Knowing and Communing with The Person of the Holy Spirit

John 14:16-17

"And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you." Every Christian must know who the Holy Spirit is and commit to constantly commune with Him

I. WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

A. HE IS THE SPIRIT OF THE INFINITE GOD

Every Christian must know that the Holy Spirit is God.



"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."

When we know the Holy Spirit resides in us:

1. It puts us on our knees in humility.

2. It gives us security.

3.We need not fear.

B. HE IS OUR HELPER

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Every Christian must know that the Holy Spirit is our close and permanent Helper.

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"PARA" & "KALEO"

"PARA" means – very close, side by side

"KALEO" means – is to beckon or to call

The Holy Spirit is permanently called along side of us to coach us in our life walk with God. It is His calling and assignment and He does it permanently, because Jesus said He will abide with you forever. He will not leave you nor forsake you.

John 14:26 (AMP)

"But the Helper (Comforter, Advocate, **Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthener,** Standby), the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name [in My place, to represent Me and act on My behalf, He will teach you all things. And He will help you remember everything that I have told you."

II. COMMUNING WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

EVERY CHRISTIAN CAN AND WILL HAVE A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD THROUGH COMMUNING WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT



"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all." "KOINONIA" which means fellowship, companionship, communication, intimacy, sharing together, joined partnership, close mutual association

A. CLOSE FELLOWSHIP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

FELLOWSHIPPING REQUIRES CONSTANT COMMUNICATION

Acts 20:22-23

"And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there. I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me."

Acts 10:19

"While Peter was still thinking about the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Simon, three men are looking for you."

Acts 8:29 "The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it."

Acts 16:6-7

"⁶ Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia. ⁷ After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit did not permit them."

B. CLOSE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Every Christian will grow in their service to God when they partner with the Holy Spirit in their daily lives.

1 Corinthians 3:9

"For we are co-workers in God's service ... "

PARTNERSHIP REQUIRES PARTICIPATION

Acts 15:28

"It seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us ..."

C. CLOSE MUTUAL ASSOCIATION WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

CHALLENGE

1. Start communicating and Fellowshipping with The Holy Spirt.

2. Engage in close partnership with the Holy Spirit by participating in building the Kingdom of God.

3. Remember as a Christian you are closely associated with the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit with you, making you God's representative.