

## THE WORD OF GOD and the HOLY SPIRIT

TEXT: John 7:37-39

### INTRODUCTION:

A. There are many things the Holy Spirit is said to do (as we shall see) -- The question is not, *Does the Holy Spirit do these things?*, but rather, *HOW does the Holy Spirit accomplish His work?*

B. The Bible teaches that the Sword of the Spirit is the Word of God (**Eph 6:17**).

TS: What we shall see that *the instrumentality of the Holy Spirit's work is the Word of God - The Word is the vehicle, medium, means, mode, method, by which the Holy Spirit works!*

### 1. **CREATION**

HS: Psalm 104:30, Thou sendest forth they spirit, they are created. **Gen 1:2**

W: Hebrews 11:3, Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God

### 2. **WITNESS**

HS: Rom 8:16, the Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit that we are the children of God

W: John 5:39, Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me.

### 3. **INSTRUCTS**

HS: Neh. 9:30, Ye many years didst thou forebear them, and testifidest against them by Thy spirit in Thy prophets.

W: 2 Tim. 3:16-17, All Scripture is given by inspiration of God...

### 4. **CONVICTS**

HS: Jno. 16:8, And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement.

W: Titus 1:9, Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayer.

### 5. **BEGETS**

HS: 2 Cor. 3:6, Who also made us able ministers of the new testament...the spirit giveth life

W: James 1:18, Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth

### 6. **NEW BIRTH**

HS: John 3:5, 8, Except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.. .so is everyone that is born of the spirit.

W: 1 Peter 1:22-23, Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth...Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God which liveth and abideth forever.

## **7. SAVES**

**HS:** Titus 3:5, ..but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost

**W:** Jms. 1:21, Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word which is able to save your souls

Rom. 1:16, ...the gospel...the power of God unto salvation

## **8. SANCTIFIES**

**HS:** 1 Cor 6:11, And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God

Rom. 15:16...(Gentiles) being sanctified by the Holy Ghost

**W:** John 17:17, Sanctify them thru thy truth, thy word is truth

2 Thess. 2:13, ...chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth

## **9. CLEANSSES & WASHES**

**HS:** 1 Cor.6:11

**W:** John 15:3, Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

Eph. 5:26, That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word

## **10. BUILDS UP (Strengthens)**

**HS:** Eph. 3:16, That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by His spirit in the inner man.

**W:** Acts 20:32, And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of his grace which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them that are sanctified.

## **11. MAKE FREE**

**HS:** Rom 8:2, For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death

**W:** John 8:32, ye continue in my word....

## **12. LEADS**

**HS:** Rom 8:14, For as many as are led by the Spirit of God they are the sons of God

**W:** Psa. 119:105, Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

## **13. COMFORTS**

**HS:** Acts 9:31, churches walking in the comfort of the Holy Ghost

**W:** 1 Thess. 4:18, Wherefore comfort one another with these words

## **14. PERFECTS LOVE**

**HS:** Rom. 5:5, ...the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given us.

**W:** 1 John 2:5, But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected

## **15. CALLS**

**HS:** Rev. 22:17, And the Spirit and the bride say, Come.

**W:** 2 Thess. 2:14, Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ

## **16. FILLS**

**HS:** Eph. 5:18, And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit

**W:** Col. 3:16, Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom...

## **17. REJOICES THE HEART**

**HS:** Gal.5:22, But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith

**W:** Psa. 119:111, Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they are the rejoicing of my heart.

1 Thess 1:6, And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost

## **18. ACCOMPLISHES THE RESURRECTION**

**HS:** Rom. 8:11, But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken you mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

**W:** John 5:28, 29, Marvel not at this: for the hour cometh in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth...

## **CONCLUSION:**

A. The Holy Spirit and the Word are not the same thing; but the Word is the agency the Holy Spirit uses to accomplish His work: **What the Holy Spirit does, He does through the Word!**

B. The Word of God must be received, accepted, believed, and obeyed.

C. When we allow the Word to work in our lives, we are allowing the HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD to accomplish His work in, through, by, and for us.

{Psalm 138:2}