

Sermon Series: The Holy Ghost...God here and now!

Sermon Title: The Holy Spirit in the Old Testament

Blurb: The Holy Spirit is God. He is the third part of the Trinity. He is a person, not an it. He is here with us today and wants you to experience Him and have a relationship with Him. Come meet the Holy Spirit of God.

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I want to introduce you to the Holy Spirit the way that God does and He doesn't introduce the Holy Spirit in Acts 2:1; He does it in Genesis 1: 2.

Mathematical formula for God:

- It is not $1 + 1 + 1 = 3$
- It is $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$

The Holy Spirit is the One that did the Anointing and the Appointing in the Old Testament.

I Samuel 10: 1-13 Then Samuel took a flask of olive oil and poured it over Saul's head. He kissed Saul and said, "I am doing this because the LORD has appointed you to be the ruler over Israel, his special possession. **2** When you leave me today, you will see two men beside Rachel's tomb at Zelzah, on the border of Benjamin. They will tell you that the donkeys have been found and that your father has stopped worrying about them and is now worried about you. He is asking, 'Have you seen my son?' **3** "When you get to the oak of Tabor, you will see three men coming toward you who are on their way to worship God at Bethel. One will be bringing three young goats, another will have three loaves of bread, and the third will be carrying a wineskin full of wine. **4** They will greet you and offer you two of the loaves, which you are to accept. **5** "When you arrive at Gibeah of God, where the garrison of the Philistines is located, you will meet a band of prophets coming down from the place of worship. They will be playing a harp, a tambourine, a flute, and a lyre, and they will be prophesying. **6** At that time the Spirit of the LORD will come powerfully upon you, and you will prophesy with them. You will be changed into a different person. **7** After these signs take place, do what must be done, for God is with you. **8** Then go down to Gilgal ahead of me. I will join you there to sacrifice burnt offerings and peace offerings. You must wait for seven days until I arrive and give you further instructions." **9** As Saul turned and started to leave, God gave him a new heart, and all Samuel's signs were fulfilled that day. **10** When Saul and his servant arrived at Gibeah, they saw a group of prophets coming toward them. Then the Spirit of God came powerfully upon Saul, and he, too, began to prophesy. **11** When those who knew Saul heard about it, they exclaimed, "What? Is even Saul a prophet? How did the

son of Kish become a prophet?" **12** And one of those standing there said, "Can anyone become a prophet, no matter who his father is?" So that is the origin of the saying "Is even Saul a prophet?" **13** When Saul had finished prophesying, he went up to the place of worship. NLT

1. POWER will come upon you

- Many people in the Old Testament had the power come upon them but it didn't change whom they were.
- **Luke 24: 49** Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." NKJV
- **Judges 3: 10** The Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he became Israel's judge. He went to war against King Cushan-rishathaim of Aram, and the LORD gave Othniel victory over him. NLT
- **Judges 6: 34** Then the Spirit of the LORD clothed Gideon with power. He blew a ram's horn as a call to arms, and the men of the clan of Abiezer came to him. NLT
- **Judges 11: 29** At that time the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he went throughout the land of Gilead and Manasseh, including Mizpah in Gilead, and from there he led an army against the Ammonites. NLT
- **Judges 14: 5-6** As Samson and his parents were going down to Timnah, a young lion suddenly attacked Samson near the vineyards of Timnah. **6** At that moment the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon him, and he ripped the lion's jaws apart with his bare hands. He did it as easily as if it were a young goat. But he didn't tell his father or mother about it. NLT
- **Judges 14: 19** Then the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon him. He went down to the town of Ashkelon, killed thirty men, took their belongings, and gave their clothing to the men who had solved his riddle. But Samson was furious about what had happened, and he went back home to live with his father and mother. NLT
- **The power was specific to a person, a purpose and a time. It was temporary, but foreshadowing of what God wanted to do.**
- **Saul sent troops to capture David and they ran into Samuel and they all began to prophecy. (I Samuel 19: 19)**

2. You will PROPHECY

- **II Peter 2: 21** for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. NKJV
- **Amos 3: 7** Surely the Lord God does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets. NKJV
- God begins a new work by SPEAKING it into existence.

- Prophecy involves participating with the Lord
3. You will be changed into another PERSON.
 - The indwelling of the Holy Spirit that comes at salvation and then the FILLING of the Holy Spirit will change you into another person.
 - Just because you WAS doesn't mean that you ARE!
 - Notice with Saul that his heart was changed when he TURNED not when He accomplished everything the Lord intended.

 4. You will find your PURPOSE.
 - Genesis 41: 38 – Joseph wisdom for 7 lean years
 - Exodus 31: 3 – Bezaleel gifted in workmanship (Gold, silver)
 - Numbers 24: 2 Balaam prophesied good over Israel
 - **Isaiah 61: 1** The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is upon me, for the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted and to proclaim that captives will be released and prisoners will be freed.

 5. The PRESENCE of the Lord will be with you.
 - **Exodus 33: 14** The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." **15** Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. **16** How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?" NIV

Scripture References in the Old Testament about the Holy Spirit:

Genesis 41:38

38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find such a one as this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is?

Exodus 28:3

3 And thou shalt speak unto all that are wise hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.

Exodus 31:3

3 And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship,

Exodus 35:21

21 And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the LORD'S offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.

Exodus 35:31

31 And he hath filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship;

Numbers 11:25-26

25 And the LORD came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and gave it unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and did not cease. **26** But there remained two of the men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them;

and they were of them that were written, but went not out unto the tabernacle:
and they prophesied in the camp.

Numbers 27:16

16 Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation,

Numbers 27:18

18 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit, and lay thine hand upon him;

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Judges 11:29

29 Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead, and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over unto the children of Ammon.

Judges 13:25

25 And the Spirit of the LORD began to move him at times in the camp of Dan between Zorah and Eshtaol.

Judges 14:6

6 And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done.

Judges 14:19

19 And the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and took their spoil, and gave change of garments unto them which expounded the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house.

Judges 15:14

14 And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands.

1 Samuel 10:6

6 And the Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into another man.

1 Samuel 10:10

10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them.

1 Samuel 11:6

6 And the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.

1 Samuel 16:13-16

13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah. **14** But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him. **15** And Saul's servants said unto him, Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubleth thee. **16** Let our lord now command thy servants, which are before thee, to seek out a man, who is a cunning player on an harp: and it shall come to pass, when the evil spirit from God is upon thee, that he shall play with his hand, and thou shalt be well.

1 Samuel 19:20

20 And Saul sent messengers to take David: and when they saw the company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as appointed over them, the Spirit of God was upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied.

1 Samuel 19:23

23 And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.

2 Chronicles 24:20

20 And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you.

Job 33:4

4 The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.

Psalms 51:10-11

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. **11** Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.

Isaiah 11:2

2 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 of the fear of the LORD;

Isaiah 42:1

1 Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

Isaiah 61:1

1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

Isaiah 61:3

3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

Ezekiel 2:2

2 And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me.

Ezekiel 3:12

12 Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying, Blessed be the glory of the LORD from his place.

Ezekiel 3:14

14 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

Ezekiel 11:1

1 Moreover the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD'S house, which looketh eastward: and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people.

Ezekiel 11:5

5 And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, every one of them.

Ezekiel 37:1

1 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones,

Psalms 33:6

6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

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