John 14, Verse by Verse

John 14:1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

John 14:2 In **my Father's** house are many mansions: if *it were* not *so*, **I** would have told **you**. **I** go to prepare a place for **you**.

John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

John 14:4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

John 14:5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

John 14:7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

John 14:8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

John 14:9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?

John 14:10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

John 14:11 Believe **me** that **I** *am* in the **Father**, and the **Father** in **me**: or else believe **me** for the very works' sake.

John 14:12 Verily, verily, **I** say unto **you**, **He** that believeth on **me**, the works that **I** do shall **he** do also; and greater *works* than these shall **he** do; because **I** go unto my **Father**.

John 14:13 And whatsoever **ye** shall ask in **my** name, that will **I** do, that the **Father** may be glorified in the **Son**.

John 14:14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

John 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

John 14:17 Even the Spirit of **truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth **him** not, neither knoweth **him**: but **ye** know **him**; for **he** dwelleth with **you**, and shall be in **you**.

John 14:18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

John 14:19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth **me** no more; but **ye** see **me**: because **I** live, **ye** shall live also.

John 14:20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

John 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

John 14:22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, **Lord**, how is it that **thou** wilt manifest **thyself** unto **us**, and not unto the world?

John 14:23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

John 14:24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not

John 14:25 These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.

mine, but the **Father's** which sent me.

John 14:26 But the **Comforter**, *which is* the **Holy Ghost**, whom the **Father** will send in **my** name, **he** shall teach **you** all things, and bring all things to **your** remembrance, whatsoever **I** have said unto **you**.

John 14:27 Peace I leave with **you**, **my** peace I give unto **you**: not as the world giveth, give I unto **you**. Let not **your** heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 14:28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come *again* unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

John 14:29 And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

John 14:30 Hereafter I will not talk much with **you**: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in **me**.

John 14:31 But that the world may know that **I** love the **Father**; and as the **Father** gave **me** commandment, even so **I** do. Arise, let **us** go hence.

It seems clear in the chapter above that Christ has revealed three powers that are working together to reveal God to man: God, His Son, His followers (be it angels and men).

- "They must have His grace, the Spirit of Christ, to help their infirmities, or they cannot resist evil." "Strength and grace have been provided through Christ to be brought by ministering angels to every believing soul." SC 52.2 & 52.3
- "That Christ should manifest Himself to them, and yet be invisible to the world, was a mystery to the disciples. They could not understand the words of Christ in their spiritual sense. They were thinking of the outward, visible manifestation. They could not take in the fact that they could have the presence of Christ with them, and yet He be unseen by the world. They did not understand the meaning of a spiritual manifestation." SW September 13, 1898, par. 2

What is the Spirit, or grace of Christ, by which He would manifest Himself to us? (Notice, He and His Father would be in man to make Their abode with man so as to manifest Themselves to the world. See John 14:23.) The Spirit is His mind, not just the thoughts, it's the life, the character, the inner man, the desires, will, purpose, etc--the Spirit that Christ had while He was on this earth. It's not a third being/essence/ghost/wind/air/blob/disembodied spirit or any other thing in and of itself. (The word spirit is associated in the Bible with air, or breath, and even angels, but that's not the aspect of the uses of "spirit" that I am referring to in this study. The body, any body, without the spirit/breath has no mind and is dead, see James 2:26.)

Notice the "spirit" or mind that is affected in these following verses:

- 1. Genesis 41:7-8, **Pharaoh** awoke, and, behold, it was a dream. And it came to pass in the morning that his **spirit** was **troubled**;
- 2. Numbers 5:14 And the **spirit** of **jealousy** come upon **him**, and **he** be **jealous** of his **wife**, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled:
- 3. Psalms 51:12 Restore unto me the **joy** of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy **free spirit**.
- 4. Psalms 77:3 I **remembered** God, and was **troubled**: I complained, and my **spirit** was **overwhelmed**
- 5. Ecclesiastes 2:17 Therefore I **hated** life; because the work that is wrought under the sun is **grievous** unto me: for all is vanity and **vexation** of **spirit**.
- 6. Isaiah 61:3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of **joy** for **mourning**, the garment of **praise** for the **spirit** of **heaviness**; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.
- 7. Isaiah 63:10 But they rebelled, and **vexed his** holy **Spirit**: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them.
- 8. Isaiah 54:6 For the LORD hath called thee as a **woman forsaken** and **grieved** in **spirit**, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.
- 9. Isaiah 65:14 Behold, my servants shall **sing** for **joy** of **heart**, but ye shall **cry** for **sorrow** of **heart**, and shall **howl** for **vexation** of **spirit**.
- 10. Daniel 2:1 In the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his **spirit** was **troubled**, and his sleep brake from him.
- 11. Daniel 2:3 And the **king** said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my **spirit** was **troubled** to know the dream
- 12. Daniel 7:15 I **Daniel** was **grieved** in my **spirit** in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.
- 13. Matthew 5:3 Blessed are the **poor** in **spirit**: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 14. Luke 1:47 And my **spirit** hath **rejoiced** in God my Saviour.

- 15. Luke 10:21 In that hour **Jesus rejoiced** in **spirit**, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.
- 16. John 13:21 When **Jesus** had thus said, he was **troubled** in **spirit**, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.
- 17. 1 Corinthians 4:21 What will ye? shall I come unto you with a **rod**, or in **love**, and in the **spirit** of **meekness**?
- 18. 1 Corinthians 7:40 But she is happier if she so abide, after **my judgment**: and I think also that **I have the Spirit** of God.
- 19. 2 Corinthians 7:13 Therefore **we were comforted** in your comfort: yea, and exceedingly the more **joyed** we for the **joy** of Titus, because **his spirit** was **refreshed** by you all.
- 20. Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the **Spirit** is **love**, **joy**, **peace**, **longsuffering**, **gentleness**, **goodness**, **faith**, **Meekness**, **temperance**: against such there is no law.
- 21. Ephesians 4:3 Endeavouring to keep the **unity** of the **Spirit** in the **bond** of **peace**.
- 22. Ephesians 4:30 **Grieve** not the holy **Spirit** of **God**, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
- 23. Colossians 2:5 For though I be **absent** in the **flesh**, yet am I **with you** in the **spirit**, **joying** and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ.
- 24. 2 Timothy 1:7 For God hath not given us the **spirit** of **fear**; but of **power**, and of **love**, and of a **sound mind**.

Notice how Paul understood Isaiah's words regarding the Spirit:

- 25. Isaiah 40:13 **Who** hath **directed** the **Spirit** of the LORD, or being his **counsellor** hath taught him?
- 26. Romans 11:34 For **who** hath **known** the **mind** of the Lord? or who hath been his **counsellor**?

These are some of the biblical proofs that the spirit can be understood as the mind, but as stated earlier and again emphatically—<u>not just the thoughts</u>—it's the life, the character, the inner man, the desires, will, purpose, etc—the spirit.

John 6:63 It is the **spirit** that **quickeneth**; the flesh profiteth nothing: the **words** [from God's mind] that I speak unto you, **they** are **spirit**, and **they** are **life**.