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I. The Holy Spirit Is A Person (Gen. 1:1–2)

- **A.** Elohim = God, plural form
- **B.** The Spirit hovered and breathed (Ps. 33:6)
- C. We encounter the Spirit first, who introduces us to the Son

II. The Holy Spirit

- A. In redemption
 - **1.** Incarnation (Matt. 1:18; Luke 1:35)
 - 2. Ministry (Acts 10:38)
 - **3.** Sacrifice (Heb. 9:14)
 - **4.** Resurrection (Rom. 1:4; 6:4)
 - **5.** Pentecost (Acts 2:33)
 - 6. Access (Eph. 2:18)
 - 7. Indwelling (Eph. 2:22)
- **B.** The exchange of persons (John 16:6–7)
 - 1. Jesus goes back to the Father in heaven
 - 2. The Holy Spirit now the personal representative of the Godhead on earth
 - **3.** Holy Spirit is Lord *in* the Church (2 Cor. 3:17)
 - a. When the Spirit is Lord, there is liberty
 - **b.** Treat Him as a Person
 - **c.** Take the nature of the Lamb
 - (1) A life laid down
 - (2) Purity, meekness, gentleness
 - 4. The Holy Spirit dwells in the Church, the Body of Christ:
 - **a.** Collectively (1 Cor. 3:16)
 - **b.** Individually (1 Cor. 6:19)
 - **5.** Lordship exercised (Acts 13:1–4; 16:6–10)

III. Present Assignments

- **A.** To complete the ministry of Christ
 - 1. Jesus returns in the Holy Spirit (John 14:18 [contrast John 14:3])
 - **2.** Teacher and remembrancer (John 14:25–26)
 - **3.** Guide, revelator and administrator (John 16:12–15)
- **B.** To empower the body of Christ
 - 1. Power to be witnesses (Acts 1:8)
 - **2.** Supernatural attestation (Heb. 2:4)
 - **3.** Nine supernatural gifts (1 Cor. 12:7–11)
 - **a.** Word of wisdom
 - **b.** Word of knowledge
 - c. Faith
 - d. Healings
 - e. Working of miracles
 - f. Prophecy
 - g. Discerning of spirits
 - h. Kinds of tongues

i. Interpretation of tongues

IV. Our Total Dependence—As Jesus Depended On Holy Spirit For Resurrection (Rom. 6:4)

- **A.** Prayer (Rom. 8:26–27)
- **B.** Ministry (Rom. 15:18–19 [compare 1 Pet. 1:12])
- C. Victory over sin (Gal. 5:16)
- **D.** Character—nine forms of Fruit (Gal. 5:22–23 [compare John 15:1, 4–5])
 - 1. Love
 - **2.** Joy
 - 3. Peace
 - 4. Longsuffering/patience
 - **5.** Kindness
 - **6.** Goodness
 - 7. Faithfulness
 - **8.** Gentleness
 - 9. Self-control

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