



## **John 14:15-17**

### **1. The Holy Spirit is a person!**

- \* The Holy Spirit is a He! (vs. 17)
- \* The Bible, very clearly, describes the Holy Spirit as a person.

- He has an intellect (I Corinthians 2:11)
- He can feel sorrow (Ephesians 4:30)
- He has a will (I Corinthians 12:11)
- He speaks (Acts 13:2)
- He testifies (John 15:26)
- He teaches (John 14:26)
- He convicts (John 16:8-11)
- He intercedes for us (Romans 8:26-27)
- He can be lied to (Acts 5:3)

## **II Corinthians 13:14**

- “fellowship” – partnership; close mutual association; intimacy

### **2. The Holy Spirit is God!**

- Jesus was leaving the earth but the Father was going to send another divine helper just like Jesus!
- \* The Holy Spirit is part of the trinity.
- The trinity speaks of One God existing in three distinct persons (God the Father, God the Son & God the Holy Spirit)
- We see the triune Godhead referred to throughout the Bible. (Genesis 1:26; Isaiah 6:8; Acts 7:55-56; II Corinthians 13:14)

## **Matthew 3:16-17**

\* Some of the names and titles in Scripture help to prove the Holy Spirit's deity.

- Spirit of God (Exodus 31:3)
- Spirit of the Lord (Judges 6:34)
- Spirit of the Father (Matthew 10:20)
- Spirit of Truth (John 14:17)
- Spirit of Christ (Romans 8:9)
- Spirit of the Living God (II Corinthians 3:3)

### **3. The Holy Spirit is our helper!**

- "advocate" – one called alongside to help; comforter; intercessor; helper
- Just as the disciples had experienced the help of Jesus, the Father was sending another helper, identical to Jesus, to help each one of us.
- God the Father and God the Son manifest themselves to us through the Holy Spirit.

\* The Holy Spirit...

- teaches us all things (John 14:26)
- guides us into all truth (John 16:13)
- directs our path (Romans 8:14)
- equips us (I Corinthians 12:7-11)
- empowers us (Acts 1:8)
- helps us to pray (Romans 8:26-27)
- makes the things of God known to us (I Corinthians 2:9-16)

## **Conclusion:**

\* We must realize the importance of the person of the Holy Spirit and get to know Him!