

Lecture 2 – The Holy Spirit: The Person of the Holy Spirit, II

But God has revealed it to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

1 Cor. 2:10-11

How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

Heb 9:14

Key Terms

Divine person, divine knowledge, divine power, eternal, divine work, application of salvation, unite, regenerate, convert, assure

Lecture Objectives

- Identify and explain scriptural basis for claiming the Holy Spirit's divinity
- Recognize the role the Holy Spirit plays within the Trinity and in the work of redemption
- More fully appreciate and articulate from scripture and personal experience the role of the Holy Spirit in salvation

Preview

Our last lecture began our study of the person of the Holy Spirit. We have focused on his personal qualities and personal ministries. Lecture two will expand our study of the Spirit's person by exploring the deity of the Spirit. We will also begin our study of what the Spirit does – his ministries. Prior outline points have been listed for continuity.

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I. The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit

A. Personality/deity of the Holy Spirit

1. The Holy Spirit is a person.
2. The Holy Spirit is God.
 - a. The Holy Spirit is used interchangeably with God.
 - 1) Acts 5:3
 - 2) *See Appendix D*
 - b. The Holy Spirit has divine qualities.
 - 1) Knowledge
 - a) 1 Corinthians 2:10-11
 - b) *See Appendix D*
 - 2) Power (*see Appendix D*)
 - 3) Eternity (*see Appendix D*)
 - c. The Holy Spirit does divine works.
 - 1) Creation (*see Appendix D*)
 - 2) Giving Scripture (*see Appendix D*)
 - 3) Salvation
 - a) Titus 3:5
 - b) 1 Peter 1:2. Sanctification

c) Romans 8:11

d. The Holy Spirit is associated with the Father and Son in ways which only God could be.

- 1) Matthew 28:19
- 2) *See Appendix D*
- 3) *See Appendix D*
- 4) *See Appendix D*
- 5) *See Appendix D*

B. Ministries of the Holy Spirit (*see Appendix D for table*)

1. The Holy Spirit applies salvation.

a. He unites us to Christ

- 1) 1 Corinthians 12:13
- 2) Romans 8:9

b. He regenerates us.

- 1) John 3:8

c. He converts us.

- 1) Acts 11:15-16, 18
- 2) 1 Corinthians 12:3

d. He assures us of our adoption.

- 1) Galatians 4:6
- 2) Romans 8:15-16

e. He works to justify us