

**THEME: THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**TOPIC: THE HOLY SPIRIT BEARS WITNESS TO JESUS CHRIST**

**TEXT: ROMANS 8:7-14, ACTS 5:32, JOHN 16:7-11, I CORINTHIANS 2:10-11**

## **INTRODUCTION**

"But when the Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor – Counsellor, Strengtheners, Standby) comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of Truth who comes from the Father, He will testify and bear witness about Me. 27 But you will testify also and be My witnesses, because you have been with Me from the beginning." – **John 15:26-27 AMP.**

So the work of the Spirit leading us, is the Spirit witnessing in our lives that we are God's. His work provides evidences and that is what witnesses do. They give evidences of reality.

1. The Holy Spirit bears witness with our hearts – **Romans 8:16; Acts 5:32**  
This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God – **1 John 4:2-3.**  
**Q: How does the Spirit bear witness that we are children of God?**
2. The Holy Spirit bears witness through us - **Luke 12:11-12**  
"If anyone chooses to do God's will, he will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own." – **John 7:17; Romans 8:16 (LB).**  
**Q: What do you understand by the witness of the Holy Spirit in the life of a believer?**
3. The Holy Spirit bears witness through the Word of God.  
But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. – **John 20:31, Romans 8:14**  
**Q: What is the relationship between the Holy Spirit and the Word?**

## **Conclusion**

The Spirit is called "witness" primarily because He verifies and testifies to the fact that we are children of God, that Jesus and the disciples who performed miracles were sent by God, and that the books of the Bible are divinely inspired. Further, by giving the gifts of the Spirit to believers, He witnesses to us and the world that we belong to God – **Hebrews 10:15-16 (ESV).**

**Prayer:** Lord let the work of the Holy Spirit witness in our hearts, and lead to the manifestation and evidence of his presence in our lives.