



New Apostolic Church USA

Move and move others – Written by Apostle Julio Yopez
April 22, 2020

Many of us feel at home when we attend divine services, listen to the word of God, receive forgiveness of sins, and celebrate Holy Communion, but is that all we can experience when we come to church? Let us take an in-depth look at what else the divine word brings about. In Acts 8:29, we read that the Holy Spirit prompted Philip to approach an Ethiopian, a eunuch: *Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go near and overtake this chariot”* (Acts 8:29). Phillip acted upon the Spirit’s promptings, which resulted in the eunuch learning about Jesus and being baptized.

Here we can see that the Holy Spirit moves us to take action. This means that when we listen to the Holy Spirit, not only do we want to express the great truth or beautiful word, which we have heard, but it should also bring about a movement in us. This desire to act on the impulses of the Holy Spirit should occupy us continuously.

Our Lord Jesus, as true Man, also experienced this impulse of the Holy Spirit, and we can read this in Luke 4:1, *Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness*. We see how Jesus recognized the direction of the Holy Spirit and was moved to action, even though this led Him into difficult days.

Now, what is the Holy Spirit leading us to do? We can find the answer in John 16:13:

However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

As the Chief Apostle reminded us in the Easter sermon, the Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth about Jesus Christ! We are prompted to spend time learning about Him, and the more we learn about Christ, the more we love Him, and the more we want to be with Him.

On His last day on earth, Jesus urged His disciples to **watch and pray** in expectation of His return, and this still applies to us today, during these difficult days. This past Sunday, we were reminded to **trust in God** as we *fall into the hands of the Lord*.

Brothers and sisters, I exhort you to let yourselves be moved from one truth to the other and let us ponder what the Spirit is prompting us to do in the days ahead.