# **The Right Path**

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## One Spirit

## Ephesians 4:1-6

1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

### Matthew 3:16-17

16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

## John 3:1-7

1 Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews.

2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." 3 Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" 5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'

## John 4:23-24

23 But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

## John 14:15-21

15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 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. 18 "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

#### Acts 2:38-41

38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." 40 And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." 41 So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

### Romans 6:3-4

3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

There is only but one way to God the Father and that way is through His beloved Son (<u>John 14.6</u>) and the Holy Spirit (<u>Matthew 28:18-20</u>, <u>Mark 16:15-16</u>, <u>John 3:1-7</u>, <u>Acts 2:38</u>). This path reflects the truth about the faith that we need to have and walk by so that we will be able to be part of the body (the church) in our Lord Jesus Christ. We need to follow our Lord Jesus Christ and learn and obey His commandments and the teachings (<u>Matthew 13:37-38</u>, <u>Matthew 28:18-20</u>, <u>Luke 1:1-4</u>, <u>John 14.15</u>, <u>Acts 1:1-4</u>, <u>Romans 10:17</u>), the Apostles teachings (<u>Acts 1:1-2</u>, <u>Acts 2:42</u>, <u>Romans 1:1-6</u>, <u>Hebrews 1:1-4</u>), and the Lord's brothers James and Jude (<u>James 1:1</u>, <u>Jude</u>

1:1), and the former teachings and examples of the Old Testament revealed by the Holy Spirit (John 16:5-15, Romans 15:4, 2 Timothy 3:16, 2 Peter 1:19-21 NASB).

All of these were revealed to us by the Holy Spirit in the inspired word of God so that we will be able to walk the path that leads us to God (Matthew 7:24-27, Matthew 16:24, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:14-16, Luke 21:19, John 12:26, John 3:1-7, John 14:15, John 15:7-14, Acts 2:38-44, Romans 3:21-26, Romans 5:1-5, Romans 8:14, Romans 10:17, Romans 15.4-6, Romans 16:17 NASB, 1 Corinthians 10:1-12, Ephesians 4:1-6, Colossians 3:15-17, 2 Thessalonians 3:1-16, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, James 5:10-11, 1 Peter 2:19-25, 1 Peter 3:14-17 ASV, 1 Peter 4:12-19, Jude 1:3, Revelation 2:10, Revelation 3:10-13).

To walk on the right path to God our Father you first need to receive the faith that comes from the gospel of His beloved precious Son our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 10:14-17) then you must accept the gift of salvation and become a disciple (a Christian) of His beloved precious Son our Lord Jesus Christ (Matthew 10:24, Matthew 10:37-42, Matthew 12:46-50, Acts 2:38-44, Acts 11:25-26, Acts 14:21-23) and we are to learn to deny our self of ungodliness and worldly desires, living sensibly, righteously and godly (Titus 2:11-15 NASB) placing God our Father, His Son our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit first in our lives above everything else (Matthew 6:33, Matthew 10:37-39, Matthew 22:37-39, Matthew 28:18-20, John 14:21, 1 Corinthians 3:16-17, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, 2 Corinthians 6:14-16, Ephesians 2:14-22).

We are to learn to deny ourselves, take up our cross daily and follow the examples that our Lord Jesus Christ has given us to follow and learn from (Matthew 11:28-30 KJV, Matthew 16:24-27).

We are to learn to do the will of God our Father (<u>Matthew 12:50</u>), and strive forward to becoming a good and faithful servant to our Lord Jesus Christ (<u>Matthew 25:23</u>).

We have the inspired word of God and the body of faithful baptized believers the men, women, and the children that are of age that have heard the gospel, believed the gospel, and were baptized and are the body (the church) in Christ found within the Churches of Christ and individual homes around the world that follow the New Testament commandments and teachings that were revealed by the Holy Spirit of God (John 14:15-21, John 15:10, Acts 2:42, 2 Peter 1:20-21) and not doctrines that have been introduced by mankind. (Matthew 7:15-20, Matthew 15:7-9, Ephesians 4:17-19, Galatians 1:6-10, 1 Timothy 1:3-11, 1 Timothy 6:3-5, 2 Peter 2:1-22).

We need to grow in the grace, the word, the faith, love, and in the Spirit (Romans 4:13-5:5, Romans 8:26-39, Ephesians 3:14-21, Ephesians 6:10-18, Colossians 2:1-15, 2 Timothy 2:1-26, 1 John 2:14-29, 1 John 3:13-24, Jude 1:20-23, Revelation 14:12-13). As we grow in faith, we seek the blessings of understanding, insight and wisdom of His words that come from prayer (James 3:17) this helps us with the knowledge of how to live a peaceful and quiet life in godliness and honesty (Proverbs 17:12-16, Proverbs 20:3, Proverbs 24:21, Romans 12:9-21, Romans 13:1-7, Philippians 4:8-9, 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12, 2 Thessalonians 3:1-16, 1 Timothy 2:1-4 KJV, Titus 2:2-14, Titus 3:1-11, Hebrews 12:14, 1 Peter 2:9-17, 2 Peter 1:3-11)

so that we can proclaim the Lord's death until He comes (<u>1 Corinthians 11:26</u>), waiting to bring us home as we try to help grow the kingdom of Christ and God (<u>Matthew 12:30</u>, <u>Matthew 18:11-14 NASB</u>, <u>Luke 19.10</u>, <u>John 8:12</u>, <u>John 12:26</u>, <u>2 Corinthians 5:6-9</u>, <u>Ephesians 5:5</u>).

## 1 Timothy 1:17

To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen

## Matthew 7:24-25

24 "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.

## **Ephesians 2:19-22**

19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. 22 In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

The most wonderful gift that is being offered to us, is to be saved and redeemed so that we have peace with God our Father, His Son our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. To be able to look at our lives with a joy that is inexpressible (1 Peter 1:7-9), and with a hope that far exceeds any hope that we can ever imagine, a home in the new heavens and new earth with God our Father, His Son our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, along with all the blessed, and eternal life.

#### Conclusion

The "One Spirit" is the Holy Spirit, and that is the Spirit that is indwelled in you when you are obedient to the gospel of salvation by believing, repenting of your sins, confessing that Jesus is the Christ the Son of Living God, and being baptized (fully immersed in water).

As we grow and mature in the word through study and bearing the fruit of the spirit (<u>Galatians 5:22-23</u>), learning to be humble (<u>1 Peter 3:8</u>, <u>1 Peter 5:5-6</u>) and grateful (<u>Hebrews 12:28</u>) having compassion and forgiveness for others (<u>Matthew 18:21-35 NASB</u>), being honest with ourselves and others (<u>Luke 8:15</u>), comforting each other (<u>2 Corinthians 1:3-5</u>), loving our neighbor as ourself (<u>Galatians 5:13-14</u>), praying for all people (<u>1 Timothy 2:1-4 KJV</u>), showing perfect courtesy to all people (<u>Titus 3:2</u>)

We are to be a light in the world and salt of the earth (Matthew 5:13-16).

To hold onto to your salvation, you need to continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast and not moved from the hope of the gospel, being sober and sound in mind having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and put on the helmet the hope of salvation, and take up the sword of the spirit which is the word of God.

The Holy Spirit is worthy of our praise and worship.

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