SELF EVALUATION

(evaluate: to determine the condition of, usually by careful appraisal and study)

The titles or descriptions given to the Holy Spirit in Scripture reveal not only who He is but also the ways in which He can be grieved. Prayerfully look at the several titles below and see if there are any ways in which you have grieved the Holy Spirit and have not made it right. If the Spirit brings something to mind, then look up to Christ your Savior, confessing the sin and receiving full cleansing and restoration right then. If there is someone with whom you need to make things right, do it as soon as possible so that relationship can be restored as well. You have the Holy Spirit of Christ to help you!

God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1) NIV®

1. Spirit of wisdom, understanding, knowledge – Isaiah 11: 2

Am I in growing in these characteristics of the Spirit, or am I staying ignorant of God's truth due to lazy effort in reading and studying the Scriptures that the Spirit has so diligently prepared for me? Am I allowing what I read to spur me on in holiness? Do I find reasons to dismiss what He desires to teach me through others?

2. Spirit of truth – John 14:17

Is there any tendency in me to be untruthful in my words or to present a false appearance? Do I easily lie?

3. Spirit of peace – Romans 8:6

Do I have a spirit of anger, using words that tear down – an uncontrolled spirit and tongue? Do I harbor bitterness and resentment toward another? Do I struggle with slander?

4. Holy Spirit/Spirit of holiness - Psalm 51:11, Romans 1:4

Is there any impurity or ongoing contact with evil that would grieve the Holy Spirit?