7) The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Glory who guarantees



When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are

God's possession – to the praise of his glory. **Ephesians 1:13-14.**

Stats: "Spirit of God" = OTx14, NTx11; "Spirit of the Lord" = OTx20, NTx4 Other passages: Romans 8:11, 1 Cor 15:42-44.

• A guarantee means the future is secure

<u>Lesson</u>: Look forward with confidence!

Some Resources...

Articles

- 2 recent talks on the Holy Spirit <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>. Not overly complex!
- Ian Hamilton (cessationalist) & Wayne Grudem (continuationalist) debate <u>here</u> about the ongoing nature of prophecy today. See also Tom Schreiner (cessationalist) & Andrew Wilson (continuationalist)
- Vern Poythress on Spiritual Gifts- a middle way between blanket approval and blanket rejection of spiritual gifts in the church today.

Books

- Experiencing the Spirit Graham Beynon- IVP
- Spirit of Truth- David Jackman- Christian Focus
- True Worship- Vaughan Roberts- Authentic
- Keep in Step with the Spirit- JI Packer- IVP
- Showing the Spirit- DA Carson- Paternoster (summary/talks here).

Final Song

 "O Great God of Highest Heaven", Sovereign Grace (based on Puritan prayer "Regeneration"), words here, video here.

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"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace" **Eph 4:1-3**



Welcome and intros!

- 1. Recognising the dangers!
- 2. Explaining the approach! (Questions here).
- 3. Seeking the unity!

1) The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God who loves

Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. **Genesis 1:2.**



Stats: "Spirit of God" = OTx14, NTx11; "Spirit of the Lord" = OTx20, NTx4 Other passages: Judg 3:10, Luke 4:18, Acts 5:3-4, 1 Cor 3:16, 2 Cor 3:17.

- He is God!
- He is a Person in relationship!

<u>Lesson</u>: Worship the God who is Three in one!

2) The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Jesus who spotlights

He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. **John 16:14.**

Stats: Spirit of Christ= NTx2, Spirit of Jesus= NTx2, Spirit of His Son=NTx1 Other passages: John 14:16, John 16:7, Acts 16:7, 1 Peter 1:11.

- He is like Jesus!
- He is a "self-effacing" Person

Lesson: glorify the Spirit by coming to know and love and be like Jesus!

3) The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth who teaches

I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. **John 16:12-13.**

Stats: "Spirit of Truth" = NTx4 (all in Jn or 1 Jn)

Other passages: 2 Peter 1:20-21, John 16:7-11, 1 Cor 2:10-16, Hebrews 3:7

- He taught the first disciples about Jesus
- He teaches unbelievers about Jesus
- He teaches believers about Jesus

Lesson: Don't separate the Word and Spirit!



4) The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Life who regenerates

But when the kindness and love of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Titus 3:4-6**

Stats: "Holy Spirit" = OTx3, NTx93; "Spirit of Life = NTx1 in Ro8:2 Other passages: Psalm 104:30, John 1:13, John 3:3-8, Gal 4:6-7.

- We are "born again" by the Spirit
- He lives in every believer!

<u>Lesson</u>: Praise God, Praise God, you are never alone!

5) The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Holiness who changes

So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. **Galatians 5:16-17.**

Stats: "Spirit of Holiness=NTx1 in Ro 1:4 Other passages: 2 Cor 3:18.

- The co-operation with the Holy Spirit
- Be careful about "two tier Christianity"

Lesson: Cry often, "Holy Spirit Help!"

<u>Breakout Groups</u> 1) what 1 thing do you need to remember and when?
2) what questions do you want to ask (that aren't here)?

6) The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Power who equips

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. **1 Cor 12:4-7.**

Stats: "Spirit of Power" = NTx1 in 2 Tim 1:7.

Other pass: Rom 12:6-8 (28-31), 1 Cor 12:8-10, Eph 4:11-16, 1 Peter 4:11.

- Gifts are for serving others!
- There are many gifts!
- The question of whether any gifts have ceased: "cessationalism", "continuationalism" and "in between"!
 - The question of tongues today
 - The question of prophecy today
 - The question of healing & miracles today
- The priorities of a Christian meeting

<u>Lesson</u>: Get on and serve your brothers and sisters in word and deed!