

A person wearing a vibrant, multi-colored patterned robe is shown from the side, blowing a long, curved trumpet. The scene is set against a dramatic sunset sky with a bright sun on the left and a horizon line. The background features silhouettes of mountains or hills. The overall mood is one of celebration and triumph.

**So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet. (2 Samuel 6:15)**



**The Person & the Work of the**

# *Holy Spirit*

*3. The Advocate for Christ*

1. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an **Advocate** with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous;
2. and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world.

**1 John 2:1–2** (English Standard Version)

**Advocate** comes from the Greek word: **parakletos**

**parakletos** literally means: one called alongside

In ancient Greece **parakletos** was often used of a defence attorney, called in to defend someone under accusation & called to represent the accused before the judge so as to persuade the judge to give favour to the accused & to rule that the accused is not guilty

Who is there to condemn [us]? Will Christ Jesus (the Messiah), Who died, or rather Who was raised from the dead, **Who is at the right hand of God actually pleading as He intercedes for us?**

**Romans 8:34** (Amplified Bible)

# Advocate comes from the Greek word: parakletos

An advocate is a person who represents another person's interests, like a lawyer does. In fact, the word (advocate) comes from the courtroom — it's from Latin *advocare*, to “add” a “voice.”

- ▶ To advocate is to add a voice of support to a cause or person.
- ▶ An advocate is anyone who adds that voice by representing another person in court, or by supporting or working toward a particular course of action.

16. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you **another Helper**, to be with you forever,
17. even the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.
25. These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you.
26. But **the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name**, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

**John 14:16-17 & 25-26** (English Standard Version)

Jesus called the Holy Spirit “the Paraclete” which means “One called alongside.” The Latin word “Advocate” is the nearest equivalent to “Paraclete” and if “Advocate” is substituted for “Comforter” (or “Helper”) in John 14 to 16, it is astonishing how illuminating it becomes.

**The Spirit is not our Advocate, but Christ's.** An advocate appears as representative of another, and the Holy Spirit comes to represent Christ, to interpret and to vindicate Christ, to administer for Christ in His Church and Kingdom; to be to the believer all that Christ Himself was, and is -- with this difference, that Christ was with His disciples and the Spirit is in them and in us.

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Samuel Chadwick

Christ is **MAN'S ADVOCATE** in Heaven with the Father

The Holy Spirit is **CHRIST'S ADVOCATE** on earth with men

Christ **represents man** before the Father in heaven

The Holy Spirit **represents Christ** before men on the earth

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17. the Spirit of Truth. The world cannot receive Him, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. But you do know Him, for He abides with you and will be in you.
25. All this I have spoken to you while I am still with you.
26. But **the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name**, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have told you.

**John 14:16-17 & 25-26** (Berean Study Bible)

5. Now, however, I am going to Him who sent Me; yet none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?'
6. Instead, your hearts are filled with sorrow because I have told you these things.
7. But I tell you the truth, it is for your benefit that I am going away. Unless I go away, **the Advocate** will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

**John 16:5-7** (Berean Study Bible)

8. And when He comes, He will convict the world in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment:
9. in regard to sin, because they do not believe in Me;
10. in regard to righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will no longer see Me;
11. and in regard to judgment, because the prince of this world has been condemned.

**John 16:8-11** (Berean Study Bible)

12. I still have much to tell you, but you cannot yet bear to hear it.
13. However, when the Spirit of Truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. For He will not speak on His own, but **He will speak what He hears**, and He will declare to you what is to come.
14. **He will glorify Me by taking from what is Mine and disclosing it to you.**
15. Everything that belongs to the Father is Mine. That is why I said that **the Spirit will take from what is Mine and disclose it to you.**

**John 16:12-15** (Berean Study Bible)

## THE PROMISE OF JESUS TO THE DISCIPLES (AND TO US TODAY)

The self-same Spirit that had been given to the Son would be given to them

The Holy Spirit would be to them all that He had been to Him (Jesus)

The Holy Spirit would be to them all that the Son had been to them and more

The Holy Spirit would be **IN** them as the Son had been **WITH** them

They would gain in Him more than they would lose in the departure of Christ

The Holy Spirit would be the Paraclete, or Other Self of the Christ and through His indwelling, the Christ would live in them

The Holy Spirit's mission was to glorify the Son by taking of the things of Christ and making them available to them

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- 1** The Holy Spirit is here to do Christ's bidding, NOT OURS
- 2** The primary way that Jesus leads, guides, instructs & empowers the Church & God's people on earth is through the Holy Spirit, HIS ADVOCATE

- ▶ The Holy Spirit is the active, administrative Agent of the glorified Son. He is the Paraclete, the Deputy, the acting Representative of the Ascended Christ. His mission is to glorify Christ by perpetuating His character, establishing His Kingdom and accomplishing His redeeming purpose in the world.
- ▶ The Church is the Body of Christ and the Spirit is the Spirit of Christ. He fills the Body, directs its movements, controls its members, inspires its wisdom, supplies its strength. He guides into the truth, sanctifies its agents and empowers for witnessing. The work of the Church is to "minister the Spirit," to speak His message, and transmit His power. He calls and distributes, controls and guides, inspires and strengthens.

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**Samuel Chadwick**

The measure of our usefulness is the measure of the supply of the Spirit which we bring to Christian life & ministry. The work of God is not by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit of the Living God. It is useless to attempt in the energy of the flesh what can be accomplished only in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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**Samuel Chadwick**

The great danger faced by the church today is not that of secular humanism but that of religious humanism which is seeking to serve God and to please Him in the power of our own flesh, rather than according to His Spirit. The outcome is the appearance of being spiritual and religious but it doesn't come from serving in the power of the Holy Spirit and therefore falls short of all that Jesus purposed.

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Revival is the people of God living in the power  
of an ungrieved, unquenched Holy Spirit.

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**James Alexander Stewart**

We may safely affirm that the Doctrine of the Holy Spirit is almost entirely ignored. And let us add, wherever little honour is done to the Spirit, there is grave cause to suspect the genuineness of any profession of Christianity.

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**George Smeaton**

He who does not know God the Holy Spirit cannot know God at all.

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**Thomas Arnold**

Nothing short of an outpouring of God's Spirit will revitalize and empower an impotent and anemic church to display once again His glory to a lost world.

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**Del Fehsenfeld Jr.**

We may as well face it: the whole level of spirituality among us is low. We have measured ourselves by ourselves until the incentive to seek higher plateaus in the things of the Spirit is all but gone. We have imitated the world, sought popular favour, manufactured delights to substitute for the joy of the Lord and produced a cheap and synthetic power to substitute for the power of the Holy Spirit.

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**A.W. Tozer**



**It is not churches filled with people  
that will change the world  
but people filled with the Holy Spirit**

21. Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.
22. Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?'
23. And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.'

**Matthew 7:21–23**

- ▶ Do you genuinely know the Holy Spirit for yourself?
- ▶ Do you know Him as God the Holy Spirit, co-equally God with the Father & the Son?
- ▶ Do you know Him as the Advocate, standing with us in place of Jesus?
- ▶ Do you have a living, growing, vibrant relationship with the Holy Spirit?
- ▶ Do you know His still quiet voice & His leading?
- ▶ Have you received the gift that the Father promised, the baptism in the Holy Spirit as seen on the Day of Pentecost?

21. And while they were gathered together, He commanded them: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but **wait for the gift the Father promised**, which you have heard Me discuss.
22. For John baptised in water, but in a few days **you will be baptised in the Holy Spirit.**"

**Acts 1:4–5**

37. Now on the last day, the great day of the Feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink.
38. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, from his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.
39. But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

**John 7:37-39**