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***Welcome To The
New Testament Baptist Church***

Current Series
Bible Doctrine

Today's Message
The Holy Spirit – Pt. 1
2 Peter 1:20-21

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Introduction

- The Spirit will never teach us contrary to the scriptures
 - He is the Spirit of truth
 - The Word is truth

C.H. Spurgeon: “Whatever is to be revealed by the Spirit to any of us in the Word of God already. He adds nothing to the Bible, and never will. Let persons who have revelations of this, that, and the other, go to bed and wake up in their senses. I only wish they would follow the advice and no longer insult the Holy Ghost by laying their nonsense at His door.”

Personality of the Holy Spirit

- By personality we mean that the Holy Spirit is not merely an impersonal energy or influence
- The Scriptures prove the Holy Spirit to be a person
 - 1) The Holy Spirit is mentioned with the other members of the Trinity: Matthew 28:19
 - 2) The Holy Spirit is mentioned in association with the other persons in personal relationships.
Acts 15:28
 - 3) He has the ability to will, to be grieved, blasphemed and lied to: I Cor. 1:11; Eph. 4:30; Matt. 12:31; Acts 5:3

4) Personal acts are ascribed to the Holy Spirit

a) He searches the deep things of God – I Cor. 2:10

b) He speaks – Acts 10:19

c) He teaches – I Cor. 2:13

d) He leads and guides – John 16:13

e) He intercedes – Rom. 8:26

f) He bestows gifts – I Cor. 12:7-11

g) He calls men to service – Acts 13:2

5) The use of the Masculine pronoun is used in reference to the Holy Spirit – **John 16:13-14**

A.W. Tozer – “Spell this out in capital letters: THE HOLY SPIRIT IS A PERSON. He is not enthusiasm. He is not courage. He is not energy. He is not the personification of all good qualities, like Jack Frost is the personification of cold weather. Actually, the Holy Spirit is not the personification of anything...He is individuality.”

The Relation of Pentecost to the Holy Spirit

- 1) The Holy Spirit was in existence before Pentecost – Gen. 1:2; Neh. 9:20; Psalm 51:11; Isa. 63:10
- 2) He came on the day of Pentecost in special capacity
 - Numbers 9:15:22; **2 Chron. 7:1-3**
 - The presence of the Holy Spirit showed leadership, ownership, and possession
 - Spirit came in fulfillment of prophecy – Joel 2:28
 - Spirit came to empower the church – **Acts 1:4,8**
 - Spirit came as an abiding comforter, teacher, and indweller of believers – **John 14:16-17**
 - Spirit came to convince the world – John 16:8-11

3) The Spirit's coming on Pentecost in regard to the church was dispensational and final

4) Since Pentecost the Holy Spirit enters every believer working conversion and never departs – John 7:38-39; Rom. 8:9; Eph. 1:13

5) The believer should seek the fullness of the Holy Spirit

- **Eph. 5:18**

- Greatest evidence of the fullness of the Spirit

 - **Gal. 5:22-24**

