

SLIDE	NOTES
1	<p><b>TITLE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* We are now going to dive deeper into the 1st primacy issue (Metaphysics) by studying the Godhead and Holy Spirit</li> <li>* The following is a discussion of the Godhead and Holy Spirit as they relate to the Latter-day Saints perspective on the characteristics of the universe.</li> </ul>
2	<p><b>Quote:</b> Joseph Smith</p> <p><b>Quote:</b> Encyclopedia of Mormonism</p>
3	<p><b>Quote</b> Joseph Smith</p> <p>Everlasting covenant between 3 personages before the world was made...bound together in a "legal contract" (covenant) for their respective roles...In a lawful kingdom, everything is done via covenant.</p>
4	<p><b>Holy Ghost's Unique Role</b></p> <p><b>Anim1:</b> <b>Quote</b> D&amp;C 130:22...A spirit personage without a body.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Father and Son have a tangible body of flesh and bone (like man)...The Holy Ghost does not... D&amp;C 130:22 describes how the Holy Ghost is needed to do something the other two couldn't ...they couldn't do this because they have bodies. Satan doesn't have a body either so he can do this too.</li> </ul> <p><b>Anim2:</b> <b>Quote</b> Elder Heber C. Kimball...Holy Ghost is a male...Also a son of God the Father.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* God is the father of all of our spirits...Indicating a spiritual birth (of all of us, including Christ, including the Holy Ghost)</li> </ul> <p><b>Anim3:</b> <b>Quote</b> President Brigham Young...Holy Ghost's office in the priesthood is to administer truth.</p>
5	<p><b>Q: Is there a difference between the Holy Ghost and the Holy Spirit?</b></p>
6	<p><b>Quote</b> Joseph F. Smith</p> <p><b>Anim1:</b> <b>Quote</b> D&amp;C 131:7-8</p> <p>The Holy Ghost is a Divine Person</p> <p>The Holy Ghost is not the same as the Holy Spirit, the Light of Christ, or the lesser light.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* We need to know what the spirit is and how it works. It is crucial to our work here and for the rest of our lives.</li> <li>* God the Father is not the spirit.</li> <li>* Jesus Christ is not the spirit.</li> <li>* The person or individual man that we call the Holy Ghost is not the spirit.</li> <li>* The three of them are not collectively or individually the spirit.</li> <li>* <b>The Spirit isn't "someone", it is "something"</b></li> </ul>
7	<p><b>Quote</b> LDS.org Light of Christ...Goes by various names.</p>
8	<p><b>LIGHT OF CHRIST</b></p> <p><b>Quote</b> President John Taylor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Mental Light and Physical Light from the same source.</li> <li>* Any damnation of reason (mental light) is damnation of the light of Christ. Interesting that those who would undercut reason are using the light of Christ to argue against the light of Christ.</li> </ul> <p><b>Anim1:</b> <b>Quote</b> Elder Parley P. Pratt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Higher degrees of The Light of Christ offer intellectual light perceivable to our spiritual organs...which constitute reason in man.</li> </ul> <p><b>Anim2:</b> <b>Quote</b> D&amp;C 84:45-47</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* The thing; the spirit is light...A medium to transmit truth. A communication system that communicates truth to creatures of God. It enlightens understanding, and carries truth from its source to our minds.</li> </ul>

9	<p>Spirit is both matter and communication system, just like an information signal sent on physical fiber optics, or copper wire.</p> <p><b>Anim1: Quote</b> Elder John A Widstoe...Holy Spirit is a medium for transmitting messages.  <b>Anim2: Quote</b> Elder John A Widstoe...We worship the person in control, not the substance.</p> <p>* The spirit is a medium to transmit. A communication system that communicates truth to creatures of God. It enlightens understanding, and carries truth from its source to our minds.          * It is like the NSA on steroids...able to peer into everything in the universe.          * Life: We can create many things but not life. Righteous living is the key to using this power of the universe.          * Holy Spirit conveys intelligence. We don't worship the medium. We worship the organized being who controls the medium.</p>
10	<p>Armed with the understanding that the Holy Spirit is a substance and not a person, much doctrinal confusion around "being born of the spirit" and "baptism of fire" becomes clarified.</p> <p><b>Anim1: Quote</b> Elder Marion G. Romney...Statements don't always refer to the person, but the power.  <b>Q: What is the job of the Holy Ghost then if the Holy Spirit is everywhere and is the power?</b>  <b>A:</b> The Holy Ghost as a personage manages the issuing of spiritual refills/recharges to us.</p> <p><b>Anim2: Quote</b> D&amp;C 39:6 Baptized in water, Baptism by fire (both a physical substance)...Notice the critical conjunction AND between "baptism of fire" AND "The Holy Ghost."</p> <p><b>Anim3: Quote</b> John 3:3-7          Jesus tried to explain this to Nicodemus who didn't seem to get it when he made his nighttime visit to Jesus.</p>
11	<p>The Book of Mormon has some interesting commentary describing the baptism of fire that perhaps many Latter-day Saint readers pass over without understanding the significance. We are going to go through it, because it gives a good description of how the spirit works, that we will elaborate on more in a later module.</p> <p><b>Quote</b> Helaman 5:20-22: Nephi and Lehi about to be slain by the mob</p>
12	<p><b>Quote</b> Helaman 5:23: Encircled by the Holy Spirit as protection</p>
13	<p><b>Quote</b> Helaman 5:27-28; 42: Darkness falls on the mob...they panic at the loss and cry unto Christ.</p>
14	<p><b>Quote</b> Helaman 5:43: The mob also encircled by the Holy Spirit...enters their hearts and fills them with glory.</p>
15	<p><b>Quote</b> Helaman 5:49-50: More part of the Lamanites converted BECAUSE OF EVIDENCE.</p>
16	<p>Summary: Baptism of Fire...Immersed in Heavenly Element called the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>* Light of Christ Present for everyone.  <b>Anim1:</b> Holy Spirit (Light of Christ) increased for Nephi and Lehi, decreased for the murderous mob.          * Whenever God wants to contrast, he removes the Holy Spirit and lets people feel the darkness.          * The first vision.          * The Atonement...At the end, Christ went in momentary darkness. Christ lost the light of Christ.  <b>Anim2:</b> Murderous mob feel the loss, Holy Spirit returns upon crying out for it. Similar occurrence on the Day of Pentecost.  <b>Anim3:</b>  <b>Anim4:</b>          In the Eternalism Book we include Lorenzo Snow's account of his own Baptism of Fire in which he describes "It was a complete baptism—a tangible immersion in the heavenly principle or element, ... and even more real and physical in its effects upon every part of my system than the immersion of water"</p>
17	<p>Questions? Rating?</p>