

The Work of the Holy Spirit

St. John 16:4–15

Jesus said, “I did not tell you these things at the beginning, for I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me where I am going. And now that I have told you, your hearts are full of sadness. But I am telling you the truth: it is better for you that I go away, because if I do not go, the Helper will not come to you. But if I do go away, then I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove to the people of the world that they are wrong about sin and about what is right and about God's judgment. They are wrong about sin, because they do not believe in me; they are wrong about what is right, because I am going to the Father and you will not see me any more; and they are wrong about judgment, because the ruler of this world has already been judged.

“I have much more to tell you, but now it would be too much for you to bear. When, however, the Spirit comes, who reveals the truth about God, he will lead you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own authority, but he will speak of what he hears and will tell you of things to come. He will give me glory, because he will take what I say and tell it to you. All that my Father has is mine; that is why I said that the Spirit will take what I give him and tell it to you.”



The Holy Trinity

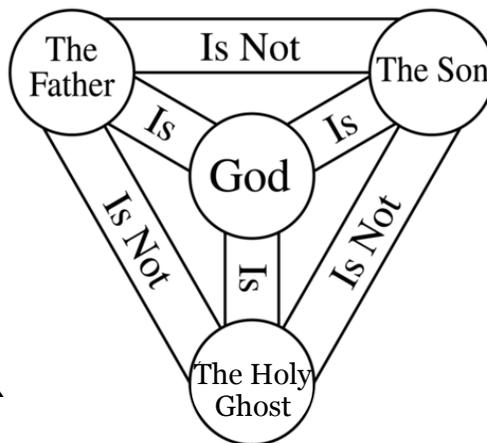
We worship one God,
One God in three “persons.”
This is called the Holy Trinity.
The word Trinity means “three.”

The Father, the Son (Jesus), and the Holy Ghost are one God.

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost are equal, uncreated, and almighty.

The three “persons” of the Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Ghost) are distinct from each other
but all share one essence.

Therefore, the Trinity is not three gods but one God.



Triangles and
trefoils are
symbols of the
Trinity.
Can you guess
why?

God the Son

In the Bible Jesus is called the Lamb of God. Here the Lamb, which represents Jesus, is standing on a book with seven seals, this image comes from the very end of the Bible, the Book of Revelation.

The Lamb is also holding a cross and a banner, symbolizing His death and Resurrection.



God the Father

Abba means “father” in Aramaic, the language that Jesus spoke when he lived on earth.

YHWH represents God’s name in Hebrew, the language of the Old Testament

God’s hand is raised in a gesture of blessing.

God the Holy Ghost

The Holy Ghost is often represented by a dove.

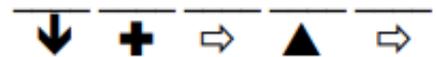
The fire signifies the flames that appeared on the heads of the Apostles on the day of Pentecost, when Jesus sent the Holy Ghost to His followers.

The Holy Ghost

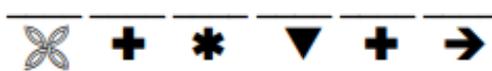
Before Jesus came from Heaven to live on earth, the Holy Ghost did not live inside people. Instead, the Holy Ghost was sent to a person when God had a special job for them. There are many examples of this in the Old Testament. The stories in the Old Testament will often say that the Spirit of God “rests” on someone or that they were “filled” with the Spirit before they begin to speak or do work in God’s name.

The Holy Ghost (Also called the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, the Helper, and many other names) lives inside every Christian. At our Baptism the priest said, “I baptise thee in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen” and then the Spirit made His home in our hearts and in our souls. When you are older you will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Bishop will lay hands on you and pray that you receive the gifts of the Spirit. The gifts of the Spirit are wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge, true godliness, and holy fear.

Jesus said that to his followers that the Holy Ghost would come after

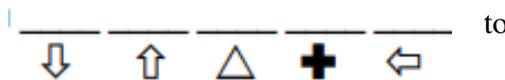


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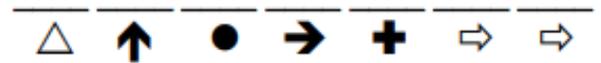


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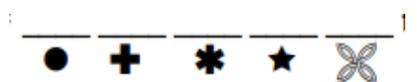
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to the truth about Jesus. And He promised that the Holy Ghost would

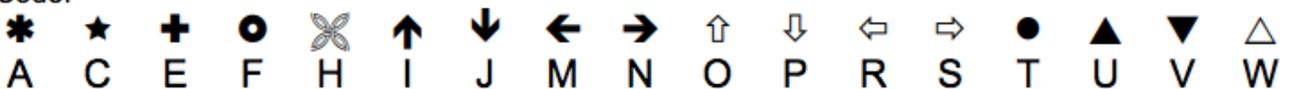


them everything they needed to know about God and



them when they are sad or afraid.

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How many of these words appear in today's reading on the first page? Read the Gospel story again and underline each word that is also in today's word search.

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Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

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AUTHORITY
BIBLE
DISCIPLES
FATHER
GHOST
GLORY

GOSPEL
HEAR
HEART
HELPER
HOLY
JESUS
JOHN

JUDGEMENT
SPEAK
SPIRIT
TRINITY
TRUTH
WORLD

Bonus Question!

Watch today's Children Talk for the question and write your answer here:
