

THE WORK OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT
IN THE LIFE OF THE
BELIEVER AND UNBELIEVER

JOHN 16:5-15

Reasons the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit is Little Understood and/or Controversial

The Holy Spirit does not glorify
Himself.

The Holy Spirit is frightening.

Jn 3:8; Is 40:7

Satan wants to disarm the believer
and the Church.

John 14:16

“I will ask the Father, and He will give you another **Helper**, that He may be with you forever;”

John 15:26

“When the **Helper** comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the **Spirit** of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me,”

John 16:7

“But 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.”

The Promise of the Spirit

John 14:26

“But the **Helper**, the **Holy Spirit**, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.”

Parakletos
“Counselor” or “Comforter”
or “Helper” or “Intercessor”

John 14:16, 26; 15:26 16:7

Exhort-er

Advocate

Who am I
to receive
the Holy Spirit?!

Beloved
by God.

No one.



What Does the Paraklete Do for the Believer?

John 16:13-14

v13 “But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.

v14 “He will glorify Me, for **He will take of Mine** and **will disclose it to you**.

v15 “All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you.”

**DIVINE
JUMPER
CABLES**

The Holy Spirit's Work Upon the Unbeliever

John 16:8-11

John 16:8

"And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;

John 16:9

“concerning sin,
because they do not
believe in Me;

John 16:10

“and concerning
righteousness, because
I go to the Father and
you no longer see Me;

John 16:11

“and concerning judgment,
because the ruler
of this world
has been judged.”

The Holy Spirit
works *upon*
the unbeliever
but He works
in the believer.

...the supreme requirement in evangelism is to know more of the Holy Spirit's power.

The first question which an evangelistically ineffective church should ask itself is:

Why does the Holy Spirit appear to be bound? Is He grieved by our sin, or hampered by our unbelief? Do we need a deeper repentance, or more prayer?

Christ told His disciples to go and preach, but He also told them not to attempt to obey these commands until the Holy Spirit had come.

John Stott; Our Guilty Silence; p.113

The Obstacle of Unbelief



Luke 11:13

“If you then, being evil,
know how to give good gifts
to your children,
how much more
will your heavenly Father
give the **Holy Spirit**
to those who ask Him?”

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Holy Spirit's Purpose

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empowering => leadership

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