

**Make the Holy Spirit Happy**  
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\*\*\*The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Holy Trinity...

**1 John 5:7**

**7** For there are three that bear witness [b]in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.

\*\*\*The Holy Spirit is currently the person of the Holy Trinity that is closest to us, for the Father is on His throne in heaven, while the Son, Jesus Christ, is at the right hand of the Father, praying for us.

**Revelation 4:1-11**

After these things I looked, and behold, a door *standing* open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard *was* like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this."

**2** Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and *One* sat on the throne. **3** [a]And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and *there was* a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald. **4** Around the throne *were* twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, clothed in white [b]robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads. **5** And from the throne proceeded lightnings, [c]thunderings, and voices. Seven lamps of fire *were* burning before the throne, which are the[d] seven Spirits of God. **6** Before the throne *there* [e]*was* a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, and around the throne, *were* four living creatures full of eyes in front and in back. **7** The first living creature *was* like a lion, the second living creature like a calf, the third living creature had a face like a man, and the fourth living creature *was* like a flying eagle. **8** *The* four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying:

"Holy,[f] holy, holy,  
Lord God Almighty,  
Who was and is and is to come!"

**9** Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, **10** the twenty-four elders

fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying:

**11**

“You are worthy, [g]O Lord,  
To receive glory and honor and power;  
For You created all things,  
And by Your will they [h]exist and were created.”

This is one of the passages in the Bible that shows the Father sitting on His heavenly throne.

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<http://godschemistryset.blogspot.com/2012/06/chalcedony-secret-stone.html?m=1>

<http://godschemistryset.blogspot.com/2012/07/sardius-carnelian-or-ruby-sacrificial.html?m=1>

These Web sites give special information about the color of different stones that are special in the Bible...))))

The Lord Jesus, God the Son, is sitting next to the Father, praying for us...

### **Romans 8:33-34**

**33** Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? *It is* God who justifies. **34** *Who is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

The Holy Spirit is the person of the Holy Trinity who lives inside of us as believers.

### **1 Corinthians 6:18-20**

**18** Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. **19** Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? **20** For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body [g]and in your spirit, which are God's.

\*\*\*Because the Holy Spirit lives inside of us, we should whatever we can to make His temple a clean one, where He is happy to live...

### **Matthew 12:43-45**

<sup>43</sup> “When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. <sup>44</sup> Then he says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ And when he comes, he finds *it* empty, swept, and put in order. <sup>45</sup> Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this wicked generation.”

\*\*\*Making the Holy Spirit happy should definitely be one of our top priorities...

### **Ephesians 4:17-32**

<sup>17</sup> This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as <sup>[f]</sup>the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind, <sup>18</sup> having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; <sup>19</sup> who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

<sup>20</sup> But you have not so learned Christ, <sup>21</sup> if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: <sup>22</sup> that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, <sup>23</sup> and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, <sup>24</sup> and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

### **Do Not Grieve the Spirit**

<sup>25</sup> Therefore, putting away lying, “*Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor,*” for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup> “Be angry, and do not sin”: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, <sup>27</sup> nor give <sup>[g]</sup>place to the devil. <sup>28</sup> Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with *his* hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. <sup>29</sup> Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary <sup>[h]</sup>edification, that it may impart grace to the

hearers. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, [i]clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. <sup>32</sup> And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

\*\*\*We should remember that we make the Holy Spirit happy not only by not doing bad things but also by doing good things...

### **Philippians 4:4-9**

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!

<sup>5</sup> Let your [b]gentleness be known to all men. The Lord *is* at hand.

<sup>6</sup> Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; <sup>7</sup> and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

### Meditate on These Things

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things *are* noble, whatever things *are* just, whatever things *are* pure, whatever things *are* lovely, whatever things *are* of good report, if *there is* any virtue and if *there is* anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things. <sup>9</sup> The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

\*\*\*A really important part of making the Holy Spirit happy is to do everything as if we were doing it for God...

### **Colossians 3:22-26**

<sup>22</sup> Bondservants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but in sincerity of heart, fearing God. <sup>23</sup> And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, <sup>24</sup> knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for [a] you serve the Lord Christ. <sup>25</sup> But he who does wrong will be repaid for what he has done, and there is no partiality.

\*\*\*When we do not make the Holy Spirit happy, then we limit how the Lord Jesus can move in our lives...

## 1 Thessalonians 5:16-22

<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

<sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Do not despise prophecies. <sup>21</sup> Test all things; hold fast what is good. <sup>22</sup> Abstain from every form of evil.

Verse 21 is essentially the way the Bible says to take the meat and throw away the bones...

\*\*\*When we make the Holy Spirit happy, we can become all that God has created us to be...

## John 16:5-13

<sup>5</sup> “But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ <sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. <sup>8</sup> And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: <sup>9</sup> of sin, because they do not believe in Me; <sup>10</sup> of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; <sup>11</sup> of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

<sup>12</sup> “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now. <sup>13</sup> However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. <sup>14</sup> He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you. <sup>15</sup> All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He <sup>[c]</sup>will take of Mine and declare *it* to you.

If we listen to Him, the Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth, and then we can become all that the Lord Jesus has created us to be...

\*\*\*The key question becomes, “Who are we trying to make happy?”

The irony is that if we focus on trying to make ourselves happy, we will never be happy.

Lately I have been mentioning this passage often, and I think that is because there is a lot of selfishness in the world today. For a while, there was the movement in the United States called “What Would Jesus Do?”

I believe that in order to know WWJD, you have to also answer the question, “What Would Jesus Want?”

But most people, even in the body of Christ, are looking for God to make them happy in the way they want to be happy. They don’t think about making God happy...

That brings me back to this passage:

### **Luke 9:23-26**

<sup>23</sup> Then He said to *them* all, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross <sup>[b]</sup>daily, and follow Me. <sup>24</sup> For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it. <sup>25</sup> For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and is himself destroyed or lost? <sup>26</sup> For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words, of him the Son of Man will be ashamed when He comes in His *own* glory, and *in His* Father’s, and of the holy angels.