



Who is the Holy Spirit?

Do you feel that you need more of the Holy Spirit in your life? In what ways do you want to experience His presence? Take a moment to think about these questions.

“I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.” – Jesus, John 10:10

The Trinity - Our God comprises three persons: the Father, the Son-Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Together they are called the Trinity. On a typical Sunday morning at King’s Park, you will hear a great deal about how much our Heavenly Father loves us and how much our amazing Savior, Jesus, did for us. We also like to take particular moments throughout the year, like Refresh, to talk about the Holy Spirit.

Each person of the Trinity has a vital role in the life of every person. The Holy Spirit is the one who helps us love people through being a bold witness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and through the tangible demonstration of God’s love in powerful signs and wonders. You may be thinking, “Wow, is this really how believers should be living?” The answer is YES with a reminder that the pressure is not on you; we are all relying on the Holy Spirit to move through us.

How It Works - Jesus tells His disciples all about how we receive the Holy Spirit. Luke recounts Jesus’ words in the gospel of Luke, “I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” (Luke 24:49) Luke continues to share what Jesus said in Acts, “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” (Acts 1:4-5)

The word baptized, simply means to be dipped or immersed. Jesus also describes for us what it will be like to be immersed in the Holy Spirit when He says “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:8) Not only can the Holy Spirit move through us, Jesus tells us that it is of first importance that we receive the Holy Spirit before we go out and live our lives for Jesus and His Kingdom. When we receive the Holy Spirit, we are given access to all of the spiritual gifts that God wants to use to show His love to other people.

Begin By Receiving - Jesus is able to baptize you in the Holy Spirit whenever you are ready to receive it, however, if you would like someone to pray with you, there will be people available every night during Refresh to talk with you and pray with you. For other inquiries or concerns, we have staff available for you.

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The Power Of The Holy Spirit - The Holy Spirit brings many benefits into the life of believers. The fruit of the Spirit helps to develop our godly character as we reflect Christ to others. (See Galatians 5:22.) The Holy Spirit brings conviction and guidance, wisdom and understanding. He is our Counselor and our Helper. He brings the motivation of love for all that we do. (See 1 Corinthians 13.) He is the boldness we need to share with others. The Holy Spirit is also the source of the spiritual gifts that come with being baptized in the Holy Spirit, these are listed in 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; there are nine in all.

When we come to God with open hands and expectant hearts, He is faithful to meet us in our needs and to help us in the best ways possible. Take a moment to think about what you are believing for God to do in you.

Action Steps - During Refresh this month, we will be encouraging people in how to use these gifts. In scripture, many of the disciples of Christ demonstrate using these gifts and teaching other believers how to use them in godly ways. We will be using these gifts in accordance with Biblical instruction and we hope to foster a growing desire to use them in your own life as well. In order to make the most of Refresh, below are some steps you can do.

Step 1: Pray - Prayer is a conversation between you and God. We believe these conversations are like a two-way street; we speak to God and then we also listen as God speaks to us in return. God's voice can come through scripture, through prophecy or through the still, small voice that speaks to us personally.

“My sheep listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me.” – Jesus, John 10:27

Prayer accomplishes several things in our hearts and in our lives. It helps to prepare us by building our faith. It helps to prepare our hearts by softening the rough edges from day to day of life. Additionally, it helps to prepare us by continuing the practice of setting aside time for God. He is worth every minute we have to give Him. Try using A.C.T.S. – Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication. Take time to listen for God's voice.

Step 2: Expect & Believe - Prayer paves the way for us to expect and believe more from God. If that sounds like a scary thought to you, don't worry, God is not here to disappoint us, but rather to help us.

“The same God who sent the Lord Jesus on your behalf is the one to whom you pray. He's a good God, and He loves to bless His people. As you ask, seek, and knock, He will answer. ... If we really want God's best, we must be more than casual inquirers on spiritual matters. We must seek God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Many times in Scripture when God's people became desperate for a deep spiritual encounter, they started with a time of consecration and devotion, seeking Him wholeheartedly.”

– Pastor Adam Mabry, Every Nation Ministries

“But seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” - Matthew 6:33