



## Scripture of the Quarter

*But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*

John 14:26 KJV

## The Precious Holy Ghost (aka) Holy Spirit

The Lord put on my heart to write about a very powerful person in the life of a true believer. In the King James version of the Bible, the Holy Spirit, as most people are familiar with is referred to as the Holy Ghost, they are one in the same. In this newsletter we are going to first talk about the warnings **Jesus gave all believers** about the Holy Ghost.

The first warning given was found in **Luke 12:10<sup>KJV</sup>** *And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.*

The definition of Blaspheme is the Greek word blaspheméō meaning speak evil against, blaspheme, use abusive or scurrilous (making or spreading scandalous claims about someone with the intention of damaging their reputation) language about **(God or men)**. Think about it this is **the only sin** that will not be forgiven by Jesus.

The second warning regarding the Holy Ghost is found in **1 Thessalonians 5:19<sup>KJV</sup>** ***Quench not the Spirit.*** Now, the Greek word for Quench is

**sbennumi**, meaning to quench to extinguish, to put out or suppress. This happens in many churches today.

The third warning is found in **Ephesians 4:30<sup>KJV</sup>** ***And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.***

The Greek word for grieve is **Lupe**, meaning sorrow, grief, pain, distress.

In this newsletter, we are going to explore more about the Holy Ghost by using the Greek language which will give us more knowledge and importance of the Holy Ghost in our lives as a believer.

Now let's talk about New Testament facts about Jesus and the Holy Ghost.

- No one knew more about the Holy Ghost than Jesus. From His humble birth, nothing He ever did occurred apart from His partnership with the Holy Ghost.
- Jesus was conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the Virgin Mary. (**Matthew 1:18,20, Luke 1:35**).

- Jesus's conception in Maty's womb was confirmed by Elizabeth, Mary's cousin, when Elizabeth was temporarily filled with the Holy Ghost. (**Luke 1:41-45**).
- Jesus's dedication as a baby in the Temple was accompanied by supernatural manifestations of the Holy Ghost as Simeon and Anna prophesied over Him (**Luke 2:25-38**).
- Jesus's arrival to Israel as Messiah was announced by John the Baptist, who under the anointing of the Holy Ghost declared that Jesus was the One who would baptize in the Holy Ghost and fire. (**Matthew 3:11, Luke 3:16, John 1:33, Acts 11:16**).
- Jesus' spoke of the baptism of the Holy Ghost and commanded His disciples to stay in Jerusalem until they had received this special endowment of power. (**Luke 24:49, Acts 1:4-5**).
- Jesus was empowered by the Holy Ghost at the Jordan River when He was baptized in water by John the Baptist (**Matthew 3:16, Mark 1:10, Luke 3:22, and John 1:32**).
- Jesus was given the fullness of the Holy Ghost without measure (**John 3:34**).
- Jesus was led by the Holy Ghost (**Matthew 4:1, Mark 1:12, and Luke 4:1**).
- Jesus returned from the wilderness in the power of the Holy Ghost (**Luke 4:14**).

- Jesus stated that His ministry was a result of the anointing of the Holy Ghost (**Luke 4:18**)
- Jesus proclaimed we must be born again by the Holy Ghost (**John 3:5-8**).
- Jesus offered Himself on the cross by the sustaining power of the Holy Ghost (**Hebrews 9:14**).
- Jesus was resurrected from the dead by the power of the Holy Ghost (**Romans 8:11**).
- Jesus breathed the Holy Ghost into the disciples after His Resurrection (**John 2:20**).
- Jesus instructed His disciples through the ministry of the Holy Ghost (**Acts 1:2**).
- After Jesus was exalted to the right hand of God, He poured out the Holy Ghost upon the church on the Day of Pentecost. (**Acts 2:1-4,33**).

**Jesus spoke to His Disciples and told them He would not leave them without a Comforter.**

1. **John 14:18<sup>KJV</sup> *18I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.***
2. **John 14:16<sup>KJV</sup> *16And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever;***

Now, let's talk about the word **comfortless** from the Greek perspective which will show you the depth of the word comfortless. **The Geek word for comfortless is (orphanos)** children left without a father or mother; used in a broader sense to describe students who felt abandoned, deserted, forsaken, or discarded by their teacher; either children abandoned by their parents or students forsaken by their teacher; one who feels deprived.

I pray you are seeing the deeper meaning of the word comfortless.

Now let's focus on the word itself **"Comforter"** and see the depth of its

meaning in the Greek language. The word for comforter in Greek is the word **parakletos** which is a compound of (para) means along and (kaleo) means to call out to someone; one called alongside to urge, beseech, coach, plead beg, pray, or train, pictures one who has come closely alongside of another person for the sake of speaking to him, consoling him, comforting him, or assisting him with instruction and with counsel, or advice; in ancient times, used to depict military leaders who came alongside their troops to urge, exhort, beseech, be, and plead with them to stand tall and face their battles bravely.

## Food For Thought

Just hours before His crucifixion, Jesus had a very candid conversation with His disciples. Side-by-side, He had been doing life with them for more than three years, and they were eyewitnesses to Him performing one miracle after another, Now, He was reminding them that He would be leaving and going back to the Father in Heaven. Can you imagine how difficult it must have been for the disciples to hear His words?

What would life be without Jesus? Would it ever be the same? Was this the end of their dream? Think about this, the disciples had been dependent upon the physical, visible presence of Jesus, something we as believers cannot fully comprehend. Undoubtedly, they were tempted to feel abandoned. Yet in the midst of their fears and tears, Jesus told His disciples... **"I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another 'Comforter' that he may abide with you forever."** (**John 14:6**).

I want to interject something very important. Notice John 14:6 states the Holy Ghost will always be here to abide with you **FOREVER!** Some erroneously teach that when the Rapture happens and the church is taken off of the earth the Holy Ghost is gone. Well what convicts' sinners to accept Jesus as their

Lord and Savior? It is the conviction of the Holy Ghost. The Bible tells us that some people will be saved during the Tribulation which proves the Holy Ghost will be present on the earth. Ref. **Revelation 7:14<sup>KJV</sup> *And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, these are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.***

So, we see the word parakletos has so much depth as to what the word "comforter" means. I wanted to share this important information so you realize how important the Holy Ghost is in our lives. We must partner with the Holy Ghost who will guide, teach, come alongside, lead us into all TRUTH (**John 16:13**).

Jesus stated this in **John 8:32<sup>KJV</sup> *And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.***

Jesus warned us in the Last Days many will be deceived (**Matthew 24:4**). In our society in the church world there are many who do not teach the true gospel of Jesus Christ. It is the Holy Ghost's Job to lead you into all truth. If you hear a preacher in a church or on television, say something and you get a check in your spirit it doesn't sound right, what should you do? Be a Berean as the book of Acts tells us. (**Acts 17:1**).

It is wonderful when you truly accept Jesus as Lord of your life, the Holy Ghost comes to live inside of us. On a personal note, my wife and I NEVER make a decision without consulting the Holy Ghost (Holy Spirit). When you pray listen for his voice as he does speak to those seeking him.

In closing, I want to thank the Lord for putting **Rick Renner** in my life to mentor me on the Greek language and all the dimensions of the Holy Ghost (Holy Spirit). Listen to the Holy Spirit, let him comfort, guide, teach, exhort, and come alongside you.