

God The Holy Spirit

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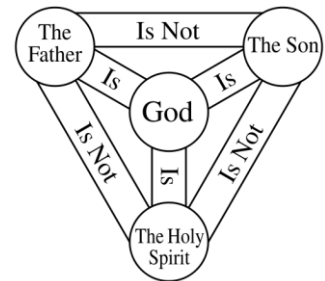
The Holy Spirit is not a power or force of energy, and not an appendage of God, but He is the third member of the Trinity and is God, the person, who wants a *personal* relationship with you and me. He is mentioned in the Old Testament more than 90 times, and in the New Testament more than 260 times. The only books in the New Testament that don't mention the Holy Spirit are 2nd & 3rd John.

It must be revealed and understood that the Holy Spirit is God, just as much as the Father is God and as much as the Son is God. Jesus warned the disciples [and us] about the opposition to this revelation of his Deity through a kingdom parable of the woman (false religion) who took and hid leaven (false doctrine) into three measures of meal (the Trinity Godhead). See *Matthew 13:33 KJV* This parable came to pass when the early church fathers had to hammer out several creeds to fight the heresies of the false cults in Christendom. The Triune nature of God cannot exist as a fundamental truth apart from the Deity of the Holy Spirit. Thus, once again, the emphatic claim of the **Athanasian Creed**:

*“Whosoever will be saved, **before all things** it is **necessary** that he hold to the [whole, universal and true] Faith. That Faith which, unless everyone keeps whole and undefiled, without doubt shall perish for all eternity.”*

And the true faith is this:

- That we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity;
- Neither confounding the persons nor dividing the substance.
- For there is one person of the Father, another of the Son, and another of the Holy Spirit.
- But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit is all one, the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.



The Athanasian Creed goes on to declare about the God the SON:

- The Holy Ghost **uncreated**,
- The Holy Ghost **incomprehensible**,
- The Holy Ghost **eternal**,
- The Holy Ghost **is almighty**,
- The Holy Ghost **is God**,
- The Holy Ghost **is of the Father and the Son, neither made nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.**

Biblical Symbolic Illustrations of the HOLY SPIRIT in the Trinity:

1. Celestials	) Sun	<i>Father God</i>
	) Moon	<i>Son</i>
	) Stars (multitudinous)	<i>Holy Spirit</i> (in the saints referred to as stars)
2. Noah's Ark	) 1st Story	<i>Father God</i>
	) 2nd Story	<i>Son</i>
	) 3rd Story (the Window)	<i>Holy Spirit</i> (the illuminator)
3. The God of...	) Abraham	<i>Father God</i>
	) Isaac	<i>Son</i>
	) Jacob (anointer of the rock, 12 sons)	<i>Holy Spirit</i> (fruitfulness)
4. Mercy Seat	) One Cherub	<i>Father God</i>
	) Seat	<i>Son</i>
	) One Cherub (the other invisible)	<i>Holy Spirit</i> (approves the blood sacrifice)

5. Ark Contents	) Tables of Law) Golden Pot of Manna) Aaron's Budded Rod (Fruit)	<i>Father God</i> <i>Son</i> Holy Spirit (<i>Fruitfulness</i>)
6. Aaron's Rod	) The Bud) The Flower) The Almond (proceeds from the bud and flower)	<i>Father God</i> <i>Son</i> Holy Spirit (<i>Fruitfulness</i>)
7. Burning Bush	) The Voice) The Bush) The Fire (does not burn up the bush)	<i>Father God</i> <i>Son</i> Holy Spirit (<i>light</i>)

Symbolic numbers of the Holy Spirit:

- **SEVEN: Fullness, Completeness, Perfection**

Seven-fold anointing of Christ (Isaiah 11)
Seven Lamps, Seven Horns,
Seven Eyes in Revelation.

- **NINE: Gifts of the Spirit, Fruit of the Spirit, Fruitfulness, Finality**

Specific Characteristics of God the Holy Spirit:

- The Third Person of the Trinity in mode of operation for the purpose of redemption.
- Not inferior, not unequal, but the *servant* Person in the Godhead pointing to the Father and the Son.
- Proceeding from the Father through the Son.
- The Inspirer, Revelator, Illuminator of the Word, the written and living Word. The Communicator, The Teacher.
- The Quickener, the Unction, The Anointing (1 John 2:20,27).
- The Sanctifying Power, the Indweller in the multitude of believers, the Presence in the Church.
- Fruitfulness, Fruit of the Spirit, Mother characteristics.
- Numberlessness, Multiplicity, Exhaustlessness.
- The Symbolized One, as Water, Rivers, Rain, Fruit, Oil, Fire, Wind, Breath, Dove, Seal, Gifts, Cloud, Light, Finger of God, the Earnest, the Enduement, etc.
- Eternally the Spirit.
- Invisible.
- Co-equal in nature, power, attributes and glory with the Father and the Son.
- His ministry is to convict and convert man, and to reveal the Son and the Father to the believer.

The Divine Attributes of the Holy Spirit: Omnipresent, Omnipotent, Omniscient, Unchangeable, Called God, Eternal, The Spirit of Truth, The Spirit of Love, The Spirit of Holiness.

His Work in the Old Testament:

- Active in the Creation of the worlds
- Life-giving breath to creatures and man
- Moved on Noah to Preach
- Enabled Joseph to interpret dreams
- Imparted wisdom to build Tabernacle
- Quickened 70 elders to prophesy
- Equipped Joshua with wisdom
- Empowered Judges to deliver Israel
- Came upon Samson to impart strength

The Personality of the Holy Spirit:

Just because the Holy Spirit is symbolized so much by impersonal objects (wind, rain, fire, oil) doesn't negate the fact that "he" is a Divine Person. Angels are spirits, but they are also real personalities, just as real as we are spirits with human flesh to house our spirit, yet we are real persons with mind, will, & emotion. The Holy Spirit was referred to by Jesus in the masculine gender of "*he, himself, & him.*"

The Holy Spirit is referred to as having:

- 1) Mind (Rom.8:27; 1 Cor. 2:10-13)
- 2) Will (1 Cor. 12:11)
- 3) Emotions (Rom. 8:26-27; Col. 1:8)

The Holy Spirit is given a personal title: *The Comforter (Advocate)*

The Holy Spirit: *speaks, searches, works, testifies, teaches, reproves, makes intercession, leads, guides, anoints, convicts, calls, & imparts.*

The Holy Spirit can be: *grieved, insulted, lied to, blasphemed, resisted, vexed, quenched & tempted.*

The Holy Spirit in the Life of Jesus:

- Born of and filled with the Spirit
- Anointed and empowered by the Spirit
- Led by the Spirit
- Spoke and taught by the Spirit
- Healed the sick by the Spirit
- Cast out demons by the Spirit
- Was resurrected by the Spirit
- Baptized the Church by the Spirit
- Governs the Church by the Spirit

The Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer:

- Born again by and filled with the Spirit
- Anointed and empowered by the Spirit
- Empowered to witness by the Spirit
- Receive spiritual gifts from the Spirit
- Walk in the Fruit of the Spirit
- Taught, guided & led by the Spirit
- Heal the sick by the Spirit
- Cast out demons by the Spirit
- Strengthened & renewed by the Spirit

The Holy Spirit in the Life of the Church

- Formed by the Spirit into a many-membered body
- Built up and equipped by the Spirit through the 5-fold Gifts
- Sets each member into the local church of His choosing
- Calls, equips, and anoints various ministries
- Empowers the priesthood of believers to all be ministers
- Anointed with Holy Spirit gifts to demonstrate God's kingdom power on earth
- Receives Fruit of the Spirit to demonstrate God's character
- Governed by the Spirit as Jesus, the head, directs
- Imparts wisdom and revelation of Christ

The Titles of Deity Applied to the Holy Spirit

- Spirit of God
- Spirit of the Lord
- Spirit of the Living God
- Spirit of the Father
- Spirit of Jesus
- Spirit of Christ
- Spirit of His Son
- Spirit of Jesus Christ

The Attributes of the Holy Spirit

- Spirit of Wisdom
- Spirit of Knowledge
- Spirit of Counsel and Might
- Spirit of Grace
- Spirit of Burning
- Spirit of Holiness
- Spirit of Love
- Spirit of Faith
- Spirit of Truth
- Spirit of Judgment
- Spirit of Glory
- Spirit of Prophecy
- Spirit of Promise
- Spirit of Life
- Spirit of Adoption

Genesis 1:1-2

*“And the **Spirit of God** moved on upon the face of the waters...”*

Revelation 22:17

*“The **Spirit** and the **Bride** say come.”*