Christ Loved the Church

The Holy Spirit is the Representative of Christ in the Church

Previous Vital Truths

- There is One Body
- Christ is the Head of the Body
- All Believers are Members of the Body

7 Ministries of the Holy Spirit

- The One Who Restrains the World
- The One Who Reproves the World
- The One Who Regenerates
- The One Who Indwells
- The One Who Baptizes
- The One Who Seals
- The One Who Fills

The One Who Restrains the World

2 Thessalonians 2:7

The One Who Reproves the World

- John 16:7-11
- Romans 1:16-17
- Romans 3:21-22

The One Who Regenerates

- 1 Corinthians 2:12
- 1 Corinthians 6:17
- Galatians 4:6

The One Who Indwells

- John 7:37-39
- Romans 5:1-5
- Romans 8:9

The One Who Baptizes

- 1 Corinthians 12:13
- 1 Corinthians 6:17
- Galatians 3:27
- 2 Corinthians 5:17

"According to Scripture usage, that which has power to receive into itself, to impart its own qualities, or to exercise a controlling influence, has power to baptize, and such baptism is never a 'dipping into', but rather secures an abiding position and union."

-Chafer

The One Who Seals

- 2 Corinthians 1:21-22
- Ephesians 1:13-14

The One Who Fills

- Acts 2:4
- Acts 4:8, 31
- Acts 6:3-5
- Acts 7:55
- Acts 11:22-24
- Acts 13:9
- Ephesians 5:18-21

"To be filled with the Spirit is to have the Spirit fulfilling in the heart and life all that He came into that life to do. It is not to acquire more of the Spirit, but, rather, that the Spirit acquires more of the believer. To be filled with the Spirit is to be a normal, if not a usual, Christian."

-Chafer

So What?

- 1 Thessalonians 5:19
- Ephesians 4:30-32
- Be receptive to the leading of the Spirit
- Be able to recognize the work of the Spirit
- Share the Good News and let the Spirit work according to His will

"He can do as He pleases, ...He will not always choose to do things in exactly the same way, though He will never act contrary to the Word. The very symbols of the Spirit used in the Scriptures – fire, oil, water, wind – speak of fluidity, of unpredictable behavior. Thus wise Christians will be sufficiently elastic to allow Him this divine prerogative."

-Bill MacDonald