

“Led by the Spirit”

This week’s Zoom class (5 p.m. Sunday) will be a little different from last week. I will be seeking your input from the beginning, as we work our way through a series of questions on this subject. Here are the questions we will consider, and the passages that help answer each one. The more time you can spend with these in advance, the better the class will be.

Keep this description of the Holy Spirit in mind as you work through these questions and read the various passages: “And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because **the Spirit is truth**” (1 John 5:6).

1. Jesus promised the apostles He would send the Holy Spirit to them. What did Jesus say the Holy Spirit would do? John 14:25-26; 15:26-27; 16:12-15.
2. Did Jesus fulfill this promise—did He send the Holy Spirit upon the apostles? Acts 1:4-5, 8; 2:1-4.
3. Did the apostles **preach** what the Holy Spirit revealed to them? 1 Corinthians 2:9-13; 1 Peter 1:12.
4. Did the apostles (and other inspired men) **write down** what the Holy Spirit revealed to them? Ephesians 3:1-5.
5. These words they wrote, recorded in Scripture—to what **extent** are they able to lead us and guide us? 2 Timothy 3:16-17.
6. T F Whenever we read the Scriptures, the Holy Spirit is leading and guiding us; the Holy Spirit is teaching us; the Holy Spirit is correcting and reproofing us.
7. Should we expect additional revelations from the Holy Spirit? Jude 1:3; 2 Peter 1:2-4; Colossians 4:12.
8. “For as many as are **led by the Spirit of God**, these are sons of God” (Romans 8:14). Is there anything in the surrounding context that would indicate how the Holy Spirit leads us? Read Romans 8:5 very carefully.
9. Follow up to previous question: The key to living according to the Spirit, or being led by the Spirit, according to Romans 8:5, is to **set our mind** on the “things of the Spirit.” But what is the only way to know the “things of the Spirit”? 1 Corinthians 2:9-13.
10. The popular expression “**felt** led by the Spirit”—is that expression found anywhere in the New Testament? Just how reliable are feelings when it comes to determining the will of God? (Proverbs 14:12; 28:26).