

## THE GUIDANCE MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

In our [last study](#), we covered the Conviction Ministry of the Holy Spirit taught by Jesus to His disciples during the Last Supper period (John 16:7-11) (John Ch.13-17).

**Our lesson text is (Jn. 16:13) taken from within the larger text of (Jn.16:12-15).**

**NOTE:** The fifth (Jn.16:13) and sixth (Jn.16:13-15) Foundation Doctrinal Ministries of the Holy Spirit will come from (Jn.16:12-15).

<b>Five aspects of the doctrine of the Guidance Ministry of the Holy Spirit.</b>
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**1. In (Jn.16:13), we are given the GUIDANCE ministry of the indwelling Holy Spirit in life of every Church Age Believer.**

(Jn.16:13) “But **when He**, the Spirit of truth, **comes**, **He will guide you** into all the truth; for **He will not** speak on His own initiative, but **whatever He hears, He will speak**; and **He will disclose to you what is to come (next week).**”

**We will examine (Jn.16:13) by three homiletic points.**

- **Advent of Holy Spirit**      “**WHEN** He comes” (hotan erchomai/ a.a.subj) (Jn.16:7)
- **Adventure ministry**      “**He WILL GUIDE** (hodegeo/ f.a.ind.3ps) you (su/ aplm) into all the truth” (te aletheia) [absolute truth]
- **Advocate ministry**      “**WHATEVER** He hears (akouo/ p.a.ind.3ps), He will speak (laleo/ f.a.ind.3ps)” (Jn.14:16) (1 Jn. 2:1) (parakletos) [Helper]

**2. As the Spirit of truth, the Indwelling Holy Spirit is the great teacher of New Covenant Church Age doctrines from inside every Church Age Believer’s body. (Jn.14:16-17); 1 Cor.6:19-20)**

(Jn.14:26) “But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, (how he guides) **He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance** all that I said to you.” (Jn.15:26).

(Jn.16:13a) “But when He, **the Spirit of truth, comes**, **He will guide you into all truth**; for (how He guides) He will not speak on His own initiative, **but whatever He hears, He will speak**; and disclose to you what is to come.”

**3. The Greek word for guide is hodegeo. It means to lead the way.**

- A guide is someone familiar with the difficulties and blessings of the course (2 Tim.4:7-8).
- In the Plan of God, the Indwelling Holy Spirit is **God’s guide**, during this Church Age, in the life of every Church Age Believer (Jn.16:13).
- He gives direction, advice, and assistance to problem areas, as well as pleasure and points of interest in our Christian Walk.

**An Example**, Paul was in a dilemma needing Guidance from the Holy Spirit while on his second missionary trip to Asia. The dilemma was regarding Will of God pertaining to his future missionary ministry. The guidance of the indwelling Holy Spirit resulted in his Call to Macedonia (Acts 16:1-10).

(Acts 16:9) “A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing and appealing to him, ‘Come over to Macedonia and help us.’”

**4. There is also an Ambassador for Christ guidance ministry of the Indwelling Holy Spirit to every Church Age Believer (2 Cor.5:17-21).**

- **Philip** had left a great evangelism ministry in Samaria (Acts 8:4-8). He was seeking the Lord’s will on whether to go back to Jerusalem or to continue evangelizing and he needed the Guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- **Philip** was Guided by the Indwelling Holy Spirit to an Ethiopian sitting in a chariot on the side of a road in need for someone to explain the gospel of grace salvation to him. (Acts 8:25- 40) The principle of the “teach and recall” ministry of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:16; 8:31-33). After that, Philip was Guided by the Indwelling Holy Spirit to continue his evangelism ministry (Acts 8:26, 40).

**5. There is an interesting side to the guidance ministry of the Holy Spirit related to the spiritual growth of a Church Age Believer.**

- Spiritually gifted ministers were guided by the Holy Spirit to write the Holy Word of God (Gal.3:8; 2 Pet.1:20-21; Acts 1:16).
- Spiritually gifted ministers are guided by the Indwelling Holy spirit in teaching the Word of God for the spiritual growth of individual believers (Eph.4:11-13; Acts14:21-23; Heb.5:13-14).
- The Church Age Believer is guided by the teaching-recall ministry of the Indwelling Holy Spirit for cycling the Word of God by faith (Jn.14:26; 2 Tim.3:16-17; Jn.16:13;; 1 Pet.2:2).