

# Get Right with or Get to Know The Holy Spirit – Part I

## *Scriptures:*

### *John 14:15-18*

<sup>15</sup> “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

<sup>16</sup> And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever –

<sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

### *John 16:7-11*

<sup>7</sup> 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 depart, I will send Him to you.

<sup>8</sup> And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

<sup>9</sup> of sin, because they do not believe in Me;

<sup>10</sup> of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more;

<sup>11</sup> of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

## *Sermon*

### **I. Background**

#### A. Audience

1. Get right = those who have heard or know The Holy Spirit but choose disobedience
2. Get to Know = those who are ignorant or do not know The Holy Spirit
3. Know = those who walk with The Holy Spirit

#### B. Walking = power

### **II. Holy Spirit's Characteristics in John 14:15-18**

#### A. Characteristic 1: Gentleman

- a. Luke 3:21-22 (NKJV) – <sup>21</sup> When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened. <sup>22</sup> And **the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon**

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Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, “You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.” (see Mark 1:9-11 and Matt. 3:13-17)

### B. Characteristic 2: Helper

- a. John 14:15-16 – <sup>15</sup> “If you love Me, keep My commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will pray the Father, and He will give you **another Helper**, that He may abide with you forever –
- b. John 14:26 – <sup>26</sup> But **the Helper, the Holy Spirit**, whom the Father will send in My name,
- c. John 16:7 – <sup>7</sup> 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 depart, I will send Him to you.

### C. Characteristic 3: Truth

- a. John 14:17 – <sup>17</sup> **the Spirit of truth**, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.
- b. John 16:13 – <sup>13</sup> However, when He, **the Spirit of truth**, has come, He will guide you into all truth.

### D. Characteristic 4: Teacher

- a. John 14:26 – <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, **He will teach you all things**,

### E. Characteristic 5: Reminder

- a. John 14:26 – <sup>26</sup> 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 things that I said to you.

### F. Characteristic 6: Obedient

- a. John 16:7 – <sup>7</sup> 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 depart, **I will send Him to you.**

### G. Characteristic 7: Cleanser

- a. John 16:8 – <sup>8</sup> And when He has come, **He will convict** the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

### H. Characteristic 8: Testimony

- a. John 16:9-11 – <sup>9</sup> of sin, because **they do not believe in Me**; <sup>10</sup> of righteousness, because **I go to My Father** and you see Me no more; <sup>11</sup> of judgment, because **the ruler of this world is judged.**

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### III. Conclusions

- A. Do you know the gentle and sweet touch and soothing words of The Holy Spirit?
- B. Do you need help? Ask The Holy Spirit
- C. Do you want to walk in Truth? Let The Holy Spirit teach, reveal, and remind
  - a. Do not put The Holy Spirit in a box
- D. Do you need help with being obedient to God? Look at The Holy Spirit and emulate His behaviors
- E. Do you need to be cleansed? Allow The Holy Spirit to convict you
- F. Do you want to walk in testimonies? Give The Holy Spirit a chance to be YOUR testimony