# Who is The Spirit?



# OUR DAILY BREAD

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### **SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:**

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom. (Colossians 3:16a KJB)

# Did you know that God has given mankind lot's & lot's & lot's of

## PROMISES? !!!

The Bible is FULL of ALL the PROMISES God has made to man.

## WHAT IS A PROMISE?

The dictionary says this: It is a VOW, a PLEDGE, an ASSURANCE! A promise are words that say that something will certainly happen or be done. A promise is something upon which we can ABSO-LUTELY DEPEND! A promise says that we can ABSLUTELY DEPEND upon the FACT that a certain thing will happen or be done. Nothing can stop the PROMISE from coming TRUE!

A promise is an ABSOLUTE YES!

Oh my! No human person I know on earth can make that kind of promise! Sure, we humans can IN-TEND to do the things that we say we will do when we make a promise; & we SHOULD intend to keep our promises! We should NEVER lie!, but sometimes things happen in our lives that STOP us from keeping that promise! Maybe we get sick or lose our job- things like that. But this is NOT true about WHATEVER God promises us, HE WILL DO! God is all-powerful & all-wise! NOTHING can stop God from keeping His promises! And as we said, the Bible is FULL of God's promises! And listen to what God says about His PROMISES:

"God *is* not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do *it*? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Numbers 23:19 KJB

All God's promises are an ABSOLUTE YES! Why? Because God CANNOT LIE! And how did God give us all His promises?

"For <u>all the promises of God in him</u> (In Jesus Christ. See 2Cor 1:19) *are* <u>yea</u> (yes), and in him <u>Amen</u> (Amen means "so be it". It is absolutely TRUE!), unto the glory of God by us." 1Corinthians 1:20 KJB

God gave us all His promises in JESUS CHRIST. And they are ALL YES! All God's promises give us HOPE & COURAGE & STRENGTH to resist all the evil temptations in this world. But, if we do not KNOW His promises, we won't have hope! We won't have courage & strength to resist the Satan's evil temptations. Now as we just said, today ALL God's promises are found preserved 100% in only ONE PLACE:

The King James Bible of 1611!

There are other bible versions, but those versions do NOT have 100% of God's Word! These bible versions have added to and taken out many of God's original Words! So stick to the King James so that you will have ALL GOD'S PROMISES to read!

Also, as we have learned in our present study about the ARMOR of GOD, all Gods promises are



WEAPONS that you can use to RESIST all Satan's temptations! We learned that God's Word is called

### THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT!

And now in our study, we have asked the question:

### Who is the SPIRIT to whom the SWORD belongs?

That is the question we will answer today! And as always, we will look to the scriptures to find out what God has to tell us. At this time of history, everything God wants man to know is written down for us to read in our King James Bible. So let's open ours to find out WHO the SPIRIT is! Let's start with something that Jesus told His disciples before He went to the cross. They were worried because He told them that He had to leave them to go back up to heaven. And so, Jesus, who NEVER wants us to worry or be afraid, said this to them to comfort them & encourage them.

"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you <u>another Comforter</u>, that he may abide with you for ever;"

John14:16 KJB

Because Jesus knew His disciples were worrying about His leaving them, Jesus told them that He would pray to His Father & God would send them Someone - a COMFORTER who would live with

them FOREVER! What is a COMFORTER? A <u>comforter</u> is someone who helps take away our fears & worries. God the Father would send them Someone to help take their fears & worries away & that Person would be with them FOREVER! That sure is COMFORTING!

Notice that Jesus says that God the Father will send ANOTHER Comforter. Why did Jesus say ANOTHER? Because Jesus is our COMFORTER TOO! Jesus took all our sins away. When we believe in Him, we become God's children FOREVER! If we have believed in Jesus as our Savior, we will go STRAIGHT to God's beautiful heaven when we leave this earth. Now THAT fact sure takes our worries away! But now let's see who this OTHER Comforter is. Jesus tells us:



"Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him; but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

John14:16 KJB

Jesus said that this Comforter is the SPIRIT OF TRUTH! What truth is Jesus talking about? Jesus is talking about all GOD'S TRUTH! WHY is God's TRUTH comforting to us? Because as we saw earlier, "God *is* not a man, that he should lie..."! Numbers 23:19a KJB

God's TRUTH takes away our fears & worries because we KNOW that we can ABSOLUTELY count on God to do EX-

ACTLY what He says He'll do! Now let's continue reading the scriptures to see who Jesus says the "other Comforter who is the Spirit of truth" is.

"But the <u>Comforter</u>, which is <u>the Holy Ghost</u>, whom the Father will send in my name, <u>he shall teach you all things</u>, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

John 14:26 KJB

Jesus tells us that the Comforter is the HOLY GHOST. He is also called the HOLY SPIRIT. If we are believers in Christ, Jesus tells us that the Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit came from heaven to TEACH us all the things that God wants all His children to know about Jesus, God & life! God's truth's are so AWESOME that we could NEVER learn them on our own with our human senses or human thinking.

"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him."

1Corinthians 2:9 KJB

But God WANTS us to know all these wonderful things so He sent <u>His Spirit</u>, the Holy Spirit, the Holy Ghost to teach us. It is the Holy Spirit who shows us <u>all</u> the wonderful things God wants us to know. In fact, without the Holy Spirit's help, we could

NEVER know about God.

"...even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God."

1Corinthians 2:11d KJB

But PRAISE THE LORD! God WANTS all His children to know all these wonderful things that He has prepared for those who LOVE HIM! And so He sent His Spirit to tell us.

"But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God."

1Corinthians 2:0 KJB

Jesus tells us this too in John 16:13 aKJB:

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth;"

So we see then, that the Comforter that God sent to help all His children KNOW His TRUTH so they don't have to worry & so that they don't have to be afraid & so that they CAN resist all the temptations of the devil - that Comforter is the SPIRIT of TRUTH. He is the Holy Spirit!



We've already learned that GOD'S WORD is THE TRUTH! And we've already learned that GOD'S WORD IS CALLED THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT in Hebrews 4:12. God's Word is the SWORD. It is the weapon that we can use as part of our armor to say NO to Satan

when he tempts us with sin & things that are not part of God's plan for us! And today we have learned that this SWORD is the HOLY SPIRIT'S SWORD! He is the One who teaches us God's Word. He is the One who helps us know how & when to USE God's Word, the sword, to chase away our fears. He helps us know how & when to USE God's Word to resist Satan & to tell others about Jesus too! And now, we will learn one more VERY IMPORTANT FACT about WHO the Holy Spirit is. We will learn it by

COMPARING SCRIPTURE with SCRIPTURE!

1John 2:20,22 tells us that Someone called the HOLY ONE gives (anoints) all believers a special ability to know God. And we just learned from other

scriptures that it is <u>The Holy Spirit</u> who does that for us. Now read 2Corinthians 1:20 to find out WHO THE HOLY SPIRIT IS:

"Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, *is* God;"

#### So WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

HE IS GOD!

HE IS GOD, THE HOLY SPIRIT!

Also read 1Corin 3:16 & 2Corin 3:3,17, 1John 5:6-7 KJB

The Holy Spirit is God who helps you to learn & use The Sword of the Spirit,

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#### **From I-95**

- RI Exit #22; Left at split to Rt. 6 W.
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; Right off Exit.
- on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn Left at light (CVS on corner), and then bear Left at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

#### **From Rt. 146**

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From 146 N turn Left off Exit; from 146 S turn Right.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* Take <u>Mineral Spring</u> to end and stay Left around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
  - Take next Right onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
  - Go about 1½ mi.
  - **G.C.F.** is on the *Right*.

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