

## Sermon Summary for 20th January, 2019

### “WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT? (II)”

Joel 2: 28, 29; Acts 2: 1-4

Rev Julius Coomson

Getting to know the Holy Spirit more intimately requires that we do away with all the wrong views we have about Him. We need to recognize that:

First, **the Holy Spirit is not a ghost**. He is rightly referred to as The Holy Ghost by the King James Version but that meant something entirely different from what a ghost is now.

Second, **the Holy Spirit is not the human spirit**. 1Thessalonians 5:23 tells us that human beings are made of spirit, soul and body. However, Romans 8:16 shows clearly that the human spirit is distinct from the Holy Spirit.

Who is the Holy Spirit? : Last week we learnt that the Holy Spirit is a Person but what kind of a person is He? He is a divine Person; the third Person of the Godhead. There are at least five (5) main reasons why the Holy Spirit is God:

#### 1. He possesses divine attributes.

Human beings share some attributes of God such as knowledge and love (Romans 5:5). However, some attributes are distinct to God. These include His Eternity, Omnipotence, Omniscience, and Omnipresence. The Holy Spirit possesses all these:

**Eternal**- the Holy Spirit is eternal just like God (Heb. 9:13-14). There was no point He did not exist or will not exist.

**Omnipotent**- He possesses power without limit (Luke 1:35). He made the incarnation possible.

**Omniscient**- He has knowledge of all things (John 14:26, 1 Cor. 2:9-11). He knows the mind, thoughts and ways of God.

**Omnipresent**- He is everywhere at the same time (Psalm 139:7-9).

2. **He performs acts that Only God can accomplish**, such as **Creation** (Job 33:4; Psalm 104:30; Genesis 1:2), **Impartation of life** (Rom. 8:2, 10-11; John 6:63) and **Inspiration of Scripture** (2 Peter 1:20-21).

3. **He is attributed with Statements in the OT that refer to the LORD (Jehovah)**: For example, in Jeremiah 31:31-35 we see Jehovah speaking but in Hebrews 10:15-17, those words are ascribed to the Holy Spirit. We see the same thing in Ps. 95:6-10 and in Heb. 3:7-10.

4. **He is given Equal Position as God**: The Holy Spirit is given equal status with the Father and the Son in the Baptismal formula (Matt. 28:19&20) and in the Apostolic benediction (2Cor. 13:14).

5. **He is Called God in the Bible**: Telling lies to the Holy Spirit is regarded as telling lies to God (Acts 5:3-4).

#### How shall we respond to Him as a Divine Person?

1. First, if the Holy Spirit is God then He deserves the same respect and reverence we give to God the Father and the Son. We should not refer to The Holy Spirit as an 'it' since He is not an object but God.

2. Second, we need to submit to His Lordship. Acts 7:51 shows that we can resist the Holy Spirit. However, if we acknowledge Him as God we will yield to Him. One way we can avoid resisting the Holy Spirit is by not hardening our hearts when He speaks to us (Heb 3:7-8).

3. Third, since we know He is omniscient, we need to come out of hiding in our relationship with Him. We need to be transparent. He knows our hidden fears and pains and is waiting for us to open up and receive His help.

### BIBLE STUDY LEADERS' & ASSISTANTS' MEETING — THIS WEEK!

All Bible Study Leaders and Assistants are reminded of their meeting with the Coordinators at 6.30pm on **WEDNESDAY**, 30th and Thursday, 31st Jan.

Please prepare **Lesson 16** (Chapters 17 & 18 of Judges) **BEFORE** the meeting.

### This Week's Prayer Topics

✠ Continue to pray for LIC: that just as God chose David to lead Israel, He will take center stage in the nomination and election of eight new elders into the Council of Elders (Acts 1:23-26)

✠ Pray for commitment to the ministries God has called us to; that we would be faithful to our calling, never lacking in zeal serving the Lord (Romans 12:11)

✠ Pray against Satanic and worldly influences and false teachings that have crept into the Church; and that God will raise up a generation of believers who will stand firm and contend for the faith (Jude 3-4; 1 John 5:14-15)

### CONGRATULATIONS!!!

#### BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

- Jan 27. Shawn Addo
- Jan 27. Mr. Elms Sarpong
- Jan 28. Agyapong Y. Djisenu
- Jan 28. Dr. Evelyn Sika Ahadzie
- Jan 28. Mr. Patrick Pierson-Prah
- Jan 28. Mrs. Effie Ammisah
- Jan 28. Aseda Wiredu Kurankye
- Jan 29. Ms. Rhoda Mahama
- Jan 29. Ms. Awuranna Smith-Quayson
- Jan 29. Ms. Francisca K. Darfour
- Jan 30. Mrs. Natalie Adobebe Adiepena
- Jan 30. Ms. Gladys Asiedu
- Jan 30. Ms. Emerald Vanderpuye
- Jan 31. Mr. John Anaba
- Jan 31. Mrs. Adelaide Arthur
- Feb 01. Ms. Mavis Bigson
- Feb 01. Ms. Sharon Betty Baddoo
- Feb 01. Mr. Kwamina Ekremet
- Feb 02. Ms. Philomina Oppong
- Feb 02. Ms. Alberta Edinam Adegbe
- Feb 02. Ms. Lydia Aba Parry
- Feb 02. Ms. Arielle Enam Brooks
- Feb 02. Ms. Gifty Korankyewaa Akoto
- Feb 02. Prof. Esther Sakyi-Dawson

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- Jan 29. Godfred & Comfort Odoom
- Jan 30. Joshua & Josephine Acquaye
- Jan 30. Paa Kojo & Patricia Amos
- Jan 31. Paul & Charity Agyenim Boateng
- Jan 31. Jonathan and Augustina Ayertey
- Feb 01. Kofi & Nelly Odoom

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TO

## LEGON INTERDENOMINATIONAL CHURCH

(University of Ghana, Legon)

*The Council of Elders and Pastors heartily welcome you to God's House this Sunday morning! Akwaaba!!*

### SUNDAY 27TH JANUARY, 2019

YEAR'S THEME: “EMPOWERED FOR SERVICE”

Half-Year Theme: “The Role of the Holy Spirit in the Life of the Believer”

**FIRST SERVICE: 7:00AM TO 9:00AM**

**BIBLE STUDY: 9:15AM TO 10:15AM ON SUNDAYS**

**SECOND SERVICE: 10:30AM TO 12:30PM**

<b>Pastors:</b>	Rev. Francis Yaw Boamah	Tel: 024 464 6205
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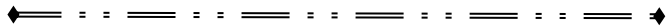
**TODAY: SUNDAY, 27TH JANUARY, 2019**

Officiant: 1st Service - Mr. Edem Senanu II 2nd Service - Mrs. Isabella Agra

Sermon Topic: **“Jesus Needed the Holy Spirit”**  
Preacher: **Prof. E. Kweku Osam**

Lectors: 1st Service - Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo and Ms. Jemima Jackson  
2nd Service - Mr. Kwabena Kurankye and Mrs. Alberta Adukor-Asola

Notices: 1st Service - Mr. Nuku Kumaga II 2nd Service - Mr. Kofi-Kakraba Afful



Scripture Passages: **Matthew 3: 13 - 17 and Luke 4: 16 - 22**

Opening Hymn: *Praise 9 - “I sing the Mighty Power of God”*

Song Ministrations: *LIC Choir*

Closing Hymn: *Praise 132 - “Onward, Christian soldiers”*

**REFLECTION:** Without the Holy Spirit, the human Jesus would not have been able to do anything. The Holy Spirit conceived Him in Galilee, confirmed Him at the Jordan river, conditioned Him for works across Israel, caused Him to be crucified at Calvary, raised Him from the dead and caught Him back to His father in heaven. It is the Holy Spirit that kept Christ God-centered and makes us Christ-centered. — JNA (Jan-2019)

**NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 2019**

Officiant: 1st Service - Prof. Esther Sakyi-Dawson II 2nd Service - Dr. Awo Asiedu

Sermon Topic: **“Salvation is Impossible Without the Holy Spirit”**  
Preacher: **Mr. Theo Aryee**

Lectors: 1st Service - Ms. Victoria Dodoo and Mr. Jonathan Ntsiful  
2nd Service - Ms. Asibi Ofori and Mr. Tsatsu Adogla-Bessa

Scripture Passages: **Ezekiel 36: 25, 26 and John 3: 1 - 8**

Notices: 1st & 2nd Services - Ms. Phoebe Washington-Nortey & Mrs. Genevieve P. Twum

**KNOW YOUR MINISTRY LEADERS**

Children	Mrs. Hetty Yirenkyi-Boafo	- 024. 433. 1550
Church Administration	Mrs. Nora Sowa	- 024. 651. 6647
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Welfare and Visitation	Rev. Elisabeth Taylor	- 024. 343. 9679
Worship & Creative Arts	Mr. T.V.O. Lamptey	- 027. 742. 8150
Youth and Students	Mr. Frank Yaw Yeboah	- 024. 463. 6841



*Activity for 27th January, 2019*

**TEACHING  
(WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?)**

Leaders:

Sena Adogla-Bessa; William Delong;  
Julian Larbi-Akor; Kojo Afranie

*Time is 4:00pm @ LIC*

**Visitors' Reception for JANUARY, 2019**

1st: Mrs. Amanda Derban

2nd: Ms. Aileen Asafu-Adjaye; Mr. Spike Boaitey

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

We publish for the **THIRD AND FINAL TIME**, the Banns of marriage between Dr. Louis Asiedu of LIC and Ms. Favour Nyantekyiwaa Yirenkyi of ICCG, Christ Temple, Abosse-Oka.

Please inform the Pastors if you have any valid reason why these persons may not be lawfully joined together in holy matrimony, otherwise Let us bear them up in prayer.

**BABY DEDICATION**

This will be on **Sunday, 10th February**, 2019.

All who wish to have their babies dedicated should kindly register at the Church Office. **Deadline is Wednesday, 6th February**

**PRAYING WITH ONE ANOTHER**

The Prayer Ministry requests the under-listed persons to kindly provide the Ministry with their active/current contact numbers and professions as they pray for them this week. The Ministry's week begins on Monday and runs until Saturday.

Mr. Sampson Addo	Mrs. Julia M. Atta	Mrs. Dede Aba Gawuga
Mrs. Diana Afriyie Addo	Mrs. Lydia Adokailey Addotey	Mrs. Mariatu Addy
Mr. Joshua Acquaye Addo	Ms. Lydia Lovia Adokailey Addotey	Mr. Adeleye Adetutu
Mrs. Edna Portia Adjei	Mr. Nii Addotey	Mr. David Adjei
Mr. Edward K. Addotey	Mr. David Nii Okai Addy	Mrs. Mary Adzeley Adjei

Kindly contact the following people with any two specific prayer requests, latest by 12noon on Wednesday: Mr. David Avor - 0207628947 and Mr. Otabil Arthur—0269654873. Also, **please update your records with the Church Office.**

SUNDAY, 27TH JANUARY, 2019	ELDERS ON DUTY	NEXT SUNDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 2019
	<b>Reception</b>	Mr. Theo Aryee (0204-315133)
Mr. Frank Yaw Yeboah (024 463 6841) Mrs. Monica Senanu (0244748746)		Mr. Samuel Owusu Yeboah (0504441114)
	<b>Counseling</b>	Dr. Mrs. Eureka Ahadjie Adomako (0244-281821)
Mr. Charles MacCarthy (0244353522) Dr. George T-M. Kwadzo (020-8161624)		Mr. Kwadwo Otu Adaae (0243-367611)

MID-WEEK SERVICES SCHEDULE AND OTHER PROGRAMMES					
DATE	TIME	OFFICIANT	ACTIVITY	SERMON TOPIC	PREACHER
Fri. 1-Feb	10:00pm - 4:00am	Mr. Vincent Dogbey	All-Night Prayer Meeting	“LORD TEACH US TO PRAY MORE” (James 4:1-3)	Rev. Julius Coomson & Prophet Afriyie-Jenkins
Wed. 6-Feb	6:30pm- 8:00pm	Ms. Patience Ampomah	Prayer & Teaching Service	“Empowered for Service: Being Zealous for the Lord” (Rom 12:11)	Rev. Julius Coomson
Sat. 9-Feb	9:00am- 2:00pm	<b>LIC Music Ministry AUDITIONS!</b> Do you sing or play an instrument? Then Sign up at the Church Office or send a message to <b>0246812588</b>			
Sat. 9-Feb	2:00pm- 5:00pm	<b>Press On Kids presents ... Kids In Worship Concert featuring LIC Children's Choir</b> Rehearsal at LIC for interested Wards is at <b>3pm</b> on Saturday, Jan. 26th and Feb. 2nd			

- ◇ **PRAYER MEETINGS:**  
Sunday Morning: Prayer for Sunday Activities @ 8:45am - 9:15am; Sunday Evening: In the Conference Room @ 6:30pm- 8pm; Monday: In the Meeting Room 1 @ 6:30pm - 8pm; Wednesday: Prayer & Teaching Service @ 6:30pm - 8pm in the Sanctuary, except for 'Bethesda Moment' which is from 6:30pm - 8:30pm; Saturday: Prayer for Missions @ 7am - 8:30am on the Right Verandah of the Sanctuary; All Night Prayer Meeting: 1st Friday of the Month @ 10pm - 4am
- ◇ **BIBLE STUDIES:** Sunday: 9:15 - 10:15am (for 2 Services); 8am - 9am (for Joint Services); Monday: 6:45pm - 8:00pm
- ◇ **REHEARSALS:** LIC BAND: Tuesdays @ 7:00pm - 9:00pm LIC CHOIR: Saturdays @ 4:00pm - 7:00pm