

ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT – 3
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REVIEW:

- He is the divine agent at work in the earth today.
- To blaspheme Him is dangerous. **MARK 3:28-29**

CONTINUE:

ACTS 5:1-6

- **V1** – They were under no obligation to sell their property.
- **V2** – This was a premeditated act, not a pressured one. They laid it at the Apostles feet as an act of devotion to God. They were professing to give their all to God.
- **V3** – Peter could only know this by revelation. God made it known to him. It was an instance of enormous wickedness.
 1. “Why hath Satan.” Great deeds of wickedness are traced back to Satan. **LUKE 22:3** Satan influenced Ananias to deceive the Apostles and keep back part of the money. He yielded. He should have followed **JAMES 4:7**.
 2. Filled thine heart. The heart is full of a thing when he is intent on it. When he is strongly impelled to it; or fully occupied with it. He was excited to do it.
 3. To lie to. To attempt to deceive, by keeping back part of the price and pretending to bring it all.
 4. The Holy Ghost. The offense was committed against the third person of deity. **ACTS 5:9** The sin was so great that judgment fell immediately on both. When one attributes His work to the devil, it’s a sin against His office. When one sins against His office of convicting and renewing the heart, they sin against His influence.

IMPORTANT TRUTHS

1. He can be neglected. **1 TIMOTHY 4:14**
 - A. The Spirit imparts gifts, abilities, and impartations that qualify us for ministry. These giftings can be neglected or enhanced. If we neglect what the Spirit has given us, they won’t be improved upon.
2. He can be grieved. **EPHESIANS 4:29-30**
 - A. Grieve means to make sad or sorrowful; to cause grief.
 - B. The causes:
 - Open gross sins – uncontrolled anger, stealing, vices.
 - Ingratitude, being unthankful.
 - Offensive speech.
3. He can be quenched. **1 THESSALONIANS 5:19**
 - A. Quench means to extinguish by depriving it air. We have within the fire of God burning in our souls. If we withhold fuel from it, it may be quenched.
 - The flame must be nourished with proper care and attention.
 - Worldliness, vanity, levity, pride, etc. can put out the flame.
 - Prayer, worship, study, fellowship, etc. will keep the flame burning.
4. He can be resisted. **ACTS 7:51**
 - A. To resist means to oppose.
 - The message brought by Moses, the Prophets, Jesus, the Apostles and by the Spirit.
5. He can be stirred up. **2 TIMOTHY 1:6**
 - A. Stir up means to rekindle, revive the spark of, by meditation, prayer, worship, confession, and using the gifts.