Sermon Outline

LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT | Paul Harrington

Bible reading: Romans 8:12-17 (Page 1609)

Do we believe in the Holy Spirit?

- The Nicene Creed 'I believe in the Holy Spirit'
- What does it mean to believe in the Holy Spirit?

Ephesians 4:3 "Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."

1. Who is the Holy Spirit?

Article 5 (of the Articles of Religion)

The Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God.

Matthew 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

2. What does the Holy Spirit do?

John 16:7 But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

- Better off without Jesus?

John 16:13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

Where is the Holy Spirit leading us?Romans 8 and the focus on the work of the Spirit

Romans 8:14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

The Spirit leads us into godliness

Romans 8:13 For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

Flesh v Spirit

The riches of a relationship with God

Romans 8:15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

- No fear of judgement
- Adoption to sonship
- Abba Father

Mark 14:36 "Abba, Father," he said, "everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will."

Inheritance

Romans 8:17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

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