

HOLY SPIRIT

THE HELPER



“But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.” (Jn. 15:26)

The Helper of the World

How does the Holy Spirit help the unbelievers?

“And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin,
and of righteousness, and of judgment...” (Jn. 16:8)

1. Convicts the world of sin...because they do not believe in Me

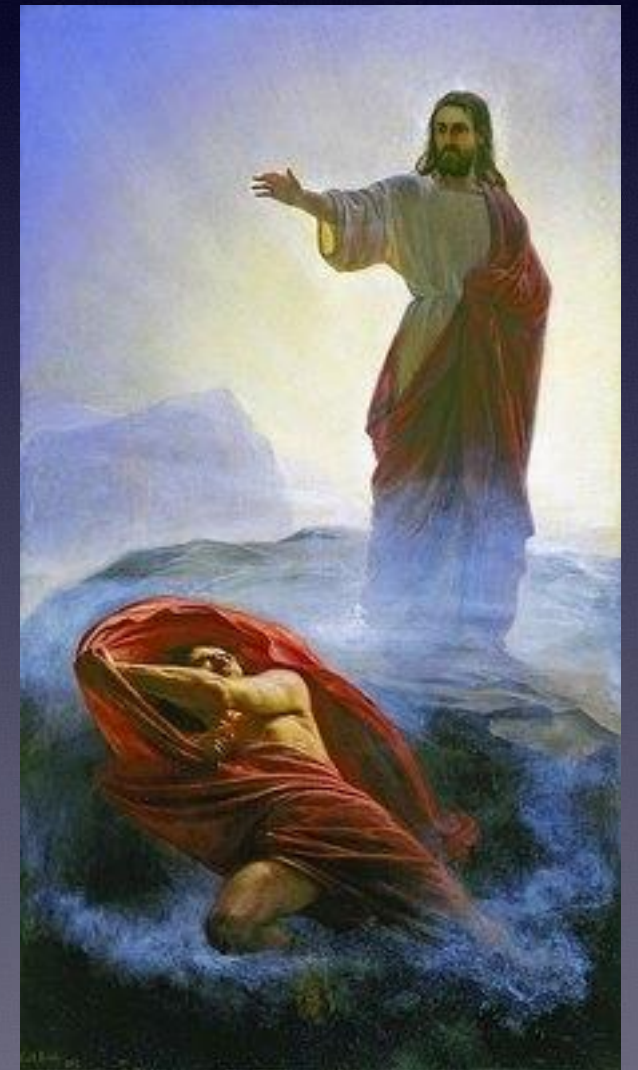
- “But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. Or **how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will plunder his house.** He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.” (Matt. 12:28-30)
- “He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.” (Jn. 3:36)
- The Holy Spirit discloses the reality of sin and our corrupt nature

2. Convicts the world of righteousness...of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more.

- “[He] was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.” (Rom. 4:25)
- “...that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.” (2 Cor. 5:21)
- Only through believing in the Lord Christ can we obtain the righteousness of Christ before the Father

3. Convicts the world of judgment...because the ruler of this world is judged

- “And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.” (Gen. 3:15)
- “How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning...you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit.” (Is. 14:12,15)
- “And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly.” (Rom. 16:20)
- Eternal corruption of evil



4. HS also invites the unbelievers to restoration through the Church

- “And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born.” (Acts 2:8)
- “Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.” (Gen. 11:4)



How does the Holy Spirit
help the believers?

1. Helps us elevate our status

- “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)
- “He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. 15 All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.” (Jn. 16:14-15)
- “And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up...” (Acts 1:10)

2. Leads us to repentance

3. Helps us pray

- “Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.”
(Rom. 8:26)

4. Grants us real mystical participation in the life of Christ

5. Helps us witness with power

- “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)
- “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.” (Jn. 14:12)

Summary

- **How does the Holy Spirit help the unbelievers?**

1. Helps disclose the reality of sin (corruption of our nature)
2. Helps establish that our only means to true righteousness before the Father is in His Son, Jesus Christ
3. Helps one realize that Satan is a defeated foe – so why sign up for the losing team?
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