

SOME MARKS OF PEOPLE AND CHURCHES WHO FEAR THE HOLY SPIRIT

They tend to avoid a serious study of the Holy Spirit for fear of what they may learn. [Some fear the extremes of some groups. Some fear losing control. Some fear getting into something they are unable to handle]

They tend to avoid people who are humble and positively spiritual.

They tend to be lacking in an exegetical, from the historical setting, knowledge of the Holy Spirit.

They tend to avoid talking in public, teaching and preaching about the Holy Spirit for fear they are lacking in knowledge, and can be embarrassed by questions.

They tend to avoid discussions, asking or answering questions on the Holy Spirit.

They are completely in the dark when it comes to a clear and balanced doctrine of the Holy Spirit. [A difference in the Historical Setting often makes a difference in the way the Spirit functions] (Judges vs. Acts)

Note: We must study the word on the Holy Spirit thoroughly in its' historical setting from Genesis 1 to Revelation 22:17, if we are to be an authority.

One very knowledgeable author said, "If we can't discern truth, we can't relate to the Spirit of Truth."

And, "The Holy Spirit will put a caution in our minds when we hear something that is not quite right."

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