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ABOUT ANNE GRAHAM LOTZ

CALLED “THE BEST PREACHER IN THE FAMILY” by her father, Billy Graham, Anne Graham Lotz speaks around the globe with the wisdom and authority of years spent studying God’s Word.

The *New York Times* named Anne one of the five most influential evangelists of her generation. She’s been profiled on *60 Minutes* and has appeared on TV programs such as *Larry King Live*, *The Today Show*, and *Hannity Live*. Her Just Give Me Jesus revivals have been held in more than thirty cities in twelve different countries, to hundreds of thousands of attendees.

Whether a delegate to Davos’ Economic Forum, a commentator to the *Washington Post*, or a groundbreaking speaker on platforms throughout the world, Anne’s aim is clear—to bring revival to the hearts of God’s people. And her message is consistent—calling people into a personal relationship with God through His Word and through prayer.

In May 2016, Anne was named the Chairperson of the National Day of Prayer Task Force, a position held by only two other women, Shirley Dobson and Vonette Bright, since its inception in 1952.

Anne is a bestselling and award-winning author. Her most recent releases are *The Light of His Presence*, *Jesus in Me*, *The Daniel Prayer*, *Wounded by God’s People*, *Fixing My Eyes on Jesus*, *Expecting to See Jesus*, and her first children’s book, *Heaven: God’s Promise for Me*.

Anne and her late husband, Danny Lotz, have three grown children and three grandchildren. She is the founder and president of AnGeL Ministries, an independent, non-profit organization based in Raleigh, North Carolina, that is committed to giving out messages of biblical exposition so God’s Word is personal and relevant to ordinary people.

The ministry's name is derived from the initials of Anne Graham Lotz (AGL) and is especially fitting, as angels are messengers of God who go wherever He sends, speak to whomever He directs, and faithfully deliver His Word. AnGeL Ministries serves as the umbrella organization for the diverse ministry of Anne Graham Lotz—including her many books, DVDs, CDs, speaking engagements, and special events.

To learn more about Anne and AnGeL Ministries, visit
www.annegrahamlotz.org.

PREFACE

RECENTLY I WENT TO THE ENT DOCTOR because I thought I had reached the stage of needing hearing aids. The doctor tested me, then concluded, “Mrs. Lotz, you don’t need hearing aids because you have virtually no hearing loss. Your problem is that you don’t listen.” I couldn’t help but laugh because I knew he was right! When I’m tired or busy, I don’t always pay attention to someone who is speaking. And if the person is fairly long-winded, my mind will wander to other things. As a result, I’m disconnected. Distracted. Even though I hear the sound of the voice, I don’t know what’s being said because I’m not listening.

The same thing is true when it comes to reading my Bible. I can read the words, yet not really hear what God is saying because I’m rushing through my reading, or distracted by wandering thoughts, or focused only on facts and information, or just too tired to concentrate. As a result, my daily time with Him in His Word becomes routine. Drudgery. A “have-to,” not a “want-to” exercise.

Learning to listen for God’s voice speaking to me through the pages of my Bible has transformed my daily time with Him. I now approach the time with eager anticipation of what He will say. Perhaps more than any other aspect of my Christian life, it has drawn me closer to Him in an intimate relationship. It has become the very core of who I am. Because, dear friend, God *does* speak through His Word. I *know* . . .!

This video Bible study, *Jesus in Me*, is designed to teach you how to listen to the whispers of the Holy Spirit as you read God’s Word. It has been patterned after my own daily devotional exercise. I’m excited for you to discover the joy of hearing God’s voice speaking to you personally as you learn to listen.

Every blessing,





ABOUT THE STUDY

THIS STUDY GUIDE IS TO BE USED WITH the video-based course *Jesus in Me: Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion*. As an integral part of the course, it provides a format for Bible study that serves as the basis for both small group use (Sunday school classes, women's or men's groups, home or neighborhood studies, one-on-one discipleship) and individual use. This guide will lead you through a series of questions that will enable you to not only discover for yourself the eternal truths revealed by God in the Bible, but also to hear God speaking personally to you through His Word. You then will be prepared to participate in a meaningful time of study and discussion with members of your small group.

INDIVIDUAL STUDY

Each week you will work through 5 Bible studies on selected passages of Scripture using the 3-question steps you will learn during the workshop in session 1. Before you meet with your group, be sure to take the time to reflect and record your *Live in Obedient Response* statements to share with your group so they can encourage you and hold you accountable.

It is important to complete each individual study before your next session, as this will make the video presentation more meaningful to you during the small group time. Note that meaningful, daily Bible study will occur if you:

- Set aside a regular place for private devotions.
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- Pray before beginning the day's assignment, asking God to speak to you through His Word.

- Write out your answers for each step, in sequence.
- Make the time to be still and listen, reflecting thoughtfully on your response in the final step.
- Don't rush—it may take time in prayerful meditation on a given passage to discover meaningful lessons and hear the Spirit's whispers.

Spiritual discipline is an essential part of your ability to grow in your relationship with God through knowledge and understanding of His Word. So, take your individual study seriously and allow God to speak to you from His Word.

GROUP STUDY

Note: Each session will require approximately 60 minutes of group meeting time to share the discoveries from Individual Bible study, watch the video, and discuss the teaching and content.

You will review the lessons, personal applications, and take-aways at the beginning of your group meeting and then watch the teaching from Anne. After each video teaching, there will be group discussion time to learn from one another and share in the experience of the Holy Spirit as a constant companion.

In session 1 of *Jesus In Me*, you will watch the video workshop and be introduced to the 3-question Bible study method. You will use John 14:15–20 during the workshop to help you better understand this approach. (Note that if your group meets less frequently than once a week, you may want to extend your study time for each passage.)

Space is provided for you to take notes during the video presentation. After the message, you will then have time to discuss the key concepts with your small group using the questions in this guide.

Note: If you are the facilitator for the group, there are additional instructions and resources provided in the back of this study guide. This guide will help you structure your meeting time, facilitate discussion times, and help you lead group members through the key points of the study.

INDIVIDUAL COMMITMENT

Remember that the real growth in this study will happen during your quiet times with God during the week. During the group times, you will have the opportunity to process what you have learned with the other members, ask questions, and learn from them as you listen to what God is doing in their lives. In addition, keep in mind that the videos, discussions, and activities in this study are simply meant to tune your heart and your spiritual ears to God's voice so that you can live out what He says as you grow closer to Him.

LOVING THE *Person* OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

*One of my deepest, richest joys has been discovering by experience
who the Holy Spirit is in every step of my life's journey.*

—Anne Graham Lotz, *Jesus in Me*, page 9

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- DAY 1 3-Question Study—John 14:21–24
- DAY 2 3-Question Study—John 14:25–27
- DAY 3 3-Question Study—John 16:5–7
- DAY 4 3-Question Study—Romans 8:9–11
- DAY 5 3-Question Study—Romans 8:12–17
- DAY 6 Reflection, Video Teaching, Group Discussion

Loving the *Person* of the Holy Spirit

Though you have not seen him, you love him.

—1 Peter 1:8

INDIVIDUAL STUDY INTRODUCTION

I'VE HEARD THE HOLY SPIRIT SPOKEN OF as an “it,” a feeling, a dove, a flame of fire, a ghost, an emotion, or even an ecstatic experience. He is referred to as the third Person of the Trinity, as though He is the least of the Trinity, or a postscript to the more significant Father and Son. All of which is inaccurate.

While the Holy Spirit may be symbolized by a dove or flame of fire, while His presence may be accompanied by an emotion or feeling or ecstatic experience, He Himself is distinctly separate from those things. The Holy Spirit is not a thing but a Person.

So at the outset of our exploration of who the Holy Spirit is, keep in mind that He is a living Person who has a mind, a will, and emotions. He is referred to as the third Person of the Trinity not because He is the least, but because He is the third Person to be more fully revealed in Scripture. I can't wait for you to get to know Him better . . .

STEP 1

Read God's Word
(*Look at the Passage.*)

John 14:21–24

- 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.
- 22 Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, “But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?”
- 23 Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.
- 24 Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

STEP 2

What Does God's Word Say?
(*List the Facts.*)

STEP 3

What Does God's
Word Mean?
(Learn the Lessons.)

STEP 4

What Does God's Word
Mean in My Life?
(Listen to His Voice.)

STEP 5: Live in Obedient Response to God's Word
(What will you do about what God has said?)

Date: _____

STEP 1

Read God's Word
(*Look at the Passage.*)

John 14:25–27

25 All this I have spoken while still with you.

26 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 said to you.

27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

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John 16:5-7

5 But now I am going to him who sent me.
None of you asks me, 'Where are you
going?'

6 Rather, you are filled with grief because
I have said these things.

7 But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that
I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate
will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him
to you.

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Romans 8:9–11

9 You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh, but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ.

10 But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.

11 And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

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STEP 1

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(*Look at the Passage.*)

Romans 8:12–17

- 12 Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it.
- 13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.
- 14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.
- 15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “*Abba, Father.*”
- 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit, that we are God's children.
- 17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs— heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

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REFLECTION

Record and journal the following from your study this week about the *Person* of the Holy Spirit.

The Scripture that stood out to you:

The lesson that stood out to you:

The one Live in Obedient Response to God's Word that you committed to this week:

One thing I know for certain:
The Holy Spirit is not an
optional *extra* in my Christian life.
He is a *divine necessity*.

—Anne Graham Lotz,
Jesus in Me, page 3

GROUP STUDY

Welcome to session 2 of the *Jesus in Me* study!

NOTE: You just completed your first week of individual Bible study. If the 3-question study technique was new to your group, consider taking a few moments sharing thoughts on the experience before you dive into this week's video teaching. If anyone has questions or concerns about the individual study time, it is likely someone else feels the same way. Spend the time now to find resolution and answers together, so the remainder of this study can be productive and fruitful for everyone.

My prayer for you as we go through this study is that God Himself will draw near to you and you will experience the constant companionship of the Holy Spirit in a fresh new way. And as a result, you will come to love Him even more.

As we begin, let's open our Bibles and listen for the gentle whispers of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is wonderful. He is our Helper. He is our Comforter. He is our Counselor. He is our Strengthener. Our Standby. Our Advocate. Our Intercessor. He is another Jesus . . . Jesus living in us.

This week we begin our study by exploring the PERSON of the Holy Spirit.

WATCH VIDEO SESSION 2 (18 MINUTES)

SCRIPTURE IN THIS SESSION:

John 14:2-3, 5-6, 16, John 15:5, 18,
John 16:5-8, 12-16, Numbers 6:24-26, 2 Corinthians 1:4

SESSION 2

Use this space to take notes if you like:

WRAP UP

CLOSING PRAYER: Facilitator, pray over your group.

MOVING FORWARD: Review the next week's schedule on the page 32.

BLESSING & ENCOURAGEMENT: Finally, close your group meeting by reading the following blessing and encouragement over them before dismissing.

*May your heart and mind be softened to the
Person of the Holy Spirit so that he can
“Teach you and remind you of everything Jesus said.”
—JOHN 14:26*

GOING DEEPER

To continue your study of the PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, read *Jesus in Me: Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion*, Part 1 (pages 5–44).