

What the Bible Says about the Holy Spirit.

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Introduction

The groundwork is laid for a biblical study of the Spirit by considering terminology and some foundational principles.

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Presents the evidence that the Holy Spirit is not only a person rather than a force, but also a separate person from the Father and the Son.

2 The Holy Spirit and the Bible

The Spirit's role both in the origin of the Bible and in our understanding of it is examined according to the Bible's own statements.

3 The Holy Spirit's Work in the Old Testament

Although the doctrine of the Holy Spirit is often considered a New Testament matter, there are clear statements of the Spirit's role in creation and other matters within the OT text, when viewed from an NT perspective.

4 The Holy Spirit and Jesus Christ

The Holy Spirit paved the way for Christ and worked in synergy with His earthly ministry.

5 The Holy Spirit and the New Age

With the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, and the subsequent giving of the Holy Spirit in a new and different way, a New Age was ushered in to history.

6 The Work of the Holy Spirit before Conversion

One of the difficulties that has plagued churches of the Restoration Movement is the question of how to interpret the biblical teaching on the Spirit's role in the entire salvation/conversion process.

7 The Work of the Holy Spirit in Conversion

The Spirit's work in the actual change is here considered. The time of regeneration is shown biblically to be the time of water/Spirit baptism.

8 Baptism in the Holy Spirit

There is considerable disagreement about whether the Baptism in/of/by the Holy Spirit is a part of our conversion or a subsequent work of grace, and whether we should confine this terminology to a bestowal of miraculous gifts. A case is made here for this term to be the spiritual element of our one baptism "in water and spirit."

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