

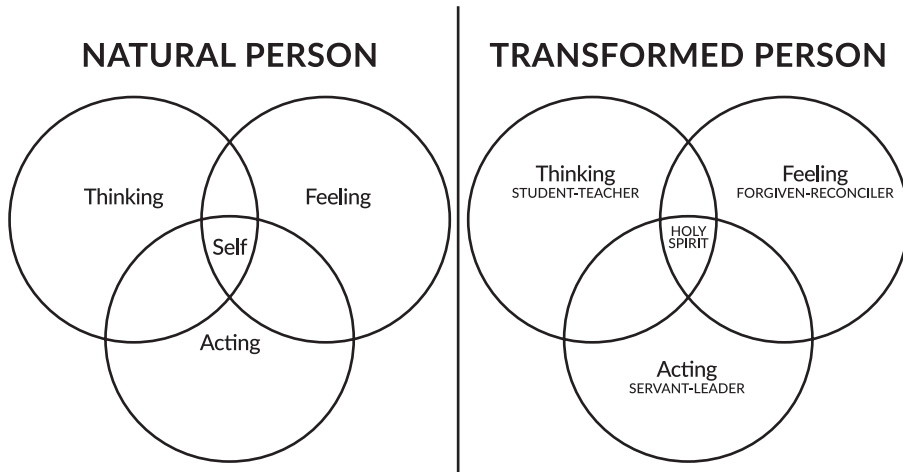
Believing the Holy Spirit

ROMANS 8:26-27

How might you be transformed by the Holy Spirit?

Speaking in tongues or performing miracles is not the greatest evidence of being filled with the Holy Spirit. The greatest evidence is the transformation of your thoughts, feelings, and actions.

By creating us in his image, God gave each of us the capacity to think, to feel, to act, and to receive his Spirit. Unfortunately, too often we cut ourselves off from the Spirit of God and selfishly determine the way we think, feel, and act



I. INTRO: BELIEVING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Likewise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

-Romans 8:26-27

II. WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

1. The Holy Spirit is a _____.
Revelation 2:7a, Romans 8:26a, Romans 8:26b, John 14:26, Acts 13:2b, Acts 9:31
2. The Holy Spirit has the attributes and nature of _____.
Genesis 1:2, 1 Corinthians 2:10b, Luke 1:35a, 37, Psalm 139:7-8
3. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of _____.

III. HOW CAN YOU RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Acts 2:38

1. You must _____ to receive the Holy Spirit.
Luke 11:13
2. You can receive the Holy Spirit by:
Acts 1:14a; 2:2,4
 - Admitting...
 - Asking...
 - Surrendering...

3. As you surrender more, you will...
Acts 19:5-6

4. As a transformed person, you will _____ differently.
Romans 12:2b

5. As a transformed person, you will _____ differently.
Philippians 2:5, 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

6. As a transformed person, you will _____ differently.
Matthew 20:25b-28, Acts 1:8