

# Sapphire Throne Media's Biblical Research Paper



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**Overview:** This Biblical research study puts forth some (but not all) of the evidence in God's Holy Word, supporting the fact that the Holy Spirit is a separate and distinct person, and is therefore the legitimate third member of the Godhead, otherwise known as the Trinity. This paper concludes the Holy Spirit is Divinely God, just as God the Father and Jesus His son are Divinely God. The Holy Spirit is much more than a mere extension of God's "power", or a "force" from God, and this becomes very clear within this Biblical research paper.

**1) 1 Cor. 12:7-11** But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: But all these worketh that one and **the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.**

The Greek word for "dividing" is to "distribute or divide"

"severally" or "separately" (individually)

"will" means as He is "minded, or intends or of His own will"

Thus this passage "**the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will**", indicates the Spirit has the power to choose or make choices of His own will, and to distribute gifts as He wills.

**2) Acts 15:28 KJV** For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

The word “seemed” in the Greek means “to think”. Thus the Holy Spirit has it’s own thought process. This makes Him more than an extension of God’s power. It makes Him a separate entity or being. Because He thinks, He has thought process and can make judgments and decisions.

**3) Rom 8:26 KJV** Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but **the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us** with groanings which cannot be uttered. The word “itself” in the Greek denotes that the Spirit is being spoken of in the third person, or as the other person. This passage also demonstrates intelligence in that the Holy Spirit knows our thoughts and is able to convert them, (our prayers) to be presented before God’s throne.

**4) 1 Cor 2:10 KJV** But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: **for the Spirit searcheth all things**, yea, the deep things of God. The Greek word for “searcheth” is spoken of (through the idea of inquiry) to “seek or investigate”. Again, another trait of an actual person or being.

**5) John 14:26 KJV** **But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost**, whom the Father will send in my name, he **shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance**, whatsoever I have said unto you. The Holy Spirit is the “Comforter”. This word in the Greek means, one who is an “Intercessor, Counselor or Advocate”. One can not comfort another unless He can understand and feel what the other is going through. Thus the Holy Spirit has feelings. Based on this verse He can also access the very depths of our minds to bring back to our remembrance things He has taught us.

**6) Isa 63:10 KJV** **But they rebelled, and vexed His Holy Spirit:** therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them. The word “vexed” in the Hebrew means “to worry, pain, anger, displeasure or hurt” These things can only be done if one has the capacity to feel or experience them. The Bible says that we can hurt the Holy Spirit.

**7) Eph 4:30 KJV** **And grieve not the holy Spirit of God**, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. In the Greek, the word “grieve” means “to distress, to be sad, to cause grief”. These are all feelings or emotions. A mere power can not have these emotions. The Holy Spirit can however, because He is more than a force, He is a being separate from the Father and separate from the Son, yet one in purpose with the Father and the Son.

**8) Acts 2:4 KJV** And **they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.**

The Holy Spirits knowledge and intelligence enabled various languages to be spoken by people who did not know those languages. “The Spirit gave them utterance.”

**9) Acts 5:32 KJV** And **we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost**, whom God hath given to them that obey him. The Holy Spirit is a witness. A witness is one who can observe, one who is present, one who can relate what was seen or done. This requires intelligence and knowledge.

**10) Isa 11:2 KJV** And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, **the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge** and of the fear of the LORD;

Hebrew for “wisdom” is “skillful or wisely”

“understanding” as in having “perfect understanding”

“counsel” is “advice or advisement”

“might” is “valor, victory or power”

“knowledge” is “cunning or aware”

These are all characteristic of a person or a being, not a power, but rather a being with great power! A mere power can not have awareness, nor could it possess the other characteristics given to the Holy Spirit as shown here.

**11) 2 Cor 13:14 KJV** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, **and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you** all. Amen. In the Greek, “Communion” is described as “social intercourse or fellowship”. The only way you can have social intercourse is to communicate with someone. The same is true with being able to fellowship. The Bible says we are to communicate with the Holy Spirit of God.

**12) Luke 3:22 KJV** **And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove** upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased. The Holy Spirit is seen descending in a bodily shape like a dove. The Greek says about the word “bodily”, that it is a “physical” body, and of the word “shape”, The manner in which was His “appearance”. This means He can take upon Himself, actual bodily form. The Holy Spirit of God is much more than an extension of the power of God. He is part of the three fold union of the God head as shown in this baptismal passage of Jesus, where all three are present at one point in time.

**13) Luke 12:12 KJV** **For the Holy Ghost shall teach you** in the same hour what ye ought to say. The Holy Spirit is a “teacher”. In the Greek it says “to teach or cause to learn”. One must have knowledge, wisdom, understanding etc... to be a teacher. These traits speak of intelligence and the ability to impart that intelligence to others.

**14) Acts 13:2 KJV** As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, **the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.** The Holy Spirit “said”, He spoke and the text says that He, the Spirit has “called them.” This shows that the Spirit took initiative; He displays the very authority that Jesus did while on this earth to send his people to do his work.

**15) Acts 13:4 KJV** So they, **being sent forth by the Holy Ghost,** departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus. The Spirit has the power to “send people”.

**16) Acts 16:6 KJV** Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were **forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach** the word in Asia. The Holy Spirit prevented them by word or action, to preach in Asia at that time, thus showing authority and wisdom.

**17) Acts 5:3 KJV** But Peter said, Ananias, **why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost**, and to keep back part of the price of the land? **The Holy Spirit is not just a mere power, but a person who can be lied too.** Here Ananias lied to the person of the Holy Spirit.

**18) Job 33:4 KJV** **The spirit of God hath made me**, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life. This states that the Spirit of God had a part in the creation of man, and as Gen. 1 indicates, He was present for the creation of the world. (Let “us” make man in our image, and man was made in the image of God. The Holy Spirit was one of three persons present when the “us” made man.)

**19) Acts 19:15 KJV** And the **evil spirit** answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye? **Just as the Holy Spirit is an entity, so is the evil spirit.** The evil spirit is Satan, or one of his angels, and all of these are real beings. This word spirit is the same one used for the Holy Spirit.

**20) 1 Tim 4:1 KJV** Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to **seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;** **The Holy Spirit was warning of the seducing spirits who would come to deceive.** They twist the scriptures and make false doctrines to lead people on the wrong path, but the Spirit of truth has come to lead us into all truth, which is proven by the Word of God.

**21) Rev 18:2 KJV** And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every **foul spirit**, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. **Again, just as the foul spirit is real, so is the Holy Spirit, and this is to say that he is a real being, not just an extension of God’s power.** Put it all together now!

Conclusion, based on the meanings of the original Hebrew and Greek words as found in the Strongs concordance as noted in the above passages is as follows:

The Holy Spirit is a person and a being, separate from the Father and the Son. He can take upon himself an actual physical body. He displays intelligence through His knowledge, wisdom and understanding. He is a teacher, an intercessor, counselor and our advocate. The Holy Spirit has feelings and He can be lied to (although He knows if you are lying). The Holy Spirit played a part in the creation of this world and of man. He is skillful or wise, having perfect understanding, cunning and aware, possessing might and power. He gives or distributes gifts individually to those He chooses too of His own will. He thinks, seeks and investigates. He has social intercourse or fellowship. He is a witness of Jesus and the Father, taking the initiative and bidding us to come onto God. He is divine. He can be pained, displeased, hurt, saddened, distressed and worried.

If we choose not to believe in these things as revealed to us in Holy Scripture, we are choosing not to believe in God’s inspired Word. Thus we ourselves, by virtue of our choice would be vexing and grieving the Holy Spirit whereby we are sealed unto the day of our redemption. (Eph. 4:30) Let us NOT hold onto ideas that endanger our redemption by rejecting what Scripture has to say about the Holy Spirit. Let us instead, gladly receive the Word of God and grow in our maturity, knowledge and relationship with the creator of the Universe, looking unto the return of Jesus as our Lord and Saviour.

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