

# I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE HOLY SPIRIT

Matthew 28:19

John 14:16-17

Acts 2:1-4

1 Thessalonians 1:4-6

## Awareness

Before listening, reflect:

- What does it mean to *believe* in the Holy Spirit?
- How would you describe what the Holy Spirit does?

The third and final section of the Apostles' Creed begins by declaring "I believe in the Holy Spirit." This simple statement is loaded with meaning regarding what we believe about God and specifically what we believe about the third member of the Trinity. Join us as we study the scriptures that inform our beliefs about the person and work of the Holy Spirit so that we will more easily recognize the Spirit's ministry in our lives and world.

**Listen:** [\*Believe in God, the Holy Spirit\*](#)

## Reflection

After listening, consider:

- Why is it important to think about and acknowledge the personhood of the Holy Spirit? Why do you think it matters for our faith that the Holy Spirit is actually a person, distinct yet one with God the Father and God the Son?
- What has this study of the Holy Spirit helped you to better understand about God?
- In segment 2, hosts Scott Hoezee and Dave Bast discuss the Spirit's role in helping us become more like Jesus. Reread Galatians 5:22-25. What fruits has the Holy Spirit blessed you with? Which fruits do think the Holy Spirit is cultivating in your life right now to help you become more like Christ?
- In segment 3, Scott and Dave discuss how the Holy Spirit equips us with gifts that glorify God and help us point others to Jesus. How has the Spirit gifted you to serve God's kingdom?

## Related Passages

- **2 Corinthians 13:14**
- **2 Timothy 3:16-17**
- **2 Peter 1:19-21**

- **1 Corinthians 12:4-11**
- **Galatians 5:22-25**

## **Conclusion**

The Holy Spirit is active in our world today, comforting and equipping believers and building God's kingdom. Spend time reflecting on your life and your community. Where have you witnessed the Holy Spirit at work, either in spectacular or subtle ways, in your life? What about in the lives of others? Close your time of reflection by offering a prayer of thanks for the work of the Spirit.

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