

what we

**BELIEVE**

sunday  
morning  
series



## We believe:

1. He is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Person of the Trinity.
2. He is present in the world to shine the light on Jesus Christ.
3. He penetrates believers' hearts from the moment of salvation.
4. He gives us power to live for and serve God.
5. He produces fruit and gifting in our lives.



## 1. He is a Person:

We know this because of the Trinitarian formulas in the Bible:

*"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*  
Matthew 28:18-20



## 2. He is present in the world to shine the light on Jesus:

He will be our counsellor and comforter.

In Jesus' final teaching session with the disciples in the Upper Room he said...

*"When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me."*

*John 15:26*



### **3. He penetrates believers' hearts from the moment of salvation:**

1. We receive the Spirit instantaneously at our Salvation  
*"For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink." 1 Corinthians 12:13*

2. No Spirit, no Salvation:

*"You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ." Romans 8:9*

3. The Spirit is the seal of our salvation:

*"And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit." Ephesians 1:13-14)*



#### 4. He gives us the power to live for and serve God:

What a difference the power of the Holy Spirit in their midst would make...

*"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them."*

Acts 2:1-4



## 5. He produces spiritual fruit and gifting in our lives:

*"So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law....Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit."*

*Galatians 5:16-25*