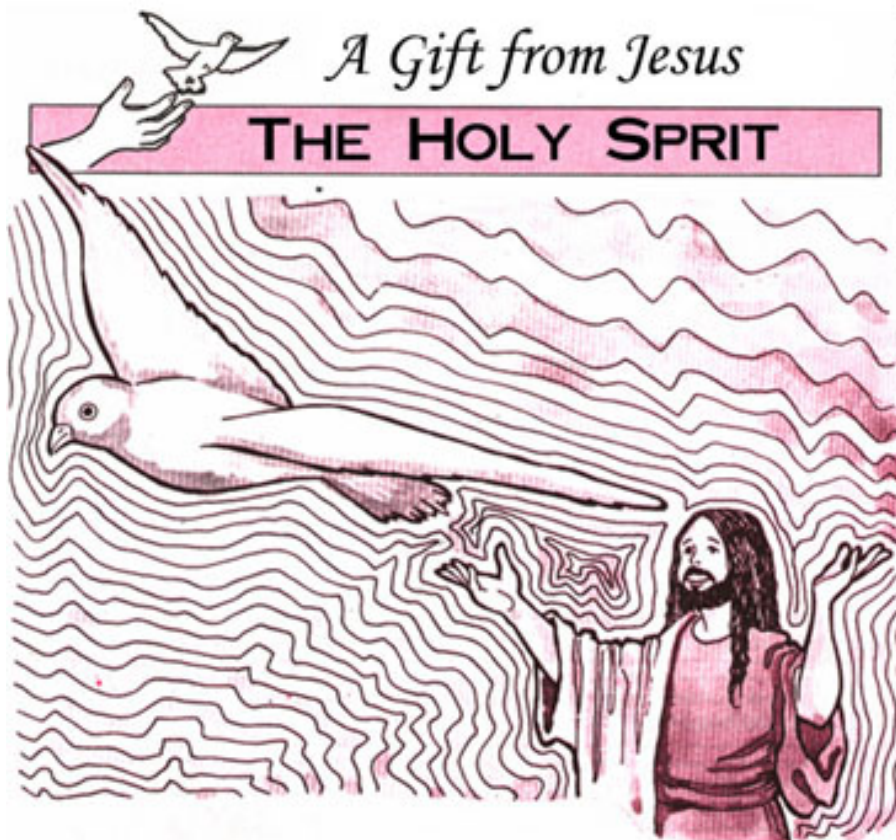


## A Gift from Jesus

# THE HOLY SPIRIT



**Jesus keeps his promise.  
He sends the Holy Spirit.**

It had been many weeks since the community had been preparing to celebrate Pentecost. The moment had finally arrived, and everyone assisted.

The priest expressed his joy, and started by saying: "Brothers, let us rejoice, for today we are happily gathered here to celebrate the day in which the Church was born, the day that Jesus kept his promise: "the Spirit who reveals the truth about God and who comes from the Father." (*John 15, 26*)

And thus it was, He sends the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, whom upon receiving it, become new men: loyal to the teachings of Jesus, and capable of giving testimony of Him and ready to give up their own lives.

Since then, the Church started to grow with the Apostles' impulse, who were guided by the Action of the Holy Spirit.



## It's True

- Jesus keeps his promise, and sends the Holy Spirit to his disciples on Pentecost.
- Jesus sends the Holy Spirit, for you, for me, for the whole church, which was born on Pentecost.
- The Holy Spirit can guide us, give us strength, and teach us if we become gentle upon his action.



## Where do you learn it?

### The Holy Spirit lives within us

When the Apostles lived with Jesus, they felt very safe, but, when He died at the Cross, they felt afraid and hid, they were afraid that they would suffer the same fate as their Lord did.

After the Resurrection, Jesus reminded them once again the promise that he had made to them:

*"But when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power, and you will be witnesses for me." (Hechos 1,8)*

They believed in this promise, and along with Virgin Mary they prayed and awaited it.

*"Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread and touched each person there, they were all filled with the Holy Spirit." (Hechos 2, 1-4)*

Jesus kept his promise! Now it seemed as if they were different men, brave and ready to talk about that Jesus who had lived with them and they had seen resurrect. And this men who were poor fishermen, who didn't know how to write or read, started to talk about Jesus, because they were filled with the Holy Spirit; they were filled with love, peace, hope, and happiness. He had made them remember and finally understand all that Jesus had taught them.

