

## **Basic Theology**

### What Does the Holy Spirit Do?

When you hear someone mention the Holy Spirit, what comes to your mind?

When we earlier asked “What does God do?” we answered:

God created all things, and he provides for all he made.

God specially provides redemption for his people.

When we asked “What does Jesus do?” we answered:

Jesus works as our redeemer in both his suffering and his glory.

Today we ask “What does the Holy Spirit do?”

The Holy Spirit does whatever God wants to do.

In creation:

Genesis 1:2

Psalm 104:30

In revelation:

2 Timothy 3:16

2 Peter 1:21

John 16:13-15

In redemption:

Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18

Isaiah 61:1; Acts 10:38

John 16:8; Acts 2:37

1 Thessalonians 1:4-5

John 1:13, 3:5-8

Titus 3:5

In sanctification:

Ezekiel 36:25-27; 2 Thessalonians 2:13

In the church

Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 2:22

Acts 1:8, 4:31

John 17:20-21; Ephesians 4:3-4

A word of caution:

Not to grieve him (Ephesians 4:30)

Not to quench him (1 Thessalonians 5:19)

Not to resist him (Acts 7:51)

Not to lie to him or test him (Acts 5:3,9)

Not to blaspheme him (Luke 12:10)

Application (Zechariah 4:6)

“This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel;  
Not by might, nor by power,  
but by my Spirit,  
says the LORD of hosts.”