

**THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
IN OUR SALVATION**

John 3:1-21; 16:7-11; 1 Peter 1:18-23

**Intro:** The first individual Member of the Godhead to be mentioned in the Bible, is the Holy Spirit. Genesis 1:1 tells us that “in the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.” The word translated God is the Hebrew word, *elohim*. The -im ending is like our letter “s” because and it at least indicates that the word for God suggests that there is more than one Person included in the Godhead. And, of course, as we continue reading in our Bibles, it becomes very apparent that there are three Persons in the Godhead. This can be learned even from the OT, but is crystal clear in the New Testament. For example, in Matthew’s account of what we have called, The Great Commission, this is what the Lord Jesus Christ said as it is recorded for us in Matthew 28:19-20. Let me read to you what He said.

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the names of the father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:  
20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.