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“Don’t Quench the Holy Spirit”

I Thessalonians 5:19-21; Ephesians 4:31, 32

The Holy Spirit is the member of the trinity who indwells believers and convicts sinners of their need for salvation in Jesus. He takes a vital role in the life of the congregation as believers worship and is very sensitive to their spiritual condition. Sin deeply offends Him!!!

- I. Honor the Holy Spirit – vv. 19, 20**
 - A. Don’t Ignore His Presence – v.19. Seek His presence
 - B. Don’t Resist His Leading – v.19
 - C. Don’t Strangle/Restrain His Influence – v.19
 - D. Don’t Despise His Message – v.20

- II. Practice Spiritual Discernment – v. 21**
 - A. Test Everything
 - B. Cling to the Truth

- III. Do Not Disappoint the Holy Spirit – Eph. 4:30**

Create distress in Him by sinful actions (attitudes as seen in v.31)

- IV. Promote Harmony within the Church – Eph. 4:31, 32**
 - A. Refrain from Tearing Down Causing Disunity – v.31
 - B. Practice Edification to Promote Harmony – v.32

We must make the commitment to seek the Holy Spirit, to surrender to His leading, to depend on Him for power and guidance. We must be careful not to squelch His impact nor grieve Him by tolerating unconfessed sin!!!