

Lesson 10 – The person of the Holy Spirit

MEMORY VERSE: “ And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.” Genesis 1:2.

BIBLE PASSAGE: Exodus 31:1-5.

INTRODUCTION

God is Spirit John 4:24 and He operates through the various manifestations of His Spirit at work Genesis 1:2. The Spirit of God is linked with creation at every level Psalm 104:30. At Jesus’ baptism, the Spirit of God descended as a dove upon Him Matthew 3:16. God’s Spirit is active in the work of redemption, restoration and deliverance of God’s people Isaiah 32:14-17. This lesson shall examine God’s divine nature how the Holy Spirit empowers.

OUTLINE

1. DIVINE EMPOWERMENT

2. THE DIVINE SPIRIT

1. DIVINE EMPOWERMENT

The Spirit of God is not only known for His creative ability, but He is also an empowering Spirit Joel 2:28-29. He is called different names in the Holy Scriptures such as the Holy Spirit/Ghost Acts 1:8, Spirit of holiness Romans 1:4, the Anointing 1 John 2:27, etc.

There are several instances in the Bible where certain individuals were empowered by the Spirit of God. These include:

Joseph: He was empowered with creative leadership and problem- solving skills as well as the gift of administration by the Spirit of God Genesis 41:37-41.

Bezaleel: The Spirit of God equipped him with wisdom, understanding, knowledge, and all manner of skills Exodus 31:3-5

Ezekiel: The Spirit of God inspired him to see the invisible (what natural eyes cannot see) Ezekiel 11:24; 37:1; 43:5.

Peter: On receiving the baptism of the Spirit of God, He preached a single sermon, and 3,000 souls were saved and added to the Church Act 2:41.

Paul: He preached the gospel with mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God Romans 15:19.

Philip: He was supernaturally transported to Azotus by the Spirit of the Lord after he ministered to the Ethiopian Eunuch Acts 8:39-40.

The Spirit of God also helped Othniel to prevail against the Mesopotamian king, Cushan-Rishathaim Judges 3:10; Jephthah to overthrow the Ammonites Judges 11:29, 32; and Samson to deal with the Philistines Judges 15:14-15

2. THE DIVINE SPIRIT

There are certain attributes accorded the Spirit of God. These include:

1. **Creativity** – the creative ability of God is released to people through His Spirit Exodus 35:30-35.
2. **Inspiration** – The Spirit inspires and gives people understanding Job 32:8; Daniel 4:8-9.
3. **Authority** – He is in total control of all situations and has the final say Ezekiel 37:14. God acts as a defence for the elect Isaiah 59:19
4. **Omniscience** – He is all-knowing and possesses all secrets Psalm 139:7
5. **Omnipotence** – He is all powerful and can facilitate what human power could not Zechariah 4:6.

The Spirit of God possesses emotion and can be grieved Ephesians 4:30. It is however dangerous to be a victim of His anger Isaiah 63:10.

CONCLUSION

There is no limit to what the Spirit of God can do. Allow Him to take full control of your life