

<u>MINISTRY</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>
16. Leading Romans	Romans 8: 8:14 -- "Because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God."
17. Assurance of the new birth	Romans 8:16 -- "The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children."
18. Intercession in prayer	Romans 8:26 -- "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express."
19. Spiritual blessing and fruitfulness	John 7:37-39 -- "On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, 'If a man is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.' By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in were later to receive."

What a wonderful array of ministries the Spirit of God carries on! And what a marvelous administrator He is, planning, organizing, directing, and controlling everything; confusing no one individual with anyone else; forgetting no detail; getting nothing mixed up; and doing everything at the proper time!

And what is really wonderful about His varied ministries is that He does so many of them for my personal benefit!

Think of it!

He has regenerated me!
He has baptized me into union with His body, the church!
He indwells me!
He has sealed me!
He is my Helper!
He has distributed gifts to me!
He fills me for service!
He sanctifies me!
He produces Christian Character in me!
He leads me!
He assures me that I am a child of God!
He intercedes for me!
He blesses and makes me spiritually fruitful!

And in all of these blessed ministries, He points my attention to Christ! The Spirit of God is indeed a wonderful divine Person! He is one whom we should come to love and honor more than ever before.