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Doing Life with The Spirit; The Person of the Holy Spirit – What He Does for Us

John 14: 16 (NASB)

I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, so that He may be with you forever.

Helper – He is personally sent to actively assist.

The Holy Spirit will helps us mature

Ephesians 4: 21 – 23 (NLT)

Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, ²² throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. ²³ Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes.

Romans 12: 2 (NLT)

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

How did Jesus describe the Holy Spirit?

John 14: 17 (NASB)

The Helper is the **Spirit of truth**,

John 16: 12 & 13 (NASB)

He will **guide** you into all the truth;

How does the Holy Spirit guide us?

1. Through the Bible

Hebrews 4: 12 & 13 (NLT)

For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires. ¹³ Nothing in all creation is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before his eyes, and he is the one to whom we are accountable.

2. Through Christian fellowship

1 Thessalonians 5: 9 - 11 (NLT)

For God chose to save us through our Lord Jesus Christ, not to pour out his anger on us. ¹⁰ Christ died for us so that, whether we are dead or alive when he returns, we can live with him forever. ¹¹ So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing.

Hebrews 10: 23 - 25 (NLT)

Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise. ²⁴ Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. ²⁵ And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

Proverbs 27: 17 (NASB)

As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

John 14: 25 & 26 (NASB)

He will **teach** you all things, and **remind** you of all that I said to you.

How?

1. The Bible

2 Timothy 3: 16 & 17 (NLT)

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. ¹⁷ God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.

2. Through the Church

Ephesians 4: 11 – 16 (NLT)

Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. ¹² Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ. ¹³ This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ.

John 16: 8 (NASB)

...And He, when He comes, will **convict** the world regarding sin, and righteousness, and judgment:

- A. Holy Spirit convinces the world of sin.
- B. The Holy Spirit convicts YOU of sin.

Romans 8: 1 & 2 (NLT)

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. ² And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.

Hebrews 12: 5 & 6 (NLT)

"My child, don't make light of the LORD's discipline, and don't give up when he corrects you. ⁶ For the LORD disciplines those he loves, and he punishes each one he accepts as his child."