



How Does God Communicate With Us – Two

KC-203 Lesson 1 Text

Who Is Holy Spirit?

Holy Spirit is part of God just like our spirit is one part of our being. When I talk with Richard, I am speaking to his body, his soul and his spirit. And when I speak with Richard, it is not necessary for me to say: "I would like to talk with the spirit of Richard." It is assumed I am speaking to him spirit, soul and body. So it is with God.

Holy Spirit represents God here on earth. Jesus is now sitting at the right hand of God (Heb. 10:12) and He shares His heart and guidance with Holy Spirit Who then releases the directions from heaven here to earth. Hebrews 10:15 tells us that Holy Spirit bears witness with us as He shares God's thoughts and desires.

Hebrews 10:16: *"This is the Covenant that I will make with them after those days says the Lord: I will put My laws upon their heart, and upon their mind I will write them."*

Holy Spirit brings the love of God to His creation. We may experience His presence by feeling great peace or joy. He may reveal His weighted presence, even intensifying it to where one begins to bow over or fall to their knees. Some have experienced His presence like oil being slowly poured over their heads, like a pressure or gentle weight. When you feel this weight upon your head He is often downloading His information to you, into your mind and thought processes.

Scripture tells us in Job 33:4 that *"The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life."* God conveys to us our dependence upon Him suggesting that He is our very breath and life. In John 20:22, Scripture states that Jesus breathed on the disciples and said to them, *"Receive the Holy Spirit."* This prophetic action depicted a spiritual aspect of Holy Spirit as the breath of God.

We learn that God desires to be involved in the lives of His people through Holy Spirit, experiencing everyday friendship and intimately living out each day with Him as we arise each morning, prepare for work and school, hold meetings at the office, watch over our children and family, mow the grass or visit the grocery. He lives with

us each moment of each day. Psalm 127:2 reminds us that He even cares about us getting a good night's sleep. Just as Jesus could do nothing without His Father showing Him where to go, when to speak, what to do, act or express, so we can do nothing without the Holy Spirit and His empowering presence. He is the Spirit of God.

Just as the names of God are infinite, so are those of Holy Spirit since they are one. Following are some of His names, revealing who He is as well as His functions in the Kingdom.

Holy Spirit is a person.

He can come in power with His presence, but He is more than just God's power or presence.

He is a person and Spirit of the Godhead.

In the Great Commission, Matthew 28:19 reveals Holy Spirit's presence as part of the triune Godhead. *"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit."*

Romans 8: 9, 14 *"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," (v.14) "for all who are being led by the Spirit of God these are sons of God."*

He is known as Lord.

2 Corinthians 3:18 *"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."*

He is a gift to God's people and gives us access to the Father.

Acts: 2:38: *"And Peter said to them, Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."*

Ephesians 2:18 *"for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to our Father."*

He is the heavenly promise.

Acts 2:33 *"Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured forth this which you both see and hear."*

He is the baptism from heaven.

Acts 1:4-5 "And gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, which He said, 'you heard of from Me; for John baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'"

He is the Seven Spirits of God.

Isaiah 11:2 "Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit. And 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."

He is the Spirit of Christ.

1 Peter 1:11 "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."

He is sent from heaven and comes from the Father.

1 Peter 1:12 "It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven - things into which angels long to look."

John 15:26 "When the Help comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness of Me."

He is the Spirit of Adoption.

Romans 8:15 "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!'"

He imparts new birth.

John 3:5 "Jesus answered, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and of the Spirit he cannot enter in the kingdom of God.'"

He is the Spirit of Holiness.

He imparts God's holiness to us. Romans 1:4 "Who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord."

He is the Spirit of Truth.

John 14:17 *"that is the Spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you, and will be in you."* (also 15:26,16:13)

He is the Helper that abides with us and dwells within us.

John 14:16-17 *"And 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 behold Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you."*

He is the Promise of the Spirit.

Galatians 3:14 *"in order that in Christ Jesus the blessings of Abraham might come to the Gentiles so that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."*
He endows us with the gift of tongues

Acts 2:4 *"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance."*

He guides and directs us; He discloses to us what is to come.

Matthew 4:1 *"Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil."* (also Mark 12:36, 13:11, Acts 10:19,11:12, John 16:13)

He gives life – He is the Spirit of Life.

Romans 8:11 *"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 indwells you."*

He gives us access to the Father.

Ephesians 2:18 *"For through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father."*

He casts out demons.

Matthew 12:28 *"But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you."*

He imparts dreams, visions and prophecy -Acts 2:17-18,

He is the Comforter, who brings comfort -Acts 9:15,

He searches and reveals the deep things of God – I Cor. 2:10

He sanctifies us, purifies, justifies, gives liberty and changes us into the image of Christ-Romans, 15:16, 1 Cor. 6:11, 2 Cor. 3:17-18, 2 Cor. 1:22, 2 Thessalonians 2:13

He is the fruit of the Spirit – Galatians 5:22-23

He is the Sword and Word of God – Ephesians 6:17

He is Love – Romans 15:30

He is the gifts of the Spirit (word of wisdom, word of knowledge, faith, healing, prophecy, discerns the spirits, tongues and interpretation) 1 Co. 12:4-11

He helps our weakness – strengthens, with power, intercedes and heals- Romans 8:26, Ephesians 3:16, Luke 4:14

He is the Spirit of our Father - speaking to us, in us and through us-Matthew 10:20, Acts 1:16, Acts 2:4, Acts 13:2,

Holy Spirit descends, falls upon us, comes upon us and fills us -Matthew 3:16, Mark 1:10, Luke 2:25

Holy Spirit baptizes us, helps us, guides us into worship and truth and discloses what is to come as He brings revelation and reveals God's heart - Matthew 3:11, Mark, 1:8, John 4:23, John 14:17, John 15:26, John 16:13, Luke 2:26, 1 Cor. 2: 10-12, Eph. 1:17-19; 3:5

Holy Spirit transports -Acts 8:39-40 (Philip is transported and found himself in Azotus after the eunuch's acceptance of Christ and his baptism by Philip)

He bears witness with us – Acts 5:32, 15:28, 20:23, Romans 8:15-16

He ministers power in signs, wonders and preaching, and empowers us to witness - Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 2:4; and He gives us boldness Acts 4:20, 29-31

He helps us put to death the deeds of our flesh – Romans 8:13

He helps our weakness, intercedes and groans for us – Romans 8:26-27

He sets us free and gives us His Spirit of life (Zoe) – Romans 8:1-2; 10-11

He cries from within our hearts to our Father – "Abba Father" – Galatians 4:6

He releases love and is the Spirit of Grace and of Glory – Romans 5:5; Hebrews 10:29; 1 Peter 4:14

He builds us together as a dwelling of God and He brings unity -
Ephesians 2:22; Ephesians 4:3-4

He brings righteousness, peace and joy in Him - Romans 14:17; 15:13; 1 Thess. 1:6

He gives us sight and strengthens us with power/might - Acts 9:17;
Ephesians 3:16

He brings provision for us and gives knowledge of Him - Philippians 1:19; 2
Cor. 13-14

He commissions, Acts 13:2, 4, and appoints ministries, giving authority -
Acts 20:28

He teaches us the thoughts of God -all things with spiritual thoughts
and words - 1 Cor. 2:10-13; Luke 12:12; John 14:26; 1 John 2:27

He speaks to the church and gives orders/commands - Acts 1:2; Rev. 2:11,
17, 29, Rev. 3:6, 13, 22; and He forbids or restrains us to speak - Acts 16:6

He conceives the purposes of God - Matt. 1:18, 20; and gives us confession
of Jesus Christ as Lord - 1 Cor. 12:3

He brings the gospel in word, power and in the Holy Spirit - 1 Thess. 1:5-6

He convicts the world of sin, righteousness and judgment - John 16:7-8

He renews and regenerates us - Titus 3:5

He moves on us to prophesy - 2 Peter 1:21

He helps us guard the treasure entrusted to us - 1 Timothy 1:14

He calls to the Bridegroom to come - Rev 22:17