

Studies for Restitution

Whom the heaven must receive
until the times of restitution of all things,
which God hath spoken by the mouth of
all his holy prophets since the world began.
Acts 3:21

THE COMFORTER, THE HOLY SPIRIT OF CHRIST

Study to show thyself approved unto God,
a workman that needeth not to be ashamed,
rightly dividing the word of truth.
2 Timothy 2:15

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SD 124 How essential that we have the enlightenment of the **Spirit of God**; for thus only can we see the **glory of Christ**, and by beholding become changed from character to character in and through faith in Christ....He has grace and pardon for every soul. As by faith we look to Jesus, our faith pierces the **shadow**, and we adore God for His wondrous love in giving us **Jesus the Comforter**
shadow = reflection of God, who is Jesus? who is the comforter

PP 34 Christ, the Word, the only begotten of God, was one with the eternal Father--one in nature, in character, in purpose--the **only being** that could enter into all the counsels and purposes of God.
*Only = one
not 1 in 3 or 3 in 1, only 2 participating in the purposes of God.
If 2 then how can you have a 3rd co-equal, co-eternal as a separate being.
If three then it would be a committee.*

GC88 477 The Father gave his Spirit without measure to his Son, and we also may partake of its fullness. Jesus says: "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?"
*(Father's Spirit and Jesus synonymous because all mediation between heaven and earth is by Jesus 1Tim 2:5)
How many spirits are spoken of here? What does EPH 4:4 say?*

6BC 1078 Christ is the connecting link between God and man. He has promised His personal intercession by employing His name. Yes, Christ has become the medium of prayer between man and God. He also has become the medium of blessing between God and man.
Some teach that when our prayers are taken to heaven by the H.S. all three individuals (trinity) are present at the same time. But what does 6BC say?

ST Oct 14 1897 In order that the human family might have no excuse because of temptation, Christ became one with them. The only being who was one with God lived the law in humanity,
This quote says the only being who was one with God, meaning that there was no other being co-equal or one with the Father.

RH July 9 1896 He stood forth in his ministry as one distinguished from every other teacher. **He himself had inspired the prophets to write of him.** His life work had been planned in the eternal counsels of heaven before the foundation of the world.

2PET 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake [as they were] moved by the Holy Ghost.

Here we see the inspiration came from the H.G.

2TIM 3:16 All scripture [is] given by **inspiration** of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

Here we see that all inspiration is given by God. How do we harmonise? Inspiration = stimulation or arousal of the mind, or someone that causes it.

6MR 335 The **imparted Holy Spirit** enabled His disciples, the apostles, to stand firmly against every species of idolatry and to exalt the Lord and Him alone. **Who, but Jesus Christ by His Spirit and divine power,** guided the pens of the sacred historians that to the world might be presented the precious record of the sayings and works of Jesus Christ. See also 1PET 1:11

RH April 12 1892 quoting Jn16:13 **Through the Holy Spirit, Christ will open** more clearly to those who believe on him that which he has inspired holy men to write concerning the truth. *Holy Spirit Christ?*

ST May 17 1899 During His humiliation upon this earth, the Spirit had not descended with all **its** efficacy; and Christ declared that if He went not away, **it** would not come, but that if He went away, He would send **it**. **It** was a representation of Himself, and after He was glorified **it** was manifest.

Why after He was glorified?

MR 1084 Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally; therefore it was altogether for their advantage that He should leave them, go to His father, and send the Holy Spirit to be His successor on earth. The Holy Spirit is **Himself** divested of the personality of humanity and independent thereof. He would represent **Himself** as present in all places by His Holy Spirit, as the Omnipresent. *Himself divested of humanity, His Holy Spirit (HIMSELF)*

RC 21.3 The reason why the churches are weak and sickly and ready to die is that the enemy has brought influences of a discouraging nature to bear upon trembling souls. **He has sought to shut Jesus from their view as the Comforter**, as one who reproveth, who warns, who admonishes them, saying, "This is the way, walk ye in it." Christ has all power in heaven and in earth, and He can strengthen the wavering, and set right the erring. He can inspire with confidence, with hope in God; and confidence in God always results in creating confidence in one another.

Who has all the power Mat 28:18 Can EGW be correct about the reason? Why were the testimonies written?

1T 180.1 Evil angels crowded around them, pressing their darkness upon them, **to shut out Jesus from their view**, that their eyes might be drawn to the darkness that surrounded them, and they distrust God and next murmur against Him. See 1COR 11:30 & REV 3:2

RH May 19 1904 Christ declared that after his ascension, he would send to his church, as his crowning gift, the Comforter, who was to take his place. **This Comforter is the Holy Spirit,--the soul of his life**, the efficacy of his church, the light and life of the world. **With his Spirit Christ sends** a reconciling influence and a power that takes away sin. *Christ & Holy Spirit synonymous. Here life as opposed to death.*

RH April 5, 1906 (Gal 4:6) The Holy Spirit, which **proceeds from the only begotten Son of God**, binds the human agent, body, soul, and spirit, to the perfect, divine-human nature of Christ. This union is represented by the union of the vine and the branches. Finite man is united to the manhood of Christ. Through faith human nature is assimilated with Christ's nature. We are made one with God in Christ

DA 669.2 The Holy Spirit is **Christ's representative**, but divested of the personality of humanity, and **independent** thereof. **Cumbered with humanity**, Christ could not be in every place personally. Therefore it was for their interest that He should go to the Father, and send the Spirit to be His successor on earth. No one could then have any advantage because of his location or his personal contact with Christ. By the Spirit the Saviour would be accessible to all. **In this sense He would be nearer to them than if He had not ascended on high.**

Who was human and ascended on high? (Synonymous, DA 166)

8MR 49.3 July 16, 1892: **The Saviour is our Comforter.** This I have proved Him to be. I do not understand why I am so afflicted. At first I tried to reason out why I did not have strength to bear my testimony to the people in this country. But I try no longer. . . .
(right arm p47+48)

Where is Jesus now? Does Jesus have Omnipresence?

CM 107.4 He Impresses Hearts.--**The Lord Jesus standing by the side of the canvasser, walking with them.** is the chief worker. If we recognise Christ as the One who is with us to prepare the way, the Holy Spirit by our side will make impressions in just the lines needed.-
Jesus & the Holy Spirit used synonymously.

14MR 23.3 John14:16-18 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; [Even] the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: **but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you,** and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: **I will come to you.**
"But ye know Him" what does this mean?

ST November 23 1891 "I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you." The divine Spirit that the world's Redeemer promised to send, **is the presence and power of God.**
Read ST Nov 23 1891 par 1-5 and notice who EGW is speaking of. I = Jesus and the presence of God used Synonymously.

ACT 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, **which he hath purchased with his own blood.**
The Holy Ghost and He that shed His blood, used synonymously.

GC88 351 "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel," adding,, "Lo I am with you alway" (Mark 16:15; Matthew 28:20); when on the Day of Pentecost the promised Comforter descended and **the power from on high was given and the souls of the believers thrilled with the conscious presence of their ascended Lord**

DA 671.2 In describing to His disciples the office work of the Holy Spirit, Jesus sought to inspire them with the joy and hope that inspired His own heart. He rejoiced because of the abundant help He had provided for His church. The Holy Spirit was the highest of all gifts that He could solicit from His Father for the exaltation of His people. The Spirit was to be given as a regenerating agent, and without this the sacrifice of Christ would have been of no avail. The power of evil had been strengthening for centuries, and the submission of men to this satanic captivity was amazing. Sin could be resisted and overcome only through the mighty agency of the Third Person of the Godhead, who would come with no modified energy, but in the fullness of divine power. It is the Spirit that makes effectual what has been wrought out by the world's Redeemer. It is by the Spirit that the heart is made pure. **Through the Spirit** the believer becomes a partaker of the divine nature. **Christ has given His Spirit** as a divine power to overcome all hereditary and cultivated tendencies to evil, and to impress His own character upon His church.

RH October 26, 1897 **There is no comforter like Christ**, so tender and so true. He is touched with the feeling of our infirmities. His Spirit speaks to the heart. Circumstances may separate us from our friends; the broad, restless ocean may roll between us and them. Though their sincere friendship may still exist, they may be unable to demonstrate it by doing for us that which would be gratefully received. But no circumstances, no distance, can separate us from the heavenly Comforter. Wherever we are, wherever we may go, he is always there, one given in Christ's place, to act in his stead. He is always at our right hand, to speak soothing, gentle words; to support, sustain, uphold, and cheer. **The influence of the Holy Spirit is the life of Christ in the soul.** This Spirit works in and through every one who receives Christ. Those who know the indwelling of this Spirit reveal its fruit,—love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith

These were the fruits Jesus manifested.

ST, October 3, 1892 par. 3 The Holy Spirit indites all genuine prayer. I have learned to know that in all my intercessions the Spirit intercedes for me and for all saints; but his intercessions are according to the will of God, never contrary to his will. **"The Spirit also helpeth our infirmities;" and the Spirit, being God, knoweth the mind of God;** therefore in every prayer of ours for the sick, or for other needs, the will of God is to be regarded. "For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God." If we are taught of God, we shall pray in conformity to his revealed will, and in submission to his will which we know not. We are to make supplication according to the will of God, relying on the precious word, and believing that Christ not only gave himself for but to his disciples. **The record declares, "He breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost."**

Infirmities = Mat8:17 Luk5:15, 7:21, 8:2 Heb4:15 Rom8:26,27

All these verses refer to Jesus, so Jesus and the Holy Spirit can be used synonymously.

This harmonises with Jesus is the comforter, RC.21, page 3.

DG 185.2 What saith our Saviour? "I will not leave you comfortless: **I will come to you.**" "He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father; and I will love him, **and will manifest myself to him.**" When trials overshadow the soul, **remember the words of Christ, remember that He is an unseen presence in the person of the Holy Spirit, and He will be the peace and comfort given you, manifesting to you that He is with you, the Sun of Righteousness, chasing away your darkness.** "If a man love me," Christ said, "he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, **and we will come unto him,** and make our abode with him." Be of good cheer; light will come, and your soul will rejoice greatly in the Lord.--Letter 124, 1897

RH, January 27, 1903 I urge our people to cease their criticism and evil speaking, and go to God in earnest prayer, asking him to help them to help the erring. Let them link up with one another and with Christ. Let them study the seventeenth of John, and learn how to pray and how to live the prayer of Christ. **He is the Comforter.** He will abide in their hearts, making their joy full. His words will be to them as the bread of life, and in the strength thus gained they will be enabled to develop characters that will be an honor to God. Perfect Christian fellowship will exist among them. There will be seen in their lives the fruit that always appears as the result of obedience to the truth.

14MR 71.1 I wish to impress upon you the fact that **those who have Jesus abiding in the heart by faith, have actually received the Holy Spirit.** Every individual who receives Jesus as his personal Saviour, just as surely receives the Holy Spirit to be **his Counselor, Sanctifier, Guide, and Witness.** The more closely the believer walks with God, the clearer his witness, and, as a sure result, the more powerful will be the influence of his testimony upon others of a Saviour's love; the more he will give evidence that he prizes the Word of God. It is his meat, it is his drink, to satisfy the thirsty soul. He prizes the privilege of learning the will of God from His Word.

12MR 145.2 When God's people search the Scriptures with a desire to know what is truth, **Jesus is present in the person of His representative, the Holy Spirit,** reviving the hearts of the humble and contrite ones. (John 15:23, 10-11 quoted.)--Ms. 158, 1898.

GW 513.2 All who consecrate body, soul, and spirit to God's service will be constantly receiving a new endowment of physical, mental, and spiritual power. The inexhaustible supplies of heaven are at their command. **Christ gives them the breath of His own spirit,** the life of His own life. The Holy Spirit puts forth His highest energies to work in heart and mind.

Jesus Christ is all in the plan of redemption.

In all the accounts we have looked at here, we can see the synonymous representation of Jesus Christ and His Spirit. Can the Spirit of Christ be a separate being or God?

Can you truly separate (as a individual) the Spirit from Christ?

Lets praise God for His Spirit, given to us by His Son Jesus Christ.