

Immanuel 2013

God with us in our daily lives...really.

“A doctrine has practical value only as far as it is prominent in our thoughts and makes a difference in our lives. By this test the doctrine of the Holy Spirit as held by evangelical Christians today has almost no practical value at all. In most Christian churches the Spirit is quite entirely overlooked. Whether He is present or absent makes no real difference to anyone. Brief reference is made to Him in the Doxology and the Benediction. Further than that He might as well not exist.”

- A.W. Tozer, *The Equality of the Three Persons*

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John 14:16-18

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Acts 5:3-4

3 Then Peter said, “Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that **you have lied to the Holy Spirit** and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? **4** Didn’t it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn’t the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? **You have not lied just to human beings but to God.”**

Matthew 28:19

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son **and the Holy Spirit,**"

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“The idea of the Spirit held by the average church member is so vague as to be nearly nonexistent. When he thinks of the matter at all he is likely to try to imagine a nebulous substance like a wisp of invisible smoke that is said to be present in churches and to hover over good people when they are dying. Frankly he does not believe in any such thing, but he wants to believe something, and not feeling up to the task of examining the whole truth in the light of Scripture he compromises by holding belief in the Spirit as far out from the center of his life as possible, letting it make no difference in anything that touches him practically. This describes a surprisingly large number of earnest persons who are sincerely trying to be Christians.”

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Romans 15:30

30 Now I urge you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by **the love of the Spirit**, to strive together with me in your prayers to God for me,

1 Corinthians 2:10-14

10 these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. **11** For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? **In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.**

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Romans 8:9

"However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, **if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.**"

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Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
peace, forbearance, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness,
23 gentleness and self-control.
Against such things there is no law.

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- **Are you experiencing the Holy Spirit in your life?**

“It will be a new day for us when we put away false notions and foolish fears and allow the Holy Spirit to fellowship with us as intimately as He wants to do, to talk to us as Christ talked to His disciples by the sea of Galilee. After that there can be no more loneliness, only the glory of the never-failing Presence.”

– A.W. Tozer, *In Pursuit of God*

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