

Indwelling of the Holy Spirit #2

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The Holy Spirit dwells in the Christian

- Romans 8:9. But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed **the Spirit of God dwells in you**. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.
- 2 Timothy 1:14. That good thing which was committed to you, keep by **the Holy Spirit who dwells in us**.
- James 4:5. Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "**The Spirit who dwells in us** yearns jealously"?

How does He dwell in us? Three positions:

1. He dwells within us personally
2. He dwells within us through His word
3. He dwells within us “by the means of His thoughts, His concepts, His wisdom, which **rules the mind and life of the saint by His word as we obey Him**”

Which?

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Illustration: Satan dwells in Pergamum

- *Revelation 2:13.* I know your works, and where you dwell where Satan's throne is. And you hold fast to My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days in which Antipas was My faithful martyr, who was killed among you, **where Satan dwells**
- Satan was not dwelling literally there, but Christ is speaking of Satan's presence and influence in the thoughts and actions of the ones in Pergamum committing sin.
- **The same is true with us – we are influenced by Satan or Christ!**

**Is the Holy Spirit
Dwelling in Us?**

Is the Holy Spirit dwell in us? If so then,

■ We are led by the Spirit

- *Romans 8:14.* For all who are **being led by the Spirit** of God, these are sons of God.
- Too many think this means “felt by the Spirit”
- *Barnes:* “As submit to his influence and control. The Spirit is represented as influencing, suggesting, and controlling.”

Is the Holy Spirit dwell in us? If so then,

■ **We are bearing the fruit of the Spirit**

- Galatians 5:22-23. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

Are these qualities demonstrated in our lives?

- **Love** - “agape” caring enough about others to work for their good
- **Joy** – joy produced by security, fellowship
- **Peace** – no longer fighting against God, mind settled in acceptance of His will

Are these qualities demonstrated in our lives?

- **Longsuffering** – patience with others and the frustrations of life
- **Kindness** – involves a sensitive heart for the needs of others
- **Goodness** – moral goodness, integrity, kindness of heart

Are these qualities demonstrated in our lives?

- **Faithfulness** - trustworthiness, reliable, loyal
- **Gentleness/meekness** – humble, the opposite of self-assertiveness
- **Self-control** – the spirit that has mastered its desires and love of pleasure

Conclusion

- Does the Holy spirit dwell in us? Yes, He dwells within us “by the means of His thoughts, His concepts, His wisdom, which rules the mind and life of the saint by His word as we obey Him”