



### Key Scripture

Proverbs 18:24 TLB

There are "friends" who pretend to be friends, but there is **a friend who sticks closer than a brother.**

### Do you know the Holy Spirit?

Acts 19:1-7 CEV

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul traveled across the hill country to Ephesus, where he met some of the Lord's followers. 2 He asked them, "When you put your faith in Jesus, were you given the Holy Spirit?"

"No!" they answered. **"We have never even heard of the Holy Spirit."**

3 "Then why were you baptized?" Paul asked. They answered, "Because of what John taught." 4 Paul replied, "John baptized people so that they would turn to God. But he also told them that someone else was coming, and that they should put their faith in him. Jesus is the one that John was talking about." 5 After the people heard Paul say this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 6 Then Paul placed his hands on them. The Holy Spirit was given to them, and they spoke unknown languages and prophesied.

### Religions that don't know the Holy Spirit

- ✓ **Scientology:** *The Holy Spirit is divine science.*
- ✓ **Islam:** *God has no Son & no Holy Spirit.*
- ✓ **Jehovah Witnesses:** *The Holy Spirit is a force, not alive.*
- ✓ **Latter Day Saints:** *H.S. Is a divine essence, not living.*
- ✓ **58 % of Christians:** *H.S. symbol of Gods power-not alive.*

### 3 Essential Reasons to Relate to the Holy Spirit.

- ✓ **Intellect** Romans 8:27 NIV  
And he who searches our hearts knows the **mind of the Spirit**, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.
- ✓ **Will** 1 Corinthians 12:11 NKJV  
But one and the same Spirit works all these things, **distributing to each one individually as He wills.**
- ✓ **Emotions** Ephesians 4:30 NLT  
And **do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live.**

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## Closer

### My Friend

### Making the Holy Spirit your friend

#### 1. **Don't** be afraid to know Him.

2 Timothy 1:7 NKJV

For God has **not given us a spirit of fear**, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

John 14:15-17 NIV

15 "If you love Me, you will obey what I command. 16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth.

The world cannot accept Him, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him.

**But you know Him, for He lives with you and will be in you.**

#### 2. **Decide** to let Him direct your life.

Romans 8:12 NLT

For all who are **led by the Spirit of God** are children of God.

#### 3. **Develop** a close friendship with the Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 13:14 Message

The amazing grace of the Master, Jesus Christ, the extravagant love of God, the **intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit**, be with all of you.

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