

The Holy Spirit and Spirituality – Part 12

The Work of the Holy Spirit

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing an exciting series of studies on The Holy Spirit and Spirituality. Our topic today: The Work of the Holy Spirit.

Scripture Theme Song: The fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23)

- 1) The Holy Spirit brings conviction of sin
 - a) John 16:8-9
 - b) Why is it important to remember that the Holy Spirit brings conviction about sin as a Comforter/Helper and not as an Accuser?
 - c) What conviction does the Holy Spirit want to bring to every member of the human family? John 16:9 (the sin of unbelief in Jesus)
 - d) How should we as Christians relate to someone who is struggling with sinful thoughts or behaviors? Matthew 7:3, John 8:7, John 8:36
- 2) The Holy Spirit brings conviction of righteousness
 - a) John 16:8,10
 - b) The Holy Spirit always points to Jesus. Christ is our righteousness. 1 Corinthians 1:30
 - c) Because Jesus is no longer with us on planet earth but has ascended to the Father, the Holy Spirit will remind us of how Jesus lived and what He taught. John 15:26, John 14:26, 2 Peter 1:19-21
 - d) The righteousness of Christ is both imputed to us and imparted to us by His Spirit. 2 Corinthians 5:21
- 3) The Holy Spirit brings conviction of judgment
 - a) John 16:8,11
 - b) What specific judgment is Jesus referring to here? John 12:31
 - c) Why is it important to remember that Satan has already been defeated? 1 Peter 5:8-9
 - d) What good news did Jesus share about the final judgment? John 5:22-24
- 4) The Holy Spirit brings assurance of salvation
 - a) 1 John 5:12-13
 - b) Romans 8:15-17
 - c) Ephesians 1:13-14—sealed by the Holy Spirit
 - d) When did you first experience assurance of salvation?
- 5) The Holy Spirit brings hope
 - a) Romans 5:1-5 – we rejoice in hope
 - b) Romans 15:13 – abound in hope
 - c) Psalm 31:24
 - d) Why should we always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in us? ((1 Peter 3:15)
 - e) What promises of God's Word has the Holy Spirit brought to your remembrance at a time when you needed hope?
- 6) Discussion questions
 - a) Share a time when you sensed the Holy Spirit at work in your life is a special way.
 - b) What is the most important lesson you have learned from our study of the Holy Spirit?