

Range finding exercise

1. What is most important to you about the Holy Spirit?
2. What is the Holy Spirit doing today?
3. How comfortable are you thinking about the role of the Holy Spirit in your life?
4. Why have you come to these studies?
5. What questions/issues would you like to see covered?

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The Spirit from all eternity...

The Nicene Creed:

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

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The Spirit from all eternity...

The Father, Son and Spirit always on the move:

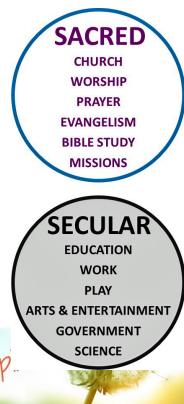
- Towards one another
- Together towards the whole creation



No dualism allowed



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LORD, you establish peace for us; **all that we have accomplished you have done for us.** (Isa. 26:12 NIB)

....because **everything we've done, you've done for us**
(The Message Bible)



Christianity is rooted in the world of ordinary things...

God uses material things in his eternal kingdom



Participants with God.

He is not the spectator of our activity.

"... we neither make nor save ourselves. God does both the making and saving. He creates each of us by Christ Jesus to join him in the work he does, the good work he has gotten ready for us to do"

Ephesians 2:9-10 The Message



The Spirit from the first page to the last...

Gen 1:1-2 In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while the Spirit of God swept over the face of the waters.

Rev 22:17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

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...and most pages in between

For example...

The Judges

Elijah and Elisha and the other Prophets

Cyrus the Persian

The Psalms

John the Baptist

Jesus

The Disciples / us!

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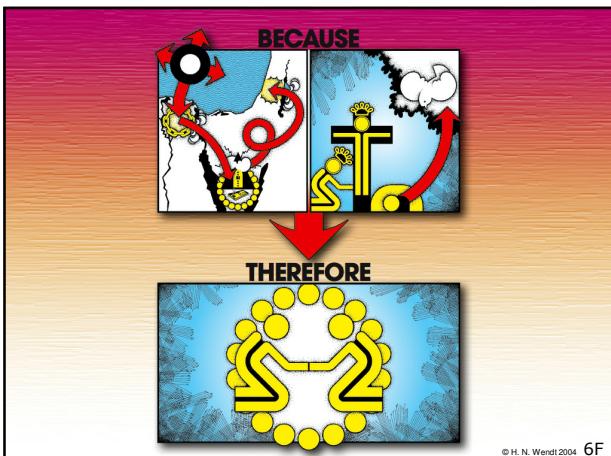


God is doing a new thing

Jeremiah 31:31-34



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MISSION OF GOD

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THE HOLY SPIRIT
AND MISSION

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Discussion Questions



What practical differences do you see between you having a mission to fulfil and you joining in with God's mission?

Which understanding has shaped your life when you think about mission?

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**CAUTION
GOD AT
WORK**

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Next Week

The Spirit and the Healing of the Church



Whose Promises are you Believing?

The Spirit is Renewing Churches

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