

THE HOLY SPIRIT FROM A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE - Part III

“What is this I’m feeling? - Conviction”

Reference: **John 16:7-11**

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THESIS STATEMENT – the _____ is the one that produces conviction

The word convict is translated from the Greek word “*elencho*” and means “to _____ someone; to accuse; to refute and to cross examine a witness”

DEFINITION: Conviction is “an invisible spiritual dynamic the Holy Spirit activates inside of someone causing them to be aware of a spiritual _____ and urging them to make a _____ to change”

verse seven, “*Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper (the Holy Spirit) will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.*”

verse eight, “*and when He (the Holy Spirit) has come He will convict the world of **sin**, and of **righteousness**, and of **judgment**.*”

Jesus said that conviction happens in three basic dimensions:

ONE...the Holy Spirit convicts someone of his own _____
verse nine, “*of **sin**...*”

Reference: **I Timothy 1:15**, Paul said, “*This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that **Christ Jesus came** into the world **to save sinners**...*”

Reference: **Matthew 9:10-13** (see screen)

The particular sin the Holy Spirit convicts us of is the sin of _____.

verse nine con’t. “*of **sin**, because **they do not believe in Me** (Jesus);*”

Reference: **John 3:18**, “*He who believes on Him (Jesus) is not condemned; but **he who does not believe** (on Jesus) is condemned already, because **he has not believed** in the name of the only begotten Son of God (Jesus).*”

Example of conviction at Pentecost:

Reference: **Acts 2:37**, “*Now when they heard this (Simon Peter’s message) they were **cut to the heart** (conviction)...*”

TWO...the Holy Spirit convicts someone of his need for acceptable

_____ **verse ten**, “*of **righteousness**, because I (Jesus) go to My Father and you see Me no more;*”

DEFINITION: justification is the act of God that gives a _____ to someone that has placed his personal faith in Jesus Christ for salvation

In a technical sense, justification is a two-part process:

- **Part one** is that someone’s **sins** are eliminated through a spiritual transaction called forgiveness
Reference: **Acts 13:38**
- **Part two** is that **righteousness** from Christ is added to this person through another transaction called imputation
Reference: **Romans 4:22-24**

THREE...the Holy Spirit convicts someone of inevitable _____ on his sin

verse eleven, “*of **judgment**, because **the ruler** of this world (Satan) **is judged**.*”

Sometime in the distant future, Satan is going to be arrested, tried, convicted, condemned, and then sentenced to be punished forever in the ultimate-final hell, called Gehenna in the original Greek language.

Reference: **Revelation 20:10**, “*The **devil**, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the **beast** (anti-Christ) and the **false prophet** (assistant to the anti-Christ) are. **And they** (meaning Satan, anti-Christ, and the false prophet) **will be tormented day and night forever and ever.***”