

FIRST FOUNDATION DOCTRINE OF HOLY SPIRIT

In our introduction to the new series of the Foundation Doctrines of Holy Spirit, we discussed how Jesus spoke of these doctrines before His crucifixion and during His 40 days of post-resurrection appearances to His disciples.

These doctrines taught by Jesus were the Foundation Doctrines of the coming ministry of the Holy Spirit to the Church Age.

In this study we will introduce five aspects of the First Foundation Doctrine of the Holy Spirit taken from Philip in the section of (John 14:8-21), specifically verses 16 through 18. [Doctrine #11 below]

1. Two hermeneutical principles of interpretation of Scriptures can be applied to this lesson.

- **Our 1st principle** is examination of Scriptural context by Isagogics, Categorical, and Exegesis (I.C.E)
- **Our 2nd principle** is first to examine and compare our Scriptural passage (John 14:16-18) with (John 13:36-14:21) and specifically (John 14:8-21) [the Philip section].

Jesus was teaching His disciples about His death, burial, resurrection, ascension, and the Advent of the Holy Spirit “Not many days from now” – i.e. Pentecost.

2. Our study comes from the progression of questions from three of Jesus’ disciples: Peter, Thomas, and Philip during the Last Supper in the upper room (Jn.13:36) thru (Jn.14:21).

- **Peter asked two questions:**
 - (John 13:36a) “Lord, where are You going?”
 - (John 13:37a) “Lord, why can I not follow You right now?”
- **Jesus responded:**
 - (John 13:36b) “Where I go, you cannot follow Me now; but you will follow later.”
 - (John 13:38-14:4) “Will you lay down your life for Me? Truly, truly, I say to you, a rooster will not crow until you deny Me three times. “Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father’s house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, *there* you may be also. And you know the way where I am going.”
- **Thomas asked the second question:**
 - (John 14:5) “Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?”
- **Jesus answered:**
 - (John 14:6-7) “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.
- **Philip asked the third question:**
 - (John 14:8) “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.”
- **Jesus answered:**
 - (John 14:9-21) “Have I been so long with you, and *yet* you have not come to know Me, Philip?”

He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how *can* you say, ‘Show us the Father’?
¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works. ¹¹ Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; otherwise believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater *works* than these he will do; because I go to the Father. ¹³ Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do *it*.

NOTE: Because I have the gift of teacher and the responsibility of pastor of a congregation’s spiritual growth, by teaching (CBD) (Categorical Bible doctrine), I look for and teach Categorically like Jesus did to His disciples. Therefore, I will mention these **14 Doctrines** from (**John 13:36-14:21**). As a classroom exercise, I encourage you as a student of The Word of God to **write them down**.

3. Peter’s questions (Jn.13:36a, 37a) and Jesus’ answer (Jn.13:36-14:4) and FIVE Doctrines.

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| 1 st Doctrine: | Glorification | (Jn.13:31-32) (Jn.13:2, 21-30) |
| 2 nd Doctrine: | Departure to Heaven | (Jn.13:33-36) |
| 3 rd Doctrine: | New Commandment for New Covenant | (Jn.13:31-35) |
| 4 th Doctrine: | Betrayal of Christ | (Jn.13:36-38) (Jn.13:21-30) |
| 5 th Doctrine: | Father’s House in Heaven | (Jn.14:1-4) |

4. Thomas’s question (Jn.14:5) and Jesus’ answer (Jn.14:6-7) and TWO Doctrines.

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| 6 th Doctrine: | The Way, The Truth, and The Life | (Jn.14:5-6) |
| 7 th Doctrine: | The Father and the Son are ONE | (Jn.14:6-7) |

5. Philip’s question (Jn.14:8) and Jesus’ answer (Jn.14:9-21) and SEVEN Doctrines.

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| 8 th Doctrine: | Faith (cycle) to Works (divine production) | (Jn.14:8-12/ 10, 11, 12) |
| 9 th Doctrine: | Greater Workers | (Jn.14:12) |
| 10 th Doctrine: | Promises associated with Prayer | (Jn.14:13-15) |
| 11th Doctrine: | Indwelling Holy Spirit | (Jn.14:16-18) |
| 12 th Doctrine: | Eternal Life | (Jn.14:19) |
| 13 th Doctrine: | The Day of Advent of Holy Spirit | (Jn.14:19-20) |
| 14 th Doctrine: | Disclosure of Love of God | (Jn.14:21) |

Our lesson text regarding the First Foundation Doctrine of the Holy Spirit came from the Philip section. It is listed as 1 of the 7 CBDs (John 14:16-18).