1. After we are born again, how does the Spirit continue his ministry to us? **In John 14:16 Jesus tells the disciples about the Holy Spirit, who is the helper who is called alongside to help us: the Paraclete.**
2. **He is another helper of the *same kind* as Jesus had.** It is to our advantage that Jesus went away so he could send us the same helper that Jesus had, the one who would ‘s dwell within us.
   1. **First the Holy Spirit comes to be our *teacher***. He comes to take the place of Jesus who was the disciples’ teacher.
      1. **He teaches us ‘*the deep things of God*.**’ He will teach about the fellowship and love the Father, Son and Spirit have with one another. The Spirit will actually help us know Jesus in ways we couldn’t have known him otherwise.
      2. **The Holy Spirit teaches us *the deep things of God’s grace*.** Through the Holy Spirit, we have intimate communion with the three persons of the Holy Trinity (**John 14:20)**. By the Holy Spirit, Christ comes and dwells in us. We know more of Jesus because, by the Spirit, he dwells in us. How does this happen? The Spirit bore witness to the disciples, and brought to their remembrance what Jesus had taught them. They were thus equipped to write the gospels and, thereby, the Spirit has the opportunity to teach ***us*** through the words of their testimony (**John 14:26 and 15:26**). The Holy Spirit gives Jesus’s teaching to the church through the testimony of the scriptures. The Spirit enables the Lord Jesus Christ to ‘get in our heads’ via his very words. **The Holy Spirit, through the words of Scripture, works from within us to illumine our understanding.**
   2. **The Holy Spirit also comes to be our *counselor***. He is the great ***explainer.*** **The counsel of the Father and Son come to us through the Spirit**. Jesus had been their counselor, but the Spirit (who knows Jesus intimately as His best friend, from his conception until his ascension) will become their counselor. **John 15:27:** the disciples will also be witnesses and advocates for Jesus to the world because *they* *had been with him from the beginning of his ministry*. The Holy Spirit is Jesus’s key witness to *us*, and we are witnesses with the Spirit to the *world*. The Spirit is both the defense attorney and prosecuting attorney.
   3. **The Holy Spirit is also a *home maker* preparing a place for the Father, Son, and Spirit to dwell.** He is like Jesus who prepared a place for ***us*** to dwell in his Father’s house (See John 14:18, 21, 23). **The Holy Spirit turns us from a trash heap into a palace for the Godhead to dwell in.**
3. In summary, the Spirit comes as the ***teacher*** through the words of scripture. The Spirit comes as the ***counselor*** to be with us. The Spirit comes as the ***home maker*** to transform us so that the Father and Son can come to dwell in us.