

Bible Text New International Version	How is the Holy Spirit revealed in these Scriptures?
<p>Luke 3:21-22 The Baptism and Genealogy of Jesus ²¹ When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”</p> <p>Luke 4:1-21 Jesus Is Tested in the Wilderness ⁴ Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted^[a] by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. ³ The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.” ⁴ Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone.’^[b]” ⁵ The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And he said to him, “I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷ If you worship me, it will all be yours.” ⁸ Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.’^[c]” ⁹ The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down from here. ¹⁰ For it is written: “He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; ¹¹ they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.”^[d]”</p> <p><i>continued</i></p> <p>a. The Greek for <i>tempted</i> can also mean <i>tested</i>. b. Deut. 8:3 c. Deut. 6:13 d. Psalm 91:11,12</p>	

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<p>Luke 4:1-21 (continued)</p> <p>¹² Jesus answered, “It is said: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’^e”</p> <p>¹³ When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.</p> <p>Jesus Rejected at Nazareth</p> <p>¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.</p> <p>¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:</p> <p>¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”^f</p> <p>²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”</p> <p>e. Deut. 6:16 f. Isaiah 61:1,2 (see Septuagint); Isaiah 58:6</p>	

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<p>Matthew 27:45-55</p> <p>The Death of Jesus</p> <p>⁴⁵ From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. ⁴⁶ About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “<i>Eli, Eli, ™ lema sabachthani?</i>” (which means “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”).[™]</p> <p>⁴⁷ When some of those standing there heard this, they said, “He’s calling Elijah.”</p> <p>⁴⁸ Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. ⁴⁹ The rest said, “Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to save him.”</p> <p>⁵⁰ And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.</p> <p>⁵¹ At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split ⁵² and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. ⁵³ They came out of the tombs after Jesus’ resurrection and[™] went into the holy city and appeared to many people.</p> <p>⁵⁴ When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, “Surely he was the Son of God!”</p> <p>⁵⁵ Many women were there, watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs.</p> <p>g. Some manuscripts <i>Eloi, Eloi</i> h. Psalm 22:1 i. Or <i>tombs, and after Jesus’ resurrection they</i></p>	

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<p>Matthew 28:1-7</p> <p>Jesus Has Risen</p> <p>¹After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.</p> <p>²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.</p> <p>⁵The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.”</p>	

Reflections

When Jesus was baptized “a voice came from heaven: ‘You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.’” Describe a time when you felt the presence of the Holy Spirit and you knew you were a beloved child of God.

Jesus was “full of the Holy Spirit” when he was being tested by the devil, yet on the cross He cried out, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” Describe a time when you were in the wilderness or felt abandoned by God. What did you learn from the experience?

