

## HOLY SPIRIT IS OUR HELPER Part 1

In the ®Growing Deep and Strong Series, we teach disciples of Jesus Christ about Holy Spirit and how Holy Spirit is our Helper.

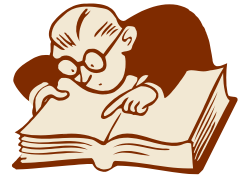
This article is the introduction of who Holy Spirit is, He is our Helper and the most misunderstood Person of the Godhead.

In this five-part series,  
I want to remove the myths and mystics about Holy Spirit and discuss,

- ✓ Holy Spirit is our Helper,
- ✓ Holy Spirit's activity in Old Testament times,
- ✓ How He inspired the human writers of the Bible,
- ✓ How Holy Spirit was involved in the life of Jesus,
- ✓ How He transformed the disciples and empowered them,
- ✓ Holy Spirit as a Person, and what that means,
- ✓ . And how He works in our lives today.

### JESUS CHRIST SENDS THE HOLY SPIRIT

In John 16:5-7 & 13 we read how Jesus told His disciples that when He went away, He would send Holy Spirit to be with them and in them forever.



This is what He said to His disciples.

Verse 5 *But now I am going away to the one who sent me, and none of you has asked me where I am going. 6 Instead, you are very sad. 7 But it is actually best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Counselor won't come. If I do go away, he will come because I will send him to you.*

In verse 13 he continues by saying,

*13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not be presenting his own ideas; he will be telling you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future. NLT*

Jesus had to leave the disciples physically so that Holy Spirit could come and be everywhere at once. Being present with them on earth, Jesus was limited to one place at one time. That is why it was to their advantage that He go away.

But when Holy Spirit came, He could be in all disciples everywhere at once, and He would guide them into all truth.

In the NKJV, the term “Counselor” is “Helper” and the Greek definition in the Strong’s Concordance explains,

**helper**, *parakletos* (par-ak-lay-toss); Strong’s #3875: From *para* “beside,” and *kaleo* “to call,” hence, called to one’s side. The word signifies an intercessor, comforter, helper, advocate, counselor. In nonbiblical literature, *parakletos* had the technical meaning of an attorney who appears in court in another’s behalf. The Holy Spirit leads believers to a greater apprehension of gospel truths. In addition to general help and guidance, He gives the strength to endure the hostility of the world system.



In **John 14:16**, Jesus Said,

Verse 16 “And I will pray the Father, and <sup>a</sup> He will \*give you **another** Helper, \*that He may abide with you forever—

In the NKJV, the term “**another**” definition in the Strong’s Concordance explains

**another**, *allos* (al-loss); Strong’s #243: One besides, another of the same kind. The word shows similarities but diversities of operation and ministries.

Jesus’ use of *allos* for sending another Comforter equals “one besides Me and in addition to Me but one just like Me. He will do in My absence what I would do if I were physically present with you.” The Spirit’s coming assures continuity with what Jesus did and taught

John 14:16,17 in The Passion Translation explains what Jesus said.

“And I will ask the Father and he will give you another Savior, the Holy Spirit of Truth, who will be to you a friend just like me—and he will never leave you. The world won’t receive him because they can’t see him or know him. But you will know him intimately, because he will make his home in you and will live inside you.” TPT



Wow, read that again! Jesus said, “He will make His home in you and will live inside you.”

As a Born Again believer of Jesus Christ, Jesus said He would ask the Father to gift us the Holy Spirit who be our (best) friend, He won’t abandon us, we will know him intimately, He will make his home in us and live inside us!

What a great promise and gift.

In part two of this five-part series,

I will reveal some of Holy Spirit’s activity in the Old Testament