

# Life in the Spirit **The Spirit and Jesus**

He Shall Glorify Me

In *John 16:14* Jesus said of the Holy Spirit, "He shall glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you." Without the Holy Spirit, we would know little about the Messiah!

*Introduction:* It is important to note the Holy Spirit has little to do with the deity of Christ. Christ's deity is perfect and has always been so. But the Holy Spirit had much to do with Christ's human nature and the empowerment of His ministry.

## The work of the Holy Spirit in the Messiah's ....

#### A. Person

- **1. Sent by the Holy Spirit**: [Isa 48:16-17] Christ did not have His beginning in Bethlehem—He was from eternity past—He who already existed was sent into the world.
- **2. Conceived (begotten):** [Luk 1:35] The incarnation did not give Jesus human personality but did give Him human nature.
- **3. Growing up**: [Luke 2:40; Isa 11:1-2] By comparing these two scriptures we see that it was the Holy Spirit who was doing a 'maturing' work in Jesus.
- **4. Led by the Spirit**: [Luk 4:1; 14] Jesus was 'led' by the Spirit throughout His ministry.

### **B.** Earthly Ministry

**1. Anointed with power:** [*Matt 3:16-17*] It was after this that He could stand in the local synagogue and read from Isaiah [*Luke 4:16-19*]. The Holy Spirit was at the center of Jesus teaching and healing ministry. [*Acts 10:38*].

#### C. Death and Resurrection

- **1. Enabled by the Holy Spirit:** [Heb 9:14] According to the Word of God, without the enabling of the Holy Spirit, the man Jesus could never have offered a perfect sacrifice in the attitude that was acceptable to God.
- **2. Resurrection**: [Rom 8:11; Acts 2:24; John 10:17-18] The fullness of the Trinity; the Father, Son and Holy Spirit worked in concert to raise Jesus from the dead.

## D. Ministry to the Church

- 1. Command through the Spirit: [Acts 1:1-2] Luke says he has written <u>all</u> about Jesus, "until the day in which He was taken up, after <u>He through the Holy Spirit</u> had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen." Jesus continues today to guide and direct us [His Church] through the Holy Spirit. We are <u>not</u> dependent on the bodily presence of the Lord in order to be led by Him.
- **2. Poured out for the Church**: [Acts 2:33; Joh 15:26; Mat 3:11] As the Spirit came upon Jesus—so upon us. The Spirit's presence in all the ministry of Jesus was necessary to complete His work. It is no wonder He was anxious that those who were to carry on His work would likewise be empowered by the same mighty Spirit.

Scripture (NKJV)

Isa 48:16-17 "Come near to Me, hear this: I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; From the time that it was, I was there. And now the Lord GOD and His Spirit Have sent Me."

:17 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, The Holy One of Israel: "I am the LORD your God, Who teaches you to profit, Who leads you by the way you should go.

Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

*Luke 2:40* And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.

Isa 11:1-2 There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots. :2 The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.

Acts 10:38 NLT And you know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

Heb 9:14 NLT Just think how much more the blood of Christ will purify our consciences from sinful deeds so that we can worship the living God. For by the power of the eternal Spirit, Christ offered Himself to God as a perfect sacrifice for our sins.