

# The Holy Spirit and Guidance

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*The Holy Spirit is in the position to give us guidance because He's brought us to Jesus, enabled Jesus to forgive us, and has become one with our spirit.*

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## Description

In this sermon, the speaker begins by wishing the audience a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He encourages them to take this season as a time to reflect on their relationship with God and seek a fresh vision and power from Him. The speaker then shares a personal experience of witnessing the Persian Gulf in both calm and rough conditions, using it as an analogy to explain the importance of having a calm and receptive spirit to hear God's guidance. He emphasizes that when our spirit is in harmony with God's spirit, we can know His will without having to think about it. The speaker concludes by urging the audience to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

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## Transcript

Greetings, friends. This is the second tape on the Holy Spirit in Guidance, and I trust that you enjoyed the first one. And by this time, you probably have listened to the tape before Christmas, but in case you haven't, let me wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I trust that God will take this season time and really get you aside and just let you think on the things of the Lord and renew your covenants with Him and look unto Him for a fresh vision and for power to carry it out. I'll tell you, the Lord certainly is blessing in these days, and I really would like to challenge you, if you have not called those nine people other than yourself or at least as many as you know, to get them to pray for this ministry during January 29 through at least February 10. And the Congress Home Revival in Europe, please do that.

You cannot possibly know how significant that would be to us and to the ministry over there. We are dealing with people, the key leaders from all over that part of the world, and God could take this Congress and really genuinely touch their lives. And so please pray.

And ask the people that you ask to pray to write us and tell us of the promises. Many times, people that really seek the face of God in prayer have promises that God will give them in time of prayer that will relate

to what we're doing. And them just writing us a little note and letting us know what promises God has given them will help us to be encouraged and be more established.

So I trust that you'll even do this, because I know when you pray, you get what God can do. So I trust that you'll do this. Now, I trust that this message on the Holy Spirit and guidance will be a blessing to you.

I know it was a blessing to me to just share it, and so I trust that it'll be a blessing to you to hear it. May God bless you, and I'm looking forward to seeing you next month. May God richly bless you.

Thank you. And I've come to Jesus, and I want him to save me. Do you understand at all about Jesus? Surely she doesn't understand at all about Jesus, but she knows in her heart that Jesus is the Savior.

The first little girl came down strictly on a humanistic level. The second one came down on a spiritual level. Oh, you believe that? You believe that? If you don't, my dear friends, you need to go back to Calvary yourself.

If a 90-year-old drunk came down the aisle and said, I want to get saved. Why? I'm a drunkard. He's been caught in his sin.

He's not under conviction. Another one comes down the aisle and says, I want to get saved. Why? Because I'm a sinner.

Sure, he may get drunk. You see, you are not a sinner because you sin. You sin because you're a sinner.

And when the Holy Spirit comes and works in your spirit, friend, you know in your spirit. You only understand with your mind. So the Holy Spirit definitely is the one that works in our hearts and makes us to know.

You say, well, what are you trying to say? Where did you find all this in the scripture? It might shock you. In Romans 8, 16, he said, His spirit bears witness with our spirit that we're a child of God. What do you think that means? Do you think that means you feel like you're saved? Or do you think it even means that you understand that you're saved? Now, it definitely could mean that.

But first and foremost, before you can understand, you have to know something. You see, when his spirit bears witness with your spirit, that means your spirit and God's spirit is one, and his spirit working with your spirit. It does not mean you feel like you're saved.

It means you know you're saved. That's what I believe it teaches. By the way, let me just reason with you a little bit about it.

Does God have to think to know something? Does he? No. He just knows. Well, if God's spirit is working with your spirit in harmony, what happens? You know what? You know something deeper in your spirit than in your mind.

Because in your mind, you have to think. But in your spirit, you know. And I believe that's what it means.

When his spirit bears witness with your spirit, you're a child of God, you know. And what I'm trying to say to you is the Holy Spirit is in the position to guide you. Let me try to illustrate it a little different way in relationship to guidance.

Back when I was a young boy, 14 years old, 15, 16, 17, I sailed all over the world. And I used to go into the Persian Gulf a great deal. And I went to, I remember one time being in Rastanur, Arabia.

Now, if you want to know what's there, nothing. It's just a dock where they had some pipes running out to put oil on ships. And that was one spot.

Now, I have seen that Persian Gulf so rough that you could drop an object in that Persian Gulf, a big object in that Persian Gulf, just drop that object in, and it would not even make a riffle because it's so rough. But I have seen that same gulf, and I've never seen this anywhere else in the world, I've seen that gulf so calm that you could pull a hair out of your head and drop that hair in that water, and it would make a riffle. Now, when your spirit and God's Spirit bearing witness is so calm in you that the least little touch from God makes a riffle.

That's right. So what I'm saying to you is the Holy Spirit is in position to give you guidance. You know why? Because He's brought you to Jesus.

He has enabled Jesus to forgive you and to save you and to cleanse you. And He Himself has become one with your spirit. You have been regenerated by the Holy Spirit.

You've been redeemed. You've been born again. And He stays there in your spirit to bear witness with your spirit and yours with Him.

And one of the reasons for that is for guidance. He's in position to lead you. Now, it's different in the Old Testament, you realize that, than it is in the New Testament, because we have God in us now because of the Holy Spirit.

And so He's the one in our lives to give us guidance, and He's the one in our lives to do the work that's necessary to constantly transform us and keep us in a position whereby we can get guidance, that calmness that's necessary. One of the favorite tricks of the devil is to destroy guidance, is to keep the water raging, to keep your spirit frustrated. Amen.

That's one of his favorite, favorite, favorite, yeah. For instance, a mother has a child to get sick. And that mother has such a soul-clinging spirit to that child and that sickness.

She cannot be objective. That's right. And for that mother to get peace and victory and come through that sickness condition, you know what she has to do? She finally has to get to the place that she says, Okay, God, whatever you want, it's yours.

And when she finally gets there, there comes enough calmness and peace in her spirit that God can whisper, touch her spirit and give her peace. Have you ever noticed that? Amen. And you can be called in on the scene when it's not your child and many times get guidance from God in that child's behalf easier than the mother because you do not have that soul-clinging spirit.

You're not that attached. You can be more objective. So the devil loves to disturb us.

So the Holy Spirit is in us according to Romans 12, 1, 2, and 3 to do this, to renew our minds that we might be what? Transformed as a child of God to see things as God sees things. That's the ability of the Holy Spirit within you and in me to transform us and renew us. That's right.

So the Holy Spirit is there to do that. So the Holy Spirit is in position to guide us. He's not only in position to guide us inwardly as we've been talking, but he is also in position to guide us externally.

The Bible says be you filled with the Spirit, but it also says what? Walk in the Spirit. And I've studied this for a long time. And brother, do you know I believe that that means that we walk in such a way that we're not only filled with the Spirit inwardly, but we are literally in the Spirit externally.

The Holy Spirit's about us. This is an Old Testament illustration, but I believe it was the Spirit of God that was the hedge around Moses. Excuse me.

You could use Moses, but...

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