

# THE HOLY SPIRIT'S ROLE IN SALVATION

## *Selected Scripture*

### LET'S GET STARTED

We tend to give all the credit for salvation to Jesus, but the Holy Spirit has a hand in the new birth also! In this message we explore the Spirit's work in bringing unbelievers to faith.

### Three enemies of the Gospel

\_\_\_\_\_ darkness.

2 Timothy 3:13—evil men and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

Human \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 14:2–3—<sup>2</sup> The Lord looks down from heaven on the sons of men to see if there are any who understand, any who seek God.

<sup>3</sup> All have turned aside, they have together become corrupt; there is no one who does good, not even one.

\_\_\_\_\_ opposition.

2 Corinthians 4:4—The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

These three enemies are also known as the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.

### Quotable

*No one will seek God or pursue spiritual things unless the Spirit of God is at work in his life*

—Henry Blackaby

*The human mind is incapable of seeing and embracing spiritual truth without the working of the Holy Spirit; he removes innate blindness and illuminates the mind to grasp the truth of the gospel. It is the Holy Spirit who gives birth to faith and it is then faith that grasps hold of the spiritual truths held out in the gospel.*

—David Gibson

### If you would like to know more

*The Silent Shepherd*, by John MacArthur, (David C. Cook, 2012)

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## LET'S HEAR THE WORD

The Holy Spirit makes unbelievers aware of \_\_\_\_\_ and of their need of \_\_\_\_\_.

John 16:8— "When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment:"

It is the Spirit of God who makes the unbelieving sinner aware of his guilt and his need of salvation. This reproving work of the Spirit in the heart of the sinner is essential. Without it, there would be no recognition of spiritual need and no desire to accept Christ. Without the convicting work of the Spirit, the sinner would never recognize his spiritual need. — Richard De Haan

The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ unbelievers to faith in Jesus.

John 6:44— "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, and I will raise him up at the last day."

The Holy Spirit bestows spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ upon those who put faith in Christ.

This is called \_\_\_\_\_.

John 3:3, 5–7—<sup>3</sup>In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again." . . . <sup>5</sup> . . . "I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. <sup>6</sup>Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. <sup>7</sup>You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.'"

## LET'S LIVE IT

We can apply the truths of today's message by depending upon the Holy Spirit to prepare the hearts of those with whom we share the Gospel and by trusting Him to draw them to repentance.

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