



DO NOT GRIEVE
THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Do Not Grieve God's Spirit

- **God's Spirit Will Not "Strive"**
 - **Genesis 6:1-3, 5-8, 12-13**
 - **Ephesians 4:17-24**



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■ Definition – Strive – Genesis 6

- Hebrew – *diyyn*
- “to judge, contend, plead”
- “to plead a cause”
- “to contend, strive”



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■ Ephesians 4:30

- Greek – *lypeo*
- “to make sorrowful”
- “to affect with sadness, cause grief, to throw into sorrow”
- “to offend”
- “to make uneasy”



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■ Definition - Grieve

- “to cause to suffer”
- “to feel or show grief over”
- “to submit a formal grievance concerning”



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■ As Christians, What is our Duty?

– Matthew 28:19-20

– John 6:44

– Romans 9:15-33



- God, the Father, has made it possible for us to draw close to Him through Jesus Christ.
- A person is lead to the church and is added to the church upon repentance, baptism, giving themselves wholly to the God Family and receiving the Holy Spirit.
- It the person's duty to conduct themselves in harmony with the leading of the Holy Spirit and the ways of God, the Father and Jesus Christ.

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■ A Record In Heaven

- Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30
 - II Corinthians 1:22
 - Romans 8:18-25
 - Revelation 14:1,3-5
- It appears that the Apostle Paul did not want his fellow believers to endanger their future spiritual fulfillment.



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■ Why Is It Important?

- Psalm 51:10-12
 - Revelation 2:10
 - John 3:30-36
 - Romans 5:8; 6:23
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- Grieving the Holy Spirit can be the first step to quenching and totally losing the influence of God, the Father, and Jesus Christ's active force in a Christian's life.
 - Consider the example of David, after his sin with Bathsheba.
 - Christians need God's Holy Spirit to maintain integrity to God and receive the gift of eternal life, through the faith of Jesus Christ's sacrifice, which was the ransom sacrifice.

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■ How Can A Christian Grieve God's Holy Spirit?

- Galatians 5:16, 25-26
- Ephesians 4:25-32



- Christians can avoid grieving God's Holy Spirit by walking and living by (direction) of the Spirit.
- We can grieve God's Holy Spirit to a degree by allowing ourselves to drift slowly toward conduct condemned by God's Word.


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- **How To Avoid Grieving God's Holy Spirit?**
 - **Be Truthful**
 - **Angry without Sin**
 - **Do Not Give Satan an Opportunity**
 - **Do Not Steal**
 - **Do Not Use Unwholesome Words**
 - **Rid Ourselves of Bitterness and Malice**
 - **Be Kind**



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■ Finally, Vigilance Is Needed

- II Peter 1:10-15
 - I Peter 5:8
 - Mark 13:33
 - Luke 21:36
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- God, the Father and Jesus Christ are willing and able to help us to avoid grieving, which leads to quenching the Holy Spirit.
 - We must pray and live a determined life to not grieve and quench God's Holy Spirit.