



TRINITY Part D Transcript

**And on the 6th day... God said, Let us make man in our image...
This day this scripture is being fulfilled in our ears.**

Hi. I'm Scott Stanley, founder of DTG Ministries and this is the fourth part of our Star Project on the Trinity. Today we're going to be talking about the **Holy Spirit**. I know the **Holy Spirit** is a vast subject discussing all the scriptures available to us. Let's begin by comparing two verses to help us understand **WHAT the Holy Spirit is**.

The first verse is found in Isaiah: **40:13. Who has directed the Spirit of the LORD, or being his counsellor hath taught him?** Let's compare that with **1 Corinthians 2:16 -For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ. In 1 Corinthians 2:16** Paul is quoting **Isaiah 40**. Look at the words he uses for **Spirit**. Paul uses the word "**mind**."

This is why I began to realize "**mind and spirit**" are synonymous throughout the Bible. Let's examine more verses: **Proverbs 29:11 - A fool utters all his mind**: (h7307 spirit) **but a wise man keeps it until afterwards. The word "mind" is LITERALLY the word "SPIRIT."** I think when the King James translated this it didn't make sense to them to say you "utter your **spirit**," so they put the word "mind." But it literally is "**spirit**."

Genesis 26:35 - Which were a grief of mind (h7303 spirit) **unto Isaac and to Rebekah.** (Again, we read grief of "spirit." Another verse is **Proverbs 1:23 - Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you. Proverbs 1:23--I will pour out my spirit.** There are prophecies where God is going to **pour out his Spirit** or **pour out of his Spirit**. Here is a Bible definition of what that means: "I'll pour out my spirit—I will make known my words unto you."

Here is another verse: **Ezekiel 2:1 - and he said unto me, Son of man stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee. 2) and the spirit entered into me when he spake (spoke) unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake (spoke) unto me. What I want you to see is that the "**spirit**" and "**mind**" are **SYNONYMOUS**.** How do we convey our spirit? How do you share your spirit? With words. Really, the "**spirit**" is another way of saying **your understanding**. It could be **the truth that you possess**. It's just how you see something. **Your "spirit" - YOU CONVEY IT WITH WORDS.**

Let's look at **1 Corinthians 2:10 – But God has revealed them** (these things) **unto us by his Spirit;** (by his understanding -by his truth) **for the Spirit** (the truth) **searches all things, yea the Deep things of God. 11) for what man knoweth the things of a man, save** (except) **the spirit of**

the man (the understanding of the man) *which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.* (You could say which is in him) 12) *now we have received not the spirit of the world,* (the understanding of the world) *but the spirit* (the understanding) *which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given us of God.*

One thing that is clear to us all-- **the world has its own understanding - it has its truth, BUT GOD HAS HIS TRUTH.** God's truth consists of him, his son, salvation, humanity, creation. The truth of God is old. It's high. THE TRUTH OF GOD IS HIS SPIRIT. The world has its truth. God has his truth. **God's truth is SEPARATE from the world's truth.** To be separated is the word "holy." Hence, you have the world's truth, the world's understanding—the spirit of the world, and you have **God's HOLY TRUTH, God's HOLY UNDERSTANDING, HOLY SPIRIT.** When you receive his Spirit, you are **IN the world, but you're not OF the world anymore. You're carrying TRUTH that goes all the way back to eternity past. In your earthen vessel you're carrying ETERNAL TRUTH.**

We just saw how the Spirit is conveyed using words. Let's build on that with *John 3:33 -He that has received his* (Christ's) *testimony has set to his seal that God is true.* If you're believing Christ, you're believing God. Why? 34) **For he whom God hath sent speaketh** (is speaking) **the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.** "Spirit and words." The Father gave his Son his spirit without measure. He gave him his understanding. He gave him **Holy Truth** (Holy Spirit) and Christ is speaking the words that God gave him. Yet another step: *John 6: 63- It is the spirit that quickeneth* (quickens); *the flesh profits nothing: the words that I speak to you, they are spirit, and they are life.* From the Father to the Son, the spirit and words... from Christ to us, "the words" he says, "I speak, are spirit." But what about between each other? From the Father to the Son, to the Son to us. But what about right now? What's happening right now between us?

John 7: 38- He that believes on me as the scripture has said out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. 39) (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive for the Holy Ghost (Spirit) *was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)* Two things about this verse: 1: Out of your belly will flow rivers of living water. This spoke he of the Spirit. **Your belly, literal belly (where you eat bread and it goes into your belly) is a symbol of your mind. If you eat the bread of Christ, that goes into your belly** (pointing to the head). So, out of your belly will flow rivers of living water. This spoke he of the Spirit. **The Spirit comes through your mouth in the words you speak.**

2: What does he mean, "the Spirit was not yet given because Jesus was not yet glorified" because what happened at that cross is pregnant with truth. When Jesus died on that cross, he died to redeem us from iniquity. The way that takes place on the cross (through what he portrays there and what he shows us) had not yet happened. Jesus would be on that cross, be made sin, die and be raised from the dead. Until that happened, the truths that contain that Spirit, (the truth of that

Spirit) was not yet given because it hadn't happened yet. **Jesus was going to LIVE and PORTRAY that so that WE could understand more elements of God's Truth.**

Let's take another step. *John 14: 15 - If you love me, keep my Commandments. 16) and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter. that he may abide with you forever; 17) Even the spirit of Truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him; but ye know him; (you know this Comforter) for he dwelleth with you, (present tense) he dwells with you now and shall be in you (future). 18) I will not leave you comfortless (orphans): I will come to you.*

It's interesting that **Christ refers to himself as the Comforter.** "I will come to you; I'm not going to leave you orphans - I'm going to come to you. **I'm going to send you ANOTHER Comforter.**" Why another? Because like we saw in *John 7, What HAPPENED AT THE CROSS AND THE RESURRECTION HAD NOT HAPPENED YET.* When all of that takes place, then he becomes ANOTHER COMFORTER. He will have truth to give you that he didn't have UNTIL he was glorified.

1 John 2:1- My little children these things write I unto you, that you sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate (g3875 comforter) with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: Guess what? That word "advocate" is Comforter. **That is the same word used in John 14.** What comes to your mind when you see "advocate" versus "comforter"? (There is that old "*Jesus has to protect us from God,*") When you say "advocate," that brings to mind **a lawyer or somebody who's advocating for you.** Whereas, when you make it the "comforter," that's another story. Why would Christ refer to himself as "comforter"? Why would John say "he's the "comforter"? If you sin, don't worry-- you've got a comforter." Because this is seen in something we've read already.

1 Corinthians 1:30 - But of him (or of God) are you "in" Christ Jesus who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification and redemption: What does that mean? **If you want to understand God and his salvation, then you go to the cross and you see the death of his Son.** And "in" Jesus Christ, **we see God's wisdom. We see God's righteousness. We see our redemption and our sanctification.** It's all wrapped up in the only begotten son of God. JESUS IS that element of truth of God. Do you want to talk about God's redemption? Try doing it without mentioning the cross! What about God's salvation? God's righteousness? God's wisdom? Do that without mentioning the cross. **CHRIST IS THAT SPIRIT.**

2 Corinthians 3:17- Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. Now Christ encompasses all of that: salvation, redemption, righteousness, wisdom of God. **CHRIST IS THAT TRUTH** that God has given us. Think about it—it's all wrapped up in the only begotten Son of God. **Now the Lord is that Spirit because he has lived it.** Now that Spirit can be given because he has been glorified. *When he gave that spirit in Acts 2,* where did that come from?

Acts 2: 32- This *Jesus hath* “the” *God* (that word God has the definite article in front of it. It literally is THE God or THE Divine One) This *Jesus has* “the” *God* (Divine One) *raised up, whereof we are all witnesses. 33) Therefore, being by the right hand of “the” God* (Divine One) *exalted and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost* (Spirit), *he* (Jesus) *hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.*

Where did the Spirit come from? It came from the Father. We've already seen that in *John 3* where the Father gave him his Spirit without measure. **Jesus Christ was given the PROMISE of a Holy Understanding, a deeper understanding, which he received when he lived his life as a man.** It's one thing to tell somebody something. If I told you how to drive a car, you could go out and read the book and think of what I said. That's NOT the same thing as what will happen when you go get in the car, turn that key, put it in reverse and try to back out of the driveway. Suddenly the reality of what you're doing will hit you. You will learn volumes more by driving the car than from reading the book. By reading the book you'll find rules and regulations. BEHIND the steering wheel, you'll learn how to DRIVE a car. Well, **when the Son of God became a man, the things that he experienced deepened his understanding of God, of himself, and of humanity.** Christ BECAME the VERY ESSENCE OF GOD'S LOVE. And sacrifice. And sanctification. And righteousness for you. **HE BECAME THAT WHOLE ASPECT OF GOD'S SPIRIT.**

Colossians 2: 9 - For in him (or in Christ) *dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. 10) And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:* Now here is a word introduced to us “Godhead.” Personally, I have begun to use “Godhead” to replace “Trinity.” The “Trinity” – again, if you see the Father, Son, Holy Spirit (and you want to say that's a “trinity”) well, there is an element of truth to that. But, again, **the way the universal church defines it, makes it untrue.** If you stick with a Bible word, in this case “Godhead,” that word seems to include all of it. **If you say “Godhead,” that implies a Head God, which is the Father. To us there's only one God, the Father. (1Cor 8:6) The Holy Spirit is the Truth of God.** That is why we see this in *1 John 5: 7 -For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost* (Spirit): **and these three are one.** THIS is a verse people would use to try to prove that the Trinity exists—they are co-equal, co-eternal. **Yet NOTHING in that verse says that. It says, “THE FATHER, THE WORD, AND THE HOLY GHOST (SPIRIT) ARE ONE.”** What does it mean to be “ONE”? *John 17: 22 – And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one.*

What does it mean to be one with God? Does that mean that you are a part of the Godhead? No. **To be one with God means you're in unity with God. THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT ARE ALL ONE.** They're all in perfect unity. The Church has been baptized by the Spirit INTO the body of Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:13) That makes us one with them. The thing that makes us one is the Spirit of God. God 's Spirit is that glue that binds the Father and Son AND humanity.

WE ALL ARE ONE IN JESUS CHRIST, and the **ULTIMATE TRINITY** is the **FATHER**, the **SON and HUMANITY, BOUND TOGETHER** by the **HOLY SPIRIT**. Glued together we're all One in Christ.