

## Class 1: Who is the Holy Spirit?

### I. Holy Spirit is constant in Scriptures

A. He is in the first and last chapters of the bible (Gen 1:2, Rev 22:17)

B. He is referred to:

“the Spirit”, Luke 4:1

“the Holy Spirit”, Acts 2:4

“The Spirit of God”, Genesis 1:2

“The Spirit of the Lord”, Luke 4:18

“The Spirit of Truth”, John 16:13

“The Spirit of Grace”, Hebrews 10:29

### II. The identity of the Holy Spirit

A. He is not:

1. He is not a manifestation of the Father

- Luke 11:13, John 14:26, 15:26

2. He is not Jesus

- John 6:63, 16:13-14

B. He is spoken of as separate from the Father & the Son (Matt 3:16-17)

C. Nature of God - Trinity

1. Godhead (Godhood); GR. *Theotes*, Divine nature

a. Mentioned 3 times in the Bible: Ac 17:29, Rom 1:20, Col 2:9

b. Godhead = Godhood

(1) Example of “Godhood”: motherhood, manhood

(2) Indicate all that is necessary to their being

2. Plural Nature of God

a. A plurality of God is spoken of in the OT

(1) “Let us make man” (Genesis 1:26; 3:22)

(2) *Elohim*, (Gods) plural, used 2249 times

b. A plurality of God in the NT - Mt 3:16; 28:19; Rom 15:30

3. Singular Nature of God

a. A singularity of God is in the OT - Deuteronomy 6:4

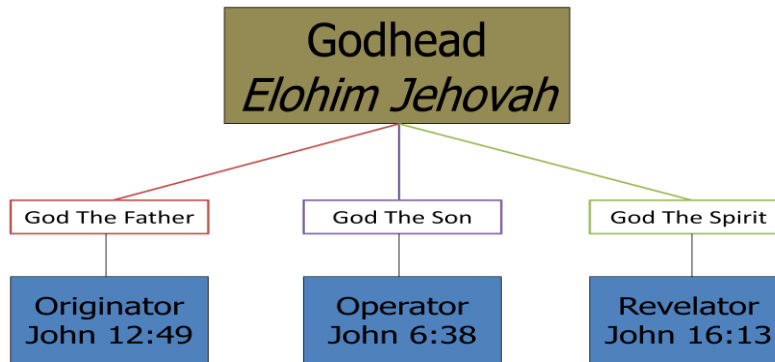
b. singularity of God is in the NT - Mk 12:29, I Cor 8:4,6

4. Is God one or three persons?

a. Godhead - 3 Personalities making up one Godhood

b. TRINITY – THREE and ONE, Tri-Unity

c. There are NOT 3 Gods, but 1 God with 3 personalities



5. Man is made in the GODHEAD image - 1 Thessalonians 5:23

a. Man has a Soul, a Spirit and a Body

### III. Characteristics & Qualities of the Holy Spirit

#### A. Characteristics:

1. Omniscient – 1 Corinthians 2:10-11
2. Omnipresent – Psalms 139:7
3. Omnipotent – Psalms 104:30
4. Eternal – Hebrews 9:14

#### B. Qualities (Holiness) -

1. Grace – Hebrews 10:29
2. Goodness – Nehemiah 9:20
3. Truth – John 16:13

#### C. Spirit Has Personality Qualities

Personality Qualities	
Makes choices	Strengthens
wills (has volition)	Forbids
loves	Summates spiritual birth, gives life
has goodness	Testifies
thinks	Bears witness
speaks	Guides
hears	Searches
reproves, convicts	Bears fruit
Leads	Gave miraculous gifts
Transports	Fills and dwells in man
Acts	Gives life
Teaches	Communes

Comforts	Be received or resisted
Reminds	

<b>Emotional Qualities</b>
He can be grieved (Ephesians 4:30)
He can be vexed (Isaiah 63:10)
He can be lied to (Acts 5:3)
He can be quenched (1 Thess. 5:19)
He can be blasphemed (Matthew 12:31)

#### IV. Summary

- A. Holy Spirit is a Person of the Godhead
- B. He is the totality of God
- C. God is three persons and one person