

## The Ology Islands Lesson 13:



### Day One on Pneuma Island

**Captain's Log:** We have conquered two islands and now our journey leads us to Pneuma Island (pronounced "newma"). Many teachers teach that the Holy Spirit is not a person and that He is not God. It is widely believed that He is an impersonal force. However, it is clearly taught in the Bible that He is God, but He is a different person from the Father and the Son. In the Treasure Hunt section we will discover some of the attributes of the Holy Spirit. We will see from these attributes that the Holy Spirit is indeed Yahweh God, the third person of the Trinity revealed as The Holy Spirit. This helps us to defeat those who claim that He is not God as well as those that claim that He is merely God the Father invisible. The key to understanding the difference between the Son and the Spirit is understanding the difference between *begotten* and *proceeding* from.



### Roll Call/Treasure Hunt:

The Holy Spirit has all the *attributes* of God.

#### 1. He is *eternal*:

**Hebrews 9:13-14** <sup>13</sup>For if the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that their bodies are clean, <sup>14</sup>how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, purify our consciences from works of death, so that we may serve the living God! (BSB)

- The Holy Spirit only comes into those who are *born again*.
- The Holy Spirit is *eternal*. He had no beginning and no end!

#### 2. He is *Omniscient*:

**John 14:25-26** <sup>25</sup>All this I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have told you. (BSB)

**John 16:12-15** <sup>12</sup>I still have much to tell you, but you cannot yet bear to hear it. <sup>13</sup>However, when the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. For He will not speak on His own, but He will speak what He hears, and He will declare to you what is to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify Me by taking from what is Mine and disclosing it to you. <sup>15</sup>Everything that belongs to the Father is Mine. That is why I said that the Spirit will take from what is Mine and disclose it to you. (BSB)

**I Corinthians 2:10-12** <sup>10</sup>But God has revealed it to us by the Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. <sup>11</sup>For who among men knows the thoughts of man except his own spirit within him? So too, no one knows the thoughts of God except

the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>We have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us. (BSB)

- The Holy Spirit helps us understand the word of God and to hear the voice of God.
- The Holy spirit acts as a lawyer between us and God.

### 3. He is Omnipotent:

**Luke 1:35** The angel replied, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God. (BSB)

- The Holy Spirit is all powerful.
- The Holy Spirit had a role in the incarnation of the Son of God.

### 4. He is Omnipresent:

**Psalms 139:7-12** <sup>7</sup>Where can I go to escape Your Spirit? Where can I flee from Your presence? <sup>8</sup>If I ascend to the heavens, You are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, You are there. <sup>9</sup>If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle by the farthest sea, <sup>10</sup>even there Your hand will guide me; Your right hand will hold me fast. <sup>11</sup>If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me, and the light become night around me”—<sup>12</sup>even the darkness is not dark to You, but the night shines like the day, for darkness is as light to You. (BSB)

- The Holy Spirit is everywhere at the same time.
- We cannot hide from the Holy Spirit!



**Battle with the Ism Pirates:** The pirates that we will battle this week are the pirates of Emotionalism. We are created by God in His image. This is where we get our wide range of emotions from. God has emotions and therefore we were created with them as well. There is nothing wrong with getting excited when we worship. However, the Pirates of Emotionalism worship the emotions themselves. The Holy Spirit is God and to encounter God will bring emotions. The most common emotions related to encountering God in Scripture are fear and sorrow. Confession and repentance must precede the other emotions. We defeat the Pirates of Emotionalism when we accept that our God is a Holy God and that our worship must include confession and repentance.



**Set Course:** We continue next week to the rocky coasts of Pneuma Island.