

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"The Holy Spirit as Counselor"

Sunday June 10, 2012

1 Kings 19:9-13



"But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you." - John 14:26 (NIV84)

I. Understanding the Holy Spirit

Question – How am I _____ the Holy Spirit?

"On a Scale from 1 to 10"

(Distant) 1 <-----> 10 (Close)

II. The Holy Spirit in Scripture:

- Elijah: In-Tune....But...
- This is the _____ - Victory Chapter! (1 Kings 19)
- What Happened?

III. Hearing the Holy Spirit

- Getting out of tune:
 - Listening to _____.
 - Trying to find God's voice in all the _____.
- Whisper:
 - First: You have to get _____.
 - Second: _____ other voices!
 - Third: Pay _____ attention!

For Reflection / Action: How is your walk with the Holy Spirit? Is he a bystander in your life or intimately involved? Can you relate to Elijah's experience of frustration and disillusionment – even when God is clearly at work in your life? What are some of the things in your daily life that cause you to get out of tune with the Holy Spirit? What are your distractions? How can you draw closer to God? Are you guilty of making God "yell" at you to get your attention? What things in your life might need to be squelched or silenced for you to be able to hear God more clearly? When is your best "quiet time?" – Pick a time each day when you will be still before the Lord in prayer and then listen for Him in His Word. Make that time a priority... it's a treasure!

Message uses materials by Rev. Luke Biggs (*Prince of Peace, Carrollton, TX*). All Scripture, unless otherwise noted, is taken from the "New International Version" (NIV84).