

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT EPHESIANS 5:15-21

INTRODUCTION:

At the moment of salvation, the Holy Spirit comes to indwell and seal Believers (Eph 1:13-14). The seal is permanent and indicates that we are His children forever and that our names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life (contains the names of Believers who will enjoy eternity with the Lord).

I. The Holy Spirit is a Person

He has the qualities and attributes of Personhood, performs the actions of persons, and has personal relationships.

A. He Convicts us of Sin (John 16:8).

B. He Distributes Spiritual Gifts as He Wills (1 Cor 12:1, 11).

C. He Loves Us – “God is Love” (1 John 4:8).

D. The Treatment of the Holy Spirit as a Person (Acts 5:3-4; Eph 4:29-32; Heb 10:29; Matt 12:31-32).

II. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit

A. The Holy Spirit is our Helper (John 14:16).

B. The Holy Spirit is our Teacher (John 14:26).

C. The Holy Spirit is our Guide (John 16:12-13).

D. “The Fruit of the Spirit” (Gal 5:22-23)

III. The Names of the Holy Spirit

A. The Holy Spirit is the “Spirit of Life” (Rom 8:2).

B. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Holiness (1 Pet 1:2).

C. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth (John 14:17).

CONCLUSION:

A. Come, Holy Spirit, come; Let Thy bright beams arise;
Dispel the darkness from our minds and open all our eyes.

B. “The work of the Spirit is to impart life, to implant hope, to give liberty, to testify of Christ, to guide us into all truth, to teach us all things, to comfort the believer, and to convict the world of sin” (Dwight L. Moody).

C. Romans Road to Salvation (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).