

## WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT

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"Filmmakers hardly ever depict spirituality with such a strong emphasis on the Holy Spirit, and when they do, it tends to be patronizing—full of charlatans and snake handlers." Robert Duvall

#### 1. THE MYSTERY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

*“For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.” (2 Corinthians 3:17, NLT)*

#### 2. THE HOLY SPIRIT IS MY COUNSELOR.

*“But in fact, it is best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Advocate won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment.” (John 16:7-8, NLT)*

#### 3. THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GOD'S GUARANTEE OF OWNERSHIP IN MY LIFE.

*“And now you Gentiles have also heard the truth, the Good News that God saves you. And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him.” (Ephesians 1:13-14, NLT)*

#### 4. THE HOLY SPIRIT IS MY COACH.

*“Let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses. ... Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.” (Galatians 5:16-18,25, NLT)*

#### 5. THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES ME SPIRITUAL GIFTS.

*“A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. The same Spirit gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing. He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and another the ability to prophesy. He gives someone else the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said. It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have.” (1 Corinthians 12:7-11, NLT)*