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" (If the Holy Spirit were a person and were God, this text would flatly contradict because it would mean that in some way the Holy Spirit was greater than Jesus said shows that the Father, to whom the "Spirit" belonged, is greater man.)

The general opinion in Christendom is that the holy spirit is a person, "the coequal and coeternal with God. Does the Bible show the holy spirit to be is it?

the holy spirit appeared as a dove at the time Jesus was baptized and in Pentecost,

indistinctness in the teachings of Justin Martyr and others of the early church spirit," as to being a person.

To understand a Scriptural subject it is always well to begin by going to the Christian Greek Scriptures the word "spirit" with two exceptions translated pneuma, from which we get the words pneumatic and pneumonia. Pneuma not only "spirit" 288 times, but also "ghost" 91 times, "wind" once, "life" "spiritual gift" once. (King James Version) That "ghost" is a mistranslation

The Greek word pneuma literally means "wind" and it will help us to understand note that in all the various ways in which it is used it is like the wind in showing itself in visible effects. Thus it is used to refer to invisible persons Jesus "the last Adam became a life-giving spirit" at his resurrection. Angels service."-John 4:24; 1 Cor. 15:45;

: "Every kind of sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the holy spirit will not be forgiven. For example, whoever speaks a word against the Son of man, it will be forgiven him, but whoever speaks against the holy spirit, it will not be forgiven him, now nor in things nor in that to come." Jesus' words here defy explanation if the holy spirit is a coequal trinity, but they do make sense when we consider it as God's active force Jesus had cast out demons, and his opposers, in attributing the holy spirit or active force to the Devil, were blaspheming the holy spirit. Sins can be forgiven because such could be due to ignorance, but sins against the holy spirit are willful, deliberate and malicious, and so for such there is no forgiveness.

The Holy Scriptures tell us the personal name of the Father-Jehovah. The name of Jesus Christ. But nowhere in the Scriptures is a personal name applied to the

Acts 7:55, 56 reports that Stephen was given a vision of heaven in which God's right hand." But he made no mention of seeing the holy spirit

God is a spirit, angels are spirits and are holy are they not?

The Bible provides a specific example of one who blasphemed God and C guilty of unforgivable sin. This one was Saul, or the apostle Paul, prior to Timothy: "Formerly I was a blasphemer [abusive speaker] and a persecutor of the church."-1 Tim. 1:13; compare An American Translation; The New English Bible

Before his conversion, Paul regarded disciples of Jesus Christ as apostates and felt that the Mosaic law approved of his course, for that law stated regarding those who did not accede to his wish or listen to him, nor should your eye feel sorry for him, nor show compassion, nor cover him protectively; but you should kill him without delay. Convinced that he was right, Paul continued to act against Christ's disciples in an arrogant manner and so revealed himself to be an "insolent man." As a persecutor he was one like those of whom Jesus said to his disciples: "Everyone that kills the body but renders a sacred service to God." (John 16:2) Paul was guilty of blasphemy against the Son of God. His hatred for Christ's disciples demonstrated that he was an impostor and thus he reproached the Christ. By speaking abusively of the Father he blasphemed the Father whom Jesus represented

Persons who with full knowledge deliberately oppose God and Christ, hide their faces from falsehoods make themselves guilty of sinning against God's spirit-a sin that is what certain Pharisees did in the days of Jesus' earthly ministry. They rejected the miracles and powerful works of God's spirit operating through Jesus Christ as the work of Jehovah God. For selfish reasons, they attributed to Satan the work of God's spirit. In this way they sinned against God's spirit.