

# MAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE EKKLESIA

Jesus calls the Holy Spirit the “Comforter” and “Counselor” (parakletos), a word which in the original language means someone who is called “to come alongside” and carries the idea of someone who encourages and exhorts. In modern language, this would be like a “personal coach.”

Let us observe how the Scriptures in the Gospels reveal His main functions and how He operates in the life of the ekklesia.

Let us read the following passages: John 14:26

- “But the Comforter—the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name—He will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have told you.”

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ all things
3. \_\_\_\_\_ everything Jesus communicated to His disciples

What does it mean to you that the Holy Spirit is called “Comforter” and “Counselor”?

In what moments of your life have you needed God to remind you of His words?

- John 15:26 “But when the Comforter comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father—He will testify about Me.”

4. To give \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ

What do you understand by “giving testimony of Jesus”?

How do you think the Holy Spirit helps us give testimony of Jesus to others?

- John 16:13–15  
“But when the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on His own, but He will speak whatever He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify Me, because He will take from what is Mine and make it known to you.”

5. \_\_\_\_\_ to all truth

6. He will make us \_\_\_\_\_ what is to come

Why do you think we need the Holy Spirit to guide us into the truth?

- Acts 1:8  
“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

7. He gives us \_\_\_\_\_

What does receiving power from the Holy Spirit mean to you?

- John 6:63  
“The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.”

8. He gives \_\_\_\_\_

What difference do you notice between living only by your own strength and living guided by the Spirit?