

Acts
The Holy Spirit, Part 3
Various Passages

[Review prior week: Deeper dive into doctrine of the Holy Spirit; Much Scripture, Notes on webpage; Key theme = Who He Is...He is God! Review Calls to Walk in Obedience]

I. What He Does

[God's attributes and symbols help us understand what He does; e.g., all-knowing, everywhere-present, all-powerful, surrounds like clothing, guarantees like a deposit, burns like a fire, anoints like oil, secures like a seal, moves like a wind]

A. In the Past

- Creation (Gen 1:2; Job 26:13; 33:4)
- Restraining Sin (Gen 6:3)
- Enablement/Empowerment (Num 11:17; 27:18; Ex 31:2-5; Jdg 3:9-10; Ezk 2:1-3)
- Speaking/Writing/Prophecy (2 Pet 1:20-21 [*Walvoord quote*]; 1 Pet 1:10-11)
- Jesus' Ministry (**Prophecy** - Isa 11:1-2; 61:1-2, cf Lk 4:16-19; **John the Baptist** - Lk 1:15; **Mary** - Lk 1:35; **Zacharias** - Lk 1:67; **Simeon** - Lk 2:25-28; **Baptism** - Lk 3:21-22; **Wilderness Temptation** - Lk 4:1-2; **Crucifixion** - Heb 9:14; **Resurrection** - Rom 8:11)
- Acts/Transition ([*Carson quote*]; **Promise** - Lk 24:49; Acts 1:8; **Pentecost** - Acts 2; **Samaritans** - Acts 8; **Gentiles** - Acts 10-11; **Ephesians/John's Disciples** - Acts 19 (3rd missionary journey, main city of Roman province of Asia, OT/NT dynamic with last prophet John the Baptist); **Other** - will be covered as we proceed through the rest of the book of Acts; [*Saucy quote*])

B. In the Present

- Salvation
 - Conviction (John 16:8-11)
 - Regeneration (John 3:4-6; Titus 3:5)
 - Baptism (Predicted by John the Baptist - Mark 1:7-8; Guaranteed by Jesus Christ - Acts 1:5; Declared by Peter - Acts 11:15-16; Defined by Paul - 1 Cor 12:12-13; Rom 6:3-5; Gal 3:27; Eph 4:4-7)
 - Indwelling (Rom 8:9; 1 Cor 6:19-20)
 - Sealing (Eph 1:13-14; 4:30; 2 Cor 1:21-22)
 - Assurance (Rom 5:5; 8:15-16; 1 John 4:13)
- Jesus' Teaching
 - New Life (John 3)
 - Helps (John 14:16)
 - Comforts (John 14:26)
 - Sent by/Proceeds from the Father (John 14:16; 15:26) and sent by Jesus Christ (John 15:26)
 - Indwell Believers Permanently (John 14:16-17)
 - Teach/Remind (John 14:26)
 - Testify About Jesus Christ (15:26)
 - Glorify Jesus Christ (John 16:14-15)
 - Convict (John 16:8-11)
 - Power for Commission (Lk 24:49; Acts 1:8)
- Filling (Eph 5:18)
- Gifts (1 Cor 12:4-7)
 - Passages for List (Rom 12:3-8; 1 Cor 12:4-11; 28-30; Eph 4:7-16; 1 Pet 4:10-11)
 - Spiritual, Grace, God-Given, Edification
- Intercession/Prayer (Rom 8:26-27; Jude 20)
- Inner Strength (Eph 3:16)
- Leads (Rom 8:14)
- Gives Hope (Gal 5:5)
- Delivers from Sin (Gal 5:16)
- Restrains Sin/Antichrist (2 Thes 2:6-8)
- Produces Fruit (Gal 5:22-23)
- Illumination/Understanding (1 Cor 2:9-13)
- Empowers for Service (Rom 7:6)
- Conforms to Christ-Likeness (2 Cor 3:17-18)

C. In the Future (Rapture, Great Tribulation, Millennial Kingdom, Eternity)

- Remove Restraint (2 Thes 2:6-8)
- Ministry Related to Salvation
- Ministry to Believers/Salvation of Israel
- Consummation/Fulfillment of Prophecies (Joel 2:28-32; Jer 30-31; Ezk 36)

II. Calls to Walk in Obedience

- Because we are sealed with the Holy Spirit as a pledge for eternal life, we are called to live to please God, proclaim the Gospel, and perceive others through eternal lenses (2 Cor 5:5-21).
- Because we are indwelt by the Holy Spirit, we are called to walk by and submit to the Holy Spirit so we will *not* carry out the desire of the flesh and we *will* produce His fruit (Gal 5:16-26).
- Because we are gifted by the Holy Spirit and placed into the body of Christ by Him, we are called to serve one another so that we will all grow for the building up of the church in love (Eph 4:7-16).

Go Forward (same as last week...keep going!)

1. Pray through each of the *Calls to Walk in Obedience* we covered today. (If you need a refresher, see sermon slides at <http://www.fbctulsa.org/folders.asp?action=display&record=77>). Answer the following questions for each one:

- Am I willing to obey it?
- Will I choose to obey it?
- If no to either question above, what is it in my heart that is keeping me from saying yes?

Read through Philippians 3 after you've gone through the three questions above for each item. Think of the chapter as a definition of your starting point...where you are today in relation to each one of the calls. Ask the Holy Spirit to empower you to live and walk according to Philippians 3, and to say yes to all of the *Calls to Walk in Obedience*.

2. For further encouragement and direction, meditate on the following passages:

- Romans 8
- Galatians 5:16-26
- Philippians 2:12-13

Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless his days shall be one hundred and twenty years." (Genesis 6:3 NASB)

Then I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take of the Spirit who is upon you, and will put Him upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, so that you will not bear it all alone. (Numbers 11:17 NASB)

So the LORD said to Moses, "Take Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him; (Numbers 27:18 NASB)

"See, I have called by name Bezalel, the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah. I have filled him with the Spirit of God in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all kinds of craftsmanship, to make artistic designs for work in gold, in silver, and in bronze, and in the cutting of stones for settings, and in the carving of wood, that he may work in all kinds of craftsmanship. (Exodus 31:2-5 NASB)

When the sons of Israel cried to the LORD, the LORD raised up a deliverer for the sons of Israel to deliver them, Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother. The Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he judged Israel. When he went out to war, the LORD gave Cushan-rishathaim king of Mesopotamia into his hand, so that he prevailed over Cushan-rishathaim. (Judges 3:9, 10 NASB)

Then He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet that I may speak with you!" As He spoke to me the Spirit entered me and set me on my feet; and I heard Him speaking to me. Then He said to me, "Son of man, I am sending you to the sons of Israel, to a rebellious people who have rebelled against Me; they and their fathers have transgressed against Me to this very day. (Ezekiel 2:1-3 NASB)

But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God. (2 Peter 1:20, 21 NASB)

"God so supernaturally directed the writers of Scripture that without excluding their human intelligence, their individuality, their literary style, their personal feelings, or any other human factor, His own complete and coherent message to man was recorded in perfect accuracy, the very words of Scripture bearing the authority of divine authorship."

John F. Walvoord, from *The Holy Spirit*

As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries, seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow. (1 Peter 1:10, 11 NASB)

Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit. The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. (Isaiah 11:1, 2 NASB)

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners; To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, (Isaiah 61:1, 2 NASB)

For he will be great in the sight of the Lord; and he will drink no wine or liquor, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit while yet in his mother's womb. (Luke 1:15 NASB)

The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God. (Luke 1:35 NASB)

And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied.... (Luke 1:67 NASB)

And there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel; and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to carry out for Him the custom of the Law, then he took Him into his arms, and blessed God.... (Luke 2:25-28 NASB)

Now when all the people were baptized, Jesus was also baptized, and while He was praying, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came out of heaven, "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased." (Luke 3:21, 22 NASB)

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led around by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. (Luke 4:1, 2 NASB)

...how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? (Hebrews 9:14 NASB)

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. (Romans 8:11 NASB)

And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged. (John 16:8-11 NASB)

Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born, can he?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. (John 3:4, 5 NASB)

...He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit.... (Titus 3:5 NASB)

And he was preaching, and saying, "After me One is coming who is mightier than I, and I am not fit to stoop down and untie the thong of His sandals. I baptized you with water; but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." (Mark 1:7, 8 NASB)

...for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." (Acts 1:5 NASB)

And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as He did upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how He used to say, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' (Acts 11:15, 16 NASB)

For even as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. (1 Corinthians 12:12, 13 NASB)

Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, (Romans 6:3-5 NASB)

For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. (Galatians 3:27 NASB)

There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all. But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. (Ephesians 4:4-7 NASB)

However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. (Romans 8:9 NASB)

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body. (1 Corinthians 6:19, 20 NASB)

In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation-having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory. (Ephesians 1:13, 14 NASB)

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. (Ephesians 4:30 NASB)

Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and anointed us is God, who also sealed us and gave us the Spirit in our hearts as a pledge. (2 Corinthians 1:21, 22 NASB)

...the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us. (Romans 5:5 NASB)

For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, (Romans 8:15, 16 NASB)

By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. (1 John 4:13 NASB)

I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you....I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you....These things I have spoken to you while abiding with you. 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. (John 14:16-17, 25-26 NASB)

"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, and you will testify also, because you have been with Me from the beginning. (John 15:26, 27 NASB)

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. And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged. I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 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. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you. (John 16:7-15 NASB)

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit, (Ephesians 5:18 NASB)

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord. There are varieties of effects, but the same God who works all things in all persons. But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7 NASB)

In the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words; and He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. (Romans 8:26, 27 NASB)

But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit.... (Jude 20 NASB)

...that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man.... (Ephesians 3:16 NASB)

For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. (Romans 8:14 NASB)

For we through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting for the hope of righteousness. (Galatians 5:5 NASB)

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. (Galatians 5:16 NASB)

And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way. Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming.... (2 Thessalonians 2:6-8 NASB)

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. (Galatians 5:22, 23 NASB)

...but just as it is written, "THINGS WHICH EYE HAS NOT SEEN AND EAR HAS NOT HEARD, AND WHICH HAVE NOT ENTERED THE HEART OF MAN, ALL THAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM." For to us God revealed them through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so the thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words. (1 Corinthians 2:9-13 NASB)

But now we have been released from the Law, having died to that by which we were bound, so that we serve in newness of the Spirit and not in oldness of the letter. (Romans 7:6 NASB)

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit. (2 Corinthians 3:17, 18 NASB)

Now He who prepared us for this very purpose is God, who gave to us the Spirit as a pledge. Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord- for we walk by faith, not by sight- we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord. Therefore we also have as our ambition, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade men, but we are made manifest to God; and I hope that we are made manifest also in your consciences. We are not again commending ourselves to you but are giving you an occasion to be proud of us, so that you will have an answer for those who take pride in appearance and not in heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are of sound mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf. Therefore from now on we recognize no one according to the flesh; even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him in this way no longer. Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (2 Corinthians 5:5-21 NASB)

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law. Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions, envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another. (Galatians 5:16-26 NASB)

But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it says, "WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH, HE LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES, AND HE GAVE GIFTS TO MEN." (Now this expression, "He ascended," what does it mean except that He also had descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is Himself also He who ascended far above all the heavens, so that He might fill all things.) And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love. (Ephesians 4:7-16 NASB)