## **THREE FOLD WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

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The Godhead is made up of three persons: **Father-Son-Holy Spirit**. All three have distinct roles. Let us briefly examine the "three fold" work of the Holy Spirit.

**To Glorify God**. "He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you." (John 16:14) How does the Spirit glorify the Son? By revealing the words that He was given to give to us. 1 Corinthians 2:9-13 explains that the Spirit's work involved revealing the mind of God. How would man ever come to know the things that God would expect and demand of him as His children? Why did God's word need to be revealed?

**To Convict the sinner**. "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they do not believe in Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged." (John 16:8-11) The word is God's power to save, Romans 1:16. God's word is aimed at the heart of the sinner. The message of life is given that the sinner can be redeemed and enter into a relationship with Christ. How could man know how to please God without the instructions of righteousness contained in God's word? The life giving message is to be sent to all men because all have sinned, Romans 3:23. God's word is the magnet that draws the honest heart to Christ for the message of salvation.

**Instruct the saints**. "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified." {Acts 20:32} The word also helps the Christian to know how to live their lives in accordance with His will. The Spirit's work helps the child of God to continue to grow spiritually and maintain the proper conduct that God requires of His children. Such knowledge is vital to keep Christians from losing their salvation once they have obeyed the first principles of truth. Anyone can see the work of the Holy Spirit is extremely important to both the sinner and the saint!

Sadly, many in the world of religion believe that the Holy Spirit still speaks to men today giving him more revelation. Fact is all that the Holy Spirit wanted to say – He has said! \*\*\*