

INTRODUCTION TO GRIEVING THE HOLY SPIRIT

During our last series of studies entitled, [Quench Not The Holy Spirit](#), we received a request to do a study on Grieving The Holy Spirit. As a result, we will introduce the subject from:

(Eph.4:30) “**And do not grieve** (me lupeo) (p.a.impv.2pl) **the Holy** (the) **Spirit of** (the) **God, by whom** (hos/inst,s.n/ relative pronoun) **you were sealed** (sphragizo) (a.p.ind.2pl) (Ep.1:13-14) [the same verb] **unto a day of redemption.**”

NOTE: (Eph.4:30) is part of a larger context for study (Eph.4:25-32).

Four aspects of Introduction to Grieving the Holy Spirit in the Christian way of life.

1. Grieving the Indwelling Holy Spirit is ONE of EIGHT offenses against the Holy Spirit.

Quenching	(1 Thess.5:19)	Lying	(Acts 5:3)
Grieving	(Eph.4:30)	Tempting	(Acts 5:9)
Opposing	(Gal.5:17)	Resisting	(Acts 7:51)
Insulting	(Heb.10:29)	Blasphemy	(Matt.12:31-32)

My studies are focused on the offenses against the Indwelling Holy Spirit in the Christian way of life.

2. The moment a person believes that Jesus Christ died for his/ her sins, was buried, and raised from the dead on the third day of burial, (The Gospel) he/ she is indwelt by the Holy Spirit forever (1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16; Eph.2:8-9; John 14:16).

(Rom.8:11) “But if (1st class condition = true) the Spirit of Him who raised from the dead **dwells in you**, (and He does) He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead **will also** give life to your mortal bodies through **His Spirit who dwells in you.**”

- The Indwelling and spiritual life are TWO of EIGHT works of Holy Spirit at salvation.
- How long will Holy Spirit indwell a church age believer? (**John 14:16**)

As a result of the Indwelling of The Holy Spirit, every church age believer’s body becomes the temple (naos) of God on earth (1 Cor.3:16; 6:19-20).

3. It is important that every church age believer understands the connection between the Indwelling Holy Spirit and the human spirit.

Every member of the human race is a trichotomous being in form: human **body, soul, and spirit.**

(1 Thess.5:23) “Now may the God of peace **Himself sanctify you entirely** and may your **spirit and soul and body be preserved complete**, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Paul laid out how the Indwelling Holy Spirit is connected to the human spirit in the Christian way of life.

(Rom.8:15-17) “For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!”¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him”.

- (Rom.8:15) Grace salvation has freed us from the slave market of AOS (Gal.5:1, 13).
- (Rom.8:15) One of the Eight works of the Holy Spirit at salvation is Adoption as sons of God.
 - “You have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, ‘**Abba! Father!**’”
- (Rom.8:16) “The **Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit** that we are children of God.”
 - This is the teaching ministry of the Indwelling Spirit as explained by Jesus in (Jn.14:15-16)
- (Rom.8:17) “If (1cc/ true) **children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ**. If indeed (eiper) [since] we suffer (Phil.1:29) with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him.”

The human spirit reflects the soul of the unbeliever and believer alike, much as body language is.

(1 Cor.2:14-15) “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.¹⁵ But he who is spiritual appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one”.

4. There are two sources of influence upon the human spirit: (1 Cor. 1-3).

- The spirit of the world
- The Spirit of God

The spirit of the world operates by the god of the world (1 John 5:19); and is in opposition to the **Spirit of God** (2 Cor.4:3-4).

(1 Cor.1:21) “For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not come to know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who **believe.**”

(1 Cor.1:23) “but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness”,

(1 Cor.2:10-13) “**For to us God revealed them through the Spirit**, for the Spirit searches all things even the depths of God. For whom among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man, which is in him? Even so the **thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God**. For we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things freely given to us by God, **which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit**, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words.

(1 Cor.2:14) “But the **natural man** (unsaved) does not accept the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”

The conviction work of the Holy Spirit to the unbeliever

(Jn.16:7-11) “But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.⁸ And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;⁹ concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me;¹⁰ and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me;¹¹ and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.