

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND HIS HELP
Part 7 - Different Ways He Helps And Empowers Us

Text: John 14:16-17 NKJ

GOD ALWAYS OFFERS CHOICES

- From the Old Testament to the New Testament - it's His way
 1. Choose who you love and serve (*Deuteronomy 30:19 NKJ*)
 2. Choose to open the door (*Revelation 3:20 NKJ*)

MORE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S WORK IN OUR LIVES

- He convicts us (*John 16:8-11 NKJ*)
 1. Convict; to expose our need for God and that we are separated from Him
 2. Draws us to Jesus and convinces us of our right standing with Him
- He witnesses to us (*Romans 8:16 NKJ*)
 1. Witness - to testify as one who can give a firsthand account, one who furnishes evidence
 1. Maximizes our usefulness in the Body of Christ
 2. Equips us to help bless and strengthen others
 3. These are not gifts we own, but ways the Holy Spirit shows up through us (*John 16:14 NKJ*)
- He helps us pray (*Romans 8:26 NKJ*)
 1. We are limited in our knowledge of situations - He is unlimited
 2. Praying with His help builds us up (*Jude 20 NKJ*)

JESUS INSTRUCTS HIS FOLLOWERS CONCERNING THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Go into all the world - but first wait for the Promise (*Acts 1:4-5 NKJ*)
 1. Baptized - to be fully covered, immersed (*Luke 3:16 NKJ*)
- The Promise of power (*Acts 1:8 NKJ*)
 1. Jesus encouraged the closest followers to Him to receive this Promise of power
- The Promise fulfilled (*Acts 2:1-4 NKJ*)
 1. Pentecost was a Jewish feast 50 days from Passover
 2. The Holy Spirit filled the Old Testament temple, now He fills human temples
 3. Another evidence of power - Peter speaking to the gathered crowds (*Acts 2:37-38 NKJ*)