

# The Holy Spirit's Ministry to Me

What He Does	Verses	What it Means	Why it Matters	How Could Believing This Change Me?
Gives me new life ( <i>regeneration</i> ) and transforms me ( <i>sanctification</i> )	John 3:3-8; Titus 3:5-6; 2 Corinthians 3:18; 1 Corinthians 6-10-11; 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14; Philippians 1:6; 1 John 4:2	Softens my heart to bring me to faith and continues his work in me to make me more like Christ	I cannot come to faith or continue in faith apart from his work. Helps me see my need and leads me towards dependence on Christ in the ongoing work of repenting, believing, and obeying which stirs my heart to worship.	
Advocates for and comforts me	Isaiah 11:2; John 14:16, 15:26, 16:7; Hebrews 13:5-6 (Deuteronomy 31:8)	Promises his presence as a source of reliable comfort and counsel	I stop searching for external comfort elsewhere as the primary means of relieving anxiety or fear.	
Guides and teaches me	John 14:17-26; 16:13 1 Corinthians 2:10-16; Isaiah 30:19-21; 1 John 5:6	Reveals and confirms truth, brings clarity where there is confusion, and gives direction, wisdom, and purpose.	I continually lean on the Spirit's guidance through Scripture, community, and prayer, recognizing that my wisdom and knowledge is insufficient to faithfully align my life with God's intent.	
Intercedes for me	Romans 8:26	Represents me to the Father and prays for me. He groans with me and assists me as I pray.	I can find comfort and confidence in times when I am overcome with weakness, suffering, and sorrow. I can cry out to him because he sees me, is with me, and carries my burdens to the father for me.	
Convicts me of sin and helps me obey	John 15:26-16:11, Romans 8	Reveals the gaps in my faith, exposes my sin and unbelief, and reorients me toward faith and obedience	I am able to take real action because the Spirit gives me both the desire and power to turn from sin and choose to obey.	
Guarantees everything he has promised me in Christ	2 Corinthians 1:22; 5:1-5, Ephesians 1:13-14	Secures and assures me of my position in Christ, guarantees my future inheritance, and makes me a co-heir with Christ	I am already secure, therefore, I do not have to scramble for my worth or seek security in money, work, approval, relationships, or anything that this world offers.	
Identifies me as his child and gives me communion with God and other believers	Galatians 4:6-7; Romans 8:15-17; 2 Corinthians 13:14; 1 John 1:3-7, 3:24, 4:13	Claims me as his own, changes my relational status so that I can call him Abba Father, and gives me a new family	I can rest believing that I am fully known and loved by the father which frees me to take risks in relationships and freely share that love with others.	