “And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. **Holy Father**, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we *are*.”

God is, God the Father

John 6:27, 1 Corinthians 8:6, Galatians 1:1, 1:3, Ephesians 6:23, Philippians 2:11, 1 Thessalonians 1:1, 2 Timothy 1:2, Titus 1:4, 1 Peter 1:2, 2 Peter 1:17, 2 John 1:3, Jude 1:1.

God is Holy, His existence is referred to as Holy – “I AM HOLY”

Joshua 24:19, Leviticus 11:44, 45, 19:2, 21:8, 21:22, 1 Samuel 2:2, 6:20, 1 Chronicles 29:16, Psalm 71:22, 78:41, 99:5, 99:9, 106:47, Isaiah 5:16, 29:23, 30:15, 43:3, 48:17, 52:10, 54:5, 55:5, 60:9,

Jeremiah 60:9, 51:5, Ezekiel 20:39, 36:22, 39:25, Hosea 11:9, Habakkuk 1:12, 3:3, Ephesians 4:30, Revelation 4:8.

What God is, is a HOLY SPIRIT!

1 John 3:24 – “And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that **he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.**”

1 Corinthians 3:16 - “Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the **Spirit of God dwelleth in you?**”

As you can see from the above, the Holy Spirit is not a mystery. Therefore it is not a mystery ghost! We can know the identity of it and from who it comes from. Has your conscious ever given you a feeling of guilt or told you don't do something because it is wrong? That is the Spirit working on you to guide you. But if you turn from it and don't listen, there will be a time when the Spirit has left you to your error and wrongful ways.

Romans 8:9-11, 14 – “But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the **Spirit of God dwell in you**. Now if any man have not **the Spirit of Christ**, he is none of his. **v10** And if **Christ be in you**, the body *is* dead because of sin; but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness. **v11** But if **the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead** shall also quicken your mortal bodies by **his Spirit that dwelleth in you**. **v14** For as many as are led by the **Spirit of God**, they are the **sons of God.**”

If we truly have the Spirit of God dwelling within us as in the above, it explains further that we are dead to sin because of the Spirit of Christ. We stop sinning. We have had a conversion in our hearts and our flesh becomes dead in a sense, and we are now alive in the Spirit. We are no longer a slave to sin. That Spirit is now spoken about using Christ instead of God because after the ascension of Christ, that Spirit is now sent through Christ to us. He is the channel through which everything takes place. He is our mediator, nothing or no one else.

2 Corinthians 3:17 – “Now the **Lord is that Spirit**: and where the **Spirit of the Lord** *is, there is liberty.*”

1 John 4:12-13 – “No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, **God dwelleth in us**, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we **dwelt in him, and he in us**, because he hath **given us of his Spirit.**”

Ephesians 2:18 – “For through him (Jesus) **we both** (you and I) **have access by one Spirit unto the Father.**” (Description in brackets added here)

Folks, are you starting to see this? Isn't this liberating! God dwells with us, he loves us, and he sent His only begotten Son to die for us. And we can be apart of that family if we accept Christ as our Saviour and acknowledge the Heavenly Father as the one true and living God.

Genesis 6:3, 6 – “And the LORD said, **My spirit** shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. **v6** And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and **it grieved him at his heart.**”

At one time there was practically no limit to how long man could live. But God saw that it did no good for man to live so long, because they would have such a sinful nature. So he placed a limit on their years at 120. It is His Spirit that is with man in the Old Testament, nothing or no one else. And today it is the Spirit of His Son that we will see in the next chapter.

Ephesians 4:30 - “And grieve not the **holy Spirit of God**, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.”

The Spirit of God is holy. God Himself is Holy. The holy Spirit of God is the one and same spirit that we have illustrated throughout this presentation.

1 Samuel 10:10 - “And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of prophets met him; and the **Spirit of God** came upon him, and he prophesied among them.”

Acts 10:38 - "How **God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost** and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for **God was with him.**"

Keep in mind John 14:10: "...**the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.**"

Psalms 51:11 - "Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy **Holy Spirit** from me."

Here is Psalms 51, David has written a prayer, repenting of sin, asking God (as in the Father) not to leave him. Not to remove his presence from David by taking God's own Spirit from him. It is a VERY personal prayer to God.

1 Corinthians 8:6 - But to us there is but **one God, the Father, of whom are all things**, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.

God, the Father = Source Lord, Jesus Christ = channel

1 Timothy 2:5 - "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;"

Some theologians and Pastors teach two mediators or intercessors. They try and interject the Holy Spirit as a god the holy spirit as a mediator. In some places they even pray to the Holy Spirit and teach their church members to do the same thing. But Jesus taught us to pray ONLY to His Father, and to ask in the name of Jesus. But where do the pastors get these missteps from? The seminary!

The Comforter is the Holy Spirit.
The personal presence of God and Christ.
It is them both, not someone else.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 - "Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given *us* everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, **v17** Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work."

1 John 1:3 – “That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly **our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.**”

John 14:23 – “Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and **we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**”

The Father and Son. There is no third being involved.

Some have used **2 Corinthians 13:14** as a means to support their excuse for a trinity doctrine. Its interesting to note that Biblehub.com notes that this chapter was written from the city of Macedonia by Titus and Lucas. Not Paul. Let’s take a look at this verse.

2 Corinthians 13:14 – “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, *be* with you all. Amen.”

There is quite a simple way to look at this verse. Just trying to see THREE of something in it is very faulty when it doesn’t tell you the Holy Spirit is God, it doesn’t tell you there are three co-equal, co-eternal beings. That is adding to Scripture and there is a special prize in the end of time for those that do that. I don’t want any part of that. But if we have the Son, Jesus Christ, and we have his Father, God (Jehovah or Yahweh whichever you prefer), then we can have their presence with us through their Spirit. That is the communion of the Holy Spirit.

Now for some weight of evidence. Twenty-two verses to this one verse in 2 Corinthians that some people want to hang their doctrine on. These are greetings and salutations from Paul, James, Peter, John and Jude. This shreds any faulty thinking here.

Romans 1:7 – “To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace **from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

1 Corinthians 1:3 – “Grace be unto you, and peace, **from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

2 Corinthians 1:2 – “Grace be to you and peace **from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Galatians 1:3 – “Grace be to you and peace **from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Ephesians 1:2 – “Grace be to you, and peace, **from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Ephesians 6:23 – “Peace *be* to the brethren, and love with faith, **from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Philippians 1:1-2 – “Grace be unto you, and peace, **from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Colossians 1:2 – “To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

1 Thessalonians 1:1 – “Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is **in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ:** Grace be unto you, and peace, **from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

2 Thessalonians 1:2 – “Grace unto you, and peace, **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

1 Timothy 1:1-2 – “Grace, mercy, and peace, **from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.**”

2 Timothy 1:1-2 – “Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, and peace, **from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.**”

Titus 1:1-2 – “Paul, **a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ,** according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;”

Titus 1:4 – “To Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, **from God the Father and the Lord Jesus**

Christ our Saviour.”

Philemon 1:1-3 – “Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy our brother, unto Philemon our dearly beloved, and fellow labourer, And to our beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in thy house: Grace to you, and peace, **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

James 1:1 – “James, **a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ**, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.”

1 Peter 1:1-2 – “Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, Elect **according to the foreknowledge of God the Father**, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of **Jesus Christ**: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.”

2 Peter 1:1-2 – “Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through **the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ**: Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through **the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord.**”

1 John 1:3 – “That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and **truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.**”

2 John 1:3 – “Grace be with you, mercy, and peace, **from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father**, in truth and love.”

2 John 1:9 – “Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of **Christ**, he hath both the **Father and the Son.**”

Jude 1:1, 2, 4 – “Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by **God the Father**, and preserved in **Jesus Christ**, and called: v2 Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, by multiplied. v4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation,

ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only **Lord God**, and our **Lord Jesus Christ**.”

The Spirit of Christ

Now that we have a foundation building here on solid Scripture, I will let most of these speak to you without much commentary. Christ is known as the second or last Adam, and in the text below, it details that he was made into a “quickening spirit.” We had the human nature of Christ as a human in the flesh here on the earth, and then upon his ascension, he was made into a Spirit. It says he was a man, “the second man” or Adam, and he was from Heaven. Here is a hint that Christ existed in Heaven prior to his birth through Mary. After all, he was the Son of God as **John 3:17** says, “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.” God would have had to have a Son, not a metaphor like some pastors and church leaders teach, in order to send him.

1 Corinthians 15:45, 47 – “And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; **the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.** **v47** The first man is of the earth, earthy: **the second man is the Lord from heaven.**”

Galatians 2:20 – “I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but **Christ liveth in me**: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.”

Galatians 4:6 - “And because ye are sons, **God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts**, crying, Abba, Father.”

Colossians 3:16 - “Let the **word of Christ dwell in you** richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”

The Mystery of Christ’s Spiritual Manifestation

Colossians 1:26-27 - “Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:” **v27** “To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you, the hope of glory.**”

Revelation 3:20 – “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, **I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.**”

Are you waiting and thinking a mystery ghost is going to come upon you. Have you claimed or thought that you will get to meet it or him when you get to Heaven. My friends, that is dangerously flawed thinking. Did a ghost die for your sins? Did a ghost come and live upon us and know what it is like to have human temptations of sin and overcame the evil of satan? No. Christ did. It is the Spirit of Christ that can and will come upon us if we open the door to our hearts and accept him. That is what **Revelation 3:20** is saying.

Ephesians 3:17 - “That **Christ may dwell in your hearts** by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love.”

Acts 20:28 - “Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which **he hath purchased with his own blood.**”

Who died for us and purchased us with his blood? **JESUS!** Not someone else. He return to the disciples **IN THE SPIRIT!** (The King James uses “Ghost” instead of “Spirit” unlike most other translations.)

Romans 8:26 - “Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh **intercession** for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.”

Who is your “**intercessor**” (advocate, mediator)? Read **Romans 8** from the beginning. This is speaking about the **SPIRIT OF CHRIST!**

John 20:22 - “And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, **Receive ye the Holy Ghost:**”

Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit on the disciples. At this time since he was on the earth, it was the Spirit of His Father, the Spirit of God that was working through him and it was passed onto the disciples.

Most of the Pastors today are taught at the Universities by “professors of theology” to tell you the Spirit of Truth is “someone else;” a third being of some kind. Refer back to the opening chapter of this book in the John 14, 15, 16 section. But the Bible correctly identifies the Spirit of Truth as Christ coming to us as the omnipresence of the Spirit of Christ, called the Comforter. Unfortunately it comes down to who are you going to believe? The Pastor or the Bible?

What Does Ellen White, Seventh-day Adventist co-founder and prolific writer Have to Say About This?

For those that are Seventh-day Adventists, would you like to know what Ellen White had to say about this?

We have seen the examples of Christ speaking in third person and first person language. Now lets take a look at Ellen White speaking in third person language.

“I [first person] understood that some were anxious to know if Mrs. White [third person] still held the same views that she [third person] did years ago when they had heard her [third person] speak in the sanitarium grove, in the Tabernacle, and at the campmeetings held in the suburbs of Battle Creek. I [first person] assured them that the message she [third person] bears today is the same that she [third person] has borne during the sixty years of her [third person] public ministry. She [third person] has the same service to do for the Master that was laid upon her [third person] in her [third person] girlhood. She [third person] receives lessons from the same Instructor. The directions given her [third person] are, ‘Make known to others what I [first person] have revealed to you. Write out the messages that I [first person] give you, that the people may have them.’ This is what she [third person] has endeavored to do.” — Ellen White, Review & Herald, July 26, 1906 [italics in brackets have been supplied to easier understanding]

And now to reveal how she is in step with the Bible that many run from in this truth because it doesn't line up with the misconceptions told to them by their pastors.

“The reason why the churches are weak and sickly and ready to die is that the enemy has brought influences of a discouraging nature to bear upon trembling souls. He has sought to shut Jesus from their view as the Comforter.” — Review and Herald, August 26, 1890

The church leaders today shut Jesus out from the people as their Comforter, telling them fables instead.

“[John 14:16-17] This refers to the omnipresence of the Spirit of Christ, called the Comforter.” — Letter 7, June 11, 1891 to Brother Chapman also Manuscript Releases, vol. 14, p. 179.3

Jesus is our Comforter. Christ now comes to us in the Spirit, previously in the flesh, in human form.

“Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally; therefore it was altogether for their advantage that He should leave them, go to His father, and send the Holy Spirit to be His successor on earth. **The Holy Spirit is Himself [Jesus] divested of the personality of humanity and independent thereof. He [Jesus] would represent Himself as present in all places by His Holy Spirit, as the Omnipresent.**” — Letter 119, February 18, 1895, par. 18; MR, vol. 14, p. 23.3

“That Christ should manifest Himself to them, and yet be invisible to the world, was a mystery to **the disciples. They could not understand the words of Christ in their spiritual sense. They were thinking of the outward, visible manifestation. They could not take in the fact that they could have the presence of Christ with them, and yet He be unseen by the world. They did not understand the meaning of a spiritual manifestation.**” — The Southern Review, Sept. 13, 1898 par. 2; Manuscript 44, May 13, 1897, par. 3

“It is not safe to catch the spirit from another. We want the Holy Spirit, which is Jesus Christ.” — Letter 66 to W. W. Prescott, April 10, 1894, par. 18

“While Jesus ministers in the sanctuary above, **He is still by His Spirit the minister of the church on earth.** He is withdrawn from the eye of sense, but His parting promise is fulfilled, “Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” Matt. 28:20. While He delegates His power to inferior ministers, **His energizing presence is still with His church.**” — Desire of Ages, p. 166.2

“The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ, which is sent to all men to give them sufficiency.” — Manuscript Releases vol. 14, p. 84

Ellen White said the personal presence of Christ in the soul is the “other” Comforter.

- **“Christ comes as a Comforter to all who believe.”** — Manuscript Release 8, p. 57
- **“...the holy Spirit is the comforter, as the personal presence of Christ to the soul.”** — Review & Herald, November 29, 1892, par. 3
- **“He (Christ) is coming to us by His Holy Spirit today. Let us recognize Him now; then we shall recognize Him when He comes in the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory.”** — Review & Herald, April 30, 1901, par. 8
- **“The Saviour is our Comforter.** This I have proved Him to be.” — Manuscript Releases, vol. 8, p.49
- **“As by faith we look to Jesus, our faith pierces the shadow, and we adore God for His wondrous love in giving Jesus the Comforter.”** — MR 19, p. 297, 298
- **“Let them study the seventeenth of John, and learn how to pray and how to live the prayer of Christ. He is the Comforter.”** — Review & Herald, January 27, 1903

“Christ tells us that the Holy Spirit is the Comforter, and the Comforter is the Holy Ghost, “the **Spirit of truth**, which **the Father shall send in My name**. I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; even the **Spirit of truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but **ye know Him**, for **He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.**” (John 14:16-17). **This refers to the omnipresence of the Spirit of Christ, called the Comforter.**” — Manuscript Releases, vol. 14, p. 179

The Glorification of Christ was Needed

After Christ's ascension to Heaven after being raised by his Father, he had to be glorified first before the Spirit could be sent back to us. Is the Spirit a separate person, or is it the glory from the Father?

John 7:39 — “But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet *given*; because that **Jesus was not yet glorified.**”

John 17:5 — “And now, **O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.**”

John 17:22 — “And **the glory which thou gavest me I have given them**; that they may be one, even as we are one.”

Now back to inspiration given to Ellen White.

“The Holy Spirit was not yet fully manifested; for Christ had not yet been glorified. The more abundant impartation of the Spirit did not take place till after Christ's ascension.” — *Desire of Ages*, p. 805.2

- “The Holy Spirit is the breath of spiritual life in the soul. **The impartation of the Spirit is the impartation of the life of Christ.** It imbues the receiver with the attributes of Christ. Only those who are thus taught of God, those who possess the inward working of the Spirit, and in whose life the Christ-life is manifested, are to stand as representative men, to minister in behalf of the church.” — *Desire of Ages*, p. 805.3
- “**Christ gives them the life of his life.** The Holy Spirit puts forth its highest energies to work in mind and heart.” — *Review & Herald*, January 5, 1911, par. 6
- “**Christ gives them the breath of His own Spirit, the life of His own life.**” — *Ministry of Healing*, 159
- “**The influence of the Holy Spirit is the life of Christ in the soul.**” — *Review & Herald*, October 26, 1897, par. 15

Is the Holy Spirit a different individual being?

- “The work of the holy Spirit is immeasurably great. It is from this source that power and efficiency come to the worker for God; and **the holy Spirit is the comforter, as the personal presence of Christ to the soul.**” — Review & Herald, November 29, 1892, par. 3
- **“This Comforter is the Holy Spirit,—the soul of his life, the efficacy of his church, the light and life of the world. With his Spirit, Christ sends a reconciling influence and a power that takes away sin.”** — Review & Herald, May 19, 1904, par. 1
- **“While Jesus ministers in the sanctuary above, He is still by His Spirit the minister of the church** on earth. He is withdrawn from the eye of sense, but His parting promise is fulfilled, “Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” Matt. 28:20. While He delegates His power to inferior ministers, His energizing presence is still with His church.” — Desire of Ages, p. 166
- “It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life” (John 6:63). Christ is not here referring to His doctrine, but to His person, the divinity of His character.” — Selected Messages, book 1, p. 249

“In giving us His Spirit, God gives us Himself, making Himself a fountain of divine influences, to give health and life to the world.” — Testimonies for the Church, vol. 7, p. 273 (this is before Christ was raised from the dead and glorified.)

What did our Adventist Pioneers think?

- **“The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God; it is also the Spirit of Christ.”** — Uriah Smith, GC Daily Bulletin, Vol. 4, March 14, 1891, p. 146-147
- **“Here we find that the Holy Spirit is both the Spirit of God and the Spirit of Christ.”** — E. J. Waggoner, Christ and His Righteousness, p. 23, 1890
- **“We learn from this language that when we speak of the Spirit of God we are really speaking of his presence and**

power.” - J. N. Loughborough, Review & Herald, September 20, 1898

Today you have pastors lying to their audiences, telling them that those that live by Bible truth believe the Holy Spirit is just a impersonal force. Is your own Spirit personal, or impersonal? Is it your personality, character, presence of existence? Well, that is what the Spirit of God is and more. That is not just a force, and it is far from impersonal. It's VERY personal. There are two sides to this equation:

“...but there are two spirits in the world,--the Spirit of God and the spirit of Satan..... There are two spirits in our world—a spirit of belief and a spirit of unbelief.” — Ms 49, April 14, 1906, par. 23

“With the golden chain of His matchless love Christ has bound them to the throne of God. It is His purpose that the highest influence in the universe, emanating from the source of all power shall be theirs.”
— Desire of Ages, p. 679, 680

“O, how we grieve the pure, Holy Spirit of Christ with our defiling sins! We are not prepared for the appreciation of the holy communion with Christ and with one another unless we are cleansed by his efficacy.” — Review & Herald, July 5, 1898

After his ascension, Christ received His Father's Spirit without measure. Since that time, it is Christ who comes to us in the Spirit as the Spirit of Christ.

“How can you, oh, how can you grieve your Redeemer? How can you dishonor Him before His angels and before men? How can you grieve the Holy Spirit of God? How can you crucify the Lord of glory afresh, and put Him to open shame?” — Gospel Workers, p. 431.1
“God will communicate by His own Spirit with the soul.” — Review & Herald, July 2, 1908, Art. C, par. 1

“The Holy Spirit, which proceeds from the only begotten Son of God, binds the human agent, body, soul, and spirit, to the perfect, divine human nature of Christ.” — Review & Herald, April 5, 1906, par. 16

“Let them be thankful to God for His manifold mercies and be kind to one another. They have **one God and one Saviour; and one Spirit—the Spirit of Christ**—is to bring unity into their ranks.” – Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 189.3, 1909

Eleven years after Ellen White supposedly became a Trinitarian we find this non-Trinitarian statement! No god the holy spirit identified here.

“God gives sufficient evidence for the candid mind to believe; but he who turns from the weight of evidence because there are a few things which he cannot make plain to his finite understanding will be left in the cold, chilling atmosphere of unbelief and questioning doubts, and will make shipwreck of faith. You have seemed to consider it a virtue to be on the side of the doubting rather than on the side of the believing.” — Testimonies for the Church, vol. 4, p. 232

The Baptism of Christ

Matthew 3:16-17 – “And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: **v17** And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

Who was present at the time of Jesus’ baptism? **THREE BEINGS!**

1) Jesus 2) God 3) John who baptized

Not God the Father, god the son, god the holy spirit.
God was present thru his own Spirit (Spirit OF God) and then He spoke (VOICE from heaven).

Making this into another ‘being’ called god the holy spirit is like coming up with another ‘being’ called god the voice. The Spirit and Voice belong to the one and only true and living God. Not a God divisible by three. Anything else makes the testimony a lie.

2 Peter 1:16-18 – “For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our

Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. **v17** For he received from God the Father **honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.** **v18** And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.”

Are the beams of God's Glory an individual?

“Never before have the angels listened to such a prayer. They are eager to bear to their loved Commander a message of assurance and comfort. But no; **the Father Himself will answer the petition of His Son. Direct from the throne issue the beams of His glory.** The heavens are opened, and upon the Saviour's head descends a dovelike form of purest light,—fit emblem of Him, the meek and lowly One.” — Desire of Ages, p. 112.1

How does one conclude the Holy Spirit is another being from the beams of glory that came from the Father and rested on His Son in the form of a dove?

“Never before had angels listened to such a prayer as Christ offered at his baptism, and they were solicitous to be the bearers of the message from the Father to his Son. But, no! direct from the Father issues the light of his glory. The heavens were opened, and **BEAMS OF GLORY RESTED UPON THE SON OF GOD AND ASSUMED THE FORM OF A DOVE**, in appearance like burnished gold. The dove-like form was EMBLEMATICAL OF THE MEEKNESS AND GENTLENESS OF CHRIST. While the people stood spell-bound with amazement, their eyes fastened upon Christ, from the opening heavens came these words: “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” The words of confirmation that Christ is the Son of God were given to inspire faith in those who witnessed the scene, and to sustain the Son of God in his arduous work. Notwithstanding the Son of God was clothed with humanity, yet Jehovah, with his own voice, assures him of his sonship with the Eternal. In this manifestation to his Son, God accepts humanity as exalted through the excellence of his beloved Son.” — Review & Herald, Jan 21, 1873

Thus we find there was no third being, but God's presence and power by His Holy Spirit, represented symbolically in the form of a

dove. God's presence by His Spirit, shown visibly at Christ's baptism by beams of glory in the form of a dove, was a sign to John the Baptist that Jesus was indeed the Son of God.

John 1:33-34 — "And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. **v34** And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God."

"The heavenly angels were looking with intense interest upon the scene of the Saviour's baptism, and could the eyes of those who were looking on, have been opened, they would have seen the heavenly host surrounding the Son of God as he bowed on the banks of the Jordan. The Lord had promised to give John a sign whereby he might know who was the Messiah, and now as Jesus went up out of the water, the promised sign was given;" — Youth Instructor, June 23, 1892

"Jesus is seeking to impress upon them the thought that in giving his Holy Spirit he is giving to them the glory which the Father has given him, that he and his people may be one in God."
— Signs of the Times, Oct. 3, 1892, par. 4

Now to address "THE DOVE" that everyone seems to one to make into something larger than it is.

Matthew 3:16 — "And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him."

Mark 1:10 — "And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him."

Luke 3:21, 22 — "Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, **v22** And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased."

John 1:32 — “And John bare record, saying, I saw THE SPIRIT descending from heaven like a dove, and **IT** ABODE UPON HIM.”

A few facts we learn from these accounts are:

- a. It is the Spirit of God. Not someone or anything else.
- b. Its descent was like a dove.
- c. Its shape was like a dove.
- d. It is called an “IT” by John

Do these facts support the conclusion that the Holy Spirit is a different person separate to God? No. John certainly would not have used “it” to refer to a divine being. The Holy Spirit is actually used in possessive language to note who its owner is, which is God the Father. It is the “Spirit OF God,” not “god the spirit” or “god the holy spirit.”

WORD SEARCH:

"god the Holy Spirit"
occurs 0 time in 0 verse in the KJV.

There are no concordance results for "god the Holy Spirit" in the KJV.

You can also browse through the various dictionaries.

