

The Holy Spirit – (Volume 5, Study IX)



“Witness Of The Spirit”

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Reference: Vol. 5, Page 226; Sub-Heading “Witness of the Spirit” through page 229; see select scriptures and Bible comments.

- 1) What does Paul mean by “The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God” and why is this witness so vital to our “peace of God” and “full assurance of faith”? *E226 paragraphs 1–2; Rom. 8:16; Phil. 4:7; Heb. 10:22*

- 2) Why are changing feelings—being “so happy in the Lord” one day and low the next—an unreliable witness of the Spirit, and how can such feelings even lead to sudden “falls from grace”? *E226, para. 2; E227 para. 1-2; 1 Cor. 10:12; Jer. 17:9; Isa. 26:3*

- 3) How does Bro. Russell address believers who, seeing the unreliability of feelings, conclude that God has denied them any reliable witness of His favor and live in anxious doubt, asking, “Am I his or am I not?” *E227–E228; 1 John 3:19-21; 1 John 4:18; 2 Tim. 1:7*

- 4) How does the mistaken idea that the holy spirit is a separate person lead to confusion about the “witness of the Spirit,” and how does viewing the Spirit as God’s power or influence clarify that witness? *E228 para. 2; Acts 1:8; John 14:26; 1 Cor. 2:12-13*

- 5) Where are the “full and explicit directions” about the witness of the spirit found, and how does God’s Word become the firm foundation for our assurance and peace? *E228–E229 (para. 3); 2 Tim. 3:16-17; Rom. 15:4; Ps. 119:105*