

## **A FORGOTTEN FRIEND**

### **Part V**

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This is lesson 5 on the subject of the Forgotten Friend. In our studies we have answered tuff some questions.

#### ***1) The Origin of the Holy Spirit***

*We found in our research that the Holy Spirit is eternal, because he is God. He is not inferior!*

#### ***2) The Holy Spirit in Creation***

We were introduced to the Holy Spirit in verse **2 of Genesis Chapter 1**.before God spoke.

#### ***3) The Holy Spirit in the Life of Christ***

The Holy Spirit was involved in **the conception of Jesus**, at the **water baptism of Christ** –**the Holy Spirit anointed the life and ministry Jesus**, and it was **the power of the Holy Spirit that resurrected Christ from the dead.**

The Holy Spirit was integral in the entire earthly life of Christ.

#### ***4) The Role of the Holy Spirit in Our Redemption***

We must be born of the Spirit and the Holy Spirit led us to Christ.

#### ***5) – The Holy Spirit in the life of the believer.***

Once the Holy Spirit comes into your life he will never leave you or forsake you. As we will see in **John 14&16**.

According to **Ephesians 4:30**, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit for the day of your redemption.

**Acts 1:4;8**

**Verse 4** teaches us that he assembled the apostles together; he gave them a commandment to not depart for Jerusalem but wait for the promise of the father. What is this promise of the father? It is the prophecy of **Joel 2:28-29**, **Isaiah 2:2** & **Isaiah 44:3**.

In our Last lesson we closed with;

**Joel 2:28-30 (NIV)**

Was this fulfilled in **Acts 2**: or at the beginning of the **Gospel's**?

Remember Mary, Zachariah, Elisabeth, Anna, Siemon all had angelic visitors or prophetic experience before and immediately after the birth of Christ

He will remind them that John is the one who baptized in water – speaking of the past – but now he speaks of the future that they will be baptized in the Holy Ghost in just a few days. This is where the term” **baptism of the Holy Spirit**” comes from - not from a denomination but from the lips of our Lord.

**Verse 6** reminds us of how we can miss the spiritual and focus on the carnal. They wanted to know when the oppressive hand of the Roman Empire would be lifted and he would establish his kingdom. In **verse 7** he quickly reminds them, “You will not know the time or the seasons.”

**Matthew 24:36 (NIV)**

[How sad on May 21 was when those who sold their possessions drew out retirements, expecting the return of the Lord, because they listened to a misguided, zealous person who misinterpreted the scriptures. But that incident itself was prophecy being fulfilled; making us even more aware of the time of history we live in.]

**Matthew 24:11 (NIV)**

Jesus will remind the disciples that this knowledge remains only in the Father's power. (Authority)

In **verse 8**, Jesus comes forcefully at them with a prophecy that deals with the future tense.

**Acts 1:8 (NIV)**

**I Corinthians 6:19-20 (NIV)**

## **I. WHY DID JESUS DEPART?**

**John 14:12 (NIV)**

**John 3:34 (NIV)**

**Acts 10:38 (NIV)**

**John 14:15-18 (NIV)**

In **verse 15**, we find a contingency – 'if you love me' – that's a major question that confronts us all today. As a matter of fact, Jesus said all the laws of the prophet hang on that one statement.

**Luke 10:27 (NIV)**

We find in **John 14: 16** a promise from Jesus. He will ask the father on our behalf – Remember he is seated at the right hand of God, his ministry is making intercession for the saints of God.

Now look at the second part of the promise and he (God) shall give you **another comforter** – different in administration and operation but same in substance.

**Comforter** – used exclusively by **John 5 times** – **14:16, 26, 15:26, 16:17** and the fifth time is not in the **gospel of John** but in his **1<sup>st</sup> letter** and it's not used of the Holy Spirit but it's used of Jesus – same Greek word used for the Holy Spirit is used for Christ (**par-ak-lay-tos**) **means intercessor-advocate-comforter**.

In this verse –This is important: The same Greek word describes Jesus and the Holy Spirit – same in substance.

**1 John 2:1 (NKJV)**

When you receive the Holy Spirit – are you receiving more of Jesus? Not salvation – but more of his presence and power. R U sure? Remember;

**2 Peter 3:18 (NIV)**

Look at the latter part of **verse 16** “that he may abide with you forever.” Remember this promise – this is very important – you will never be along again.

**Verse 17** calls him the “Spirit of Truth”. All the Holy Spirit can speak is truth. Remember in **John 14:6** when Jesus said, “I am the way, *the truth* and the life”

**V-17** And now we find the Holy Spirit is called **Spirit of Truth**.

**VIDEO – “THE TRUTH”**

And we are reminded that the world cannot receive him and the reason is, the world does not perceive or understand him neither does the world know him.

Quickly Jesus will transition and say, in **V 17** “But you know him for he dwells with you.” What does that mean? It means Jesus- who is full of the Holy Spirit, operating under the power of the Holy Spirit – is with them. That’s how they know the operation of the Holy Spirit it is through the life of Christ.

Watch the next promise – **not only does he dwell with you but he shall be in you.** It’s not only an external experience but it is an internal relationship.

**Verse 18** gives us the promise – “I will not leave you comfortless” or as the NIV says – “as orphans. I will come to you.” Is this talking about his second coming? I do not think so.

Look at: *The promise of the Holy Spirit*

**John 14:18 (NIV)**

**John 14:23 (NIV)**

**John 14:26 (NIV)**

**Matthew 28:20 (NIV)**

**Joshua 1:5 (NIV)**

**Hebrews 13:5 (NIV)**

I would like to give you 6 reminders that you can write down at this point in the message.

**1. Receiving him is not an option – it is mandatory.**

**Acts 1:4-8**

**Galatians 5:16**

**Galatians 5:25**

**Revelation 1:10**

**1 Corinthians 12:11**

**1 Thessalonians 5:19**

**Ephesians 4:29-32**

**Isaiah 53:3**

**Psalms 78:40**

**Genesis 6:6**

**1 Samuel 15:11**

**2. He is a promise from the father.**

**Luke 24:49**

### 3. Why do we need him?

Ephesians 6:10 -13

2 Corinthians 10:4

Romans 8:26

Acts 1:8

### 4. How do we prepare?

Romans 12:1

2 Corinthians 7:1

1 Corinthians 3:16-17

I Corinthians 6:19-20

### 5. Who is he for?

Joel 2:28-30

Acts 2:38-39

Luke 11:13

### 6. His name describes his nature and his attributes - **HE IS HOLY!**

John 16:5-7 (NKJV)

Ephesians 5:18 (NIV)

The word filled means to be *leveled up, satisfied*, as a vessel is drained down it is leveled back up

**ILL.** VIDEO OF Carol Burnett skit [here](#)....sitting in a restaurant drinking a glass of water, Tim Conway was the server

**Keep being filled!**

In the Greek, it is **Present- Passive- Imperative**. It is repeatedly being filled.

**Now-- -a gift----- not optional**

**Acts 2:4 (NIV)**

This is the initial outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

**Acts 4:31 (NIV)**

They were initially filled in **Acts 2:4**

Now they received a refilling.

You are to be replenished of the Holy Spirit daily.

**Have you been filled with the spirit? Are you being replenished by the Spirit?**