



The Holy Spirit Our Teacher

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Sermon Proposition

The Holy Spirit Our Teacher Helps Us in Three Ways.

The Holy Spirit Our Teacher Helps Us by Establishing Our Faith in Christ Crucified

My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.

1 Corinthians 2:4-5 (NIV)

**The Holy Spirit Our Teacher Helps Us by
Revealing what God Has in Store for Those Who Love Him.**

The things God has prepared for those who love him—these are the things God has revealed to us by His Spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:9-10 (NIV)

**The Holy Spirit Our Teacher Helps Us by
Enabling Us to Understand the Things of God**

What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.

1 Corinthians 1:12 (NIV)

Open It!

Where do people go for wisdom or guidance when making decisions?

Read It!

Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Consider It!

What do unbelievers mention as difficult when seeking to understand the gospel message or the Bible?

Paul thought it was important that his message came to the Corinthians in "the Spirit's power." Why does the gospel message require more than an eloquent speech, a well-reasoned argument, or an emotional appeal?

How can you be confident that you have believed the true message from God and not simply following a persuasive leader?

What does the Holy Spirit reveal to believers (2:9-10)?

Where do we go to discover the things God has in store for those who love God?

What comparison does Paul use to illustrate that the Holy Spirit knows the thoughts of God (2:10-11)?

How does the indwelling Holy Spirit help us (2:12)?

Where do we go to find the "words taught by the Spirit" (2:13; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)?

How should we pray for unbelieving neighbors, coworkers, family members and friends in light of the word of God (2:14; 2 Cor 4:3-4)?

What might you pray and ask the Holy Spirit to do as you read and study the Bible (See Eph 1:17-19)?

Live It!

Examination:

What is the basis of your Christian faith?

Where do you look for guidance? Whose counsel do you seek? Where would you go for godly counsel?

Practice:

How will your practice of spiritual disciplines (prayer, Bible study, meditation on Scripture, etc.) change? Read Ephesians 1 to discover some of the things God has in store for those who love Him.

How will your prayers for unbelievers improve?

How is your sharing of the gospel encouraged?