

I. REVIEW

- A. Last week we learned that the Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment—drawing the lost to Christ. He is now gathering a Bride from the nations and will reveal the beauty of Jesus worldwide, culminating in a great outpouring and final harvest before His return.

II. BILLY GRAHAM AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

- A. In 1949, during meetings in Los Angeles, Billy Graham was seeing growing crowds, but battling private doubts about Scripture. One night alone in the forest, he knelt with his Bible and surrendered his doubts to God, choosing to trust His Word by faith. From that moment, he said, a new confidence marked his preaching. The crusade gained national attention and launched a lifetime of global ministry bringing tens of thousands to faith.

1. In that pivotal moment, The Holy Spirit moved Billy Graham from doubt to conviction, from insecurity to authority, and from human effort to Spirit-empowered proclamation resulting in tens of thousands coming to faith through his ministry.

a) *“The Holy Spirit is not an addition to the Christian life; He is the very life of the Christian.”-Martyn Lloyd-Jones*

III. CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND OF JOHN 14:16-18 16:5-7 & 12-15

- A. Our reading comes from Jesus' farewell discourse in John 13–17, spoken in the upper room just hours before the cross. The disciples were confused, shaken and afraid because He had just told them He was leaving them, they would scatter, Peter would deny Him publicly, and one would betray Him.
- B. In their fear, Jesus prepared them to remain faithful to the mission, assuring them they would not be left as orphans, but after His departure they would receive help from His Spirit and He would dwell in them permanently, and empower them to fulfill their mission.

IV. A TURNING POINT IN HUMAN HISTORY

A. The disciples at this moment were unaware that they were standing at a turning point in history. Jesus' death on the cross would secure the promised New Covenant, which would now allow God to pour out His Spirit on all, and dwell in His people by His Spirit in a new and permanent way.

1. **31 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah-Jer 31:31.**
2. **I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. 34 No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. (31:34)**

(1) The God who once revealed His presence by fire and a cloud above the tabernacle, now by His Spirit, will bring that Fire and Cloud into His people

V. READING

1. **16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— 17 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. 18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.-Jn 14:16-18**
2. **7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.-Jn 16:7**
3. **12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. 14 He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine and declare it to you.-John 16:12-14**

VI. JESUS' INTRODUCES THE HOLY SPIRIT

A. JESUS CALLS HIM THE COMFORTER | HELPER

1. The Greek word is "parakletos" used five times in the New Testament that describes "**one that comes alongside to help**".
2. The word also describes the Holy Spirit as one that enables, acts as an advocate, counselor, comforter, bringing strength, and intercedes for the believer.

VII. HOW JESUS IDENTIFIED THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. HE WILL ABIDE WITH US FOREVER

- a) The Spirit of God had once come on Old Testament believers temporarily, but now He will come to live in believers permanently.

2. THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

- a) Jesus calls Him the Spirit of truth – the One who reveals what is true about the Father and the Son and illuminates God's written Word.

(1) He also protects the believer from deception called "the spirit of error" (1 John 4:6)

3. HE SPEAKS TO US

- a) The Spirit speaks on behalf of the Father and Son.

(1) *He who ears let Him hear what the Spirit says to the church -Rev 2:7*

4. HE TELLS US THINGS TO COME

- a) The Spirit reveals the full meaning of Christ's redemptive work and clarifies God's future purposes.

(1) *5 which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets: -Eph 3:5*

5. HE WILL GLORIFY ME

- a) The Holy Spirit's primary role is to glorify Jesus through His followers by transforming them into His image.

6. HE WILL TAKE WHAT IS MINE AND DECLARE IT TO US

- a) He declares the riches of the person of Jesus

7. REMINDE US OF WHAT JESUS SAID

- a) Bring back to memory what Jesus said about His life, Father, death, resurrection, and Kingdom

VIII. TEN ADDITIONAL WORKS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. REGENERATES US INTO THE NEW BIRTH

- a) ***4 But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, 5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,-Tit 3:4-5***

2. INDWELLS THE BELIEVER

- a) **At conversion, the Spirit permanently indwells the believer**

(1) "I will put My Spirit within you-Ezk 36:27

3. BAPTIZES THE BELIEVER WITH POWER AND BOLDNESS

- a) ***"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."-ACTS 1:8***

4. AFFIRMS OUR IDENTITY

- a) ***16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God Rom. 8:16***

5. FILLS US REPEATELY

- a) **18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit-Eph 5:18**

6. SANCTIFICATION (TRANSFORMS)

- a) **For this is the will of God, your sanctification:-1 Thess 4:3**
- b) **18 But we all, with unveiled faces, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.-2 Cor 3:18**

7. GLORIFIES US

- a) **if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.-Rom 8:17**

8. IMPARTS SPIRITUAL GIFTS

- a) **There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit... To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good-1Cor 12:4**

9. PRAYS FOR US

- a) Rom 8:26

10. DIRECTS AND GIVES STRATEGIES

- a) The Spirit closes doors

(1) They were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia"-Acts 16:6

- b) The Spirit opens doors

(1) 9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night. A man of Macedonia stood and pleaded with him, saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."-Acts 16:9

IX. HOLY SPIRIT ESCORTS US INTO THE INFINITE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD

A. The indwelling Holy Spirit enables us to grasp the glorious things God has prepared for us.

1. ***9 But as it is written "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him."10 But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. 1 Cor 2:9-10***