

DO YOU KNOW HIM?

"Revealer of Truth"

John 16:12-15

INTRODUCTION:

1. The Bible is the inspired, inerrant, infallible, authoritative, sufficient and effective Word of God.

a) **Divine Inspiration** - is the activity of the Holy Spirit whereby He enabled certain people to receive God's **special revelation** (meaning "**unveiling**" (apocalypse) and to speak it or write it without error or omission. (2 kinds of revelation)

1) **General Revelation** - means that God has written the message of His existence in Creation. Through the heavens above and the world around us!

a. **Psalm 19:3**

2) **Special Revelation** - God reveals Himself through His Son and through the written Word.

3) **Verbal Inspiration** - meaning the very words are inspired

4) **Plenary Inspiration** - that only the 66 books contained in our Bibles are inspired.

b) **Inerrancy** - the Scriptures are without error. They are perfect.

c) **Authoritative** - The Bible has the right to rule in our lives, because it is the voice of God.

d) **Sufficiency** - There is no issue in life that is not addressed in the Bible.

e) **Effective** - *Hebrews 4:12*

2. **Psalm 19:7-11**

3. **Psalm 119 is the longest chapter in the Bible.** A testimony to inspiration.

4. **2 Peter 1:20-21**

5. **John 18:37-38**

6. The world has always been confused on the question of truth.

a) **The Agnostic** says that absolute knowledge about God's existence cannot be attained in this life.

1) "**Agnostic**" - means "**without knowledge**"

b) The **Rationalist** says that human reason and experience are the ultimate criteria for determining truth.

c) The **Pragmatist** says that truth is whatever works.

d) The **Religionist** attempts to understand God through man-made efforts.

1) Hebrews 12:1-2

THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THE GREAT REVEALER OF TRUTH

I. THE SPIRIT'S PURPOSE

A. TO REVEAL TRUTH

1. Vs 13a

a) "When the *Spirit of truth* comes"

2. Vs 8-11

a) He is the **Convictor**

3. Vs 7

a) "*Helper*" - "**Comforter**"

4. 14:26

a) "*Teacher*"

B. GLORIFYING CHRIST

1. What does that mean?

a) The Holy Spirit's job is to advertise Jesus.

2. **Very Important!!!** The Holy Spirit does not put Himself on display!!!

3. **Please listen to this:** Anytime there is an emphasis on the Spirit that it takes away from the centrality of Christ, it is not of God.

4. The Holy Spirit is right now busy making Jesus pre-eminent.

C. NO GLORY, NO HELP

1. Vs 14

2. 1 John 4:2-3

3. **Therefore** - - If you're #1 objective in life is NOT to glorify Christ, then you will get no help from the Holy Spirit.

II. THE SPIRIT'S BENEFITS

Vs 7

A. GUIDANCE

1. Vs 13

a) "*He will guide you into all truth*"

2. To "*guide*" means to lead the way.

3. We all need guidance in our lives.

a) With relationships.

b) With finances.

c) With our health.

4. 2 Peter 1:21

a) "*carried along*" - means to be moved just like the wind moves a sail boat.

5. **Very Important:** All the Holy Spirit's *guidance* is attached to the truth of God's Word and to *Glorify* Christ.

B. REMEMBRANCE

1. 14:26

2. Jesus taught His disciples a lot!!! How in the world were they to remember all the information He gave them?

3. Our making the right decisions in life is for the *Glory* of Christ.

4. **Remember this!!!!** The Holy Spirit won't remind you of something you never bothered to learn.

5. *Matthew 10:19*

6. *John 14:21-24,26*