

# HOLY SPIRIT

## PURPOSE

Biblically define the Holy Spirit. Make clear how the Holy Spirit is still alive & active today.

## THE HOLY SPIRIT [HS] IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

**Genesis 1:2** What was the HS 's role in creation? Agent of Transformation

**Exodus 31:3** God decides to fill the Son of Hur with the H S .

**Judges 3:10, 6:34, 11:29** God gives all three the HS. They don't control it.

**Numbers 11:17** God partitions the HS from Moses to elders.

**1 Samuel 16:14** The HS departs from Saul [1 Samuel 15:26 Saul rejects God]

## THE HOLY SPIRIT [HS] BEFORE PENTECOST

### John 14:15-27

v.17 Why do you think the "S" in Spirit is capitalized ?

Proper Noun [person] "him "

He is one part of the Trinity: Father, Son, HS.

On Earth, Jesus has discretion to give HS

v.26 What is the role of the HS?

HS will "remind" (replace) Jesus & "will teach you

### SUMMARY:

The HS is an agent of transformation.

The HS = JESUS = GOD.

The HS teaches/convicts us.

The HS is NOT earned by us.

The HS is NOT controlled by us.

God gives & takes his HS.

[sometimes taken because of rejecting God]

## THE HOLY SPIRIT [HS] AFTER PENTECOST

*3 Biblical Manifestations of the HS Post-Pentecost*

### 1. IMMERSION

Immersion: When a group of people are blanketed/immersed in the HS.

### Acts 2:2-4, 2:33, 10:44

**FUNCTION?** Usher in Kingdom.

2 main stages: Jews [Acts2] then Gentiles [Acts10]

### DO WE HAVE CONTROL OVER IT?

No warning; not praying for it.

It's a promise, not a command [Acts 1:4-5]

### STILL EXIST TODAY?

No Biblical or early church record after 2 mass immersions of Acts 2 & 10.

Work of mass immersion was done after Jews/Gentiles entered Kingdom.

Apostles present in Immersions of Acts 2 & 10. No surviving apostles now.

## 2. INDWELLING

Indwelling: When the HS dwells inside an individual.

**Ephesians 2:22**

**1 Corinthians 3:16-17**

**Acts 2:38**

**FUNCTION?** Personal Salvation.

**DO WE HAVE CONTROL OVER IT?**

Command: Repent & be Baptized.

Pattern of Acts (Eunuch, Lydia, Jailer, Paul, etc.)

Different from Immersion: Acts 2 & 10 record water baptisms after HS.

**STILL EXIST TODAY?**

Yes. Acts 2:39 "will call" is a promise for the future.

[also 1 Peter 3:18-22 & 1 John 5:6-8]

## 3. INCREDIBLE

Gifted with supernatural powers through the HS. Also "miraculous gifts."

**Acts 2:43, 5:12, 6:8, 8:6, 8:13, 14:3, 15:12**

**FUNCTION?** Confirm the Word.

**DO WE HAVE CONTROL OVER IT?**

Not over gaining/giving it... only over executing it. Not commanded.

**STILL EXIST TODAY?**

No, not in the same way. GOD can do incredible miracles any time, any place & through anyone, but that is His choice, not ours.

### Transfer of the Incredible Gift of the HS:

Jesus > Apostles > Others [Laying on of hands]

**Acts 8:18** Apostles > Philip [stopped there]

**2 Timothy 1:6** Paul > Timothy [stopped there]



No more Apostles. **Ephesians 2:20** [past tense, already built].

No need for function. We have the Bible. **1 Corinthians 13:8**.

Potential abuse of power: **1 Corinthians 14**.

Healing gift fades: **Philippians 2:27** Almost dies. **1 Timothy 5:23** Health issue.

## **CONCLUDING QUESTIONS & CHALLENGE**

Do you have the Holy Spirit? Why or why not?

### **Galatians 5:19-23**

Just like sins are obvious, the fruits of the HS are obvious.

Identify which 1 of the 9 you are weakest in & which you are strongest in.

How can you serve someone else with your strength?

How can you work on your weakness?