Sunday, November 3, 2024

1Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.

<u>Title:</u> Ministry of the Holy Spirit <u>Series:</u> Life in the Spirit ... 3 Text: John 14:1 - 35

Purpose: I want to INFORM my congregation of the main ministry roles of the Holy Spirit; that we can acknowledge and receive His transforming work in our lives.

Introduction:

Two weeks ago the devotional was from the first message that Jesus preached; Matthew 4:17, "From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.""

- ~ 1) Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand; 2) Repentance from the Natural State; 3) Repentance from Personal Trespasses; 4) Repentance from Missed Placed Focus
- ~ Last Sunday the devotion was "The Essential for Life in the Spirit."
- ~ 1) Christ Jesus' Command; 2) Characteristics of Natural Mankind; 3) Characteristics of Born Again Mankind
- ~ This week let us consider together the three main ministry functions of the Holy Spirit.
- ~ Special note John 7:38 39, "Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.' (39) Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified."

Consider John 20:19 -23 and Acts 1:6 - 11

1. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit – "IN":

- ~ John 14:17, "even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you."
- ~ Acts 2:38, "And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."
- ~ Compare 1 Corinthians 3:16, "Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?" see Romans 8:2, 9, 11; 2 Timothy 1:14

- ~ The Holy Spirit puts YOU into Christ and puts Christ in YOU!
- ~ 1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:25 29
- ~ The Holy Spirit baptizes you into Christ and Christ into you; man only baptizes you in water as a public confession of your faith (Matthew 10:32).

2. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit - "WITH":

- ~ John 14:16 17, "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, (17) even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him not knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you."
 - ~ John 14:26, "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you."
- ~ John 15:26, "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me."
- ~ John 16:7 15; "your advantage, convict, guide, declare, glorify me (Christ Jesus)"

3. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit - "UPON":

- ~ Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
- ~ Acts 2:4, "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."
- ~ Acts 4:8, "Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders,"
- ~ Acts 4:31, "And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness."
- ~ Ephesians 5:18 21, "And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, (19) addressing one another in psalm and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, (20) giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, (21) submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ."

Conclusion:

Communion