
“The POWER, Purpose and Presence of the Holy Spirit” Pt. 1

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Goals of this series:

- To gain better insight into the role and function of the Holy Spirit
- To learn how to apply the Holy Spirit in our DAILY walk with God

Pastor’s Opening Thoughts

- I believe the Holy Spirit is GENERALLY misunderstood by believers
- The Holy Spirit has often been connected to emotions
- The Holy Spirit is GENERALLY not viewed as a person like God or Jesus

Who is the Holy Spirit?

- The Holy Spirit is part of our “triune” God
- Our God is ONE (Deuteronomy 6:4)
- Our God “exists” or manifests Himself in 3 “persons”
- **You do NOT need to possess a physical body to be a “person”**
- **A person must possess intellect, emotion and will**
- **The Holy Spirit possesses all of those yet without a physical body**

Where is the Holy Spirit?

- The Holy Spirit is present in BOTH the earthly and spiritual realms
- **Genesis 1:1-2:** In the beginning God created the heavens and the Earth. Now the Earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.
- **Psalm 104:27-30:** All creatures look to You to give them their food at the proper time. **28** When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things. **29** When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath they die and return to the dust. **When you send your Spirit, they are created and you renew the face of the ground.**

Where is the Holy Spirit?

Summary:

- The Holy Spirit is ACTIVE at work in God’s creation
- The Holy Spirit brings LIFE to those He encounters
- **Key: We see this BEFORE Christ was born!**

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Key Verses: Exodus 31:1-5

Summary:

- **Context: Exodus 25-30:**
- **God gives Moses instructions to build a sanctuary**
- **Exodus 25:8-9: Then have them make a sanctuary for Me and I will dwell among them. 9 Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you**
- **After the Lord gave Moses detailed instructions, God sent Moses the people to do the work!**
- **Exodus 31:2-5: God filled Bazael with the HOLY SPIRIT! Gave him wisdom, understanding, knowledge and many skills to be a great artisan!**

Exodus 25-31: God's Pattern:

- **1. He sends the vision**
- **2. He expects OBEDIENCE to the vision**
- **3. He sends PRO-vision! Resources to EXECUTE the vision**
- **4. He EMPOWERS the PEOPLE He sends!**

Conclusion:

- **The Holy Spirit is a PERSON. Connect with Him on a PERSONAL level**
- **The Holy Spirit is ACTIVE in the physical and spiritual realms**
- **You need the Holy Spirit to accomplish WHATEVER God asks of you!**



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