

Jesus and the Holy Spirit

Think of the ideal person who you see as being filled with the Holy Spirit. Then, answer these True or False questions about this person.

- ___ This person is known for going to parties, eating and drinking with friends
- ___ This person talks a lot about money
- ___ This person rarely, if ever, talks about things related to sex
- ___ This person hangs around with a lot of immoral people
- ___ This person is usually rejected by “polite society”
- ___ This person thinks people are more important than following the law
- ___ This person gives help even to people who say aloud they hate him/her

Reading from “The Holy Spirit” by Pastor Mateen Elass

Early encounters in the Gospels:

- Luke 1:34-35 (p. 1588)
- Matthew 3:16-17 (p. 1499)
- Luke 4:12 (p. 1595) (*Was Jesus abandoned here?*)

“In a profound way, Jesus is the unique bearer of the Holy Spirit, for he alone has lived in full dependence on the Father, or to use other language, without sin.” – *Elass*

- Luke 4:14 (p. 1596)
- Matthew 12:28 (p. 1515)

A promise made about the Spirit

- John 14:15-18 (p. 1676)
- John 14:25-26
- John 16:5-7 (p. 1678)
- John 16:12-15
- John 20:19-23 (p. 1687)

“If we want to know who the Holy Spirit is and what the Holy Spirit does, and if we want to know what a Spirit-filled person looks like, we have to look first at the story of Jesus. The Spirit is by definition the Spirit who dwelt in Jesus, comes from him, and continues the work he began.” – *Christian Doctrine, Shirley Guthrie Jr.*

Next step: John 7:37-39 (p. 1660)