



# Believe

JOHN

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## Responding to the Spirit

John 14:23-31

**23?** Jesus answered, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him."**24?** The one who doesn't love me will not keep my words. The word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

**25?** "I have spoken these things to you while I remain with you."**26?** But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you.

**27?** "Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Don't let your heart be troubled or fearful."**28?** You have heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I."**29?** I have told you now before it happens so that when it does happen you may believe."**30?** I will not talk with you much longer, because the ruler of the world is coming. He has no power over me."**31?** On the contrary, so that the world may know that I love the Father, I do as the Father commanded me.

### The Holy Spirit is given

- A. To be with us and in us so we can know Him – 14:17
  - 1. The Spirit of truth remains with us and is in us.
  - 2. Thus we can know the Spirit of truth
- B. So that we are not orphans – 14:18
  - 1. Even though Jesus has physically left, the Spirit remains with us.
  - 2. The sending of the Spirit is the Son's coming and not leaving us as orphans.
- C. The Spirit's coming is also the Son's coming and the Father's coming – 14:20
  - 1. Only by going can the Spirit and Jesus and the Father come to indwell us.
  - 2. It is the Spirit that makes this indwelling real.
  - 3. Jesus is telling his disciples they will know this indwelling
- D. To be the Paraclete, advocate, helper, counsellor, comforter; with us forever – 14:16
- E. To teach us all things and remind us of the words of Jesus – 14:26
- F. The Spirit guides us into the truth – 16:13

## The relationship of the Trinity

- A. The Trinity – Father, Son, & Spirit— seen in John 14:26
- B. **All 3 of the Trinity – Father, Son, & Spirit— indwell the Believers**
  - 1. **?The Holy Spirit indwells the Believers (14:16-17)**
  - 2. **?Jesus, the Son, indwells the Believers (14:18-20)**
  - 3. **God the Father indwells the Believers (14:23)**
  - 4. Not 3 separate 'indwellings'

## Peace is given – 14:27

- A. Jesus gives us peace
- B. Not the peace of the world – absence of conflict
- C. Peace so our heart is not troubled or fearful
- D. Peace is in the Holy Spirit – Rom. 14:17

## Our part – loving and keeping the words of Jesus – keep, obey, love, stop being troubled

- A. Do not be troubled – 14:1, 27b
- B. Loving Jesus and keeping his commandments, his words – 14:15, 23
  - 1. Relationship of love – remember disciple that Jesus loved
  - 2. We love, the Father loves, they make their home with us
  - 3. Keeping his word so that we can have something to be reminded of
- C. Having the commandments and keeps them indicates we love him. – 14:21
  - 1. The Father loves us in return.
  - 2. He also reveals himself to us
- D. All possible by the indwelling of the Trinity