"For there are three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Word [Jesus], and the Holy Spirit: and these three are *one*, 1 John 5:7.

But to us there is but one God, the Father, of Whom are all things, and we in Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by Whom are all things, and we by Him," 1 Corinthians 8:6.

"And there are Three that hear witness in Earth, the Spirit, and the Water, and the Blood: and these Three agree in One," 1 John 5:8.

Dear Covenant Family,

Greetings, Loved Ones, in the Name of our LORD and Savior, Jesus Christ. The tree graphic above is my symbolism of the Trinity [the Triune Godhead]. If the trunk of the tree is YHWH - Jehovah [God the Father], the branches are YESHUA - Messiah - Jesus [God the Son], the fruit are the lives of God's Children [Sons of God], then the roots are RUACH HA-KODESH [God the Holy Spirit, (literally) "Spirit of the Holiness"].

This is my confession to you. Over the past 5 years, my Heavenly Father has led me to write on subjects and topics talk about, He has taken me into the depths of what *He* King of kings and LORD of lords to provide Eternal Life for all who would accept His Word as Truth and His

that were not a part of my normal everyday conversations or thoughts. However, since we have gotten deeper into His Word on matters that He wanted to said in His Word and what He meant when He spoke it to His prophets and those of faith. He has taken me deeper into the meaning and power of His Covenants and how they interfaced with humanity to produce the

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John 14:16-17.

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Son as Savior. I am still learning about His foreknowledge and planning, yet we know that no human can know or comprehend the Fullness the *Triune Eternal Godhead*. However, we can get a small glimpse of His Goodness and Love for us from His Word and His Holy Spirit.

When He led me to write about His Names and attributes found in the Old Testament, while it was revealing and powerful, I really thought that would be the end of the deity "Name parade." There were no plans or thoughts of writing about the Names of Jesus. That was until, He led me again to dig into His Word. Truthfully, I was surprised at the many Names of the Son of God in the Old Testament. Both of these writings, and the corresponding Gospel Tracts, spoke volumes to me in ways that had never been taught, preached, or spoken to me before. That is the Power and Wisdom of God, through His Holy Spirit.

That being said, the *Holy Spirit* is the topic of today's letter. We have enclosed our two previous *Gospel Tracts* concerning the Names of God the Father, and God the Son with a new *Gospel Tract* containing some of the Names of *God the Holy Spirit*. We received requests for the sequel *Gospel Tract* on the Holy Spirit's Names after printing the first two tracts. This newest *Gospel Tract* is not an easy read, like our other *Gospel Tracts*. However, it is far more important than I had first realized when the Father led me to approach this subject.

Since I am baring my soul to you, I must be totally honest. When I was led to write down the names of the Father, I thought to myself, "OK, that should not be too hard, just a lot of reading, research, and writing." However, as I was being led through God's Word, I was surprised at the number of Scriptures He took me to. WOW, what a wonderful Father we serve! With no plans [and little desire] to follow-up the first writing, I was more surprised in finding there was such a powerful witness of the presence of Jesus in the Old Testament as God walked me through the Bible, book by book. However, I later realized that both of the earlier writings were prep work for the latest "Name parade" of the Holy Spirit.

"For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His [Holy] Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in Love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the Breadth, Length, Depth, and Height; And to know the Love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God,"

Ephesians 3:14-19.

Now, I do not pretend to know, understand, or have the ability to teach the fullness of the Godhead, especially the

entire breadth and scope of *God the Holy Spirit*. One thing I do know from reading God's Word, *He is very protective over His Word and His Spirit*. "*Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the Day of Redemption*," Ephesians 4:30.

In reading His Word, and after researching the wisdom and learning from men of God and scholars of the faith, it appeared to me that they do not have a total grasp of the **vastness** of the *Holy Spirit* either. The King James Old English translators changed the word "spirit" to "ghost."

The Greek word "pneuma" should have been translated "spirit," not "ghost," and I shall use the correct translation here. While the core definition of ghost means the "seat of life – or intelligence – the soul," the more popular definition and usage of "ghost" for centuries, even during biblical days and before the King James translation, is that of the "soul of the dead inhabitant of the unseen world that appears to be living, or, haunting a person or place." Believe me, God the Holy Spirit is anything but a "dead soul seeking to stalk or haunt a thing or a person." He is real and sent of God our Father for our benefit.

"Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the SPIRIT OF GOD, they are the Sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of Adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the Children of God,"

Romans 8:12-16.

While I cannot fully explain to you everything concerning the Holy Spirit, I know Him, and I know when He speaks God's Words to me. I can talk all day long how He has kept me alive by speaking words of warning, caution, and Wisdom to me when death sought to take my life. I could share with you many of the times He has brought comfort to my family in times of stress, pressure, and the loss of a loved one. My memory is full of times when His Wisdom gave me words to lead a soul to salvation. While I cannot prove to you the existence of the Holy Spirit if you are so inclined to doubt His reality, power or function, I can tell you when I feel Him flow over me and when He rests upon me like a warm blanket of Love.

One thing we have noticed within the communications we receive by mail or phone calls. There is no middle of the road when it comes to believing about the Holy Spirit. People are either for Him or against Him. Moreover, the latter will send a person to Hell. Oops ... was that too strong? If so, do not read Matthew 12:30-32. Jesus said, "He that is not with Me is against Me; and he that gathereth not with Me scattereth abroad. Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men:

but the BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT SHALL NOT BE FORGIVEN unto men. And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but WHO-SOEVER SPEAKETH AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT, IT SHALL NOT BE FORGIVEN HIM, NEITHER IN THIS WORLD, NEITHER IN THE WORLD TO COME." [I should interject that forgiveness of "all manner of sin and blasphemy" is given only when a repentant heart seeks forgiveness.]

There are more writings and teachings against the Holy Spirit than there are for and about the Holy Spirit. When we read a letter, or listen to someone that is "cutting down" the Holy Spirit, their tone is always one of hatred, bitterness, selfishness, hardness, closed mindedness, and separation. Hatred against the movement of the Holy Spirit, bitterness against the gifts of the Holy Spirit, loyalty for only their group, closed mindedness to God's Scriptures, and separation from any Christian who is not in, or from, the same camp of extremism, distortion, and lies against the Spirit of God, that is, God - the Holy Spirit.

There are many people "cutting down" the Holy Spirit in their preaching, teaching, and writing. I have even heard "Christians" standing up in churches and state [as if it was a matter of fact] that the Holy Spirit is not moving in "this way" or in "that way" in today's modern educated society. Some say that healing passed away with the prophets, and even, that there is not a prophetic voice from God in our world. Others state that the Voice of God is not spoken to man today, and that His spiritual gifts ended with this dispensation of time or during that period of time. I have one word of advice based upon Matthew 12:30-32. And, that is, "Dear One, be careful Who you call a Liar! If it is not in God's Word, do not preach man's [or the devil's] doctrine!" "Let him that is taught in the Word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things. Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap Life Everlasting," Galatians 6:6-8.

Granted, I think the **Spirit of God** is the hardest person of the Trinity to understand or visualize, as there are untold thousands of renderings of **God the Father** and **God the Son**. Nevertheless, how do you draw, or capture an image of the **Holy Spirit**, only as a Dove? In a word, you cannot. To even remotely comprehend or understand the **Holy Spirit** you have to look at the **Trinity**. The three Gods are equal in nature, separate in person, but all submissive in duty, or in action [meaning, they are of one mind in agreement]. All three are separate personalities but all are deity, yet, they are all the same, the same in nature, attributes, and character.

Years ago, my sweet wife and I taught several classes for young married couples in our church. As they would struggle with the **Triune** concept and the Deities being different, but the same, God gave me an example, which helped these young Christians to better grasp this truth. Simply put, wa-

ter [H²O] can be present in three forms, solid [ice], liquid [water], or gas [vapor], and all three forms have exactly the same chemical makeup or molecule structure – H²O. We can see ice and water but cannot see gas [moisture suspended in the air]. The only difference between the three different states of H²O is the temperature of this molecular structure. When H²O is below 32 degrees it becomes a solid [ice], above 32 degrees it is liquid until it reaches 212 degrees, then it becomes a gas. Fog and clouds are not gas [vapor]; they are either frozen water molecules or small liquid water molecules suspended in the air.

In Scriptures, we find conditions for revival of the heart by the Holy Spirit compared to the renewing of the ground by flowing water. These include; the "Dew" in Hosea 14:5; the "Rain upon the mowed grass," and "Showers that water the Earth" in Psalms 72:6; "Water" in Isaiah 44:3; and "Rivers of living water" found in John 7:38. Each describe symbolically the means by which God pours out His Blessings to revive and refresh His Children, much like falling rain revives and refreshes hard dry parched ground.

The Holy Spirit's Name [pneuma] has a twofold implication. First, when we receive Jesus as our LORD and Savior [when the sinful man dies and new life begins] the Holy Spirit lives within us. We should become holy, as He Who dwells within us is holy. "What? Know ye not that your body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?" 1 Corinthians 6:19.

Second, with the new life of the Holy Spirit living within us, He will lead, guide, and draw us into living a life of His holy principles [that is, the principles of God the Father and God the Son]. If we follow Him, we will grow spiritually as we put off the old flesh of man and walk under the cloak, or covering, of God the Holy Spirit.

By the way, you can study the Word of God, the Names, attributes, descriptions, and personality of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit and never grow in the LORD. In fact, not even know Jesus as Savior. There are so many people that have "head knowledge" of God's Word but either walk on dry ground or are only ankle deep in the Water of the Spirit. You only walk in the fullness of the Holy Spirit when you spend time in prayer and fellowship with God. Excuse me for this example, but a person can be "uneducated" and/or "dumb as a rock," but can walk in the fullness and power of the Holy Spirit and be followed by healings and miracles from God just because of their childlike faith and being cloaked in the Holy Spirit. "But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the Power of God, and the Wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble,

SWEET HOLY SPIRIT (SONG) The Bible, it tells us, and God's Word's so true, The sweet Holy Spirit is promised to you. It sat upon Jesus in the form of a dove, When John was baptizing God's dearly beloved. Sweet Holy Spirit, I'm down on my knees, I'm low in the valley, I'm so weak you see. But I know I can make it, for I trust in thee. The sweet Holy Spirit is falling on me. Oh, Sweet Holy Spirit, oh how I love Thee, For being a Comfort so many times, And for strengthening me. For I could not make it across life's troubled sea, If the sweet Holy Spirit should ever leave me. Sweet Holy Spirit, I'm down on my knees, I am low in the valley, I am so weak you see. But I know I will make it, For I trust in Thee, only in Thee. The sweet Holy Spirit is falling on me, So sweet Holy Spirit, don't ever leave me.

The Isaacs [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-aqjVayhcPY]

are called: But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty," 1 Corinthians 1:24-27.

"The foolishness of God is wiser than men!"

Because I do not know all of God, nor the width or depth of His Flowing Water, I cannot, nor will not, judge the workings of Him through God the Holy Spirit in the lives of others. Instead, I have, and shall, seek the Refreshing Waters of His Holy Spirit. Smith Wigglesworth, a British Evangelist in the late 1800s with no formal education who learned to read by reading the Bible, often called "An Apostle of Faith," described walking in the fullness of the Holy Spirit something like this, "Living in the depths and fullness of the HOLY SPIRIT is like walking in the early morning's deep heavy [London] fog to the point that your hat, coat, and clothes are saturated to your skin with water from the fog."

It is my desire, and prayer, to walk so close to God, my Father, that I feel His breath on my neck, so close to Jesus, my brother, that I know the depth of His Love for me, and so cloaked by the Holy Spirit that my boots squeak from the "water" of His presence in me as I walk down this path called life.

Let me encourage you, Dear Saint, to read as many Scripture verses concerning the **Holy Spirit** as you can find. It will take you weeks. When you find the verses,

write them down. After you read them over a couple of times, pray and ask your Heavenly Father to reveal to you the Power and the Truth of His Word concerning God the Holy Spirit. Then, read and meditate on them until you are under His cloak of anointing and you squeak when you walk. If your prayers are sincere and your heart is open to receive His Knowledge, you will be changed! I did not say that you might be enlightened, enhanced, or smarter. I said that "You will be changed!" How do I know that? No matter how "Word" smart you are, or how "Spiritual" you think you are, if you are sincere and open to receive more of God, He will not only show you more of Himself, He will take you deeper into His Holy Spirit, that is "God, the Holy Spirit." He promised that He would. When that happens, your life will never be the same. You will see people, and the world, in a different light, the Light of Jesus.

Be encouraged Dear Brothers and Sisters, if we, the body of Christ, will walk in HIS Spirit and stand in FAITH Believing and Trusting God's Word, we will be fishers of men, proving God's Love and Power to the world as He draws all men unto Him in these times, the Last Days of Grace.

Your Brother in Jesus Christ,

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