

**Trunk or Treat Night**  
**The Holy Ghost**  
**10/30/21**  
**Newport News**

**Opening/Introduction (have a standard Welcome Slide up...)**

-my costume

-October Fund Raising

- Café AC unit replacement - \$30k (original to addition)
- Water line to offices - \$15k (original to first building 1950's)
- We have \$40k in the building fund
- We plan to add another \$25k to that in January
- And we have emergency reserves as well...
- Let's raise at least \$10k this month...
- Then take not more than \$35k from the building fund...

-Since it's Halloween tomorrow...I thought we'd talk about ghosts tonight...

**-(show Ghostbusters slide)**

*-It's interesting that we have such a fascination with things that aren't real when something (or rather someone) is not only real, but is within reach...**The Holy Ghost** (suggest series from 2018)*

-Luke 4:1-2 and Luke 4:14 (is there a difference...I think yes!)

**The Holy Ghost - name**

-The original manuscripts in Greek used the word "pneuma" which simply means "spirit." But the KJV (1611) of the Bible translated it using an old English word "gast" which evolved into "ghost." Therefore popularizing the name Holy Ghost.

-“Holy” in the Greek is “hagios”

- To revere, venerate, religious awe, incomparable majesty

-We know God by His title Father (according to Jesus) – how we should relate to Him (preach...family)

-We know The Son by His name Jesus (according to God) – how we should relate to Him (Jesus means “God is salvation” ...preach)

-We know the Holy Spirit by His attributes (according to Jesus) – how we should relate to Him...an **internal** voice who should be the **dominant** influence over our will. (preach)

## The Holy Ghost – **person**

-Elohim is the Hebrew word for God.

- Over 2,500 hundred times in OT
- Elohim is plural... “im” as a suffix is plural
- El is the abbreviated version of Elohim...
- El Shaddai – God Almighty (We are...)
- El Elyon – God Most High (We are...)
- El Roi – God Sees (We...)

*-God isn't just revealing the plural nature of who He is...He is also ascribing divinity to every part of who He is!*

*-Thinking plural is vital because it gives me permission to acknowledge the individuality of the Holy Spirit!*

- **He has a mind (Romans 8:27)**
- **He has a will (1 Corinthians 12:11)**
- **He has virtues (Galatians 5:22)**
- **He comforts (Acts 9:31)**
- **He speaks (Hebrews 3:7)**
- **He teaches (1 Corinthians 2:13)**
- **He can feel sorrow (Ephesians 4:30)**
- **He can be insulted (Hebrews 10:29)**
- **He can be resisted (Acts 7:51)**
- **He can be lied to (Acts 5:1-11)**

## The Holy Ghost – Jesus

-Luke 4:1 (our example!!!)

- The Holy Spirit is in Him.
- The Holy Spirit directed Him.

-John 14:15-17 (sent to us by Jesus)

-John 16:5-8 (Jesus and HS continually pointing us to the other!!!!)

## **The Holy Ghost - power**

-Luke 4:14 (contrast to 4:1...ALSO our example!!!!)

*-I think The Holy Spirit (who inspired the writers of the Bible) wanted us to understand that there is a difference between His indwelling presence given at salvation and operating in His power in ministry!*

-What did Jesus do between verse 1 and verse 14?

- He battled temptation. (read verse 2-13)
- He fasted and prayed (explain assumption of prayer).

-Acts 1:8 (Jesus promises the power of the Holy Spirit)

-John 20:21-22 (Jesus gave them the person of the Holy Spirit)

-Are there any correlations between what the disciples were doing while waiting and what Jesus did in Luke 4?

- They too battled temptation (numbers shrank from 500 to 120).
- They gathered daily for prayer and worship

-Luke 4:1-2 and Luke 4:14

## **Close**

-Would you join me in a 30 days challenge?

- Resolve to resist every temptation.
- Resolved to worship, pray, read, and fast...more than you are doing now.

-Luke 4:14

-God has a Galilee for each of us...a place where we are called to be a light for Him, so Jesus can be easily found in the 757..."reports about Him spread quickly through the whole region" (I want that same thing to happen here in the 757!!!)