

What is the Nature of the Holy Spirit?

It is not uncommon when sharing what the Bible or SOP teaches on the Holy Spirit to have someone quote Ellen White where she says the “NATURE” of the Holy Spirit is a mystery.

This is typically quoted by Trinitarians when they are unable to defend their chosen belief. In other words, it is normally a ploy used by those who have been deceived to try and silence the truth.

So what is the “NATURE” that Ellen White says is a mystery?

“The NATURE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS A MYSTERY not clearly revealed, and you will never be able to explain it to others because the Lord has not revealed it to you. You may gather together scriptures and put your construction upon them, but the application is not correct. The expositions by which you sustain your position are not sound. You may lead some to accept your explanations, but you do them no good, nor are they, through accepting your views, enabled to do others good. It is not essential for you to know and be able to define just WHAT the Holy Spirit is. Christ tells us that the Holy Spirit is the Comforter, and the Comforter is the Holy Ghost, “the Spirit of truth, which the Father shall send in My name.” “I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; 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 14:16, 17]. THIS REFERS TO THE OMNIPRESENCE OF THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST, CALLED THE COMFORTER.” — (E.G. White, 14MR 179.2)

Notice that Ellen White states, “It is not essential for you to know and be able to define just WHAT the Holy Spirit is.” She said “WHAT” the Holy Spirit is, not “WHO!” Not only that, but after writing this quote, she concludes by stating “WHO” the Holy Spirit is.

Ellen White wrote that the “Holy Spirit is the Comforter, and the Comforter is the Holy Ghost, “the Spirit of truth.” And then concluded by telling us “WHO” the Holy Spirit is as she states, “This refers to the omnipresence of the SPIRIT OF CHRIST, called the COMFORTER.”

The “NATURE” of the Holy Spirit is “HOW” the Spirit of the Father and Son can function like “ANOTHER” and send their Spirit anywhere, something our spirit cannot do. It is also how They are ONE in Spirit.

The “NATURE” is “HOW” Jesus can be in the Heavenly sanctuary while still being with us as our Comforter and Spirit of truth by His Spirit. This is the “NATURE” that we do not understand, and we do not need to understand either. But “WHO” the Holy Spirit is we do know and need to know.

No one I know sharing truth is trying to explain “how” they are one in Spirit or “how” Christ is physically in the heavenly sanctuary while being present with us by His Spirit as our Comforter.

“While JESUS ministers in the sanctuary above, HE is still by HIS SPIRIT the minister of the church on earth. HE is withdrawn from the eye of sense, but HIS parting promise is fulfilled, “Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.” Matthew 28:20. While HE delegates HIS power to inferior ministers, HIS energizing presence is still with HIS church.” — (E.G. White, DA, p. 166)

So it seems that many Trinitarians are seeing only what they want to see in this quote from SOP.

Trinitarians using this quote never say that the Holy Spirit is a third being, right? And they never declare that the Holy Spirit is god either, or do they? After all it is a mystery they say and we must remain silent. So do those using this quote follow their own faulty conclusion? No! Most are busy stating exactly “WHAT” they think the Holy Spirit is, while ignoring “WHO” the Holy Spirit is.

But even worse, teaching the Holy Spirit is another god turns the Spirit of the Father and Son into a separate god, which changes a lot more than the "nature." This idea was manmade over 200 years AFTER the Bible was written and is really from Satan via the Catholic Church. It takes you away from the real Holy Spirit and turns it into a totally different entity so Satan could achieve worship from his creation!

Thus this quote is always brought out as a means of silencing the real truth on the Holy Spirit when they cannot defend their belief. And yet those who use it never follow their own advice or wrong conclusion.

Ellen White tells us "WHO" the Holy Spirit is in hundreds of different ways and over "20,000 Times." She was not a hypocrite that never followed her own advice.

Thus the "NATURE" is "HOW," not "WHO."

Satan will also try and use a misunderstanding of this quote to silence those with truth so they do not share. What a tragic mistake for anyone falling for that deception.