

A person is standing in a dark space, illuminated by a vertical beam of light from above. The person is silhouetted against the light, and the light creates a bright, hazy column that tapers towards the top. The background is dark and textured.

THE GOSPEL OF  
**JOHN**

**The Light Shines  
in the Darkness**

CHAPTER 14:15-31

**“Our Closest Friend”**

## John 14

<sup>15</sup> “If you love me, obey my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. <sup>17</sup> He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn’t looking for him and doesn’t recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you.



## John 14

<sup>18</sup> No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you. <sup>19</sup> Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Since I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>

When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

## John 14

21 Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. And because they love me, my Father will love them. And I will love them and reveal myself to each of them.”



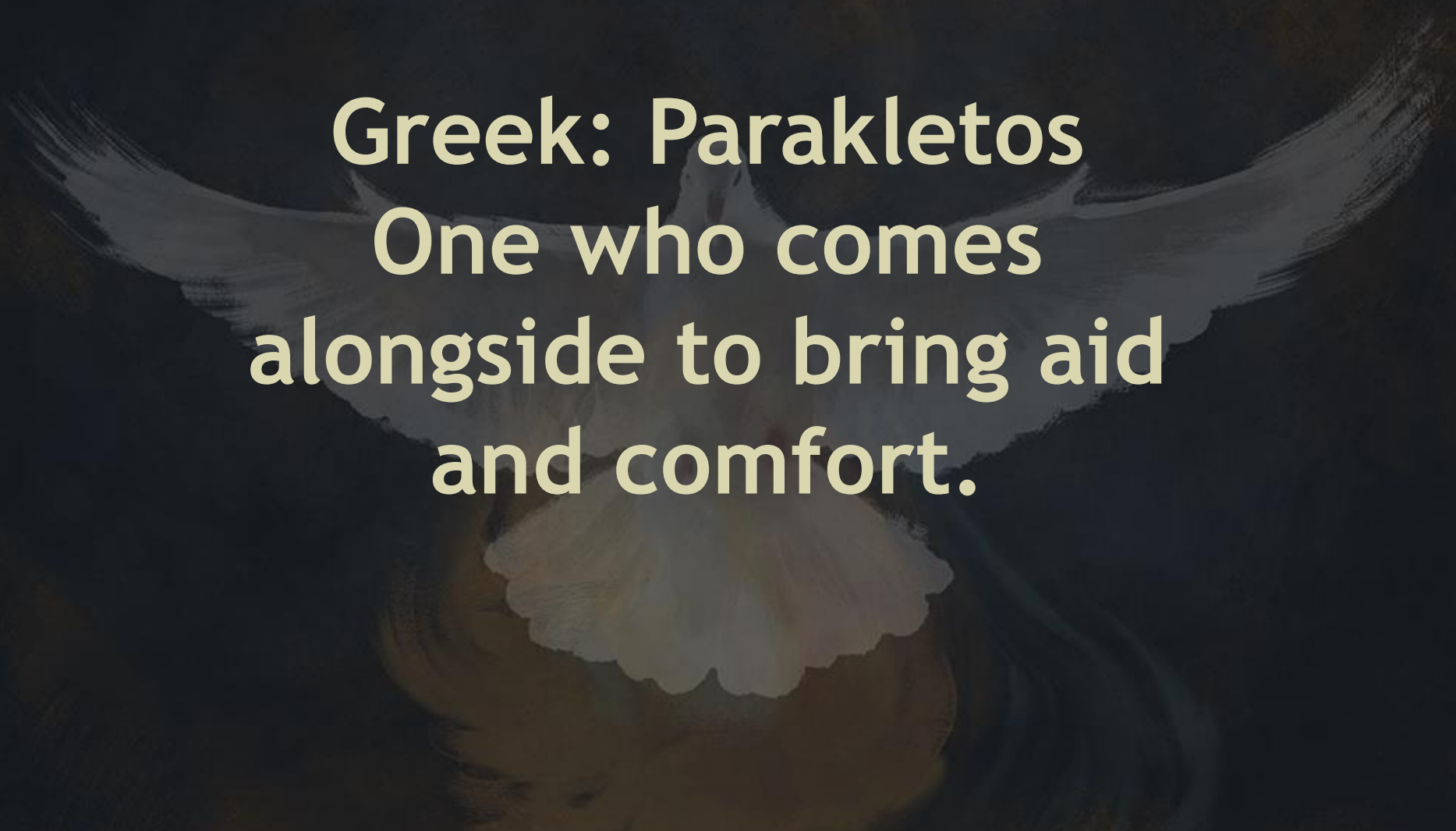
# The Holy Spirit



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**Greek: Parakletos**

**One who comes  
alongside to bring aid  
and comfort.**



Love is the basis for our  
relationship with God





## John 14

<sup>22</sup> Judas (not Judas Iscariot, but the other disciple with that name) said to him, “Lord, why are you going to reveal yourself only to us and not to the world at large?” <sup>23</sup> Jesus replied, “All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them.



## John 14

<sup>24</sup> Anyone who doesn't love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me. <sup>25</sup> I am telling you these things now while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.



**Our relationship with God produces  
direct, divine discovery**





## John 14

27 “I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid. 28 Remember what I told you: I am going away, but I will come back to you again. If you really loved me, you would be happy that I am going to the Father, who is greater than I am.

## John 14

<sup>29</sup> I have told you these things before they happen so that when they do happen, you will believe. <sup>30</sup> “I don’t have much more time to talk to you, because the ruler of this world approaches. He has no power over me, <sup>31</sup> but I will do what the Father requires of me, so that the world will know that I love the Father. Come, let’s be going.



**Our relationship with God  
empowers us with peace**





A person stands in a dark space, illuminated by a vertical beam of light that descends from the top of the frame. The person is positioned at the bottom of the beam, looking upwards. The background is a dark, textured surface, possibly a wall or a large object, with the light creating a strong contrast and highlighting the person's silhouette.

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