HOLY SPIRIT WE WELCOME YOU

PART 4:

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST (2)

Reading: **Matthew 12:22 - 32**

Introduction

The Holy Spirit:

- Foretold the coming/ministry of the Lord Jesus.
- · Performed the paternal act in Mary's womb.
- Anointed the Lord Jesus with power at His baptism.
- Led Him wherever He went. [Matthew 4:1].

1 Jesus Was Very Defensive Of The Holy Spirit

- In [Matthew 12] Jesus announced that blasphemy against the Holy Spirit was the 'unpardonable sin.'
- Attributing to the devil what is a work of the Holy Spirit.

2 Jesus Taught About The Holy Spirit

- The venue was the upper room before His betrayal.
- In [John 14:16/14:26/15:26 and 16:7] Jesus called the Holy Spirit the 'Comforter/Helper.'

- Translated from the Greek word 'parakletos.'
- One who is called alongside to help.
- NB. Jesus speaks of the Holy Spirit as being 'another' parakletos.
- In ancient world a 'parakletos' was one who came to plead the accused's case in court. [1 John 2:1].
- NB. The Christian has a 'parakletos' in heaven (Jesus) and another 'parakletos' on earth. (Holy Spirit.)
- The Holy Spirit gives us strength for the battle and comfort after the battle.

3 The Holy Spirit Helped Jesus In His Passion

- · Chalcedon (5th century) said Jesus was 'vera homo, vera Deus.'
- Truly Man and truly God.
- Two natures perfected united in one Person.
- · His humanity staggered at the prospect of the cross.
- [Hebrews 9:14]. The Holy Spirit came alongside Him and helped Him.

4 The Holy Spirit Raised Jesus From The Dead

- See [Romans 8:11].
- He imparted resurrection life to the dead Christ.
- That same Holy Spirit lives in us and will raise us from the dead at His coming.