

OUR HELPER— THE HOLY SPIRIT

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It would be hard for anyone to fully appreciate what a great Helper the Holy Spirit is and how much He really can help us. He is waiting to help us in every way He can. He was sent into the world for this express purpose—to do for us everything we need or desire to the very limit. His power, His wisdom, His love is unlimited the same as God the Father. He is always with us. If we could always see Him with our natural eyes, we would be wonderfully happy, as we would see the solving of our problems and the end of our troubles.

If Jesus Christ lived in our home, as He did with Mary and Martha when He was here on earth, we would be quite proud of the fact of having Him with us in the flesh. Spiritually, we would feel and realize that our troubles were over, that we had an all-sufficient supply of everything we needed and desired; but, when we begin to speak of the Holy Spirit, it seems as if we were thinking of someone without any power; something more like an influence and not a personality like God the Father or Christ would be.

This Bible reveals that the Holy Spirit is not an influence primarily speaking; but He is personality, the third Person of the God-head; and He is the same as Jesus Christ Himself and far more valuable to us than Jesus Christ could be in the flesh on this earth; far more important than God the Father or Jesus Christ being in our homes as the Holy Spirit is always present.

He is God in the Spirit and He is able and willing to do all that God can do, or that Christ can do. He is the power of God; the wisdom of God; the love of God, just the same as Christ. 1 Corinthians 1:30, *“But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.”* The Holy Spirit is all that. Romans 5:5 tells us—*“because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.”*

If Jesus Christ is the power of God, the wisdom of God, the love of God, and the righteousness of God; the Holy Spirit is exactly the same. He is present with us and we are just as much in the presence of God as we

will be in Heaven, as far as His actual presence is concerned. Not only does the thought reveal the presence of God, but the personality and equality with God.

The Bible tells us very plainly what the Holy Spirit came into the world for; He came for our special benefit, our special help, on all occasions and in all circumstances; and He is always at our disposal; He is for our special use, just as any property is, as our right hand to use, or our eye to see with. The work of the Holy Spirit is to open our eyes to see spiritual things, the same as we use our natural eyes to see natural things. We have a brain, which contains more or less wisdom.

The work of the Holy Spirit is to place wisdom into our brain, which we have never dreamed of; He can give us an understanding mind arid heart; He can take of the wisdom of God and impart it unto us and He can make us very wise concerning all we need wisdom about. We have this brought out in John 14:16—that the Holy Spirit has been sent for our special use. *“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever.”*

“Comforter” means a present Helper; One who will help us in everything to make us comfortable *“That he may abide with you forever”*—always present (17) *“Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him”*

Jesus said in another place that He was the way, the Truth and the Life; so the Holy Spirit is also the truth *“but —ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.”* In the presence of the Holy Spirit. (Verse 17)

John 16:7, we have another passage of Scripture: which gives us a little light on this subject. A very remarkable declaration of Jesus Christ, which plainly tells us that it was better for Him to go away; because if He did not go away, the Holy Spirit could not come; and the Holy Spirit would be more valuable to us than Jesus Christ would be in the flesh. It would be God with us and in us; Jesus Christ with us and in us. He could not be with us nor in us always in the flesh.

“Nevertheless, I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away,” (it is the best thing for you), *“for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.”*

Now if Jesus Christ himself says that the presence of the Holy Spirit with us is more valuable than His own

presence here on earth, He must be a very valuable Helper and Comforter.

We have another passage of Scripture in John 14:26, which tells us something more about this Helper, *“But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.”*

This Holy Spirit will teach us all things; will give us understanding concerning everything we need to know, which is very remarkable. You will notice a worker will have a helper to hand him the tools, or do anything he may desire him to, we have a far greater Helper to hand us the tools, or, impart the knowledge we may need in order to win our battles over the enemy and his agents. This Helper is always present to lead us into the victory we need. John 16:13-15, tells us—*“Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth.”*

We have to have a real understanding of this Truth as contained in the Word of God. The Holy Spirit has been sent to give us this understanding. He has not only been sent to comfort us and help us in every way we stand need of, but the great and glorious privilege has been extended to us of having a practical understanding and knowledge of this entire system of truth, which is found in the Word of God. We have the privilege of receiving a real understanding of God’s spiritual truths, of His physical plan, how He desires to make and keep these bodies well; also, the truth about God’s financial plan.

The Holy Spirit is the only One Who can make these things plain to us. We find lots of people who disagree with God’s financial plan as we teach it, people who try to understand it with their finite minds, and they always get a twist to it—a wrong twist. The Holy Spirit, Who is the Spirit of truth, gives us the real truth, the real wisdom about it.

It is the same with the Second Coming of Christ; we find lots of error about the it. Some people claim the historical method of interpretation is not Scriptural and hence, they make a jumble of it. The Holy Spirit gives us a real system of prophecy; He makes the Bible a harmonious whole, everything agrees, every writer agrees, both in the Old and New Testaments; they do not twist and turn to make their arguments; but everything fits

and dovetails, as if made by the most precise machinery; it does not vary a millionth of an inch. The Holy Spirit is our great interpreter.

John 16:13, *“For he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak,”* He shall instruct us concerning the things of God and His Christ; concerning prophecy; concerning the Bible and our great inheritance in Jesus Christ. Verse 14, *“—and He will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me; for He shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.”*

He will show us all that Christ did for us on the Cross; all He is waiting to do for us, and all He can do for us. That is worth knowing, better than all prophecy—prophecy is good, but to have our eyes opened to see what God really is, what Christ has done for us, what He lives to do for us, what His resurrection really means to us, what His death means to us, what His life means to us, will make us more than conquerors in all things. The Holy Spirit is just waiting to open our eyes to see these things. Verse 15, *“All things that the Father hath are mine; therefore said I, that He shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.”*

By this He means that all that God is and can do, or what Christ is and can do, He will open our eyes to see; also our great inheritance in Christ Jesus. He is the One to open our eyes to see and enable us to get hold of our share of that inheritance, which is the same inheritance that Jesus Christ has; because we are “joint-heirs” with Him, which means “equal heirs.” We will then understand what Paul means when he said in 1 Corinthians 3:22-23, *“All are yours; and ye are Christ’s; and Christ is God’s.”*

The moment the Holy Spirit gets the chance, He is going to open our eyes to see these things—that we have a practical heirship, that we are joint-heirs with Jesus Christ, real heirs of God, that we have as much right to God’s power, wisdom, love, blessing, health, strength, and protection as Jesus Christ has in Heaven today.

Romans 8:17, *“And if children, then heirs, heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.”*

We can enjoy these blessings until our cup runs over. Have we ever meditated upon this Truth? Has it ever entered our hearts what an inheritance that is? This is worth knowing and seeing; and no one can see it

themselves. If we allow the Holy Spirit to open our eyes, we will get a practical knowledge of these things, will be able to enter into our inheritance, and we will be like the woman at the well as Jesus talked with her John 4:10, *“If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water.”*

She would have gotten her eyes open to see what God really had for her, which she did later, as the Holy Spirit opened her eyes, after Jesus had spoken with her for a while. She would have remained in ignorance had not the Holy Spirit enlightened her concerning her true condition in God’s sight.

The Holy Spirit is the Enlightener, which is brought out very clearly in the Scriptures, and it is one of the first and best things He can do, to open our eyes to see, which is really the most important part of the battle. If we once see the Truth, once see the things which are freely given us of God, see what Jesus Christ has done for us, what He can make of us, our troubles will quickly come to an end.

1 Corinthians 2:9, We discover that, naturally speaking, we are deaf, dumb, and blind. *“But as it is written, eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.”* As long as we try to see things by any effort of our own, try to get knowledge in a human way, we will fail—utterly fail. People study the Bible for years in their own strength and wisdom and never get any knowledge, from a divine standpoint. They acquire a historical knowledge; but the spiritual blessings of it are an enigma to them.

People often wonder why preachers, who study in these schools and colleges of divinity, do not understand the scriptures right nor get any real divine knowledge. They could not possibly find out in such places because they get all their ideas from the books of men and wisdom of men.

The late Pastor said that he was given a tract on “Faith and Works”, written by a Baptist Minister who was of international reputation. This minister said that faith is no good without works and once we ask God to do anything, we are to start right in and do it ourselves. That is the kind of knowledge they get at colleges and divinity schools.

The true meaning of the word “works” means “actions,” and means if we ask God to do anything we are to believe God and act as if we believed Him—not doing the thing ourselves but looking to God to do the whole work. The real conception of “faith and works” is directly opposite from starting right in and doing the work ourselves, but that is the meaning the carnal mind puts on it. That is why it is so important to—fully ‘turn away’ from those who, as 2 Timothy 3:5 tells us, those *Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.*

Our wisdom and success are always to come from God, not from man and his so-called great knowledge. 1 Corinthians 1:20, *hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?* The Holy Spirit has come to open our eyes to see all our rights, to see the things that God has prepared for us; He enables us to see and understand that they are ours.

1 Corinthians 2:10-12, *“But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world,”* (that is Satan’s spirit—which is entirely opposite from God’s Spirit) *but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.”*

God is standing at the door knocking, waiting to come in and give us all things, without money and without price. That is the value of having the eyesight of the Holy Spirit, which He gives to people when they are not trying to see for themselves, or understand from their carnal viewpoint or get along with a knowledge that they have. We do not need to be ignorant about anything, either how to receive answers to prayer, or how to believe, how to act out faith. The Holy Spirit is present always to open our eyes to see our inheritance; to teach us how to exercise faith, how to believe, how to receive—that is His business.

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