

Are you a spiritual person? Series (2)

Holy Spirit in the Old Testament, Genesis 1:1-2, John 1:1-2, Ezekiel 37

Prayer: God, I want to be a spirit-filled person. I want to see with spiritual eyes, listen to the spirit of truth, and respond by being guided in all things by the Holy Spirit.

Where is the Spirit of God in the Old Testament?

*In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep (abyss). And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters (abyss). **Genesis 1:1-2***

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. **John 1:1-2***

What were God and the Word (Jesus) doing? Creating. *All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. **John 1:3***

The Holy Spirit was with God in the very beginning.

Father, Son & Spirit were present at creation. *The Spirit of God was hovering over the deep.*

A key work of the Holy Spirit is to set things in order. Creation brought order out of chaos. *God is not a God of confusion, but of peace. **1 Cor. 14:33***

The Holy Spirit is the very presence of God with us.

The Holy Spirit is the 3rd person of the Trinity. **Not an “it.” Pronouns matter.** He is with God, He is God, and He is the presence of God with us. He is not an impersonal force.

The same Spirit involved in creation is the presence of God with us today. The primary difference is in the indwelling of the Spirit. In the OT, the Spirit came upon Joshua, David, & Samuel, but in the NT, there is an indwelling of the Spirit in every believer.

The Holy Spirit is the very breath of life.

In Ezekiel 37:1-14, *The Spirit of the LORD led Ezekiel to a valley full of dry bones through a vision and asked, “Can these bones live?” Ezekiel prophesied to the bones, and they began to come to life. How? By the breath of the Spirit. They became a mighty army.*

*I will give you a new heart and a new spirit. **Ezekiel 36:26** The Spirit of God is the spiritual breath of life.*

The God of creation, wonderful and mighty has given His Spirit to dwell in us. The Holy Spirit is His very presence with us. He is our peace, power, and purpose for living.

Raise the sail – let the wind of the Spirit fill your sail... God, let Your Spirit fill my life. Help me to be Your light, presence, and hope in a lost world. Help me to daily “breathe” the Spirit of life.