



Salvation and Sin (Part 4) —
The Believer's New Relationship With The Holy Spirit
Romans 8:1-27
#11 in a series on Romans
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A few quick facts about the Holy Spirit.

1. He is God — a member of the trinity. (for example, Matthew 28:19; Acts 5:3-4)
2. He was active in creation. (for example, Genesis 1:2; Psalm 104:30)
3. He restrains sin in our world. (for example, 2 Thessalonians 2:6-7)
4. He was the agent in giving us the God-breathed, or inspired Scriptures.
(for example, 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21).
5. He works in both believers and unbelievers, although differently.
(for example, John 14:16-17; 16:8-11)

The believer's new relationship with the Holy Spirit in Romans 8.

1. He permanently lives within every believer. (9, 11, 23; see also John 14:16-17)
2. He leads, guides us. (14; see also John 16:12-15; Acts 13:2-4)
3. He expects us to follow His leading. (4, 5, 6)
4. He enables us to defeat sin. (2, 13)
5. He intercedes for us. (26, 27)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. There are many mistaken ideas about the Holy Spirit. Review the “quick facts about the Holy Spirit” on the outline. This is not a complete view, but from these and what you know from Scripture, write a description of the Holy Spirit — who He is, what He is like and what He does.

Tuesday. One aspect of each believer’s relationship with the Holy spirit is that He lives within him or her. Review the Scripture references on the outline. What does this mean for you and to you?

Wednesday. The Holy Spirit leads us and He expects us to follow Him. Review the Scripture references on these two points. Are you consciously aware of this throughout each day? How good are you at following His leading, whether it be of truths in the Bible or His prompting you to act?

Thursday. The Holy Spirit is with you, works with you so you can defeat sin. Yes, we have seen this several times before in Romans — it is important. List some specifics in the week where you have defeated sin with the Spirit and also any specifics where you failed to do so. What do they tell you about where you are and need to be?

Friday – Saturday. This weekend we plan to look at Romans 8:18-25, considering hope. Read and think through this section as you prepare for our time of worship together.

