

# **Getting to Know the Holy Spirit**

August 11, 2024 Message Notes 2 Corinthians 3:18

#### **NOTES**

The Holy Spirit is:

Not a ghost

Not an "it"

Not an impersonal force

According to Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit is HIS Spirit! – the personal presence of God that enlivened and empowered Jesus in His life and ministry.

"I will ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to help you and be with you forever – the Spirit of Truth." John 14:16



"But you know him for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans, I will come to you." John 14:18

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Jesus Christ who comes to enliven and empower His body on earth (the church) with His resurrection presence and strength.

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

John 14:26

"When he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth...He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you." John 16:13-14

The Holy Spirit comes into your life not simply to get you to heaven someday when you die, but to get heaven into you everyday as you live.

"May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it." 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Think of your life like tea in cup of hot water – taking on the flavor and influence of God. Sabroso!

The Holy Spirit brings good to life in you – spirit, soul and body – from the inside out.

The emotions portrayed in the first Inside Out movie were: Fear, Anger, Joy, Sadness, Disgust.



The emotions added to headquarters in Inside Out 2 were: Anxiety, Envy, Embarrassment, Boredom.

These emotions, gathered around the control panels of our lives, are continually pushing buttons, pulling levers, trying to take over.

#### When the Spirit moves - He renews your mind.

"Don't be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind." Romans 12:2

## When the Spirit moves - He helps you get real.

"We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought..." 2 Corinthians 10:5

#### When the Spirit moves - He assures you that you belong.

"The Spirit testifies with our spirit that we are God's children." Romans 8:16

### When the Spirit moves - He helps you in your weakness.

"In certain ways we are weak. But the Spirit is here to help us." Romans 8:26 CEB

"Our high priest is "...touched with the feeling of our infirmities..." Hebrews 4:15 KJV

The Spirit of Jesus meets us to lift us up and out into "joy unspeakable and full of glory." 1 Peter 1:8 KJV

"The peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7



#### When the Spirit moves - He enriches your inner life.

"We are being transformed (metamorphosized) into His image with ever-increasing glory which comes from the Lord, who is Spirit." 2 Corinthians 3:18

"Now where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." 2 Corinthians 3:17

The Statue of Liberty wasn't always a glorious work of art. First it was raw material, then an idea in the mind of a planner, and then a gift formed by skilled artisan hands.

Your life in God's hands can be that – a gift given to the world to inspire freedom and offer hope.

God is on your side from the inside out - redeeming, healing, guiding, guarding.

God can take the place of hurt in your life - fill the void, heal the hurt, direct you and connect you with others who can be His new family for you.

Jesus is touched by feelings:

**Anxiety** - fear, pressure, troubled, terrified

**Anger** - boiling passion, indignation, stern displeasure

**Shame** - depression, forsakenness

Sadness - grief, deep sighs, crushed, distress, tearful

Pain - flogged, suffering, hungry, thirsty, weary, fatigue

Surprise - amazed, astonished

**Hope** - curiosity

Faith - expectancy, confidence

**Love** - friendship, compassion, sympathy

Joy - rejoicing, gladness, gratitude



#### Peace - rest, refreshment, comfort

Let the Spirit tune you into harmony with God's music. Not just a one and done thing, but a constant tuning into harmony with God's life in your life.

"But we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit." 1 Corinthians 12:13

This is the spiritual truth that water baptism portrays.

When we say 'yes' to receiving God's salvation by faith, the Holy Spirit baptizes us, immerses us, and puts us into the body of Christ. It's an outward sign of an inward reality.

Let your outside align to your inside. Be baptized. Jesus was.

