



## **The Trinity: How Many God's Are There? – Part IV** **FBC Nacogdoches – Sunday, October 15, 2017 – P.M. Message**

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— **John 14:15-17** | *“If you love me, you will keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever. He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive him because it doesn’t see him or know him. But you do know him, because he remains with you and will be in you. (CSB)*

— **John 16:7** | *Nevertheless, I am telling you the truth. It is for your benefit that I go away, because if I don’t go away the Counselor will not come to you. If I go, I will send him to you. (CSB)*

— **John 16:13** | *When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth. For he will not speak on his own, but he will speak whatever he hears. He will also declare to you what is to come. (CSB)*

— **Romans 8:9** | *You, however, are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. If anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to him. (CSB)*

— Who is the Holy Spirit?

### A. He is a Real Person (a Divine Person)

— Romans 8:16, KJV vs. CSB.

— **Romans 8:16** | *The Spirit himself testifies together with our spirit that we are God's children,* (CSB)

— **Romans 8:16** | *The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:* (KJV 1900)

— **John 14:17** | *He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive him because it doesn't see him or know him. But you do know him, because he remains with you and will be in you.* (CSB)

— **Intellect**

— **1 Corinthians 2:10** | *Now God has revealed these things to us by the Spirit, since the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.* (CSB)

— **Acts 15:28** | *For it was the Holy Spirit's decision—and ours—not to place further burdens on you beyond these requirements:* (CSB)

— **Emotion**

— **Ephesians 4:30** | *And don't grieve God's Holy Spirit. You were sealed by him for the day of redemption.* (CSB)

— **Volition**

— **1 Corinthians 12:11** | *One and the same Spirit is active in all these, distributing to each person as he wills. (CSB)*

— **Communication**

— **Revelation 2:7** | *“Let anyone who has ears to hear listen to what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God. (CSB)*

— **Romans 8:26** | *In the same way the Spirit also helps us in our weakness, because we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with unspoken groanings. (CSB)*

— **Acts 5:3** | *“Ananias,” Peter asked, “why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the proceeds of the land? (CSB)*

**B. He is Divine**

— The Holy Spirit is God!

— He is eternal

— **Hebrews 9:14** | *how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works so that we can serve the living God? (CSB)*

— He inspired the writing of Scripture.

— He conceived the Lord Jesus in the virgin Mary.

— He regenerates people and births them into the kingdom of God.

— He is part of the Trinity.

— **Matthew 28:19** | *Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, (CSB)*

— **2 Corinthians 13:13** | *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (CSB)*

— He does subordinate Himself to God the Son, just as Jesus subordinates Himself to God the Father...

— **John 14:10** | *Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who lives in me does his works. (CSB)*

— **John 16:13** | *When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth. For he will not speak on his own, but he will speak whatever he hears. He will also declare to you what is to come. (CSB)*

— He points to the Son...

— **John 16:14** | *He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. (CSB)*

## C. He is Active in our Lives

— What does He do?

### — Convicts

— **John 16:8** | *When he comes, he will convict the world about sin, righteousness, and judgment: (CSB)*

### — Teaches

— **John 16:12** | *“I still have many things to tell you, but you can’t bear them now. (CSB)*

— **John 16:14** | *He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. (CSB)*

### — Guides

— **Romans 8:14** | *For all those led by God’s Spirit are God’s sons. (CSB)*

### — Assures

— **Romans 8:16** | *The Spirit himself testifies together with our spirit that we are God’s children, (CSB)*

— He also Insures...

— **Ephesians 1:13-14** | *In him you also were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and when you believed. The Holy Spirit is the down payment of our inheritance, until the redemption of the possession, to the praise of his glory. (CSB)*

## — Intercedes

— **Romans 8:26** | *In the same way the Spirit also helps us in our weakness, because we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with unspoken groanings.* (CSB)

## — Warns

— **Acts 20:23** | *except that in every town the Holy Spirit warns me that chains and afflictions are waiting for me.* (CSB)

## What are the Sins against the Spirit?

### I. Quenching the Spirit (1 Thessalonians 5:19)

— **1 Thessalonians 5:19** | *Don't stifle the Spirit.* (CSB)

### II. Grieving the Spirit (Ephesians 4:30)

— **Ephesians 4:30** | *And don't grieve God's Holy Spirit. You were sealed by him for the day of redemption.* (CSB)

### III. Resisting the Spirit (Acts 7:51)

— **Acts 7:51** | *“You stiff-necked people with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are always resisting the Holy Spirit. As your ancestors did, you do also.”* (CSB)

#### **IV. Blaspheme against the Spirit (Mark 3:28— 29)**

— **Mark 3:28-29** | *“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for all sins and whatever blasphemies they utter. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”*— (CSB)

— **Genesis 6:3** | *And the LORD said, “My Spirit will not remain with mankind forever, because they are corrupt. Their days will be 120 years.”* (CSB)

— **Hebrews 2:3** | *how will we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? This salvation had its beginning when it was spoken of by the Lord, and it was confirmed to us by those who heard him.* (CSB)