

*Come
Holy
Spirit*



“If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever – the Spirit of truth... he lives with you and will be in you.

John 14:15-27

“Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

John 14:12

Do I believe that I am empowered by the Holy Spirit to do “greater things”?

Who is the Holy Spirit?

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We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

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We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the
Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

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For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and
the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

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On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

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We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

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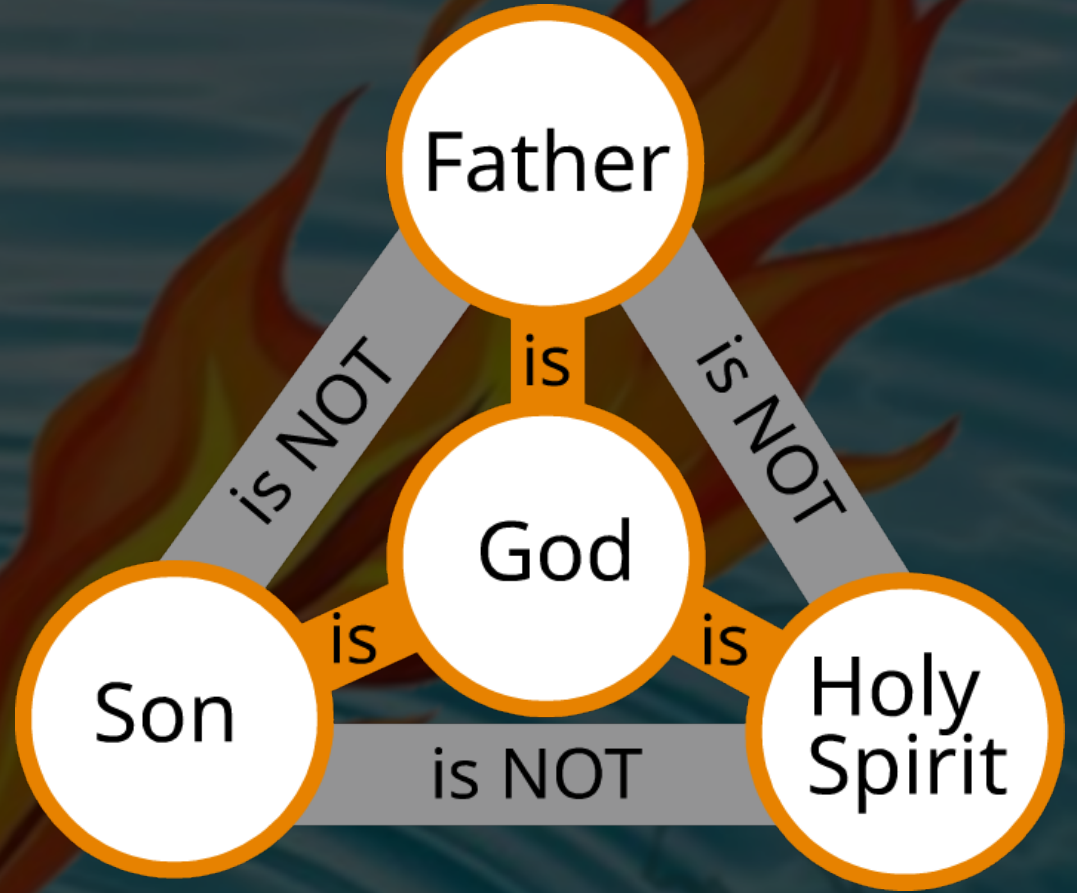
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We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for
the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen!



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“Trinitas... tres personae, una substantia.”

“Trinity... three persons, one substance.”.

Tertullian c.200AD

The word “Trinity” emerged as Christians were trying to express three truths simultaneously:

- God is one.
- The Father, Son and Spirit are each fully God
- Father, Son and Spirit are not the same person.

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept *him*, because it neither sees *him* nor knows *him*. But you know *him*, for *he* lives with you and will be in you.

John 14:16-17

αὐτὸ - autos

Personal pronoun.

Singular. Neuter.

But the *Advocate*, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

John 14:26

Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Genesis 1:2

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let the one who hears say, “Come!” Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.

Revelation 22:17

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Then the Lord said to Moses, “See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills.

Exodus 31:1–5

Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

Psalm 51:10-12

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So he said to me, “This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: ‘Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,’ says the Lord Almighty.

Zechariah 4:6

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

Luke 4:1

Questions for reflection:

- 1) Have I tended to think of the Holy Spirit more as a *force* than a *person*?
- 2) How does the way I relate to Him reflect my understanding of the Holy Spirit?