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The Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life (**Gen 2:7**), convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment (**Jn 16:8; 1 Cor 2:14**). Through the proclamation of the gospel he persuades men to repent of their sins and confess Jesus as Lord (**2 Cor 3:17-18**, 4:3-6). By the same Spirit a person is led to trust in divine mercy (**Rom 9:14-18, 1 Tim 1:13-14, 16; Tit 3:5; 1 Pet 2:10**). The Holy Spirit unites believers to Jesus Christ in faith (**Rom 3:24; 5:15-21; 12:5; 1 Cor 1:2, 5:19, 15:22; 2 Cor 5:17; Gal 1:22, 2:17, 3:28, Eph 1:4, 2:12, 3:6, 4:32; 2 Tim 2:10; 1 Thess 4:16**), brings about the new birth (**Ezek 36:25-27; Jn 3:3, 5; 1 Cor 12:3; 2 Cor 5:17; Eph 2:5; Col 2:1; 1 Thess 1:4-5; 2 Thess 2:13; Tit 3:5; Jam 1:18; 1 Pet 1:3**), and dwells within (**Jn 14:17; Rom 8:11; 1 Cor 3:16**) the regenerate. The Holy Spirit has come to glorify the Son (**Jn 16:14**), who in turn came to glorify the Father (**Jn 17:1-5**). He will lead (**Jn 16:13; Acts 15:28; Rom 8:14; Gal 5:18**) the Church into a right understanding (**2 Tim 2:7**) and rich application (**Phil 1:9-11**) of the truth of God's Word (**2 Tim 3:16**). He is to be respected and honored as God and one of the three Persons of the Trinity (**Jn 14:16-17, 26; 15:26; 16:7-15; Rom 8:9, 26; Gal 4:6**).

## **IMPLICATIONS:**

Apart from the work of the Holy Spirit, we cannot know who God is. We worship Him as God, and constantly seek Him to fill us in order that we may love Christ more, become more holy, and be empowered for service. We recognize that no one comes to Christ and the Father unless the Spirit draws, and so we pray earnestly for Him to move especially in the hearts of those who do not know Jesus.