

# The Holy Spirit

## ***The Holy Spirit in the Old Testament***

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters. *Genesis 1.1-2*

Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being. *Genesis 2.7*

The LORD said to Moses, 'See, I have called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, son of Hue, of the tribe of Judah: and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with ability and intelligence, with knowledge and all craftsmanship ... *Exodus 31.1-3*

And the LORD said to Moses, 'Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel ... and I will come down and talk with you there; and I will take some of the spirit which is upon you and put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you may not bear it yourself alone' ... Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him and took some of the spirit that was upon him and put it upon the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did so no more. Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested upon them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of Moses, one of his chosen men, said 'My lord Moses, forbid them.' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!' *Numbers 11.16-29*

The LORD raised up a deliverer for the people of Israel, who delivered them, Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother. The Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he judged Israel. *Judges 3.9-10*

When they came to Gibeah, behold, a band of prophets met him; and the spirit of God come mightily upon him, and he prophesied among them ... Therefore it became a proverb 'Is Saul also among the prophets?' *1 Samuel 10.10-12*

Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward ... Now the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD tormented him. *1 Samuel 16.13-14*

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you.' And Elisha said, 'I pray you, let me inherit a double share of your spirit' ... Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying 'Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?' And when he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other; and Elisha went over. Now when the sons of the prophets who were at Jericho saw him over against them, they said, 'The spirit of Elijah rests on Elisha.' *2 Kings 2.9-15*

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. *Isaiah 11.1-2*

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted. *Isaiah 61.1*

And when he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me upon my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. *Ezekiel 2.2*

I will give them a new heart, and put a new spirit within them; I will take the stony heart out of their flesh and give them a heart of flesh, that they may walk in my statutes and keep my ordinances and obey them; and they shall be my people and I will be their God. *Ezekiel 11.19-20*

Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great host. *Ezekiel 37.9-10*

And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even upon the menservants and maidservants in those days, I will pour out my spirit. *Joel 2.28-29*

## ***The Holy Spirit in the New Testament***

An angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, 'Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' *Matthew 1.20-21*

And Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I have no husband?' And the angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.' *Luke 1.34-35*

John preached, saying, 'After me comes he who is mightier than I ... I have baptised you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' *Mark 1.7-8*

When Jesus came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove ... The Spirit immediately drove him into the wilderness. *Mark 1.10-12.*

If it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the Kingdom of God has come upon you. *Matthew 12.28*

Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28.19*

Jesus answered, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' The wind blows where it will, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit.' *John 3.5-8*

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the father seeks to worship him. God is spirit and those who worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. *John 4 23-24*

I will pray the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor, to be with you for ever, even the Spirit of truth, who the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him; you know him, for he dwells with you, and will be in you. *John 14.16-17*

The counsellor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to remembrance all that I have said to you. *John 14.26*

When the Counsellor comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness to me; and you also are witnesses. *John 15.26-27*

If I do not go away, the Counsellor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convince the world of sin and of righteousness and of judgment. *John 1.7-8*

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. *John 17.13-14*

When he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' *John 20.22-23*

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. *Acts 2.1-4*

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit; for it had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. *Acts 8.14-17*

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza' ... And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught up Philip; and the eunuch saw him no more. *Acts 8 26-39*

While Peter was still saying this, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who came with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles. For they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then

Peter declared, 'Can any one forbid water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' *Acts 10.44-47*

When we cry 'Abba! Father!' it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God. *Romans 8.15-16*

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words. And he who searches the hearts of men knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. *Romans 8.26-27*

God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God ... no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is from God, that we might understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. *1 Corinthians 2.10-12*

No one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. *1 Corinthians 12.3*

There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one. To each is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. *1 Corinthians 12.4-7*

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. *Galatians 5.22-23*

By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit which confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, and every spirit which does not confess Jesus is not of God. *1 John 4.2-3*

The Spirit is the witness, because the Spirit is the truth. *1 John 5.7*

I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet. *Revelation 1.10*

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. *Revelation 2.7,11,17,29;3.6,13,22.*

The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come.' *Revelation 22.17.*